

ST BERNARD'S PARISH BULLETIN

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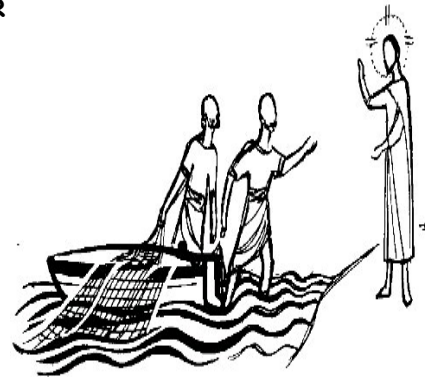
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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

23rd January 2011



Today Sunday 23 rd	10.00am & 6.00pm	Mass
Monday 24 th	9.00am	Mass
Tuesday 25 th	10.00am	Requiem Mass Bessie Moores RIP
Wednesday 26 th	9.00am	Eucharistic Service
Thursday 27 th	9.00am	School Mass
Friday 28 th	9.00am	Mass
Saturday 29 th	11.00am -12 Noon	Sacrament of Reconciliation and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	12 Noon	Mass

GOSPEL REFLECTION

In today's Gospel Jesus begins his public ministry issuing a twofold call: "Repent," and "Come after me." This tells us that both repentance and following Jesus are ways to walk in the light that reveals the kingdom of heaven is at hand. The kingdom of heaven is neither an earthly realm nor a distant place. The kingdom of heaven is present and made real in our response to Jesus' call.

The call of Simon Peter and Andrew, James and John is so striking because of the abruptness with which it all happens. No discussion or hesitation or argument. Not even a word to Zebedee, the father of James and John who is left alone in the boat.

All this takes place, St. Matthew tells us in the land of Zebulun and Naphtali on the far side of the Jordan. This land was the first part of Israel that was conquered by the Babylonians and they always felt that the Lord had forsaken them. The people who felt that God had abandoned them in the past were the first to hear his voice in Jesus. Let's pray that we too hear his voice in Jesus and respond to the call.

Fr. Steven

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

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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UNTOLD STORIES - WEDNESDAY 26th JANUARY As part of the Diocese marking Holocaust Memorial Day the Department for Evangelisation with the Manchester Council of Christians and Jews is hosting an evening when Jack a child survivor of the Holocaust will tell his story. Please see details at the back of church or go the Diocese of Salford Website.

THE ST. PIO PRAYER GROUP will meet at 8.00pm o'clock on **WEDNESDAY 26th JANUARY** at 14, Astor Road, Burnage. Everyone is welcome.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE 2011 - Led by Fr Steven. An opportunity to walk in the footsteps of the Lord and his disciples. 8 days by air from Manchester 1st - 8th September. For further information contact Ann Tipper on 442 5259.

OTHER NOTICES



Thanks for a donation from the Mums and Toddler's group and two other separate donations of £50 and £30 towards the redecoration of the Church

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

WEDDINGS - please see Fr. Steven. The diocese asks that six months notice is given when preparing for this Sacrament.

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	23/01/11	6	4	2	2	
Next week	30/01/11	7	5	3	3	
		Eucharistic Ministers Sunday evening	Eucharistic Ministers weekdays	Cleaning	Eucharistic Ministers Tuesday evening	
This week	23/01/11	1a	5	3	5	
Next week	30/01/11	2a	1	4	1	