



## ST. BERNARD'S PARISH BULLETIN

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**TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

### REFLECTION

"What is your opinion?" Jesus asks the Chief Priests and the elders, not to elicit information but to challenge them to do what they say they believe. No matter what we say, the real issue is what we do, as with the two sons in the Gospel. Any change of mind we have, must be about turning ourselves from mere talk to doing God's will. This is the "way of righteousness" and how we bring about and enter the kingdom of God.

Fr. Steven

### THIS WEEK IN CHURCH

Today	25 <sup>th</sup> September	10.00am 6.00pm	Mass Mass
Monday	26 <sup>th</sup> September	9.00am	Eucharistic Service
Tuesday	27 <sup>th</sup> September	6.00pm 7.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Mass (St. Vincent De Paul)
Wednesday	28 <sup>th</sup> September	9.00am	Mass
Thursday	29 <sup>th</sup> September	9.00am	School Mass (Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael Archangels)
Friday	30 <sup>th</sup> September	9.00am	Mass (St. Jerome)
Saturday	1 <sup>st</sup> October	11.00am 12 noon	Sacrament of Reconciliation and Exposition Mass (St. Teresa of the Child Jesus)

Website:

<http://stbernards-burnage.homeip.net>

## **REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS**

**YOUNG AT HEART** - Parish Hall - Mondays - 1.00pm to 3.00pm

**LEGION OF MARY** - Parish Hall - Tuesdays - 7.45pm

**DIVINE MERCY** - Sacristy - Thursdays - 7.30pm

## **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

**RCIA/Journey in Faith:** For those interested in becoming Catholic or finding out more about the Catholic Faith. An introductory meeting in the Presbytery on 28<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm.

**CAFOD:** Our **Harvest Fast Weekend** begins with 12 noon **Mass next Sat 1st Oct** followed by a **LiveSimply lunch. Tombola & Fairtrade Raffle** plus **books, bricabrac** & (we hope) a short film. Events continue after **Mass on Sunday** when the **FastDay Envelopes** will be given out. Thank you for your support.

**PROCESSION IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY - SATURDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER,**  
This event normally takes place in December to coincide with the Feast of the Immaculate Conception as well as the anniversary of the Christian Life Movement but due to inclement weather it has now been moved to the date given above. The procession will depart at 11.00am from St. Edward's and then arrive in Platt Fields.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS** - There will be a meeting for all Eucharistic Ministers on **WEDNESDAY 5 OCTOBER** at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

**CANDLELIGHT PRAYER VIGIL WITH OUR LADY - FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**  
**8.00pm - 9.00pm** - You are invited to pray with Our Lady in the calm atmosphere of candlelight; take this opportunity to pray for our parish community and for your own special intentions.

**CATHOLIC FAMILY CARE** (formerly Catholic Needlework Guild) - Annual Donations for Catholic Family Care are due and will be collected by our representatives Eileen and Liam McMahon in the next couple of weeks. The **AGM** and Annual Mass will take place on **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October** in the Lourdes Room, St Bernadette's, Whitefield, preceded by **Mass** at 2.00pm.

**EVENINGS WITH FR. HENRY WANSBROUGH OSB** - Second of two evenings  
- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October, "The Eucharist in Scripture." St. Gabriel's High  
School Bury 7.30pm-9.30pm. Booking forms on the notice board at the back of  
Church or via the Diocesan website [www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/](http://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/)

**PARISH DAY OF RECOLLECTION** - on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November at the Marist  
Centre on Nell Lane 9.45am - 3.30pm. Quiet time and some input and reflection.  
Suggested donation £3. If you would like to attend please post an envelope  
containing your donation, with your name and contact details written on it  
through the Presbytery letterbox.

**A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - 3rd DECEMBER THE CHRISTMAS FAIR.**  
Watch this space for further information regarding the Christmas Fair

**FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION** - A five day four night  
pilgrimage to Lourdes led by Fr. Steven, 5<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> December 2011, staying at the  
3★Hotel St George - full board. Price £389, not including luggage. Contact Fr.  
Steven for booking forms. £150 deposit with full details of passport, the  
balance is due by the end of October

**TRIP TO THE PANTO - ARE YOU COMING?** Jack and the Beanstalk - 17<sup>th</sup>  
December at Stockport Plaza, seats in the Stalls and Coach £12.75. Deposit  
£8. List open at the back of church.

## **OTHER NOTICES**

**PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME** - Preparation for the Sacraments of  
Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion will begin again in  
October. Any parents with a child of Year 3 age, not in St. Bernard's School,  
please see Fr. Steven as soon as possible.

**FRIDAY FASTING AND ABSTINENCE** -The Bishops are calling us to  
reinstate Friday as a day of fasting and abstinence, to identify with the Lord's  
offering on the cross, in solidarity with those in need and to deepen our Catholic  
identity. For most of us this means refraining from eating meat, those who do  
not eat meat as part of their diet could make their witness by abstaining from  
some other food.

**BAPTISM** - Please make initial enquiry to Fr. Steven following any Sunday Mass. A Baptismal Certificate of one of the parents requesting Baptism for their child is now required.

**MARRIAGE** - Six months notice is required, one of the couple being a baptised Catholic resident in the Parish.

**HOSPITAL CHAPLAINS** - Catholics admitted to hospital should let the hospital chaplain know they are there.

**Manchester Royal Infirmary** - Fr. D. Egan tel: 276 4247 (MRI) and 224 1895 (home). **The Christie** - Fr. M. O'Brien - tel: 446 3097

**Wythenshawe Hospital** - Fr K. Brigham and Sr. Bernadette - tel: 291 2297.

Alternatively ask the ward staff to inform the Chaplain.

#### MASS READERS FOR OCTOBER

Time	Reader One	Reader Two	Prayers
10.00am	George Hughes	Audrey King	Tony Black
6.00pm	Andrew Smith	John Press	Shelagh Bridge

If unavailable please contact Tony Black

#### PARISH MINISTRIES GROUPS

		Offertory	Eucharistic Ministers Sunday 10.00am	Counting	Tea /Coffee
This week	25 <sup>th</sup> September	5	3	2	1
Next week	2 October	6	4	3	2
		Eucharistic Ministers Sunday 6.00pm	Eucharistic Ministers Weekdays	Cleaning	Eucharistic Ministers Tuesday 7pm
This week	25 <sup>th</sup> September	3a	5	2	5
Next week	2 <sup>nd</sup> October	1a	6	3	1

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 emailed to [annieteresa@hotmail.com](mailto:annieteresa@hotmail.com) by Thursday for inclusion the following Sunday.