## Last week's collection total £645 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

<u>Sacrament of Marriage</u>: 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 3 years. 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.

MARCH FOR LIFE: I have arranged a block booking by train from Manchester Piccadilly station and from Stockport station to London Euston station and return, for the March for Life which takes place in London on Saturday, 2nd. September 2023. I have managed to secure a reduced price of £63.20 for each adult day return fare and a reduced price of £31.60 for each child day return fare. I do hope that you will be able to join us in this great act of witness to uphold the right to life for all unborn children and in the interests of the welfare and well-being of their mothers and fathers. To book your place please contact David Gazdecki by e-mail at zdpqazdecki@btinternet.com Thank you.

Bishop John's Ruby Jubilee: To mark the fortieth anniversary of his ordination to priesthood, Bishop John will be celebrating a special Mass at 3pm on Sunday 16 July in Salford Cathedral. This Mass is open to all members of the diocese, without the need for tickets, and so you are welcome to come along if you wish to do so. There will be some light refreshments (tea/coffee and biscuits) after the Mass, respecting the bishop's wish to keep things simple on this occasion. Let us all keep Bishop John in our prayers as he celebrates this significant anniversary.

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## ST. BERNARD'S PARISH NEWSLETTER 14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 9<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2023



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STAY WITH US ON OUR JOURNEY

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July: Month of the Precious Blood



Today's Gospel in an answer to a very simple question: who is this Jesus we follow? What is he like? He tells us himself: he is gentle, and humble of heart. There is a simplicity about this Gospel which speaks very clearly to tired hearts. Indeed, it is often the case that we overlook the simplicity of the Gospel message - which is why it is valuable to be as children, constantly wondering and marvelling at the beauty and fascination of Jesus. How much God must love us: the message of salvation is so easy to receive, the promise is so welcome. This is a Sunday to wallow in the wonder of a God who is 'kind and full of compassion.'

This week as a Diocese we pray for the parish of St. James and All Souls, Salford, for Fr. Frankie Mulgrew, their parish priest. We pray for their parish primary school. May they shoulder the Lord's yoke and learn from him.

**Pope Francis Tweet**: "God looks with joy upon all those who serve the needy. This is how goodness grows: in the simplicity of hands and hearts stretched out to others and in the courage of the small steps that approach those who are most vulnerable in the name of Jesus."

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS for July: We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

**Prayer for the Synod:** Loving Father, be with us as we seek new ways of being your people in our Diocese. May each new day bring us closer to your son Jesus, as we follow his teaching and become disciples of love. As we continue our Synodal journey, draw us closer to each other. May the truth of your Spirit enlighten us. Open our hearts, as we listen to each other and reach out in love to your people. Stay with us, Lord, on our journey. Amen

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, pray for us. St Joseph, pray for us.

## This week's timetable

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Fourteenth Sunday	9 <sup>th</sup> July	Morning Mass	10am	Mass
of the Year		Evening Mass	6-00pm	Mass
Monday	10 <sup>th</sup> July	Weekday Mass	9-30am	Mass
Tuesday	11 <sup>th</sup> July	Feast: St Benedict	6pm	Exposition
·			7pm	Mass
Wednesday	12 <sup>th</sup> July	Weekday Mass	9-30am	Mass
Thursday	13 <sup>th</sup> July	Weekday Mass	9-30am	Mass
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Friday	14 <sup>th</sup> July	Weekday Mass	9-30am	Mass
		[St Camillus de Lellis]		
Saturday	15 <sup>th</sup> July	St Bonaventure	11am	Confessions &
				Exposition
			12noon	Mass
Fifthteenth Sunday	16 <sup>th</sup> July	Morning Mass	10am	Mass
of the Year		Evening Mass	6-00pm	Mass

Rota for Eucharistic Ministers

July 9th10am Bernie Kirstein & Michael Ampiah6pm Comfort MensaJuly 16th10am Stephen Burke & Geraldine Fury6pm Mary Teehan

MASSES THIS WEEK: Special Intentions, for the sick, Holy Souls, Danny Duffy, Kay McGovern, Brenda Donnelly, Pat Monaghan, Marie Clavin, Kathleen Caufield, Anne Rose Moore, Mary Bancroft, Laurence family intention, Kathleen Corcoran, Wileen Reid, Rita McCormack, John Windsor, Muriel Egan and Robert Doyle.

In your prayers please remember: John Press, Hughie Gallagher, Kath Welsh, John Lloyd, Ted Reid, Alan Hixon, Janet Burke, Imelda Dean, Fr Bernard Sparks, Bernard Cartledge, Sal & Cam Lusco, Margaret Duffy, Alison O'Connor, Julia Mansfield, Teresa Barrett, Edwin van der Sar, Des Reape, Breda Orr, Canon David Caine, Eileen & Denis Joyce, Tina McGeehan, Fr. Anthony, Zoe Daniels, Baby Amelia Griffin, Michael Hothersall, Emma Louise, Caroline Slevin, Bridget Golden, Michael Connolly, Christopher, Alfie Hooper, Hilary Addyman, Amy Devlin, Amy McDonald, Steven Moorhouse, Pat Kemp, John McLoughlin, Delilah Bardsley, William Harkin, Steve Lyons, John Lloyd, Gloria Oakley, Joan Lockett, David Fallard, Angela Close, Fr Chris Lough, Chris Williams, Margaret Stenson, Lauren Westian, Breda Duggan, Maggie Shackleton, Breda Duggan, Mary Saunders, Abraham McCoy, Delia Regan, Celia Gilligan, Bernard Howell, Lisa Nelson, Lucy Murphy, Mary Windsor, Patricia Gibbon, Pauline Zogaroli, John Monaghan, Arianna, Angela & Dennis Keyworth, Anne Connolly, Deirdra Cottrill, Michael Hession, Ged Moran, Maureen Nash, Bridie Duff, Breda Duggan, Mary Boylan, Sandra Thorn, Kath Donnelly, Marie Fahey, Ann & Peter Lomas, Gerard Clegg, Celia Meschi, Olive Price, Michael O'Driscoll, Natasha Baker, Lisa Nelson, David Fettes, Archbishop Kelly, Margaret Moran, Alan Wilcock, Isla Murray, Marcella McNevin, Sir Bobby Charlton, Trevor Teale, Margaret Fisher, Natalie Forshaw, Ellen Leach, Patrick McCabe, Jim Campbell, Fr Peter Maloney, Tess Kenrick, Charlie McHugh, Stephen Bostock, Fr Philip Boast, Albert Oatley, Jimmy O'Hanlon, Meg Warriner, Lilly Flaherty, Patrick Carragher, Martin Conway, Katie Griffin, Lilly Keane, Bridget O'Brien, Fr Leo Heakin, Michael Turner, Tony Rock, Deborah Kemp, Fr Bob Morrow, Nancy Maguire, Therese Thompson, MJK, Fr Frank Austin, Annette Irving, Duncan, Chris Loftus, Canon Mort Stanley, Eamonn Coyle, Patricia Divine, Fr Bernard Higham, Ged McCarrow, Denis Law, James Barren, Kathleen Curley, Anthony Mullen, Marion Moran, Mary Mulvihill.

Our Lady's Lamp; for Kay McGovern: the Sacred Heart Lamp; Bishop John: New list at the back of the Church: suggested donation £5. Thank you

UPDATE: Thank you to all who made it to the Bishop's Holy Hour which was beautiful and challenging. I am also delighted to tell you that the Bishop has decided to ordain Luke a Deacon after the Summer Holidays, please keep him in your prayers as he continues his discernment journey. Sad news this week that Fr Kevin Gradwell has died: Kevin was a friend for many years and lived here for a while, please keep him and his family in your prayers. Salford in Lourdes will soon be upon us, there is a box for your petitions and candle money in the Lady Chapel. Finally I found myself back at the Christie this week for another blood transfusion, which has had been helpful, though I am worried I am going to turn into the "Incredible Hulk" one day!

GRAND SUMMER DRAW A BIG THANK YOU to all who bought tickets and to all our agents who sold tickets. Your support is greatly appreciated. The first draw takes place in the Parish Hall after this morning's mass. Prizes are 1st £50, 2nd, £25 3rd £10, 4th £10. The second draw Sunday 16th July prizes as above . MAIN DRAW SUNDAY 23rd JULY prizes as follows :- 1st £400, 2nd £250,3rd £150, 4th £50 5th £25, 6th £25, plus 2 agents prizes of £25 each GOOD LUCK TO YOU ALL !! IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO BUY A TICKET AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF CHURCH FOR OUR 2nd DRAW AND THE MAIN DRAW. PLEASE POST THROUGH THE PRESBYTERY LETTERBOX.

CAKE SALE TODAY Sunday 9th July after morning Mass to support Killian who is attending the World Youth Day this summer. Any homemade cakes much appreciated. A table top sale will also be available in the parish hall.

Short 2 night break to YORK AND WHITBY 12th to 14th September. Staying at the Best Western hotel on half board ... choice of evening meal Only 3 Twin rooms now available. No singles £185 pp. contact Ann Tipper 0161 442 5259. Visiting the Bar Convent in York.

MONTH OF THE THE PRECIOUS BLOOD: Devotion of the Month. The month of July traditionally honours the Most Precious Blood of Jesus. It is the blood of Christ, the Lamb of God, which cleanses us from sin—therefore the Church developed a devotion to Jesus' physical blood and its mystical power, just as it did for His Sacred Heart from which His blood poured out on the Cross. The Precious Blood of Jesus courses through the Church spiritually, giving eternal life to the Body of Christ through the sacraments. Many saints had a devotion to the Precious Blood of Jesus, especially St. Catherine of Siena. Devotion to the Precious Blood spread widely through the preaching of Saint Gaspar del Bufalo, who was a 19th-century priest and the founder of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood. This devotion was later approved and recommended by the Holy See. The feast day of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus is July 1st.

Saint of the week; 11 July Saint Benedict: the "Father of Western Monasticism". Born at Norcia in 480, he gathered followers in Subiaco before moving south to Monte Cassino in 529; here he founded his most famous monastery, and composed his Rule, still the indispensable guide of the Benedictine Order. He died in 547, on the 21st March. Today's feast is the anniversary of the translation of his relics.