

Last week's Offerings to the Parish: Total £834 85 Thank you

The Divine Mercy prayer Group meets on the First and Third Wednesday of the month in the Church at 1pm

Legion of Mary: Tuesday's after evening Mass in the Hall, new members welcome.

Young At Heart re- opens Monday 2nd Sept (tomorrow) we look forward to seeing you again.

Toddlers Group now open; Further enquiries to Anne 431 7212

Drop in will re-open THIS Thursday 12th Sept all welcome.

BURNAGE FOOD BANK; now short of biscuits, tinned fruit & instant coffee For more information, take a leaflet from the porch, 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;

40 DAYS FOR LIFE (MANCHESTER) Help save lives by praying for an end to abortion in our community. 40 Days for Life - 40 Days of prayer, fasting and public outreach for an end to abortion runs from 25th September - 3rd November in Manchester. Launch meeting will be held on Sunday 22nd September at 7.30pm at St. Kentigern's Social Club, 36 Wilbraham Road, Fallowfield, Manchester, M14 7DW. Please come along to learn more. Web www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/manchester-2/ Tel 07810 791032.



From Blessed John Henry Newman: "Prayer is to the spiritual life what the beating of the pulse and the drawing of the breath are to the life of the body."

Deanery of St Ambrose Barlow: Music Ministry Meet up St Kentigern's Social Club, Fallowfield, M14 7DW; Monday 23rd September 2019, 7.30pm All singers, musicians, organists and musical directors from the deanery of St Ambrose Barlow are invited to this music ministry deanery meet up.

Grand Charity Dance in aid of Fr Pat Clarke's Mission in Sao Paulo; St Mary's, Levenshulme; Saturday 5th October at 7pm; Tickets £3; JIB Country sounds; Ring Tom Dolan on 292 6314

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

MRI Hospital Chaplain + Christies number 0161 276 4247; Wythenshaw 0161 291 2297

ST. BERNARD'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER 2019



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STAY WITH US ON OUR JOURNEY

24th Sunday P136

MASS 6/ Creed 11;

Eucharistic Prayer 3(28)

September Month of Creation Time



The message of God's forgiveness is one that we are familiar with, but which the Lord still wishes to emphasise. Our human approach to forgiveness is so often flawed □ we hold grudges, erect barriers, make demands and establish conditions. Jesus wants to remind his listeners □ and us □ that God's forgiveness is overflowing and bountiful. Saint Paul was well aware of this: he had persecuted the Church, calling himself □the greatest of sinners□; and yet, thanks to the □inexhaustible patience□ of God, he can count himself a believer. We must be open to the gift of forgiveness for ourselves, and also (as the Parable of the Elder Brother shows) open to that forgiveness

offered to other whom we would condemn.

This week we pray for the people of the parish of Sacred Heart, Darwen, for Fr. Brian Kealey, their parish priest, and for their parish primary schools.

Pope Francis tweet: The Lord is the first to trust in you, and He also invites you to trust in yourselves; He invites you to encourage one another, and join Him in writing the most beautiful page of your lives.

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS for September: Universal: That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the World's seas and oceans.

This week's timetable

24 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	15 th September	Morning Mass Evening Mass	10am 6pm	
Monday	16 th September	Ss. Cornelius & Cyprian	9-30am	Mass
Tuesday	17 th September	St Robert Bellarmine	6pm 7pm	Exposition Mass
Wednesday	18 th September	Mass of the day	9-30am	Mass
Thursday	19 th September	Mass of the day	9-30am	Mass
Friday	20 th September	St Andrew Kim & Companions	9-30am	Mass
Saturday	21 st September	Feast: St Matthew	11am 12 Noon	Exposition & Confessions Mass
25 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	22 nd September	Morning Mass Evening Mass	10am 6pm	

ROTAS THIS SUNDAY 15th September 2019

10am: Christine Kelly, Audrey Stedford, Trevor Richards

6pm: By Ju Joseph, Margarita Gallagher, Shelagh Bridge

Eucharistic Ministers 10 am Terry O'Neill, Denis Keyworth, Mollie Richards, Tony Kirstein, Marie Fahey, Barbara Philips, Berni Roan

6pm Preetha Byju, Kathy Petty, Comfort Mensah

Soft Church - Hilary & Tony Addyman

Little Church- Geraldine Richards

Offertory 10am: Stan, Sonal & Joyothi Mendonsa

Counting Team: Olive Hogan, Liam McMahon, Yvonne Tapodi

Tea & Coffee: M Allcock, E Bostock, Mary Saunders

Weekday Reader this week: John Press

Weekday Eucharistic Minister Binu Biju, Preetha Byju



Masses this week: Special Intentions, Joe Hennigan, Sean Fahey, Kevin Goldrick, Martin & Nora Rock, Babe Stankard, Pat Jones, Brian Waugh, Martin Moran, Mary Winterbourne, Bernie Hopkins, Eddie Whelan, Eddie Duffy, Mary Dunne, David Boyd, Margaret Evans, Anthony Sweeney.

In your prayers please remember: Mary Phillips, Brian Waugh, Pat Preston, Michael Turner, Breda Gallagher, Margaret Hills, Ita Kirsey, Sheila Walsh, Christopher Burke, Ann O'Connor, MJK, Doreen French, Noreen Hopper, Anne Hutton, Tess Kenrick, Teresa Barrett, Maureen Nash, Sandra Lannatta, Kevin Hemsell, Mary Boylan, Paddy Lyons, George Hegarty, Marcella McNevin, Margaret & Dave Watkins, Sue Atherton, Ted Cross, Lizzie Frost, George Hughes, Anthony Gormley, Fr Louis Kitt, Dennis Keyworth, Stefan Lachkovic, Steven Moorhouse, Nancy Maguire, Breda Orr, Celia & Alf Meschi, Orla McManus, Betty Ann Jones, Pat Hallows, Denis Joyce, Nora Gibbons, Siobhan Drugan, Kathleen Curley, Fr Tom Keyworth, Anthony Mullen, Bridgid Cleere, Marion Moran, Ronald Bradshaw, Ann & John MacCarron, John Phillips, Anthony Gallagher, John Dennehy, Clare Bainbridge, Fr Vincent Cavey, Mary Winterbourne, Ged MacCarron, Mary Mulvihill, Phyllis Dowd, Jim Windsor, Margaret Bayhi, Siobhan Drugan, Christopher Hyde-Smith, Celia Deignan, Mary Bancroft, Eileen Kenny, Mary Jordan, Kathleen Connolly, Michael Carney, Oriel Kerr, Maureen Walkin, Bernie Quezena, Lee Hegarty, Richard O'Connor, Patrick Clarke, Anna Lawless, Eddie McDonald.

Baptism information: See Father or Baptism Team after Sunday Mass to register your child's details and begin the process. Further information contact Annie or Janice on : baptismsternards@gmail.com **Sacrament of Marriage:** 6 months' notice must be given, please see Father to make arrangements, please speak to Clergy **Marriage preparation course** is on the four Sundays in Feb. and in June at Our Lady's Moss Side: Book on line at marriage.stjosephsmanchester.co.uk : **Sacramental programme 2019/20:** Our Sacramental Preparation Team, who engage with children and families preparing for Sacraments of Initiation, would welcome new helpers from the parish. Please give it some thought and contact Clare Clegg (07389192655) for information.

Our Lady's Lamp for James O'Hanlon Jnr and the Sacred Heart Lamp this week for Damien Deignan: there are lists at the back of Church: suggested donation £5. Thank you

PILGRIM CORNER: FATIMA Friday 6th till Monday 9th December for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. 4star hotel close to the shrine, £389 per person single room extra, flying from Manchester; deposit £100. Contact Ann Tipper on 442 5259.

Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine at Carfin This trip is now full; and full payment is now due.

Macmillan Cancer Support weekend

We will be holding a "Bake it or Fake it" Afternoon Tea in the Parish Hall on Saturday 28th September 12 Noon until 2pm. With ticket £3-50, without ticket on the day £4
Sunday 29th after 10am Mass there will be a cake sale; Can you please help us by baking cakes for us? Food Hamper raffle tickets are on sale for the next few weeks at 50p each. Thank you



THE DROP IN open this Thursday: newcomers welcome.....CAN YOU HELP? - Extra help is required on our normal Drop In day. Do you have time to help one day a month from 9.00am until 2.00pm? You will be working with a team and the service is on a voluntary basis Please contact either Ged on 07547 956281 or Bernadette on 07796 786849. Any help would really be appreciated.

Gaudete et Exsultate - The Christian life is a constant battle. We need strength and courage to withstand the temptations of the devil and to proclaim the Gospel. This battle is sweet, for it allows us to rejoice each time the Lord triumphs in our lives. We are not dealing merely with a battle against the world and a worldly mentality that would deceive us and leave us dull and mediocre, lacking in enthusiasm and joy. Nor can this battle be reduced to the struggle against our human weaknesses and proclivities (be they laziness, lust, envy, jealousy or any others). It is also a constant struggle against the devil, the prince of evil. Jesus himself celebrates our victories. He rejoiced when his disciples made progress in preaching the Gospel and overcoming the opposition of the evil one: "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven". It is the conviction that this malign power is present in our midst that enables us to understand how evil can at times have so much destructive force. True enough, the biblical authors had limited conceptual resources for expressing certain realities, and in Jesus' time epilepsy, for example, could easily be confused with demonic possession. Yet this should not lead us to an oversimplification that would conclude that all the cases related in the Gospel had to do with psychological disorders and hence that the devil does not exist or is not at work. He is present in the very first pages of the Scriptures, which end with God's victory over the devil. Indeed, in leaving us the Our Father, Jesus wanted us to conclude by asking the Father to "deliver us from evil". That final word does not refer to evil in the abstract; a more exact translation would be "the evil one". It indicates a personal being who assails us. Jesus taught us to ask daily for deliverance from him, lest his power prevail over us. **To ponder: how often do I pray for the Lord's strength against the temptations of the Devil?**