

ST BERNARD'S PARISH BULLETIN

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

17th April 2011



Today Sunday 17 th	10.00am & 6.00pm	Mass
Monday 18 th	9.00am	Eucharistic Service
Tuesday 19 th	10.00am	Requiem Mass Patrick Breheny RIP
	6.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions
	7.00pm	Mass followed by Confessions
Wednesday 20 th	9.00am	Mass

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

FOR HOLY WEEK SERVICE TIMES PLEASE SEE THE EASTER CARD

Please note that as Sacraments are not celebrated by the Church from The Mass of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday until the Mass of the Easter Vigil, there will not be Mass or Confessions on Saturday morning. After the celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday and on Holy Saturday the Church is, as it were, at the Lord's tomb, meditating on his Passion and death, awaiting prayerfully in the great silence, his Resurrection. The Easter Vigil, during the holy night when Christ rose from the dead, is the Church keeping watch and celebrating anew the resurrection of the Lord in the Sacraments.

Please note that on Easter Sunday there is no Evening Mass at 6.00pm.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today like the people of Jerusalem we wave palm branches and cry "Hosanna!" because here is the one who models for us the mystery of life; dying to self so that we may be raised to new life. In two Gospel readings today, one at the start of Mass and the reading of the Passion, we move from exaltation to abandonment. However the Christian mystery moves from abandonment to exaltation, God sent his Son to save us, so that we might not die but raise us up to live with him forever. This week we celebrate in pointed liturgies the whole meaning of our Christian life: that Jesus did not cling to equality with God, but emptied himself accepting death on a cross, he would rise again and we share in that new life.

Fr. Steven

TODAY

One of our parishioners is taking part in the 'SHINE MANCHESTER 2011' overnight marathon raising money for cancer research UK in memory of Fr Keane as the First Anniversary of his death approaches. A sponsor form is at the back of church today for anyone wishing to support the fundraising.

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

GOOD FRIDAY - Churches Together in Burnage - Silent Walk of Witness begins at 12 Noon from St. Bernard's and returns here to conclude with a short service.

YOUNG AT HEART - Parish Hall Mondays 1.00pm -3.00pm.

LEGION OF MARY - Parish Hall Tuesdays 7.45pm.

DIVINE MERCY MEETINGS - Sacristy Thursday 7.30pm.

To mark the 20th anniversary of the founding of our St Bernard **CAFOD** Group four of us are doing **The Walk in Heaton Park** on Sun 8 May . This will help fund a **clinic in Africa** (if you watched ComicRelief you will know how great is the need). Please pray for a fine day! All sponsorship gratefully received - full details in the porch. Many Thanks.

SUNDAY 15TH MAY IS THE PLANT SALE - Please start taking and potting those cuttings and seeds.

WALSINGHAM, England's National Shrine - Year of Jubilee 2011, celebrating the 950th Anniversary of the Foundation of Our Lady's Shrine and Our Lady's Apparition to Richeldis in 1061. Why not join us on the **Diocesan Pilgrimage on 7th May**. Price £20. Please contact Mrs Pat Jones 431 0759.

ST. BERNARD'S 70TH ANNIVERSARY: CONCERT - as part of our thanksgiving and celebrations to mark the 70th Anniversary of the foundation of St. Bernard's parish, Manchester Chorale will join us for a celebratory concert on Saturday 21st May at 7.30pm. This marks the beginning of the week of the anniversary. Tickets are £5 and available after Mass on Sundays or from Ann on 0161 442 5259.

ANNIVERSARY MASS - a thanksgiving Mass will be celebrated on Friday 27th May at 7.30pm, the 70th anniversary weekend of the parish.

DAY OUT TO LIVERPOOL, SATURDAY 11TH JUNE Early notice because all our days out have been a great success - book early. Cathedrals - shopping at Liverpool 1 . Eat on the Waterfront.

OTHER NOTICES

LENTEN SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION - at St. Mary's Levenshulme on Tuesday 19th April at 7.30pm.

Thank you

And for donations of £50, £50, £20 and a donation from the Mums' and Toddlers' Group, towards the decoration of the Church.

BAPTISM - Please make initial enquiry to Fr. Steven following any Sunday Mass.

PARISH MINISTRIES GROUPS						Signed Mass cards can be obtained from Bridie Close, 44 Shawbrook Rd, during the week or on Sundays from the Bookstall (back of church), or the Piety Stall (parish hall). Items for the Bulletin can be left at the Presbytery or email anniteresa@hotmail.com by Thursday midday for inclusion the following Sunday
		Offertory	Eucharistic Ministers Sunday morning	Counting	Tea and Coffee	
This week	17/04/11	6	4	7	7	
Next week	24/04/11	7	5	1	1	
		Eucharistic Ministers Sunday evening	Eucharistic Ministers weekdays	Cleaning	Eucharistic Ministers Tuesday evening	
This week	17/04/11	1a	2	3	2	
Next week	24/04/11	2a	3	4	3	