

FAMILY FLOWERS: Thank you for the continued gifts of flowers for the Church, thank you.

Last week's Offerings to the Parish: Total £681 Thank you

I acknowledge a donation of £100 towards the Boiler fund. Thank you

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:

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SAMARITAN	SYCHAR	JACOB
JOSEPH	WELL	WOMAN
WATER	DRINK	JEW
BUCKET	CATTLE	HUSBAND



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; 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. Thank you for Feb donations. **March** is the month of UHT orange & apple juice & tinned sponge puddings which can be dropped off at **Tesco, Co-op, Library** or **church**. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Pilgrimage Corner

Walsingham; Thursday 4th May-Saturday 6th May, £157, two nights' half board, joining up with the Diocesan Pilgrimage. Few places left. Contact Tony Kirstein 225 0227.

Lourdes, this September 4th - 8th, flights, and accommodation and full programme, £425

The list is now open for bookings and a deposit of £150 is requested. There are limited places (20) so please book early Contact Ann Tipper on 442 5259 leave a message on the answer phone.

This week at the back of the Church we will have Olive wood holding crosses for your pocket. We purchased these in the Holy Land and the proceeds will be sent back to Bethlehem, cost £2

40 DAYS FOR LIFE (MANCHESTER) From March 1 through April 9, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life - 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil outside Marie Stopes, Wynnstay Grove, Manchester, M14 6XG. If you'd like more information - and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please sign up at www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/manchester-2 or contact Michael on 07810 791032.

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

BIG BURNAGE ANIMAL PARADE; next Friday evening 24th March from St Margaret's at 6-30pm to Burnage Academy. Giant illumated animals and lanterns to guide our way

ST. BERNARD'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

SUNDAY 19TH MARCH 2017



Clergy: Mgr. Michael J Kujacz RD. Fr. John Coe

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Website <http://stbernards-burnage.homeip.net>

STAY WITH US ON OUR JOURNEY

3rd Lent MASS 7/ Creed 12; Eucharistic Prayer 3 (P28)

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The Gospel of the third Sunday is the remarkable conversation between Jesus and the Samaritan woman by the well, the theme is water - which gives life, which cleanses, which is so necessary. This reading forms part of the catechesis given before Baptism at Easter: the candidates who would go

into the water are invited to reflect on what that means. But more necessary than the water which gives life is the water which gives eternal life - the water of baptism, the water flowing from Jesus' side on the cross. Even if your Church does not have any candidates preparing for Baptism, we will all renew our baptismal promises at Easter: we should take this opportunity to reflect on what baptism has given us, and what God has done for us in this gift.

With Lent in Mind: One of the great activities of Lent that we can do is helping those less fortunate than ourselves. CAFOD sets obvious goals for us, as we reach out to those around the world who are in physical need or require the affirmation of empowerment. Sometimes however we need to take stock and look a little nearer to home. As well as donating money or food to benefit others, is there a kindness that you can do, is there some way that you can reach out? It may be in that long promised telephone call or letter, or these days, email. It may be the visit you promised to make, but have not done yet, it could be just sitting with a person and letting them talk. It could be that you are the person who needs to talk and be heard! *Have a go!* *Father in heaven, open my eyes to see the richness of your mercy. Open my hands and heart so that I can find such mercy in giving it liberally away. Amen* "mjk

Pope Francis tweet: Lent is the favourable season for renewing our encounter with Christ, living in his word, in the sacraments and in our neighbour.

This week's timetable

SHORT STATIONS OF THE CROSS AFTER MORNING MASS

Third Sunday of Lent	19 th March	Morning Mass Evening Mass	10 am 6pm	Mass Mass
Monday	20 th March	Solemnity: St Joseph Funeral Service: Anthony Paul Walsh	9-30am 10-30am	Mass
Tuesday	21 st March	Lent Weekday	6pm 7pm	Confessions and Exposition Mass
Wednesday [St Turibius of Mongrovejo]	22 nd March	Exposition Morning Prayer Lent Weekday First Confessions	8am 9-10am 9-30am 6-30pm	Mass
Thursday [Spruce Class]	23 rd March		9-30am	Mass
Friday	24 th March	Lenten Sacrifice Divine Mercy Chaplet	6-30am**** 9-30am 3pm****	Mass Mass
Saturday	25 th March	Solemnity: The Annunciation	11am 12 Noon	Confessions & Exposition Mass
Fourth Sunday of Lent (Mother's Day)	26 th March	Children's Mass Evening Mass	10 am 6pm	Mass Mass

Rotas commencing TODAY Sunday March 19th 2017

Eucharistic Ministers 10am	Eucharistic Ministers 6pm	Readers 10am March	Readers 6pm March	Weekday readers This week	Eucharistic Ministers weekdays
Liam McMahon	Teresa McHugh	Liam McMahon	Janice Banks	Bernie Kirstein	Imelda Dean
Margaret Duffy	Kathy Petty	Diane Donald	Stany Rodrigues		Christine Kelly
Clare Clegg	Comfort Mensah	Tony Black	By Ju Joseph	Counting Team	
Christine Kelly		Tea & Coffee		Ann Masterson	
Bernadette Kirstein	Little Church	C Fahey	10am Offertory	Kath Thompson	
John McCormack	Team 1	M Fahey	Olive Hogan & K Welsh	Jackie Turner	Cleaning team
Geraldine Fury		Bridie Close		Berni Roan	Thank you

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS (March): That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.

LENTEN ALMS BOX: on the Sanctuary for you to place your Lenten alms; This year for HCPT: Please be generous.

Masses this week: Mary Hegarty, Michael Breslin, Special Intentions, Kay McGovern, Karol Kwartnick, Michael Hessian, Peggy & Colie Flaherty, Christopher Mooney, Sonia McLaughlan, Peggy Kenny, Monica Currin, Alice Hurst, John & Tess, Seamus Farren.

Sick; please commend to your prayers the sick and housebound of the Parish especially, Aiden, M. Pedrito Ballester, Joshua, Daniel, Kath, Eugene Nash, Declan Blackburn, Emma Bell-Parke, Jimmy Fahy, Tess Kenrick, Mary Hegarty, Chris Meecham, Fr David Foster, Margaret Keeble, Nicola Moorhouse, Michael Maguire, Henry Dorrian, Mary Boylan, Brendan Ryan, Breda Gallagher, Fr Bernard Higham, Sheila Fitzgerald, Fr Jim Culkin, Ged Moran, Anne Constantine, Marcella McNevin, Steven Moorhouse, Jack Kyriacou, John Kujacz, Bessie Proctor, Michael O'Keefe, Keith Carty, Thomas Kelly, Fr. Peter Coyle, Patricia Rundle, Mary O'Neill, Canon Kevin O'Connor, Noah Buble, Caroline Lister, June McGowan, Mgr. Ron Hishon, Maura Kavanagh, Bridie Heneghan, Patrick Tynan, Eamon Fahey, Mary Dunne, Pat Preston, Paula, David Boylan, Fr John Mackie, Johnny Kenny, Ann Donnelly, Eileen McHale, Mary Grobicki, Louis Kitt, Kathleen Connolly, Fr. Michael Hoare, Amelia Sacarello, Harry Hallows, Agnes Halligan, Canon Jack Rigby, Betty Wilson, Janet Roberts, Clare Bainbridge, Anna Lawless, Rachel Atkinson, Anthony Coombes, Pat Reid, Constance Murphy, Betty Foster, Martin & Michael Rock, Delia Connelly and Colin Pearson.

Baptism: don't forget to pop in to see Father after Sunday Mass to begin the process.

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

##NEW OFFERTORY ENVELOPES, are ready for collection at the of Church today. Please consider taking a set, and signing a Gift Ad form which would help tremendously. Thank you to those who kindly Gifted Aided last week; there is another opportunity today, so please consider it as you will really help the Parish out with your kindness. Thank you mjk **##**



Our Lady's Lamp burns for: Arthur Elliot & Duffy 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.

CAFOD: Many thanks for your generous support of our **CAFOD Book & Gift sale** which raised **£98.55** for our parish **Ethiopian project**. The **Lent Fast Day** envelopes for **Zambia** are still arriving so we will have that total soon. **Thank You** to all who helped in every way. **Well done & God Bless.**

School Reading Project: St Bernard's bid to create a reading area, inside a giant tipi, has been accepted for community voting in our local Tesco stores. It would be fantastic if we could win this funding and we need the help of our parish to be in with a chance. To vote for St Bernard's simply post the token you receive when you pay into the **St. Bernard's Outdoor Reading Club** slot.



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 12pm, 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?

The Diocese of Salford regularly updates twitter and Facebook with news, events and notices from around the diocese. If you are on Facebook and twitter why not follow us to keep up to date with what is happening. Search for @SalfordDiocese on both to find us!

Presentation on the Holy Shroud: Monday 27th March, 7.30pm, Suggested donation: £5, St Edward's Parish Hall, Thurloe St, Rusholme, M14 5SG.

NEXT SUNDAY MOTHER'S/LADY DAY: CLOCKS GO FORWARD NEXT SATURDAY NIGHT!!!!!!!