Rotas commencing TODAY Sunday December 20th

Eucharistic Eucharistic Ministers Ministers 10am 6pm		Readers 10am December	Readers 6pm December	Weekday readers This week	Eucharistic Ministers weekdays
Tony Kirstein	Fiona McGarvey	Trevor Richards	Audrey Stedford	Imelda Dean	Beirne & Tony Kirstein
Terry O'Neill	Carol Cooper	Yvonne Tapodi	Lainet Pinto		
Barbara Philips	Stany Rodrigues	Diane Donald	Carol Cooper	Counting Team	
Ann Richards		Tea & Coffee		Helen Clarke	Mary Saunders
Jacqueline Turner	Little Church	CAFOD GROUP	10am Offertory	Margaret Moran	Dympna Dumpleton
Berni Roan	Mary & Sandra		Tatenda & Thomas Kachidia	R Duffy	Cleaning team
Christine Kelly				Pauline Hixon	This week please, Thank you

FAMILY FLOWERS: Thank you for the continued gifts of flowers for the Church. **Flower list** is at the back of Church: Annie Clarke

Last week's Offerings to the Parish: Total £640 37p Thank you

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The Divine Mercy prayer Group will now meet on the First Thursday of the month at 1-30pm in the Church; why not join them?

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

Our Monday Club, "young at heart" is open and always delighted to have new people from the Parish and our local community.

Irish Dancing lessons, held every Wednesday Evening in Burnage Community Centre at 6-30pm, Girls and boys over 4 years of age, most welcome. Enquires to John Morgan on 07900002105

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

ST. BERNARD'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT Sunday 20th December 2015

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"STAY WITH US, LORD, ON OUR JOURNEY."

4th Advent MASS 7/ Creed 12; Mass p 90 Eucharistic Prayer 2 (p24)



Here we enter a new stage of Advent: having spent so much time on the Second Coming, now we look back, to remember the details of the Lord's First Coming. Today we focus on the character of Mary, and hear of the angel Gabriel being sent to her, to invite her to take her part in the mystery of the Incarnation, The revelation of the mystery kept secret for endless ages. This mystery springs from the House of David, and so we lead into the Gospel by hearing of the establishing of that house. An interesting idea is that the first reading talks of David wishing to build a house for the Lord; through the prophet he is told not of the house that he would build, but the House which is his

line: eventually, in Mary (betrothed to Joseph) the House of David does itself become the house of the Lord, the womb wherein he has a dwelling place.

Come Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus, come, Lord Jesus, come again.

Chorus: Come Lord Jesus, come again.

Born of Mary, born of Mary, born of Mary, come again.

Chorus.

Slain to save us (3) come again, chorus. Raised to new life (3), come again, chorus. At God's right hand (3) come again, chorus. Send your Spirit (3), come again, chorus Come in glory, (3) come again, chorus.

Francis tweet: One goal for each day: to convey the tenderness of Christ to those who are most in need.



THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS (December)

Universal: Experiencing God's mercy: That all my experience the mercy of God, who never tires of forgiving **Evangelization**: Families: That families, especially those who suffer, may find in the birth of Jesus a sign of certain hope.

Fourth Sunday of Advent	20 th December	Mass Evening Mass	10am 6pm	Mass Mass
Monday St. Peter Canisius	21st December		9-30am	Mass
Tuesday	22 nd December	Mass of Advent	6pm 7pm	Exposition & Confessions Mass
Wednesday St. John of Kenty	23 rd December	Mass of Advent Reception	9-30am 7pm	Mass
Thursday	24 th December	Mass of Advent Decorating Church	9 am**** 9-30 - 12	Mass No Confessions
CHRISTMAS EVE Thursday	24 th December	Family Mass Solemn Mass	6pm 8pm	Come one come all and
CHRISTMAS DAY	25 th December	Celebration Mass	10am	bring a Friend and Welcome
Saturday	26 th December	St. Stephen's Day	12 Noon	Mass
Sunday HOLY FAMILY	27 th December	Mass Evening Mass	10am 6pm	Mass Mass

⁺ I offer our prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of Joan Kennedy who has died; may she sing with the angels this Christmas, and meet the Busby babes once more! +

Masses this week: Eileen McMahon, Christmas Masses, Jeff Brocklbank, Joan Kennedy, Kath's birthday, Mary & Seamus Nealson, Mrs. Pat Jones for your intentions, Nina Gibbons, Arthur Kelly, Sean & Mary Maher Pearl wedding anni, Francis Martin, Debbie Griffin, Sheila Cassidy, John Cross, Sean Cunningham, John Riley, Mary Moran, Marian Conway, Ann Muldowney, Eileen McHale, Margaret Mary Callaghan, William Walsh, Ages & Anthony McDermott, Michael & Nora Lyons, Bridget & Hannah Maher, Annie Devane, Michael & David Teehan.

Sick: please commend to your prayers the sick and housebound of the Parish especially, M. Pedro, Joshua, Daniel, Mary Dunne, Tommy Bowers, Fr. Peter Birmingham, Mgr Michael Williams, Sean Collins, Ann Donnelly, Dougie Donohue, Josephine Gilligan, Eileen McHale, Paul Byrne, Mary Featherstone, Debbie Griffin, Sr. Amadeus Bulger, Pat Preston, Eddie Hogan, Sr. Amadeus Bulger, John Kujacz, Mary Grobicki, Eugene Davis, Tommy Bowan, Patricia Rundle, Lucy Murphy, Craig Greenwood, Louis Kitt, Angela Hussey, Kathleen Connolly, Fr. Michael Hoare, Yvonne Peace, Imelda Parkinson, Melito Dufficey, Jeff Callaghan, Paddy Hegarty, Sheila O'Donnell, Amelia Sacarello,

Harry Hallows, Gillian Hale, Agnes Halligan, Steven Moorhouse, Pat Jones, Mary Gallagher, Mary Edwards, Samantha Mulligan, Thomas McLoughlin, Mags Chadwick, Betty Wilson, Eileen McCormack, Brenda Gleeson, Elle-Rose Blackhall, Caoimhe Grealish, Mary Barrens, Michael Doyle, Bob Cook, Micky Duffy, Jacob Bannister, Aoife McLaughlin, Janet Roberts, Kathleen Curley, Clare Bainbridge, Carolyn Smith, Pat Reid, Simon McDermott, Julie Ann Keeney, Stephen Gatley, Kath Rafter, Margaret Keable, Constance Murphy, Maria Baker, Betty Foster, Dorothy Hampsey, Martin & Michael Rock, Louis Kerr, Delia Connelly and Colin Pearson.

AVOID THE CHRISTMAS RUSH!!!!!!! SPECIAL SALE FOR THIS WEEK ONLY!!!!!!! Extra Confessions on Tuesday night 6-7pm: then come and snuggle up with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

The Sacrament of Baptism: Pick up yours packs after Mass and return them to the presbytery: our next Baptism meeting Tuesday 5^{th} January in the House at 7-30pm.



Christmas Tableau - Christmas Eve at 6pm Children's Mass

There will be a practice for the tableau today immediately after the 10am Mass. All children are welcome to take part as angels or shepherds. Please meet at the font.



Our Lady's Lamp burns for Annie Clarke 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 $\pounds 5$

All groups have now closed for the Christmas period.

The Toddlers will re-open on Tuesday 5th January

The Drop In will re-open Thursday 7th January

The Young At Heart will re-open on Monday 11th January.

We wish you all a Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

CAFOD: Just the thing on a cold & frosty morning mulled wine & hot mince pies after Mass THIS WEEK in support of our CAFOD project

BURNAGE FOODBANK provides emergency food for local people in crisis, whether on benefits or working. For more information take a leaflet from the porch, see www.burnagefoodbank.org.uk or tel: 07936698546

Carols by Candlelight: tonight at St. Margaret's Church, Burnage at 6-30pm
A Festive evening of traditional carols and readings.

Christmas Meal this Monday 21^{st} December at 7pm in the Parish Hall. Look at the menu and make your choice £6-50p

HOSPITAL: Either as a patient or relative, to see the Catholic Chaplain you have to let the ward sister know, but if you are in MRI, St Mary's, Children's, Eye Hospital, Trafford or Christies, give Fr David or Canon David a ring on 0161 276 4247(office) or 0161 224 1895 (home) you can always leave a message, make sure you give the name of the ward and bed number if known. Please keep them and their work in your prayers.