

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

**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: [baptismstbernards@gmail.com](mailto:baptismstbernards@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;** 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;

### **Caritas Diocese of Salford – Advent Appeal 2020.**

At this time of year, Caritas Salford traditionally begins a winter appeal for donations of food, sleeping bags and other materials. The restrictions affecting the public celebration of Mass means we are unable to accept physical donations this year or tell parishioners about the positive impact of their donations on the lives of those in need. Please visit the Caritas Salford website / use this

link <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/service-view/advent-appeal-2020/> to watch a short film about how Caritas helped Rochelle, Quinton and Nikki and to make a small donation by debit or credit card if you are able. Please continue to remember in your prayers all the staff, volunteers and beneficiaries of Caritas services this winter. Thank you.

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**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

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### SUNDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2020



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

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STAY WITH US ON OUR JOURNEY

First Advent Mass sheets

December: Month of the Immaculate Conception



Advent opens with a great cry, and a great promise: "Oh that you would tear the heavens open and come down! is the cry, of a people who need God. "...The master is coming" is the promise, not to breed fear, but to answer our cry. Advent begins, not with thoughts of the past, with the coming of the Lord we celebrate at Christmas, but

with the future, and the promise that He is coming back. We are encouraged to treat every day as the day the Lord will come; we do not do this out of fear for a Master who beats his servants, but out of love of a Master who always treats us with love and mercy. Nevertheless we must always be watchful, because we can grow sleepy and complacent, saying that we can leave this prayer or that confession or the other change in the way we live to tomorrow. Even as we look forward to the tomorrow of the Lord's coming, we must remember that it might be today!

As we enter Advent we pray for the people of the parish of Our Lady of Grace, Prestwich, for Mgr John Allen, their parish priest, and for Fr. Tony Dearman. We pray for their parish primary school and St. Monica's High School, for the Sisters of Our Lady of Sion and for the patients, staff and chaplaincy at Prestwich Hospital. May they wait in hope for the Coming of the Lord.

**Pope Francis Tweet:** "Lord, Father of our human family, you created all human beings equal in dignity: pour forth into our hearts a fraternal spirit. Move us to create healthier societies and a more dignified world, a world without hunger, poverty, violence and war."

**THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS** for December: That our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and by Prayer.

**Proud to Support**



**You're our Heroes!**

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

This week's timetable

**\*\*Church open for private visits**

<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>29<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Morning Mass</b> <b>Evening Mass</b>	<b>10am</b> <b>12-1pm</b> <b>6pm</b>	<b>Mass</b> <b>Exposition**</b> <b>Mass</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>30<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Feast: St Andrew</b>	<b>9-30am</b> <b>12-1pm</b>	<b>Mass</b> <b>Exposition**</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> December</b>	<b>Mass of Advent</b>	<b>9-30am***</b> <b>12-1pm</b>	<b>Mass</b> <b>Exposition**</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> December</b>	<b>Mass of Advent</b> <b>+Carol Hales+</b>	<b>9-30am</b> <b>12 Noon</b>	<b>Mass</b> <b>Requiem</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> December</b>	<b>St Francis Xavier</b> <b>+Brenda McGuire+</b>	<b>9-30am</b> <b>10 15am</b> <b>12-1pm</b>	<b>Mass</b> <b>Funeral</b> <b>Exposition**</b>
<b>FIRST FRIDAY</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>St John Damascene</b> <b>In Advent</b>	<b>9-30am</b> <b>12-1pm</b>	<b>Mass</b> <b>Exposition**</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Mass of Advent</b>	<b>11am-12pm</b>  <b>12 Noon</b>	<b>*Exposition &amp; Confessions*</b> <b>Mass</b>
<b>Second Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Morning Mass</b> <b>Evening Mass</b>	<b>10am</b> <b>6pm</b>	<b>Mass</b> <b>Mass</b>



**PLEASE WEAR A MASK AT CHURCH unless you are excused. Thanks**

**Masses this week:** Special Intentions, Holy Souls, Evelyn & Michael McGinty, Mary & John Clegg, Joan & Packy Rispin, Mary & Pat Lacumber, Margaret & Catherine, Brendan Moran, Damien O'Dowd, Annie Hogan, Christine Kelly, Margaret Moran, Eileen O'Malley, Mickey Callaghan & Family, Mary Callaghan & Thomas Hegarty, Brain O'Neil.

In your prayers please remember: Christine Kelly, Paddy Lyons, Hilary, Margaret Moran, Oliver, Patricia Divine, Hanna O'Dea, Colm Harkin, Vincent Gibson, Padraig Kavanagh, Canon Frank Deeney, Piers Henderson, Trevor Teale, Michael Maguire, Audrey O'Neil, Carol Archer, Michael Griffin, James Hegerty, Clare McHugh, Canon Michael Moore, Sarah Mitchell, Paddy Colbert, Gerard Cain, James Barrrens, Michaela Rabbitt, Mary Callaghan, B Keaveney, Teresa Barrett, Antony & Christopher Mullen, Janet Ackley, Carol Archer, Ann McKenna, Barbara Hegarty, Barry Keaveney, Katherine Mahon, Mary Wheatley, Steven Moorhouse, Tess Kenrick, Pat Preston, Mary Boylan, Val Begley, Kevin Malpas, James Barren, Celia & Alf Meschi, Cam Lusco, Maureen Nash, Breda Gallagher, Margaret Bayhi, Paul Cannon, Angela & Dennis Keyworth, Clare Bainbridge, Denis Joyce, Mobishir Rawthore, Nancy Maguire, Kath Welch, Ann & David, Mary O'Neill, Fr Francis Austin, Sarah Byrns, Kitty Kinsella, Bill O'Hara, Katie Richards, Marian Parker, David Goddard, Ian Lomas, Arianna, Oliver Agnew, Pat Lawrence, Pat Scott, Lisa McElwaine, Fr Leo Heakin, Sir Bobby Charlton, William Harkin, Lyndsey Kelly, John Phillips, Stefan Lachkovic, Karen & Billy Hennessy, Debbie Roberts, Dillon Ward, Brian Waugh, Ellen Leach, Michael Turner, Chris Forbes, Yas Poptani, Sr Pat Carney, Dorothy Harold, Christine, Marcella McNevin, Ged MacCarron, Pat Hallows, John Griffin, Fr Chris Lough, Jane Riley, Jacky Watts, Margaret Hills, Sheila Walsh, John Kirwin, Christopher Burke, Ann O'Connor, MJK, Anne Hutton, Sandra Lannatta, Kevin Hempself, George Hegarty, Margaret & Dave Watkins, Sue Atherton, Lizzie Frost, Breda Orr, Orla McManus, Betty Ann Jones, Kathleen Curley, Anthony Mullen, Marion Moran, Ronald Bradshaw, Ann & John MacCarron, Anthony Gallagher, Fr Vincent Cavey, Mary Winterbourne, Mary Mulvihill, Phyllis Dowd, Celia Deignan, Eileen Kenny, Mary

Jordan, Michael Carney, Maureen Walkin, Bernie Quezena, Lee Hegarty, Richard O'Connor, Patrick Clarke, Anna Lawless, Eddie McDonald.

**Our Lady's Lamp** for St Nicholas's Community & the **Sacred Heart Lamp** for the sick let us know if you would like an entry making on the list: suggested donation £5. Thank you



**WITH ADVENT IN MIND:** The Diocese are offering an Advent at Home resource, which you can find at this link:

website: <https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/covid19/advent-at-home/>

Advent begins today, why not try and make a visit to Church, and when we are able to start coming back for Mass, why not come and join us? Take the opportunity to have your own Advent wreath at home, so that you can enrich your preparation for Christmas, and make it the centre piece in your home.



Please arrange your Baptisms by Annie or Janice using the Parish website on: **baptismstbernards@gmail.com** please be aware that some social distancing rules will apply and limited numbers.

### UP TO DATE:

\*Church will be open for private prayer, lighting candles, and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, SUNDAY, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 12 Noon until 1pm. We hope to reopen for public Mass on Thursday Morning and then restore our usual timetable in the mean time Paper Newsletters are available from the outer Porch of the Church, why not drop one in to your Catholic Neighbours? Also Sunday Celebration sheets for the home.



**2020 CHRISTMAS SPECIAL:** The winners of our 4th draw are A Stubbs Ticket No 313 £20, J Moran 55 £10, A Stedford 315 £10, M Flatley 342 £10. All winners and agents notified. The main draw will take

place on Sunday 6th December and the prizes will be: - 1st Prize £300, 2nd Prize £100, 3rd Prize £50, 4th Prize £25, 5th Prize £25. Good luck to all who have supported us in this special draw. We have such a good response we plan to hold similar draws next year.



**With Christmas in mind:** it appears that the restrictions on Church capacity will not be lifted and so we have to make our arrangements accordingly. As you know around 400 people usual come to the 6pm Mass on Christmas Eve, this year the maximum will be 90! So here's what we intend doing:

- we need you to chose which Mass you will come to at Christmas and stick with that one, please don't change.
- We will have 6pm, 8pm, and 10am Christmas Morning
- If families chose to come together as a group of six it will allow us to sit you together and thereby allow a few more in.
- If numbers are overwhelming we may be able to add an extra Mass either Christmas Eve or Morning.
- Next Sunday in the Newsletter will be an application form, please fill in all the details, and choose which Mass you want to come to.
- Invitations will then be issued the week after; for on the time chosen only those with invitations will be allowed into Church.
- I know this is a pain but those are the rules we have to operate under.
- If numbers require we will then consider an extra Mass.
- Application forms through School will be issued after next Sunday.
- Applications will also be able to be made on the internet, full details during next week and at weekend.