

**Last week's Offerings to the Parish: Total**

**Baptism information:** See 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](mailto: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](http://marriage.stjosephsmanchester.co.uk): **Sacramental programme 2019/20:** Contact: Clare Clegg (07389 192655). **The Divine Mercy prayer Group** meets on the Second and Fourth Wednesday of the month in the Church at 1pm. **\*\*\*Please note new days\*\*\***

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

**Young At Heart** open Monday: we look forward to seeing you.

**Toddlers Group:** open Tuesday mornings; Further enquiries to Anne 431 7212

**Drop in** is open on Thursdays 10am till 2-30pm **ALL CLUBS AND GROUPS SUSPENDED**

**BURNAGE FOOD BANK; now short of Tinned fish, tinned fruit, tinned custard** 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](http://www.burnagefoodbank.org.uk) or tel: 07936698546;


**Ways to help St Bernard's Financially during Lockdown**

A number of parishioners have asked how we can continue to support our parish financially during this lockdown period. Bills - such as energy, Council Tax, maintenance etc are still arriving through the presbytery letter box and our commitments need to be met. If you are able to bank online then maybe you could consider setting up a standing order to pay your weekly/monthly offering St Bernard's Banking details are: Barclays SRC DTR St Bernard's Burnage

Account Number 0095 9510 Sort-code 20-55-34

Please ensure that you put your name as a reference, thank you. You might consider if you are passing St Bernard's as part of your daily exercise and you have your weekly envelopes you could pop them into the letter box at the presbytery **Alternatively you just might wish to make a one off donation by cheque payable to St Bernard's Parish or cash.** Please put your name on the envelope as we can still claim gift aid. Whatever you can do will be much appreciated. Thank you!

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

**Items for the Bulletin can be left at the Presbytery or emailed to [michaelkujacz@hotmail.com](mailto:michaelkujacz@hotmail.com) by Wednesday evening** please for inclusion the following Sunday: the Newsletter 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

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2020

### WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY



**Clergy:** Mgr. Michael J Kujacz, Fr. John Coe

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STAY WITH US ON OUR JOURNEY

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter Home Sheets MASS 6/ Creed 11; Eucharistic Prayer 3(28)



On the seventh Sunday of Easter, we always read from the 17th chapter of John's Gospel. This chapter of John's Gospel comes at the conclusion of Jesus' Farewell Discourse delivered to the disciples at the Last Supper. The whole of this chapter is a prayer of Jesus, commending himself to the Father and expressing his care and concern for his disciples. At the end of this prayer, Jesus and his disciples depart for the garden, and Jesus is arrested.

Several important themes appear in this prayer of Jesus. First, Jesus' prayer reaffirms the complete union between Jesus and the Father. Throughout John's Gospel, Jesus has been presented as the one who pre-existed with the Father and as the one sent by the Father to do his work on earth. In today's reading, we hear Jesus ask that the unity he experiences with the Father be extended to all who believe in him. He prays that we be one with each other, with him, and with the Father. We are reminded that Christ is the source of Christian unity. Through Christ, we are united with one another and with God our Father.

Belief is a major theme in the Gospel of John. It begins in the prologue and continues in the response to Jesus' signs. Belief is the reason Jesus performs signs (2:11, 4:53, 6:69, 9:38) and the reason signs have been recorded in the Gospel (20:30-31). Here Jesus prays not only for those who believe in him but for all who will come to believe in him. And he prays that the love of the Father in him may also be in all who believe so that Jesus might be in them as well.

Let us pray for the people of the parish of St. Ambrose, Chorlton, and for Fr. John Hitchen and Fr. Michael Deas. We pray for their parish primary school.

**Pope Francis Tweet:** "If one follows Jesus, happy to be attracted by Him, others will take notice. They may even be astonished. The joy that radiates from those attracted by Christ and by his Spirit is what can make any missionary initiative fruitful."

**THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS** for May: We pray that Deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

Keep up to date on the website with the Parish Pump and Sacristy Chatter.



### This week's timetable

7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	24 <sup>th</sup> May	Morning Mass Evening Mass	10am 6pm	Rosary in the Garden 12 noon
Monday <b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>	25 <sup>th</sup> May	St Bede the Venerable	12 Noon	Mass***
Tuesday	26 <sup>th</sup> May	St Philip Neri <b>*Holy Hour</b>	9-30am <b>12 Noon*</b> 7pm	Mass <b>Exposition*</b> Mass
Wednesday	27 <sup>th</sup> May	St Augustine of Canterbury	9-30am	Mass
Thursday	28 <sup>th</sup> May	Easter Weekday <b>Rosary &amp; Litany</b>	9-30am <b>12 Noon*</b>	Mass
Friday	29 <sup>th</sup> May	St Paul VI	9-30am	Mass
Saturday	30 <sup>th</sup> May	Easter Weekday	12 Noon	Mass
<b>PENTECOST</b>	31 <sup>st</sup> May	Morning Mass Evening Mass	10am 6pm	Rosary in the Garden 1pm***

**The live-streaming of the celebration of Mass will continue throughout Easter Time, on Sunday and throughout the week: look out for special prayer times! Tune in!**

Mass intentions and offerings should be put through the Presbytery Door. Up to date news and information can be found on the Parish Website: take a look at the Parish Pump and also the daily blog. Please store planned giving envelopes at home.

**Masses this week:** Special Intentions, Pat Cahill, Mobishir Rawthore, Fr Pat Sanfey, Get well, Maria Hodgkins, John Treanor, Canon Edward Matthews, Veronica Hesketh, George Hughes

**In your prayers please remember:** Mobishir Rawthore, Catherine O'Callaghan, Kath Welch, Sr Ann McCabe, Bill O'Hara, James Barrens, Katie Richards, Marian Parker, David Goddard, Mary Bancroft, Ian Lomas, Arianna, Fr Arthur Neary, Oliver Agnew, Pat Preston, Mary Boylan, Pat Lawrence, Pat Scott, Fr Pat Deegan, Teresa Barrett, Ann Richards, Lisa McElwaine, Fr Leo Heakin, William Harkin, Paddy Lyons, Lyndsey Kelly, John Phillips, Stefan Lachkovic, Clare Bainbridge, Steven Moorhouse, Karen & Billy Hennessy, Debbie Roberts, Dillon Ward, Brian Waugh, Ellen Leach, Robert Leeming, Michael Turner, Chris Forbes, Maureen Nash, Denis Joyce, Breda Gallagher, Yas Poptani, Sr Pat Carney, Dorothy Harold, Christine, Marcella McNevin, Ged MacCarron, Pat Hallows, Celia & Alf Meschi, John & Michael Griffin, Fr Chris Lough, Jane Riley, Jacky Watts, Margaret Hills, Sheila Walsh, John Kirwin, Christopher Burke, Ann O'Connor, MJK, Doreen French, Anne Hutton, Tess Kenrick, Sandra Lannatta, Kevin Hemsell, George Hegarty, Margaret & Dave Watkins, Sue Atherton, Lizzie Frost, Anthony Gormley, Nancy Maguire, Breda Orr, Orla McManus, Betty Ann Jones, Siobhan Drugan, Kathleen Curley, Anthony Mullen, Marion Moran, Ronald Bradshaw, Ann & John MacCarron, Anthony Gallagher, Fr Vincent Cavey, Mary Winterbourne, Mary Mulvihill, Phyllis Dowd, Margaret Bayhi, Celia Deignan, Eileen Kenny, Mary Jordan, Kathleen Connolly, Michael Carney, Maureen Walkin, Bernie Quezena, Lee Hegarty, Richard O'Connor, Patrick Clarke, Anna Lawless, Eddie McDonald.

Sacramental Programme is suspended, and all planned dates cancelled.

**Our Lady's Lamp** for Sharon Harper & the **Sacred Heart Lamp** for John Press : let us know if you would like an entry making on the list: suggested donation £5. Thank you

**Pentecost Sunday - Rosary Rally:** Pope Francis is encouraging Catholics to pray the Rosary in their family homes during the month of May, especially when the Pandemic is making us aware of the value of our families and making it possible for us to pray together in lockdown at home. He encourages simple Rosaries and joining online Rosary initiatives to pray to Our Lady for deliverance from Covid-19 and he has composed two prayers for this intention. You are invited to join in an initiative that follows on the Pope's request, the **Pentecost Sunday National Rosary Rally**, from 9.00am to 9.00pm across Scotland England and Wales. [Our Diocese has been asked to pray a Rosary Hour at 1pm and you are invited to take part.](#)

**Message from Diocese about First Confessions and First Communions:** Once again it is too early to arrange dates at which these may be celebrated. Once details are known as to required social distancing further guidance will be issued. Particular attention will need to be given as to how to resume catechesis. You may wish to direct parents to the online catechesis that is available on the Diocesan website and to the Lord's Day at Home resource for prayer as a family. The Diocesan Sacramental Programme resources, which used to be printed by Gemini, are also on the website.

**High Sheriff Special Recognition Awards:** The High Sheriff of Greater Manchester is calling for nominations of ordinary people doing extraordinary things during the pandemic. Dr Eamonn O'Neal DL, High Sheriff, has launched The Special Recognition Awards to publicly acknowledge the amazing acts of thoughtfulness and kindness being done by many people during the C-19 pandemic. Nominations are open now and the nomination forms can be found by mailing [HighSheriffGM@gmail.com](mailto:HighSheriffGM@gmail.com)

CAFOD: We may be in lockdown but the work of CAFOD must go on. CAFOD is there for us - visit [www.cafod.org.uk](http://www.cafod.org.uk) for prayers, children's liturgies, short inspiring talks & films & the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Laudato Si (Our Common Home). CAFOD also asks us to be there for our brothers & sisters in countries which have the virus but have no health service, no benefit system & poor access to water. If you are able to help please go to [www.cafod.org.uk/coronavirusappeal](http://www.cafod.org.uk/coronavirusappeal) or click the Useful Links on the St. Bernard website. THANK YOU for all you do.



**Not forgotten  
always  
remembered.**

God Our Father, each person is precious to You. You are the Giver of life. Have mercy on us and protect us at this time, as the coronavirus threatens health and life. You are an ever-present Helper in time of trouble. Watch over those who are suffering, give strength to those who are aiding the sick and give courage to all in this time of anxiety. We ask this of you in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Please see website for the future reopening of the Church: can you help?**