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Tony Black	Jed	Tony Black	Shelagh	Clare Clegg	Christine
	Froggatt		Bridge		Kelly
Stephen	Rita	Dominic	John Press	Bride	Imelda
Bourke	Froggatt	Richmond		Close	Dean
Kathleen	Ann Kiernan	Liam	Lainet Pinto	Counting	
Clarke		McMahon		Team	
Imelda Dean	Little	Tea &		Bridie Close	
	Church	Coffee			
Margaret	Mary &	Dympna	10am	Brigid Flatley	
Mining	Sandra	Dumpleton	Offertory		
Christina		M Seamark	Volunteers	Denis	Cleaning
White			please	Keyworth	team
Olive Hogan		Clare Clegg		Angela	End of
				Keyworth	month
				Pat Kemp	

FAMILY FLOWERS: Thank you for the continued gifts of flowers for the Church. **flower** list at the back of Church Thank you.

Last week's Offerings to the Parish: Total £557.35 Thank you

HOLY LAND meeting for all who booked their flight on Monday 29^{th} September in the Parish Hall at 7pm

It's Pantomime time: Cinderella at the Stockport Plaza, Friday 19^{th} December coach & ticket £14. List now open at the back of Church. Only 100 tickets this year!!!!!

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Items for the Bulletin can be left at the Presbytery or emailed to michaelkujacz@hotmail.com by Wednesday evening as the Newsletter for inclusion the following Sunday is usually published Friday Morning.

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).

ST. BERNARD'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

25th Sunday of Ordinary Time Sunday 21st September 2014

Home Mission Sunday

Evangelisation 'In the heart of the family.

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25th Sunday MASS 7/ Creed 11; Sunday P. 131 Eucharistic Prayer 2 (p24) Hymns; 290, 362, 475, 620



In a recent homily Pope Francis reflected on the Gospel passage that recounts the dialogue between Jesus and Nicodemus, who did not immediately grasp how a man can be "born again". Through the Holy Spirit, the Pope said, we are born into the new life which we have received in Baptism." However, Pope Francis added, it is a life that has to be developed, it does not come automatically. We have to do all we can to ensure that our life develops into new life", which may be "a laborious journey" but one that "depends chiefly on the Holy Spirit" as well as our ability to be "open to his breath".

And this, the Pope pointed out, is exactly what happened to the early Christians. They had "new life", which was expressed in their living with one heart and one soul. They had, he said, "that unity, that unanimity, that harmony of feeling of love, mutual love ". A dimension that needs to be rediscovered. He noted that today, for example, the aspect of "meekness in the community," is a somewhat 'forgotten virtue'. Meekness is stigmatized, it has "many enemies", the first of which is gossip.

Pope Francis further developed this reflection. "When we prefer to gossip, gossip about others, criticize others- these are everyday things that happen to everyone, including me - these are the temptations of the evil one who does not want the Spirit to come to us and bring about peace and meekness in the Christian community". "These struggles always exist" in the parish, in the family, in the neighborhood, among friends". Instead through the Spirit we are born into a new life, he makes us "meek, charitable."

The Holy Father then outlined the correct behaviour for a Christian. First, "do not judge anyone" because "the only Judge is the Lord." Then "keep quiet" and if you have something to say, say it to the interested parties, to those "who can remedy the situation," but "not to the entire neighborhood." "If, by the grace of the Holy Spirit - concluded Pope Francis - we succeed in never gossiping, it will be a great step forward" and "will do us all good". God Bless mjk

Pope Francis tweet; Jesus is the Good Shepherd. He seeks us out and he stays near us even though we are sinners, indeed because we are sinners.

2014 Year of Our Parish



THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS [September]

Universal: That the mentally disabled may receive the love and help they need for a dignified life.

For Evangelization: That Christians, inspired by the Word of God, may serve the poor and suffering

25th Sunday 21st September Mass of Sunday 10am Mass **Evening Mass** 6-00pm Monday 22nd September Mass of the day 9-30am Mass 23rd September Tuesday Exposition St. Pius of 6pm 7pm Pietrelcina Mass Wednesday 24th September Our Lady of 9-30am Mass Walsingham Thursday 25th Mass of the day 9-30am Mass September 26th September Requiem Friday Ss. Cosmas & 10am Mass for Damian Vincent Kane RIP Saturday 27th Exposition & St. Vincent de 11- 12noon September Paul Confessions 12 Noon Mass 26th Sunday 28th September Mass of Sunday 10am Mass Evening Mass 6-00pm

- + I offer our prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of Vincent Kane who has died: may the Lord welcome him into the Kingdom. +
- + Prayers and Sympathy to the family of Mary Duffy who will be received into St Bernard's on Sunday 28^{th} September and Requiem on Monday, 29^{th} September at 10am

Masses received this week: Cissie Corrigan, Eileen & Liam McMahon Int, Special Intentions, John Cross, Jimmy Moran, Patrick Doherty, Debbie Griffin, Dr. Michael Flatley Special Intention, Fr. John Ahern and May & Gerry Norton.

Sick; please commend to your prayers the sick and housebound of the Parish especially, Daniel, Martin, Debbie Griffin, Louis Kitt, John Thompson, Tony Moores, Pat Jones, Leanne Todd, Tony Masterson, Michael Doyle, Eileen McMahon, Bob Cook, Jacob Bannister, Eddie & Olive Hogan, Janet Roberts, Kathleen Curley, Simon Kelly, Fr. Michael Hoare, Mary & John Featherstone, John Doona, Hilary Addyman, Margaret Keable, Ruth Sivori, Pat Preston, Clare Bainbridge, Breda Gallagher, Dr Sean Doohan, Sheila MacCrimmon, Carolyn Smith, Pat Reid, Simon McDermott, Julie Ann Keeney, Stephen Gatley, Kath Rafter, Margaret Keable, Constance Murphy, Maria Baker, Denny McGuigan, Betty Foster, Steven Moorhouse, Alan O'Donnell, Dorothy Hampsey,

Michael Flatley, Martin & Michael Rock, Louis Kerr, Mary Whieldon, Delia Connelly and Colin Pearson.

The Sacrament of Baptism: Pick up yours forms after Mass and return them to the presbytery: our next Baptism meeting is on Tuesday 7^{th} October in the Presbytery.



Our Lady's Lamp burns this week in memory of Nora Breslin: Thank you. There is a list at the back of the Church if you would like to be involved on any particular week. Suggested offering $\pounds 5$

Mission (Red Boxes) Collectors books are now ready for picking up in the Parish Hall. Thank you.



DROP IN THURSDAY after Mass in the Parish Hall open till 3pm, Good conversation, games, newspapers, constant tea and coffee, and toast. Homemade soup and bread and homemade treats at 12-



30pm, lovely warm atmosphere: don't be shy come and join our regulars become one yourself! This event is for all our Parishioners and members of our local community why not pop in and show your support?

TODDLERS GROUP. The group has now re-opened. 9.30am --11.30am every Tuesday; Further enquiries to Anne 431 7212.

Our Monday Club, "young at heart" is open once more and always delighted to have new people from the Parish and our local community.

Today (Sunday 21st September) toast on sale in the Parish Hall after 10am Mass, proceeds to support our young people to go on pilgrimage.

Little Sisters of the Poor - raffle tickets on sale today to support them.

QUIZ NIGHT FRIDAY 26th SEPTEMBER IN PARISH HALL: All places are now sold.

Please remember to let us have your team name if you not already done so. Doors open 7.00pm and the quiz starts at 7.30pm prompt. Refreshments are available in what promises to be an enjoyable evening.

CAKE SALE next Sunday in the Parish Hall - all donations gratefully received!

CHRISTMAS FAIR SATURDAY 29th NOVEMBER. This year as well as our usual stalls and raffles we will be having a Tea Shoppe in one of the school rooms and to make it extra special we would like to serve tea in china cups and this where we need your help please! Have you any china cups and saucers that were once part of a set that you now no longer use? If so we would welcome them and put them to good use. A box will be available at the back of church from next week for any you may have. Thank you for the help you have given us over the years without you we would not have a Christmas Fair.

Annual Marian Procession 2014

The Marian Procession will be on Saturday 4th October 2014, starting at St Edward's Church at 10.30am. Save the date! Bishop Brain will join us. Volunteers to carry the Cross and the statue of Our Lady are welcome to this honourable role, as are the marshals and first aiders. There will be a Marian Day of Recollection for all volunteers (carriers, marshals, first aiders, etc) on Sunday 14th September at 3pm at St Edward's Church in Rusholme, as part of our preparation for the Marian Procession. For more information please contact us at 0161 8172222 (Ext.245) or email us to marianprocession@gmail.com