

Last week's collection: **Total £825 69p 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; Christmas Eve open from 12 till 2pm.

**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. 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 visit the Caritas Salford website / use this link <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/service-view/advent-appeal-2020/> Please continue to remember in your prayers all the staff, volunteers and beneficiaries of Caritas services this winter. Thank you.

G	A	B	R	H	E	S	U	O	H
A	J	O	S	T	N	O	S	T	A
B	A	R	R	E	N	N	E	M	N
R	C	E	E	R	D	B	D	A	D
I	O	C	J	A	A	I	A	Y	M
E	B	H	O	Z	S	L	V	R	A
L	N	I	I	A	E	U	I	A	I
O	S	L	C	N	G	O	S	M	D
R	E	D	E	N	A	N	G	E	L
D	A	V	I	H	P	E	S	O	J

ANGEL MARY LORD ELIZABETH	GABRIEL REJOICE JESUS BARREN	JOSEPH SON CHILD HANDMAID
------------------------------------	---------------------------------------	------------------------------------



**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

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### SUNDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2020



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

**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](mailto:michaelkujacz@hotmail.com)

STAY WITH US ON OUR JOURNEY

Fourth Advent Mass sheets

December: Month of the Immaculate Conception



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.

As Christmas approaches we pray for the parish of St. Joseph, Ramsbottom, for Fr. Frank Thorpe, their parish priest, and for their parish primary school. May St. Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary, inspire them to imitate her faith

**Pope Francis Tweet:** "I encourage you to dedicate time to prayer, meditating in the light of the Word of God, so that the Holy Spirit who inhabits it might illuminate the path to follow and transform our hearts, as we await the birth of Our Lord Jesus."

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

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



This week's timetable

<b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b> (O Clavis David)	<b>20<sup>th</sup></b> <b>December</b>	Morning Mass Evening Mass	<b>10am</b> <b>6pm</b>	<b>Mass</b> <b>Mass</b>
<b>Monday</b> (O Oriens)	<b>21<sup>st</sup></b> <b>December</b>	Mass of Advent (St Peter Canisius) +Requiem: Thomas Mitchell+	<b>9-30am</b>  <b>*6pm</b>	<b>Mass</b>  <b>Mass</b>
<b>Tuesday</b> (O Rex)	<b>22<sup>nd</sup></b> <b>December</b>	Mass of Advent	<b>6pm</b>  <b>7pm</b>	<b>*Exposition &amp; Confessions*</b> <b>Mass</b>
<b>Wednesday</b> (O Emmanuel)	<b>23<sup>rd</sup></b> <b>December</b>	Mass of Advent +Requiem: Kathleen Theresa Gallagher+	<b>9-30am</b> <b>*10-20am</b>	<b>Mass</b> <b>Mass</b>
<b>Thursday</b>  <i>CHRISTMAS EVE</i> <i>By Invitation only</i>	<b>24<sup>th</sup></b> <b>December</b>	Mass of Advent  <i>FIRST MASS</i> <i>SECOND MASS</i>	<b>9-30am</b>  <b>6pm</b> <b>8pm</b>	<b>Mass</b>  <b>FULL</b> <b>FULL</b>
<b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup></b> <b>December</b>	<i>THIRD MASS</i>	<b>10am</b>	<i>SOME AVAILABILITY</i>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>26<sup>th</sup></b> <b>December</b>	<b>Feast: St Stephen</b>	<b>12 Noon</b>	<b>Mass</b>
<b>HOLY FAMILY</b>	<b>27<sup>th</sup></b> <b>December</b>	Morning Mass Evening Mass	<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, Dec Reidy & Hyland Families, Mary Todd, Kath Butterworth, Jim Rudden, Annette, Betty Widing, Marie Stylianou, Sean, Melanie Cillian & Niamh Tapodi, Bill, Mary & Joseph Hall, Christopher & Theresa Carey, Arthur Kelly, Griffin Family, Barry Keaveny, Kathryn Wong, Sarah Sacarello, Tommy Cooney, Holy Souls

In your prayers please remember: Christine Kelly, Paddy Lyons, Hilary, Margaret Moran, Oliver, Patricia Divine, Hanna O'Dea, Colm Harkin, Annette, Teresa Barrett, 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, Jamie Mitchell, Monica Gallagher, Canon Michael Moore, Sarah Mitchell, Paddy Colbert, Gerard Cain, James Barrrens, 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, Pat Preston, Mary Boylan, Val Begley, Kevin Malpas, James Barren, Marcella McNevin, Ged MacCarron, 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, 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, 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, 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 Nina & the **Sacred Heart Lamp**: for Teresa Barrett. 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.



### ST BERNARD CHRISTMAS MASSES:

Thank you for being so understanding about our organization for our Christmas Celebrations this year. I must say I find it very difficult having to issue Invites as I love to see our Church bursting at the seams! Please God the New Year will allow us able to achieve some normality again.

The ancient Tradition of making each day of the Octave of Christmas a New Christmas day takes on a new character this year; each day we will tell the Christmas Story, so that you are able to fulfill your Christmas obligation on any of those days leading up to and including the Feast of Mary Mother of God, New Year's day.

**6PM AND 8PM CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES ARE FULL, some availability for 10am Christmas Day.** Envelopes containing your Invites are available from the Stewards at the back of church. Please note the presbytery does not have the envelopes. Please collect your envelope today this **Sunday**, as you cannot turn up at your Mass to collect invites as they may have been reallocated. Invites are not transferable due to our track and trace system for each Mass. You will be directed by Stewards about where to sit in church. This is to ensure the relevant social distancing is maintained as part of our Diocesan guidelines. If any of your 'bubble' has any Covid symptoms, they should not attend Mass. There will be a number of stewards on duty at each Christmas Mass including at the car park gate to ensure only those attending have tickets. In regard to your booking form data, this will be kept securely over the Christmas period and then destroyed. Thank you to everyone for their co-operation to give everyone a safe and Happy and Holy Christmas here at St Bernard's.

The Diocese has started work with academic partners on a 'decarbonisation strategy.' This will involve understanding our carbon footprint and ways to reduce it, over the next two years. The team would welcome anyone with expertise in this area in our parish communities to get in touch at [decarbonisation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk](mailto:decarbonisation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk).so that we are more aware of those that might want to get involved. Thank you.

**CAFOD World Gifts** are the ideal lockdown present, enabling us to be good neighbours to our brothers & sisters overseas. Go to [www.cafod.org.uk/worldgifts](http://www.cafod.org.uk/worldgifts) to browse & order online, everything from bees & goats to vegetable gardens & footballs: **Or catalogues at the back of Church.** After a year of uncertainty we all need the hope, peace, comfort & joy that **Advent** can offer. Visit [www.cafod.org.uk/parishes](http://www.cafod.org.uk/parishes) for virtual events that help us to gather online to pray, reflect & celebrate as we prepare for the coming of the Lord.