


Rotas commencing TODAY Sunday March 20th

Eucharistic Ministers 10am	Eucharistic Ministers 6pm	Readers 10am March	Readers 6pm March	Weekday readers This week	Eucharistic Ministers weekdays
Liam McMahon	Pearle Gorman	Audrey Stedford	Caroline Fahy	Clare Clegg	Barbara Philips
Margaret Duffy	Santosh Pinto	Pat Jones	Shelagh Bridge		Comfort Mensah
Margaret Hennigan	Julia Traynor	Trevor Richards	Carol Cooper	Counting Team	
Christine Kelly		Tea & Coffee		Christine Blackburn	Jane Kendrick
Bernadette Kirstein	Little Church	Bridie Close	10am Offertory	Margaret Cox	Margaret Arthurs
John McCormack	Di & Ann	G Oakley	Tatenda & Thomas Kachidia	Michael Flatley	Cleaning team
Geraldine Fury		Sam Collins		Tess Kendrick	Thank you

FAMILY FLOWERS: Thank you for the continued gifts of flowers for the Church. **Flower list** is at the back of Church:

Last week's Offerings to the Parish: Total £621 30 Thank you

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The Divine Mercy prayer Group meets on the First and Third Wednesday of the month in the Church at 1pm; why not join them?

TODDLERS GROUP. The group is open. 9.30am --11.30am every Tuesday; Further enquiries to Anne 431 7212.

Young at Heart, Mondays in the Parish Hall

Items for the Bulletin can be left at the Presbytery or emailed to michaelkujacz@hotmail.com by **Wednesday evening** as the Newsletter for inclusion the following Sunday 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

PALM SUNDAY

Sunday 20th March 2016

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YEAR OF MERCY

"STAY WITH US, LORD, ON OUR JOURNEY."

Palm Sunday MASS 7/ Creed 12; Mass p 190 Eucharistic Prayer 2 (24)

HOLY WEEK 2016



On Palm Sunday the long reading of the Passion dominates the celebration, and in a sense its meaning is obvious. Do not allow this, however, to detract from the other readings, which give the vital context necessary for understanding the Passion as more than just a long story. It is our story of the tale of how God achieved OUR salvation by the supreme sacrifice of Jesus Christ.

So My dear People, here we are at Holy Week,

where did Lent go. Many Catholics never experience the great liturgies of Holy Week, can I please encourage you to make a big effort to come along this week and play your part, it's never the same without you and always much better when you are there. **If you can help with preparing the Church next Saturday for Easter, please come along at 10-30am Thank you**

Mercy Bus

Next Tuesday 22nd March the 'Mercy Bus' will come to Central Manchester (Piccadilly Gardens, near the Wellington Statue) from 11am-4pm. Upon the specially decorated Double-decker Bus will be priests available for the Sacrament of Mercy (confession) or to give a blessing for your life or to chat and give advice. Young adult volunteers will play live music and invite people onto the Bus. So please come along and bring someone you know who may have not been to Church in a while, but who may benefit from the Mercy Bus. The Mercy Bus project was recently blessed by Pope Francis specially for the Diocese, along with miraculous medals that will be given out on the day.

Francis tweet: No one can be excluded from the mercy of God. The Church is the house where everyone is welcomed and no one is rejected.

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS (March)

Universal: Families in difficulty: that families in need may receive the necessary support and that children may grow up in healthy and peaceful environments.

Evangelization: Persecuted Christians: that those Christians who, on account of their faith, are discriminated against or being persecuted, may remain strong and faithful to the Gospel, thanks to the incessant prayer of the Church.

Palm Sunday	20 th March	Mass Stations Evening Mass	10am 11-10am 6pm	Mass Mass
Monday	21 st March	Mass of Lent Reception	9-30am 7pm	Mass
Tuesday	22 nd March	Requiem: Kath Rafter Mass of Lent	10am 6pm 7pm	Exposition & Confessions Mass
Wednesday	23 rd March	Mass of Lent	8am***	Mass
MAUNDY THURSDAY	24 th March	Mass of the Lord's Supper till 10-30pm	7pm Compline	Mass
GOOD FRIDAY	25 th March	-Office of Readings and morning prayer -Family Stations of the Cross - Walk of Witness -Solemn Passion of the Lord	9-30am 10-30am 12 noon 3pm	Will you stand with Mary at the foot of the Cross at 3pm? Or will she stand alone?
HOLY SATURDAY EASTER	26 th March	-Office of Readings and morning prayer SOLEMN VIGIL & FIRST MASS OF EASTER	9-30am 7pm	Church closed till evening
Easter Sunday After Mass the	27 th March Easter Bunny	MORNING FAMILY MASS Will be in the	10am garden	*No Evening Mass today*

+I offer our prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of Kath Rafter who has died; may she sing with the angels this Easter. +

Masses this week: Michael Hession, Rozalin, Clara & Emily, Timothy Peter Fox, Katherine Kennrick, Mary Fitzpatrick, Kate Curtin, Tess & Family, Peter Ormerod, Kathleen McCormack, James Corley, Bernadette Donnelly, Peggy & Colie Flaherty, Teresia Rock & Margaret Stankard.

Sick; please commend to your prayers the sick and housebound of the Parish especially, M. Pedro, Joshua, Daniel, Canon Kevin O'Connor, June McGowan, Bridie Heneghan, Patrick Tynan, Fr. Terence Schofield, Eamon Fahey, Ged Moran, Kathleen McCormack, Sr. Amadeus Bulger, Mary Dunne, Pat Preston, Johnny Kenny, Dawn Evans, Sean Collins, Ann Donnelly, Dougie Donohue, Margaret Barlow, Josephine Gilligan, Angela Close, Eileen McHale, Paul Byrne, Miriam Neary, Eddie Hogan, John Kujacz, Mary Grobicki, Eugene Davis, Tommy Bowan, Patricia Rundle, Lucy Murphy, Craig Greenwood, Louis Kitt, Kathleen Connolly, Fr. Michael Hoare, Yvonne Peace, Imelda Parkinson, Melito Dufficey, Jeff Callaghan, Paddy Hegarty, Fr William Fallon, Sheila O'Donnell, Amelia Sacarello, Harry Hallows, Agnes Halligan, Steven Moorhouse, Pat Jones, Mary Gallagher, Mary Edwards, Samantha Mulligan, Thomas McLoughlin, Mags Chadwick, Betty Wilson, Eileen McCormack, Brenda Gleeson, Elle-Rose Blackhall, Caoimhe Grealish, Mary Barrens, Michael Doyle, Bob Cook, Micky Duffy, Jacob Bannister, Aoife McLaughlin, Janet Roberts, Kathleen Curley, Clare Bainbridge, Carolyn Smith, Pat Reid, Simon McDermott, Julie Ann Keeney, Stephen Gatley, Margaret Keable, Constance Murphy, Maria Baker, Betty Foster, Martin & Michael Rock, Delia Connelly and Colin Pearson.

Sacrament of Marriage: if you are due to be married this year can you please make an appointment to see Fr. Michael.

The Sacrament of Baptism: our next Baptism meeting Tuesday 3rd May in the House at 7-30pm. Parents please note that it is important to book your dates on the night of the meeting you attend and confirm them then. Children should be brought for the Sacrament as soon after birth as possible and parents will be expected to be regularly at Mass on Sunday's.

The NEW offertory Envelopes are available for collection at the back of Church after Mass today, do please pick them up. And if you would like a set for the first time have a word with Bernard at the back of Church. Thank you for your support.



Our Lady's Lamp burns for Duffy & Walsh families thank you. There is a new list at the back of the Church if you would like to be involved on any particular week. Suggested offering £5

LOURDES EASTER 2016: if you would like a petition taking to Lourdes on Easter Monday, slips of paper can be found in the Lady Chapel during this week.

The Year of Mercy Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place on Saturday 7th may le by Bishop Arnold. The cost of the day is £22- payment confirms your booking.

DROP IN THURSDAY after Mass in the Parish Hall open till 3pm, Good conversation, games, newspapers, constant tea and coffee, and toast. Homemade soup and bread and homemade & treats at 12-30pm, lovely warm atmosphere: don't be shy come and join our regulars become one yourself! This event is for all our Parishioners and members of our local community why not pop in and show your support?