

Last week's collection total £627 Thank you

Groups now open: - Monday - Young At Heart 11.30am to 1.30pm

Tuesday - Toddler's Group 9.30am to 11.30am. Places are available for parents/ carer and toddler(s). Please contact Anne Cummins 07305 392612.

Thursday - Drop Inn 10.00am to 1.30pm

Sacrament of Marriage: 6 months' notice must be given, please see Father to make arrangements.




PLEASE ARRANGE YOUR BAPTISMS by introducing yourselves to Father after Sunday Mass, when details can be taken and our team can begin the process to organise this wonderful Sacrament for your child.

SAFEGUARDING; Our parish community is committed to Safeguarding to ensure the well being of all members of our community. All volunteers over the age of 18 must have a DBS check every 3years. The Parish Safeguarding Coordinator is Christine Robinson and she is very happy to assist you in completing any paperwork required. She usually attends the 10.00 Sunday mass if you wish to speak to her or can be contacted by email at -christine.robinson.safeguarding@outlook.com

BURNAGE FOOD BANK; opening times are: Tuesday 12.30pm-2.30pm St Nicholas Church Hall, Kingsway, Burnage M19 1PL and Friday 3pm-5pm St Bernard's Church Hall, Burnage Lane, M19 1DR. www.burnagefoodbank.org.uk or tel: 07936698546.

Xaverian Catholic Sixth Form College, will be having two Open Days for students and their families on Saturday 7th October 10-30am-2pm and on Sunday 15th October 10-30am-2pm. These days are an opportunity to visit the Campus, and discuss course, admissions and other matters with subject teachers and senior staff. Feel free to come along, or for further details contact Xaverian on 0161 249 2145 or email admissions@xaverian.ac.uk

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ST. BERNARD'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

25TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

24TH SEPTEMBER 2023



Clergy: Mgr Michael J Kujacz RD & Fr Joseph Oluwafemi Ojelabi, Seminarian Luke Bradbury
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 STAY WITH US LORD ON OUR JOURNEY

25th Sunday p131

September: Month of the Seven Sorrows of Mary



Today's readings not only illustrate the divine logic, the logic of gift. They also challenge us to imitate God's ways of thinking and acting in our relationships with one another. They challenge us to stop focusing on our entitlements or counting our deserts, and move from the narrow world of human calculation, of

competition and rewards, into the magnanimous world of divine logic, where nothing has to be earned and everything is a gift; everything is free. In the words of a popular contemporary hymn: *'Freely, freely, you have received. Freely, freely, give.'*

This weekend we pray for the people of the parish of St. Bernard, Burnage, for Mgr Michael Kujacz, their parish priest, and Fr. Joseph Ojelabi, and Luke Bradbury soon to be ordained Deacon and for their parish primary school. May they be a community which always seeks the Lord.

Pope Francis Tweet: "The Lord Jesus has entrusted the Gospel to us so that we might bear His light into the world's darkness. Please, do not extinguish this light in you, but share it, so that fraternity might shine forth!"

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS for September: We pray for those living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

This week's timetable

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| 25 th Sunday in Ordinary time | 24 th September | Morning Mass Evening Mass | 10am 6-00pm | Mass Mass |
| Monday | 25 th September | Weekday Mass | 9-30am | Mass |
| Tuesday | 26 th September | Ss Cosmos & Damian | 6pm 7pm | Exposition Mass |
| Wednesday | 27 th September | St Vincent De Paul | 9-30am | Mass |
| Thursday | 28 th September | St Wencelaus Reception | 9-30am 6-30pm** | Mass |
| Friday | 29 th September | +Requiem Mary O'Brien+ Feast: Ss Michael, Gabriel & Raphael | 10-30am** | Mass |
| Saturday | 30 th September | St Jerome | 11am 12noon | Confessions & Exposition Mass |
| 26 th Sunday in Ordinary time | 1 st October | Morning Mass Evening Mass | 10am 6-00pm | Mass Mass |

Rota for Eucharistic Ministers

Sept 24th 10am Christine Blackburn & Bernard Grigaitis 6pm Shaun O'Donnell
 Oct 1st 10am Biju Joseph & Benu Biju 6pm Comfort Mensah

MASSES THIS WEEK: Special Intentions, for the sick, Holy Souls, Bernard Fetherston, Eduardo Majomot, Maurica, Gabino, Dante, Paulina, In thanks to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Dan, David, Joe Lawrence, Mary Narey, Married Dabinett, Dec. Reilly Family members.

In your prayers please remember: Kath Welsh, John Lloyd, Bernard Cartledge, Teresa McHugh, Celia Gilligan, Bernard Fetherston, Ted Reid, Alan Hixon, Janet Burke, Imelda Dean, Teresa Barrett, Pat Kemp, Fr Bernard Wilson, Marie Fahey, Jean Buckley, Maureen McGrath, Ann Dury, James Cannon, William Allsop, Ellen Leach, Marie Fahy, Marcella McNevin, Sal & Cam Lusco, MJK, Margaret Duffy, Alison O'Connor, Julia Mansfield, James Cannon, William Allsop, Michael Turner, Des Reape, Breda Orr, Canon David Caine, Eileen & Denis Joyce, Fr. Pat Deegan, Tina McGeehan, Zoe Daniels, Celia Meschi, Maureen Nash, Mary Boylan, Michael Hothersall, Emma Louise, Caroline Slevin, Bridget Golden, Michael Connolly, Christopher, Alfie Hooper, Amy McDonald, Steven Moorhouse, Denis Law, John McLoughlin, Fr Wilf Cooper, Gloria Oakley, Chris Williams, Margaret Stenson, Lauren Westian, Breda Duggan, Abraham McCoy, Delia Regan, Celia Gilligan,

Bernard Howell, Lisa Nelson, Angela & Dennis Keyworth, Michael Hession, Ged Moran, Ann & Peter Lomas, Gerard Clegg, Sir Bobby Charlton, Trevor Teale, Margaret Fisher, Natalie Forshaw, Fr Peter Maloney, Charlie McHugh, Stephen Bostock, Patrick Carragher,

Our Lady's Lamp; for the sick: **the Sacred Heart Lamp;** for new University students: New list at the back of the Church: suggested donation £5. Thank you

CAFOD has responded swiftly to the extreme disasters of last week by sending £30K to Caritas in Rabat, Morocco to assist in it's humanitarian work and launched a Libya Floods appeal. Soon it will be Harvest Fast Day which this year focuses on getting life-saving help to wherever it is most needed. We are asked to pray, fast and give so please look out for your CAFOD envelope NEXT Sunday for return the Sunday after Thank you.

CHRISTMAS DRAW: Plans are now in place to hold a Christmas Draw .A letter with further details are being distributed today, please take one home with you. Tickets will be available soon.

Missio (Red Boxes) Magazines are available at the back of church for all who contribute. Any donations please put in a bag or envelope with your name on it and marked for Bernadette and bring into church. Thank you.

It's time for a Macmillan Coffee Morning and you're invited; We will be holding our 9th Macmillan coffee morning NEXT **Saturday 30th September** in the Parish hall. 10.30 until 1.30 . We need your support , we need cakes baked or faked list at the back of church. Tickets go on sale for reserved tables cost £2.50 . Why not share a table with your friends. Contact Ann Tipper. Pat Jones. Bridie Close for more details. A box will be at the back of church from next week for any items we could use for raffle prizes - have a clear out !! P.S. bottles most welcome.

"Love for a Lifetime" - Marriage Preparation 2023 and 2024 Our diocesan Marriage Preparation team invites you to join them in their next Marriage Preparation Course. The course - taking place at St John Fisher's in Kearsley - is open to couples preparing for marriage across the diocese and will take place over two Saturday afternoon seminars for dates and further information. Please visit

<https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/faith/sacraments/marriage/>

Saint of the week; September 27th ; St Vincent de Paul (1581 - 1660) He was born in Aquitaine and became a priest. He devoted his whole life to the service of the poor. He founded a congregation of priests for missionary work, groups of laymen to help paupers and galley-slaves, and, with St Louise de Marillac, the Sisters of Charity.