


Rotas commencing TODAY Sunday November 27th

Eucharistic Ministers 10am	Eucharistic Ministers 6pm	Readers 10am November	Readers 6pm November	Weekday readers This week	Eucharistic Ministers weekdays
Marie Fahey	Pearle Gorman	Pat Jones	Shelagh Bridge	Imelda Dean	Bernie Kirstein
Bernard Grigaitis	Santosh Pinto	Audrey Stedford	Stany Rodrigues		Tony Kirstein
Tony Hennigan	Julia Traynor	Trevor Richards	Janice Banks	Counting Team	
Pauline Hixon		Tea & Coffee		Helen Clarke	Mary Saunders
Denis Keyworth	Little Church	Angela Lord	10am Offertory	Margaret Moran	Dympna Duplepton
Liam McMahon	To be renewed	Sandra McCormack	Breda & Hughie Gallagher	R Duffy	Cleaning team
William Onzivu		Bernadette Moorhouse		Pauline Hixon	thank you

FAMILY FLOWERS: Thank you for the continued gifts of flowers for the Church, in memory of Tom Beirne thank you.

Last week's Offerings to the Parish: Total £653 38 Thank you
Retired Clergy Fund £300 Thank you

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The Divine Mercy prayer Group meets on the First and Third Wednesday of the month in the Church at 1pm; why not join them?

TODDLERS GROUP. The group is open. 9.30am --11.30am every Tuesday; Further enquiries to Anne 431 7212.

Young at Heart, open every Monday 11-30pm

Hospital Chaplain + Christies number 0161 224 1895- Wythenshaw 0161 291 2297

Items for the Bulletin can be left at the Presbytery or emailed to michaelkujacz@hotmail.com by **Wednesday evening** for inclusion Newsletter. **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

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday 27th November 2016



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STAY WITH US ON OUR JOURNEY

1 Advent MASS 7/ Creed 12; Mass p 82; Eucharistic Prayer 3 (p28)

Stay awake, so that you may be ready!



Advent opens with a great promise: "In the days to come" the hope of a people who need God. "...The master is coming" is also a promise, not a threat to breed fear, but to answer our cry. So Advent begins, not with thoughts of the past, with the coming of the Lord we celebrate at Christmas, but with the future, and the promise that He is coming back. We are encouraged to stay awake, and treat every day as the day the Lord will come; we do not do this out of fear for a Master who beats his servants, but out of love of a Master who always treats us with mercy. Nevertheless, we must always be watchful, because we can

grow sleepy and complacent, saying that we can leave this prayer or that confession or the other change in the way we live to tomorrow. Even as we look forward to the tomorrow of the Lord's coming, we must remember that it might be today!

Thank you to all who have helped in any way over the last few weeks, with the two presentation Masses and also with the memorable Remembrance Sunday Mass, it was good to have such positive feedback. May I also say thank you particularly to Bernie and Barry for all their hard work in organising the Christmas Fair and the teams that do such a fantastic job. Well done!



With Christmas in mind: as with previous years there will be **Confessions on Tuesday** during Exposition, why not take the opportunity to get yourselves ready for the great day? Our Christmas Mass times will as usual, Christmas Eve 6pm (with tableaux) and 8pm (Solemn) and Christmas morning 10am.

Pope Francis Tweet: May the Holy Spirit help us to be patient when enduring, and to be humble and simple when advising.

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS (November)

Universal: Countries receiving Refugees: That the countries which take a great number of displaced persons and refugees may find support for their efforts which show solidarity.

Evangelization: Collaboration of priests and laity: That within parishes, priests and lay people may collaborate in service to the community without giving in to the temptation of discouragement.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	27 th November	Morning Mass Evening Mass	10 am 6pm	Mass Mass
Monday	28 th November	Advent Weekday	9-30am	Mass
Tuesday	29 th November	Advent Weekday	6pm 7pm	Exposition & Confessions Mass
Wednesday	30 th November	Feast: St Andrew	9-30am	Mass
Thursday	1 st December	Advent Weekday	9-30am	Mass
FIRST Friday	2 nd December	Advent Weekday	9-30am	Mass
Saturday	3 rd December	St Francis Xavier [Migrants' Day]	11am 12 noon	Exposition Confessions Mass
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT	4 th December	Morning Mass Evening Mass	10 am 6pm	Mass Mass

+ I offer our prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of Patrick Kevin Flynn who has died aged 74: may he joyful with the Lord. +

Masses this week: Holy Souls, Pat Egan, John Joe Fallon, Sheila MacCrimmon, Walter Bostock, Peter Philips, Michael O'Keefe, Keith Carty, Elizabeth Blackburn, Sheila O'Reily, John & Sarah Gorman and Annie Hogan, Conway Family, Pete & Matt Noone.

Sick; please commend to your prayers the sick and housebound of the Parish especially, Aiden, M. Pedro, Joshua, Daniel, Kath, Chris Meecham, Henry Dorrian, Mary Boylan, Eddie Hogan, Ged Moran, Steven Moorhouse, Jack Kyriacou, John Kujacz, Bessie Proctor, Michael O'Keefe, Keith Carty, Thomas Kelly, Breda Gallagher, Christine Kelly, Ann Masterson, Fr. Peter Coyle, James Robinson, Patricia Rundle, Mary O'Neill, Canon Kevin O'Connor, Noah Buble, Caroline Lister, Brenda Gleeson, June McGowan, Mgr. Ron Hishon, Maura Kavanagh, Bridie Heneghan, Patrick Tynan, Eamon Fahey, Mary Dunne, Pat Preston, Paula, David Boylan, Johnny Kenny, Ann Donnelly, Dougie Donohue, Margaret Barlow, Eileen McHale, Mary Grobicki, Louis Kitt, Kathleen Connolly, Fr. Michael Hoare, Yvonne Peace, Imelda Parkinson, Fr William Fallon, Amelia Sacarello, Harry Hallows, Agnes Halligan, Canon Jack Rigby, Betty Wilson, Elle-Rose Blackhall, Bob Cook, Micky Duffy, Joe Parlon, Aoife McLaughlin, Janet Roberts, Kathleen Curley, Clare Bainbridge, Anna Lawless, Rachel Atkinson, Anthony Coombes, Pat Reid, Constance Murphy, Betty Foster, Martin & Michael Rock, Delia Connelly and Colin Pearson.

Sacrament of Marriage: 6 months' notice must be given, if you are planning a wedding for next year please see Fr. Michael. Marriage Course info: marriage.stjosephsmanchester.co.uk

The Sacrament of Baptism: next meeting **Tuesday 3rd January***** in the Presbytery at 7-30pm



With Christmas in mind; this Wednesday in the Parish Hall, Fr. John will lead **Lectio Divina** on the Advent Sunday readings. **Lectio Divina** is a shared meditation and reflection on the readings: **7-30pm** start 8-45pm finish. All most welcome.



Our Lady's Lamp burns for **Thomas and Brigid Joyce**, thank you. There is a new list at the back of the Church if you would like to be involved on any particular week. Suggested offering £5.



Your opportunity to explore life and faith through film and relaxed discussion Evenings: 7.15 pm - 8.45 pm: St Bernard's Parish Hall, **THIS** Thursday 1st December 2016: theme: The power of prayer. Refreshments will be served, All adults welcome, with or without faith commitment

CARITAS/CAFOD invite you to **"WELCOME THE STRANGER"**, an **Advent Service for Refugees**, led by **Bishop John** on **Sat 3 Dec** in **Salford**, **2pm** followed by refreshments. Everyone most welcome. Full details on the poster. **CAFOD** also writes "I would like to say a huge, huge thank you from Bolivia on behalf of, firstly, all families here. They're people that understand that every little grain of sand really helps and they value every little grain of sand. "So thank you for the £500 you sent to help this project.

BURNAGE FOODBANK provides emergency food for local people in crisis, whether on benefits or in work. For more information, take a leaflet from the porch, see www.burnagefoodbank.org.uk or tel: 07936698546. **FOODBANK: Next weekend** our local **TESCO** are hosting the collection of food for Foodbanks so when you are shopping please gather a few extra items & leave with the team. **All day Thursday & Friday morning, [1st & 2nd December]** are the times for **Burnage Foodbank. Thank You.** Every little helps.

Christmas Fair



Thank you to everyone who donated goods for the fair and to all who attended - we hope you had an enjoyable time.

Also a big thank you to those behind the scenes who supported us in any way: All proceeds raised from the fair will go towards the needs of the church and further details will be in next week's newsletter

The St Pio Prayer Group will meet at 8pm on Wednesday 30th November at 14 Astor Rd, Burnage. Every one welcome.



DROP IN OPEN THIS THURSDAY: COME ONE, COME ALL, AND WELCOME! Breakfast, soup, tea and coffee & good company.



Parish Pilgrimage to Fatima to join the 100 years' celebration; Sunday 4th till Friday 9th June. Staying in Hotel Regina on full board. Cost £499, single room sup, £150. How to book, £150 deposit and a photo copy of your passport details. Please note booking after 26th November could mean your flight price will increase! Please contact Ann Tipper on 01614425259.

Christmas tree switch on by Southway Housing will be on Friday 2nd December at Kingsway Crescent at 2pm (opposite Aldi); all will be most welcome.