

Rotas commencing TODAY Sunday September 14th

| Eucharistic Ministers 10am | Eucharistic Ministers 6pm | Readers 10am September | Readers 6pm September | Weekday readers This week | Eucharistic Ministers weekdays |
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| Ted Cross | Carol Cooper | Tony Black | Shelagh Bridge | Liam McMahon | Maura Barrens |
| Margaret Duffy | Kathy Petty | Dominic Richmond | John Press | John Press | Clare Clegg |
| Margaret Hennigan | Comfort Mensah | Liam McMahon | Lainet Pinto | Counting Team | |
| Christine Kelly | Little Church | Tea & Coffee | | <i>Christine Blackburn</i> | <i>Jane Kendrick</i> |
| Bernadette Kirstein | Geraldine & Pat | M Allcock | 10am Offertory | <i>Margaret Cox</i> | <i>Margaret Arthurs</i> |
| John McCormack | | E Bostock | Volunteers please | <i>Michael Flatley</i> | Cleaning team |
| Pauline Nieri | | Mary Saunders | | Tess Kendrick | End of month |


FAMILY FLOWERS: Thank you for the continued gifts of flowers for the Church. **flower list** at the back of Church; flowers in Memory of Nora Breslin & Jimmy Moran. Thank you.

Last week's Offerings to the Parish: Total £624 28p Thank you

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

It's Pantomime time: Cinderella at the Stockport Plaza, Friday 19th 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

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Sunday 14th September 2014

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Exaltation MASS 7/ Creed 11; Sunday P. 181 Eucharistic Prayer 3 (p27)
Hymns; 164, 251, 449, 286



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".

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

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| Exaltation of the Cross | 14 th September | Mass of Sunday Evening Mass | 10am 6-00pm | Mass |
| Monday | 15 th September | Our Lady of Sorrows Reception | 9-30am 7pm | Mass |
| Tuesday | 16 th September Ss Cornelius & Cyprian | Requiem: Cissie Corrigan | 10am 6pm 7pm | Exposition Mass |
| Wednesday | 17 th September | Mass of the day | 9-30am | Mass |
| Thursday | 18 th September | Mass of the day | 9-30am | Mass |
| Friday | 19 th September | Mass of the day | 9-30am | Mass |
| Saturday | 20 th September | Korean Martyrs | 11- 12noon 12 Noon | Exposition & Confessions Mass |
| 25 th Sunday | 21 st September | Mass of Sunday Evening Mass | 10am 6-00pm | Mass |

+ I offer our prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of dear Cissie Corrigan who has died: may the Lord welcome her into the Kingdom. +

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, Sarah, Mary Duffy, 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 your forms after Mass and return them to the presbytery: our next Baptism meeting is on Tuesday 7th October in the Presbytery.



Our Lady's Lamp burns this week for the intentions for The Traynor Family, 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 £5

Missio (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.

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.

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.

The **41st Annual Rosary Crusade** will take place at **Platt Fields Park, Manchester on Saturday, 13th September from 2.30pm - 4.30pm.** The special guest speaker at the Rally will be **Father Simon Stamp,** Parish Priest of Saint Anne's, Accrington. The event is organized by the Legion of Mary and all are very welcome.

St John Paul II 'His life, ministry and vision' By Bishop Alan Hopes (*Bishop of East Anglia Diocese*)
Tuesday 16th September 2014 7.30 pm at St Gabriel's R C High School, Bridge Road, Bury BL9 0TZ
£5.00 per person per talk.

40 Days for Life - Autumn Campaign

Launch meeting at 7.30pm on Sunday 14th September 2014 in St. Kentigern's Social Club, Hart Road, Fallowfield, M14 7DW. All welcome.

Going into hospital? Or have a family member? Remember you should ask the ward staff to ask the chaplain team to visit. Fr. David Egan's numbers are 07914285672 Or 0161 224 1895.