

ST BERNARD'S PARISH BULLETIN

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Parish Priest - Fr Steven Parkinson

NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 6th MARCH 2011

Today Sunday 6 th	10.00am & 6.00pm	Mass
Monday 7 th	9.00am	Eucharistic Service
Tuesday 8 th	6.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	7.00pm	Mass
Wednesday 9 th	Ash Wednesday Day of Fasting and Abstinence	
	9.30am	School Mass
	7.00pm	Mass
Thursday 10 th	9.00am	Mass
Friday 11 th	6.30am	Mass
Saturday 12 th	11.00am - 12 Noon	Sacrament of Reconciliation and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	12.00 Noon	Mass

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Our season of Lent begins in the darkness of ashes on Wednesday and ends in glory of the light of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday. It is a time to reconnect with the foundations of our faith and to rebuild our lives on the solid ground of the Truth of our faith. We examine again as the person we are in the circumstances of our lives this year, how well we are living our faith in the Lord. The ashes on our foreheads remind us that time is short, a reality we face with hope and courage, rooted in God's mercy. At the heart of Lent is prayer, fasting and alms-giving, recognising that there is an emptiness in us that only God can fill and that true joy is in answering the call that the Lord makes to each one of us to come back to him with all our hearts.

Fr. Steven

TODAY

New boxes of Offertory Envelopes are ready for collection at the back of church.

APF and Mill Hill Missions (Red Boxes) are now ready for picking up in the Parish Hall.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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.

S T B E R N A R D ' S P A R I S H B U L L E T I N

PARISH MEETING - an open meeting at 7.30pm in the parish hall, Tuesday 8th March to reflect on the on-going life of the parish. All welcome.

CAFOD LENT WEEKEND - Mass on **Saturday 12th March** followed by a **LiveSimply** lunch, tombola, Fairtrade and Bits & Pieces stalls, continuing **Sunday 13th March** when the **Lent Fast Day envelopes, will be available.** Donations from these envelopes help to create real and lasting change in poor communities in the developing world.

INTRODUCTION TO THE OLD TESTAMENT - on four Wednesday evenings in Lent: **16th March, 23rd March, 6th April, 13th April,** at 7.30pm in the parish hall. Fr. Steven will offer these reflections on the main themes of the Old Testament to aid in our understanding of Scripture.

Come along to our **ST PATRICK'S SOCIAL EVENING - FRIDAY 18TH MARCH** 7.00pm - 9.30pm, £3.50 per person now or £4.50 on the night. Music, Food, Dancing. Limited tickets (50). Contact Pat Jones or Bridie Close.

ST PATRICK'S IRISH BREAKFAST - SUNDAY 20th MARCH in the Parish Hall after Mass. Advance orders only. Book your table. Sit with friends. Cost £3.99 for adults £2.99 for children. Payment by Sunday 13th March. See Ann or Bridie. This event is supporting the redecoration of the church.

RACE NIGHT FRIDAY 25th MARCH 7.15pm Race Night tickets £1.50. Horses named for £3. All money raised towards redecoration of the church. Can you Help? We need Race and raffle prizes for the Race Night. There will be a box available for prizes at the back of church.

OTHER NOTICES

THANK-YOU To all who helped organise the Hot Pot supper which raised £135 towards the decoration of the Church.

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

MINISTRY OF THE WORD – MASS READERS FOR MARCH

	1 st Reading	2 nd Reading	Prayers
10am	Erin Hamilton	Yvonne Tapodi	Liam McMahon
6pm	Shelagh Bridge	Caroline Fahy	Bridie Close

If you are unable to read please arrange a stand-in or contact Tony Black on 445 1788

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	06/03/11	12	4	1	1	
Next week	13/03/11	1	5	2	2	
		Eucharistic Ministers Sunday evening	Eucharistic Ministers weekdays	Cleaning	Eucharistic Ministers Tuesday evening	
This week	06/03/11	1a	1	1	1	
Next week	13/03/11	2a	2	2	2	