ST BERNARD'S PARISH BULLETIN



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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 7TH FEBRUARY 2010

CLERGY FR. STEVEN PARKINSON

THIS WEEK IN CHURCH

Today Sunday Mass at 10.00am and 6.00pm

Monday 8th February Eucharistic Service at 9.00am

Tuesday 9th February Mass at 7.00pm

Wednesday 10th February Mass at 9.00am

Thursday 11th February Mass at 9.00am

Friday 12th February Mass at 9.00am

Saturday 13th February Confessions and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11am – 12 noon

Mass at 12 noon

GOSPEL REFLECTION

We can all have a sense of labouring in vain. Work can at times feel monotonous, futile. Sometimes we may not feel up to doing something. Those who Jesus calls in the gospels to follow him go through the same feelings.

Today's gospel shows Jesus saying to fishermen who laboured in vain all night to try again and leads them to a great catch. To a sinful Peter who feels unworthy, Jesus says 'follow' and transforms his life's purpose.

More than one miracle occurs in this story! What matters is that we hear and respond to God's call, he can work through our humanity and we can spread the Gospel in the very living of our lives.

TODAY

After 10.00am Mass today there is a **CAKE SALE** to support those young people hoping to go on pilgrimage to Lourdes this year.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Young at Heart meetings – Parish Hall Mondays 1.00pm – 3.30pm

Divine Mercy Meetings Thursdays 7.30pm.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME Next Meeting for parents and children continuing along the Sacramental Programme **Thursday 11**th **February** at 6.30pm in the School Hall preparing now to be Confirmed and receive Holy Communion for the first time.

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Lenten evening on the Gospel of Luke Tuesday 23rd February 7.30pm — 9.30pm at \$t. Gabriel's High School Bury with Fr. Denis McBride CSsR. £5 donation. Booking forms (helpful but not essential!) available at the back of church.

CAFOD Family Fast Weekend 26th – 28th February.

PARISH MINISTRIES DAY A quiet day open to anyone who serves the parish community in any way will be held on Saturday 6th March 9.45am – 3.30pm at the Marist Convent on Nell Lane. There will quiet time for individual prayer, some input and reflection. A soup lunch will be provided. Numbers are limited to 35. Suggested donation £3. Anyone interested, please write your and contact details on an envelope containing your donation and put it through the presbytery letterbox. Nearer the time car shares will be organised if needed.

Join **CAFOD** on Saturday 6th March for a very special evening of celebration with Manchester's famous Halle Choir, to mark the 50th Anniversary of Lent Fast Day which continues to transforms lives worldwide. Full details on the poster in the porch.

NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH 10th - 18th March at St Joseph's church in Maidenhead. Each year the Mill Hill Community prepares for the Feast of St Joseph, their patron, with a special Novena of Masses and prayers. Prayer is the foundation of all mission work, both in this country and abroad and the Novena is a great way of praying the daily Novena prayer, please write to Fr Denis Treacy, Mill Hill Missionaries, PO Box 3608, Maidenhead SL7UX, or email novena@millhillmissionaries.com. Even if you have received information about the Novena in previous years; please contact us again this year. Thank you.

OTHER NOTICES

BAPTISM – Parents wishing to have their child baptised, please make initial enquiry to Fr. Steven following any Sunday Mass.

REFERENCES Anyone requiring a reference from Fr. Steven please inform him beforehand so that he will be aware when contacted.

Items for the Parish Bulletin should be either posted through the Presbytery door or emailed to <u>annieteresa@hotmail.com</u> by Thursday midday for inclusion the following Sunday.

All rotas are now printed in full on the Parish Ministries Board.

PARISH MINISTRIES				
	Offertory	Eucharistic Ministers Sunday morning	Counting	Tea and Coffee
This week 07.02.10	4	2	7	1
Next week 14.02.10	5	3	1	2
	Eucharistic Ministers Sunday evening	Eucharistic Ministers weekdays	Cleaning	Eucharistic Ministers Tuesday evening
This week 07.02.10	2	5	1	1
Next week 14.02.10	3	1	2	2

Please note: Signed Mass cards (Sympathy and Special Intention) can be obtained from Bridie Close, 44 Shawbrook Road, during the week: On Sundays they can be obtained at the Bookstall situated in parish hall.

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