


**Rotas commencing TODAY Sunday May 11th**

<b>Eucharistic Ministers 10am</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers 6pm</b>	<b>Readers 10am May</b>	<b>Readers 6pm May</b>	<b>Weekday readers This week</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers weekdays</b>
Annie Doherty	Carol Cooper	Liam McMahon	John Press	Pat Jones	Comfort Mensah
Christine Blackburn	Kathy Petty	Christine Robinson	Lainet Pinto	Bernie Kirstein	Barbara Philips
Tony Hennigan	Comfort Mensah	James Walsh	Shelagh Bridge	<b>Counting Team</b>	<b>Church Cleaning</b>
Pauline Hixon	<b>Little Church</b>	<b>Tea &amp; Coffee</b>		Ann Masterson	Ann Masterson
Patricia Jones	Jackie, Bernie & Christine	Rose Duffy	<b>10am Offertory</b>	Kath Thompson	Noreen Linton
Tony Masterson		C Fahey	Kathleen Clarke,	Jackie Turner	Martin Walsh
William Onzivu		M Fahey	T Fahy	Jessica Turner	Bernie Kirstein
				Bernie Roan	Clare Clegg
				Noreen Linton	

**FAMILY FLOWERS:** Thank you for the continued gifts of flowers for the Church. **New flower list** at the back of Church; In memory of Joe Close. Thank you.

**Last week's Offerings to the Parish: Total £ £602. 73p Thank you**

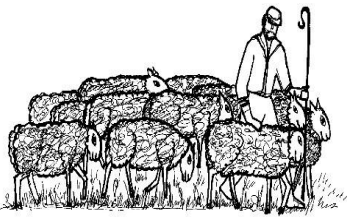
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**Signed Mass Cards** can be obtained from Bridie Close, 44 Shawbrook Rd, during the week or on Sundays from the Bookstall (back of Church) or the Piety Stall (Parish Hall).

Pope Francis: A society which abandons children and the elderly severs its roots and darkens its future.



# ST. BERNARD'S PARISH NEWSLETTER FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Sunday 11<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2014**

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4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Easter MASS 7/ Creed 11; Sunday P.258 Eucharistic Prayer 3 (p28)  
Hymns 310, 25, 466, 350, 343

## World day of prayer for Vocations



Pope Francis encourages us all to pray for vocations to priesthood and religious life on Good Shepherd Sunday. The National Office for Vocation have prepared resources to enable each of us to engage with God's call and pray that more will consider a life of prayer and service in the priesthood or religious life. For inspiration visit [www.ukvocation.org/vocations-sunday-2014](http://www.ukvocation.org/vocations-sunday-2014)

Who are the happiest people in Britain? Millionaires? Rock stars? Artists? A government survey published in March asked people in a wide range of jobs and with very different salaries how happy they were. Second in the list on an average salary of over £120,000 were chief executives; but top of the list, earning just 17% of the executives' salary, were clergy. Our clergy are the happiest group in the country. Today we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday and all the faithful are invited to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. In his message for today, Pope Francis says 'vocation flows from the heart of God.' To respond to the voice of the Good Shepherd is to come close to the heart of God. There is nothing more fulfilling than a life lived close to the heart of God. Filled with the Holy Spirit may we follow Christ in our own lives and pray for those discerning a vocation to the priesthood or religious life.

My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going .I do not see the road ahead of me Nor do I really know myself, And the fact that I think I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that if I do this, you will lead me by the right road though I may know nothing about it. Therefore will I trust you always, though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are with me, and you will never leave me to face my struggles alone. Amen - Prayer of Thomas Merton

**Pope Francis Tweet;** What does "evangelize" mean? To give witness with joy and simplicity to what we are and what we believe in. *2014 Year of Our Parish*

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS [May]

**His universal prayer intention for May** is: "That the media may be instruments in the service of truth and peace".

**His intention for Evangelization** is: "That Mary, Star of Evangelization, may guide the Church in proclaiming Christ to all nations".

4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter.	11 <sup>th</sup> May	Easter Mass Evening Mass	10am 6-00pm	
Monday Bank Holiday	12 <sup>th</sup> May	Easter Weekday	9-30am	Mass
Tuesday	13 <sup>th</sup> May	Our Lady of Fatima	6-7pm 7pm	Exposition Mass
Wednesday	14 <sup>th</sup> May	Feast: St. Matthias	9-30am	Mass
Thursday	15 <sup>th</sup> May	Easter Weekday Confirmation	9-30am 7pm	Mass
Friday	16 <sup>th</sup> May	Easter Weekday	9-30am	Mass
Saturday	17 <sup>th</sup> May	Easter Weekday	Exposition & Confessions Mass	11- 12noon 12 Noon
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter.	18 <sup>th</sup> May	Easter Mass Evening Mass	10am 6-00pm	

**Masses received this week:** Special Intentions, John Cross, Annie Clark, Phil Stevenson, John O'Sullivan, Arnold Cozens, Michael O'Boy, Margaret Clarke, Maria Hodgkins, Dennis Cassidy, Molly Moran, Marcella Nevin and George Scott.

**Sick;** please commend to your prayers the sick and housebound of the Parish especially, Maximus, Daniel, Martin, Sarah, Fr. Pat Early, Audrey Doona, Martin Bradbury, Mary Duffy, Leanne Todd Michael Doyle, Jacob Bannister, Janet Roberts, Simon Kelly, John Doona, Margaret Keable, Michael Griffin, Cissie Corrigan, Ruth Sivori, Pat Preston, Clare Bainbridge, Breda Gallagher, Sheila MacCrimmon, Carolyn Smith, Louis Sivori, Pat Reid, Simon McDermott, Julie Ann Keeney, Stephen Gatley, Kath Rafter, Bernadette Maloney, Margaret Keable, Constance Murphy, Maria Baker, John Barnes, Denny McGuigan, Maureen Nash, Betty Foster, Steven Moorhouse, Alan O'Donnell, Dorothy Hampsey, Louis Kerr, Jean Owen, Mary Whieldon, Delia Connelly and Colin Pearson.



**Our Lady's Lamp burns this week for the The Gilligan family & In memory of Joe Close** 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

**The Sacrament of Baptism:** Pick up yours forms after Mass and return them at our next Baptism meeting on Tuesday June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7-30pm in the Presbytery.



As part of our Year of Our Parish, as summer comes on we are planning a series of House Masses around the parish. You will find the guidelines at the back of Church for these celebrations during this week. Please consider the possibility of hosting one. I am sure it will be a source of many blessings. Forms to arrange a House mass at the back of the Church.

**Burnage Foodbank Update:** After many meetings & visits progress has been made. **Burnage Foodbank** is now registered with the Trussell Trust, has applied for grants & found premises for the foodstore in a former shop on Burnage Lane. There is an event for all volunteers, old & new, on **Wed 21 May at 7.30pm at St. Nicholas Church Hall, Kingsway**. Do come along, get involved & share your skills to make **Burnage Foodbank** a great success for the good of our Burnage Community: Poster in the porch for more details.

**DROP IN THURSDAY** after Mass in the Parish Hall, Good conversation, games,



newspapers, constant tea and coffee, and toast. Homemade soup and bread at 12-30pm, heating and warm atmosphere, films; till 2-30pm. Young, middle, not so old, and golden oldies most welcome.



Let people know and come along yourselves. Thank you to our great

team of dedicated helpers

**Holy Land 2015 19<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> February 2015.** £899, Includes flight, baggage, hotels, fees to holy sites and boat ride on the Sea of Galilee. This price is on hold till May 31<sup>st</sup>. Deposit of £250. Flying from Manchester: [price does not include insurance, tips to guide or at hotels. This year's trip was great value for money as well as being a wonderful experience. Don't miss out. Make sure of your place, as we are now offering it to other Parishes!

Fr. Pat's Thanksgiving Mass this Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 7-30pm at St. Mary's Levenshulme. All welcome.

**Prayer for Priests** Lord Jesus, the ministry of priests is a sign of your unfailing care. Call from among us the priests needed for the Church of today and tomorrow. Bless all students for the priesthood. Grant them joy, wisdom, courage and a generous spirit. Sustain priests with a real sense of your love and the support of those they are called to serve. Keep them faithful to their calling. Amen.

**A Parent's Prayer** Loving God, You have given us the privilege as well as the responsibility of parenthood. Guide us as we invite our children to hear your call to service in the Church. May they respond with deep faith and generosity to the needs of others. Help us to be a source of encouragement by our own desire to be committed people who serve with love and enthusiasm. Amen -