Last week's collection with standing orders: Total £720 Thank you

<u>Sacrament of Marriage</u>: 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: <u>Sacramental programme</u> 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 or tel: 07936698546;

The Global Catholic Movement invites you to "Global Healing." In 2015, Pope Francis published his ground-breaking letter on the environment Laudato Si'. Since then, millions of people worldwide have joined the global movement to address the environmental crisis our world is facing. This Lent, we are inviting YOU to join us for a series of reflective evenings with inspiring speakers, prayer and discussion, using the film-based resource "Global Healing". These engaging documentaries will inform and challenge people to respond to Pope Francis' call to Care for Our Common Home. Suitable for all who are concerned about what is happening to our world and who want to take action. When? Six Thursdays from 18th February - 25th March 2021, 7.30pm - 8.30pm How to join? To register email jane@catholicclimatemovement.global Hosted by GCCM Laudato Si' Animators in the UK.

CATECHISTS' ZOOM GATHERING: Waiting for Green - Being a catechist on "Pause" Wednesday 3rd March, 7:00pm-8:30pm, Zoom Led by The Wisdom Group exploring how we can support you and your ministry with practical resources for use now and in the future. Email formation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk to register.

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Items for the Bulletin can be left at the Presbytery or emailed to 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 LENT SUNDAY 21st FEBRUARY 2021

Clergy: Mgr. Michael J Kujacz, Fr. John Coe, Fr. Kevin Gradwell. Address St. Bernard's R C Church, Burnage Lane, Manchester M19 1DR Tel 0161 432 3628 Website http://stbernards-burnage.homeip.net Live stream michaelkujacz@hotmail.com

STAY WITH US ON OUR JOURNEY

1st Sunday of Lent

February: Month of the Holy Famil



We begin our Lenten journey at the decisive moment of the flood, when God establishes his first Covenant with man, in the person of Noah. Noah was saved from the waters, while we (as Saint Peter points out)

are saved by the waters of Baptism. This is the Covenant we live in, thanks to Christ, who came to establish this "new and eternal Covenant in his blood". He is the only one who can do this, because he is without sin, despite "having been tempted in ever way that we are".

Blessed are you, Lord, God of ALL CREATION: A short Eco-Thought based (usually) on the Sunday Liturgy: From the first reading: God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you.' God pledges never to destroy his creation. Can we make that same pledge to God and safeguard the gift God has given us? Think of one practical step that you will take this Lent and beyond.

We pray for the people of the parish of the Holy Trinity, Worsley, with Mar John Dale, their parish priest, for the Franciscan Missionaries of St. Joseph, the chaplaincy to St. Ann's Hospice, and for the parish primary schools. May their journey with the Lord this Lent be richly blessed.

Pope Francis Tweet: "We are now embarking on our Lenten Journey, which opens with the words of the prophet Joel. They point out the path we are to follow. We hear an invitation that arises from God: "Return to me with all your heart" (Joel 2:12). Lent is a journey of return to God. Let us to allow Jesus to heal us - we always need this, everyone - so that we might in our turn be witnesses to God's healing tenderness."

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS for February: We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and healed.

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

This week's timetable

First Sunday of	21 st	Morning Mass	10am	Mass
Lent	February	Evening Mass	6pm	Mass
Monday	22 nd	Feast; Chair of St	9-30am	Mass
	February	Peter		
Tuesday	23 rd	+Funeral Service:	11am	
	February	Michael Nolan+		
		Lent Weekday	6pm	Confessions &
		(St Polycarp)		Exposition
			7pm	Mass
Wednesday	24 th	Lent Weekday	9-30am	Mass
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Thursday	25 th	Lent Weekday	9-30am	Mass
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Friday	26 th	Lent Weekday	9-30am	Mass
	February	Stations of the Cross	12 Noon	
Saturday	27 th	Lent Weekday	11am	Confessions &
	February			Exposition
			12 Noon	Mass
Second Sunday	28 th	Morning Mass	10am	Mass
of Lent	February	Evening Mass	6pm	Mass

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

Masses this week: Special Intentions, Pat Preston, John Tipper, John Kelly, Linda McCormac, Philip Joseph, Mary Philip, C.P. Johnson, Maurice Hennessy, Packie Farnan, William & Ellen Copley, Michael Farnan, Lillian Mulhearn, Anna Kane, Maurice O'Connell, Michael McHale.

In your prayers please remember: Christine Kelly, Paddy Lyons, Bridget Giffney, Hilary, Margaret Moran, Oliver, Teresa Barrett, Sr. Theresa Moore, Philip Tobin, Elizabeth, Patricia Divine, Theresa Patrick, Clare Bainbridge, Mary Boylan, Maurice O'Connell, Alan Gibson, Brenda & Bill O'Hara, Stephen Bostock, Marcella McNevin, Mark Kujacz, Celia & Alf Meschi, Colm Harkin, Maureen Nash, Annette, Paddy Doherty, Ellen Leach, Vincent Gibson, Padraig Kavanagh, Canon Frank Deeney, Piers Henderson, Patrick Griffin, Michael Maguire, Audrey O'Neil, Carol Archer, Michael Griffin, Fr. Kevin Gradwell, James Hegerty, Audrey O'Neil, Monica Gallagher, Canon Michael Moore, Sarah Mitchell, Paddy Colbert, Gerard Cain, James Barrens, Michaela Rabbitt, Mary Callaghan, B Keaveney, Antony & Christopher Mullen, Janet Ackley, Trevor Teale, Carol Archer, Ann McKenna, Barbara Hegarty, Barry Keaveney, Katherine Mahon, Mary Wheatley, Steven Moorhouse, Tess Kenrick, Val Begley, Kevin Malpas, James Barren, Ged MacCarron, Cam Lusco, Breda Gallagher, Margaret Bayhi, Paul Cannon, Angela & Dennis Keyworth, Denis Joyce, Mobishir Rawthore, Nancy Maguire, Kath Welch, Ann & David, Mary O'Neill, Fr Francis Austin, Sarah Byrns, Kitty Kinsella, Marian Parker, David Goddard, Ian Lomas, Arianna, Oliver Agnew, 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, Michael Turner, Chris Forbes, Yas Poptani, Sr Pat Carney, Dorothy Harold, Christine, 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 Hempsell, 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, 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 the Pat Preston & the Sacred Heart Lamp: for the work of CAFOD. New lists at the back of the Church to sign up: suggested donation £5. Thank you



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. We have now recommenced Baptisms.

PARISH LENT UP DATE:. Extra confessions from 6-7pm on Tuesdays, Station's of the Cross on Friday's of Lent at 12 noon. Short Stations of the Cross after Mass on Monday, Wednesday & Thursday. Holy water, please bring a bottle with you and we will gladly bless it for you. There was a good number came to Mass on Ash Wednesday let's hope we can keep up out Lenten promises this year! What are you doing? I know there are lots of things to give up, and sometimes we set the bar too high, so don't try and do the impossible; likewise there are a variety of good works we can take on, make sure you take on something which will not cause you to fall at the first fence! Better still; why not think about time, and how you use it? Time to pray, time to hold a crucifix and feel Christ's love, time to read, time for scripture, time for others, time for yourself, time to rest, time to make that phone call or write that letter, time to stop and see the beauty of God's creation, time for reconciliation with God, family and neighbours: Time to remember that time comes to an end, and that is not a time for regrets but at time when we trust in God's mercy. The time to prepare is now. God Bless mjk

CAFOD: We can pray online each day this Lent with the CAFOD Calendar & the Friday Stations of the Cross & we can walk in solidarity with Abdella as he collects water from the mountains in Ethiopia. Please take an envelope today for Lent Fast Day on Friday Feb 26 & return next weekend (or any time through the presbytery door). We can also give online at www.cafod.org.uk/lent or by post, or by phone or by texting £10 to LENT 70460. There are leaflets in the porch to help. THANK YOU for all you do.

CAFOD PRAYER FOR LENT

Loving God, we hear your call to all who thirst for a brighter future: Come to the water. Pour out your Spirit upon us and lead us to walk alongside one another. Let a desire for change well up within us. May we overflow with compassion and love.

And as a stream wears away stone, may we reshape our world together to reflect your kingdom of hope for all. Amen