

**Rotas commencing TODAY Sunday June 8<sup>th</sup>**

<b>Eucharistic Ministers 10am</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers 6pm</b>	<b>Readers 10am June</b>	<b>Readers 6pm June</b>	<b>Weekday readers This week</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers weekdays</b>
Tony Black	Carol Cooper	Yvonne Tapodi	By Ju Joseph	Christine Kelly	Comfort Mensah
Stephen Bourke	Kathy Petty	Audrey Stedford	Janice Banks	Liam McMahon	Barbara Philips
Kathleen Clarke	Comfort Mensah	Thomas McCormack	Irene Edwards	<b>Counting Team</b>	
Imelda Dean	<b>Little Church</b>	<b>Tea &amp; Coffee</b>		<i>Christine Blackburn</i>	<i>Tess Kendrick</i>
Margaret Mining	Ann & Angela	Dympna Dumbleton	<b>10am Offertory</b>	<i>Margaret Cox</i>	<i>Jane Kendrick</i>
Christina White		M Seamark	Olive Hogan,	<i>Michael Flatley</i>	<i>Margaret Arthurs</i>
Olive Hogan		Clare Clegg	V Hesketh		<b>Cleaning team</b>

**Church Cleaning teams;** Willing to help on a monthly basis then please speak to Christine Kelly. John & Ossa will provide the hoovering team; and the Ladies will top and bottom once a month or before special occasions. Thank you.

**FAMILY FLOWERS:** Thank you for the continued gifts of flowers for the Church. **New flower list** at the back of Church; Special intention for CJB. Thank you.

Last week's Offerings to the Parish: Total £ 606 04p Thank you

R	E	H	T	A	F	D	E	I	S	EVENING	FIRST	DAY
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O	S	E	H	I	N	I	S	A	O	BREATHED	FORGIVE	RETAIN
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C	E	O	T	S	R	I	F	B	L			
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**Items for the Bulletin** can be left at the Presbytery or emailed to [anniteresa@hotmail.com](mailto:anniteresa@hotmail.com) or [michaelkujacz@hotmail.com](mailto:michaelkujacz@hotmail.com) by Thursday 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

## PENTECOST SUNDAY

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2014

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Pentecost MASS 7/ Creed 11; Sunday P.288 Eucharistic Prayer 1 (p18)  
Hymns 684, 26, 630, 185, 672.



Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good Morning.

Today we would like to dwell on a gift of the Holy Spirit that often becomes misconstrued or considered in a superficial way, but rather touches the very heart of our Christian life and identity: it is the gift of *piety*.

It should be clarified immediately that this gift is not to be identified with having compassion for someone, feeling pity on one's neighbour; rather, it indicates our belonging to God and our profound relationship with Him, a bond that gives meaning to our life and keeps us sound, in communion with Him, even during the

most difficult and tormenting moments.

1. This relationship with the Lord is not intended as a duty or an imposition. It is a bond that comes from within. It is *a relation lived with the heart*: it is our friendship with God, granted to us by Jesus, a friendship that changes our life and fills us with passion, with joy. Thus, the gift of piety stirs in us above all gratitude and praise. This is, in fact, the reason and the most authentic *meaning of our worship and our adoration*. When the Holy Spirit allows us to perceive the presence of the Lord and all his love for us, it warms the hearts and moves us quite naturally to prayer and celebration. Piety, therefore, is synonymous with the genuine religious spirit, with filial trust in God, with that capacity to pray to him with the love and simplicity that belongs to those humble of heart.

2. If the gift of piety makes us grow in relationship and in communion with God and leads us to live as his children, at the same time, it helps us *to pass this love on to others as well and to recognize them as our brothers and sisters*. And then, yes, we will be moved by feelings of piety – not pietism! – in relation to those around us and to those whom we encounter every day. Why do I say not pietism? Because some think that to be pious is to close one's eyes, to pose like a picture and pretend to be a saint. In Piedmont we say: to play the “mugna quacia” [literally: pious/serene nun]. This is not the gift of piety. The gift of piety means to be truly capable of rejoicing with those who rejoice, of weeping with those who weep, of being close to the lonely and those in anguish, of correcting those in error, of consoling the afflicted, of welcoming and helping those in need. The gift of piety is closely tied to gentleness. The gift of piety which the Holy Spirit gives us makes us gentle, makes us calm, patient, at peace with God, at the service of others with gentleness.

Dear friends, in the Letter to the Romans the Apostle Paul states: “For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the spirit of sonship. When we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’” (Rm 8:14-15). Let us ask the Lord for the gift of his Spirit to conquer our fear, our uncertainty, and our restless, impatient spirit, and to make of us joyful testimonies of God and of his love, by worshipping the Lord in truth and in service to neighbour with gentleness and with a smile, which the Holy Spirit always gives us in joy. May the Holy Spirit grant to all of us this gift of piety. Pope Francis

2014 Year of Our Parish

## THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS [June]

**General:** That a culture of dialogue, listening, and mutual respect may prevail among peoples. **Missionary:** That where secularization is strongest, Christian communities may effectively promote a new evangelization.

PENTECOST	8 <sup>th</sup> June	Mass of Pentecost Evening Mass	10am 6-00pm	
Monday	9 <sup>th</sup> June	Mass of the day	9-30am	Mass
Tuesday	10 <sup>th</sup> June	Mass of the day	6-7pm 7pm	Exposition Mass
Wednesday	11 <sup>th</sup> June	St. Barnabas	9-30am	Mass
Thursday	12 <sup>th</sup> June	Mass of the day	9-30am	Mass
Friday	13 <sup>th</sup> June	St. Anthony of Padua	9-30am	Mass
Saturday	14 <sup>th</sup> June	Feast; Dedication of the Cathedral	11- 12noon 12 Noon	Exposition & Confessions Mass
Holy Trinity	15 <sup>th</sup> June	Mass of Sunday Evening Mass	10am 6-00pm	

**Masses received this week:** Special Intentions, Cissie Corrigan, Pat Jones, PJ Carey, Paul McHugh, Bishop George Kirstein, Cassis Naughton, Bernard Moss, Tommy Colbert, Fr. William Techie, Christopher Ryan, David Teehan, Lisa & David's intentions, Pat McLoughlin, Margaret Topping, Stansfield Family, and Michael Duffy.

**Sick;** please commend to your prayers the sick and housebound of the Parish especially, Maximus, Daniel, Martin, Sarah, Cissie Corrigan, Pat Jones, Mary Duffy, Leanne Todd Michael Doyle, Jacob Bannister, Janet Roberts, Simon Kelly, John Doona, Margaret Keable, Ruth Sivori, Pat Preston, Clare Bainbridge, Breda Gallagher, Dr Sean Doohan, Sheila MacCrimmon, Carolyn Smith, Louis Sivori, Pat Reid, Simon McDermott, Julie Ann Keeney, Stephen Gatley, Kath Rafter, Bernadette Maloney, Margaret Keable, Constance Murphy, Maria Baker, John Barnes, Denny McGuigan, Maureen Nash, Betty Foster, Steven Moorhouse, Alan O'Donnell, Dorothy Hampsey, Louis Kerr, Jean Owen, Mary Whieldon, Delia Connelly and Colin Pearson.



**Our Lady's Lamp burns this week for the intentions of Mary Duddy & Family and Celia Giliigan and family.** Thank you. There is a list at the back of the Church if you would like to be involved on any particular week. Suggested

offering £5

**The Sacrament of Baptism:** Pick up yours forms after Mass and return them at our next Baptism meeting on Tuesday July 1st at 7-30pm in the Presbytery.



House Masses around the parish. Please consider the possibility of hosting one. I am sure it will be a source of many blessings. New Forms to arrange a House mass at the back of the Church. [Only one application so far]

**Missio** [Red boxes] Collectors books are now ready for picking up in the Parish Hall. The annual APF-Mill Hill open day will be held on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June at Salford Cathedral. Holy Mass at 3pm followed by refreshments in the Cathedral Centre. All promoters, red box holders and annual members are warmly invited to attend.

**Ecumenical Pentecost Prayer days.** Today 8<sup>th</sup> St. Margaret's 4pm. (Followed by a bring and share tea).

**Next September** we will be introducing a new Sacramental programme; essential to its working are Catechists or team leaders; we will need eight at the moment. So if your child is due to be involved next time round you would be ideal also if you are just willing to help that would be brilliant. The programme is very well formed, and everything you need to know is given to you in advance. Please come and join in and help other grow in our beautiful faith. (So far 5 volunteers: 3 more please!!!!)

**CAFOD: Connect2Ethiopia:** Did you see the new photos on the CAFOD notice board from Sebeya? ... & you can meet 2 visitors from Sebeya on **Thurs evening (June 12)** at St. Thomas, Bolton. Full details on the posters in the porch. Thank you for your ongoing support.

"Good food: Good Cause: Good Company" - A **Fund-Raising Dinner for Burnage Foodbank** is being held at **Gusto Didsbury** on **Tues June 17** at 7pm. Tickets, £25, including a 3-course meal & entry into prize draw, are available after Mass in the Parish Hall. Full details on the poster in the porch.

**DROP IN THURSDAY** after Mass in the Parish Hall, Good conversation, games, newspapers, constant tea and coffee, and toast. Homemade soup and bread at 12-30pm, heating and warm atmosphere, till 2-30pm. Young, middle, not so old, and golden oldies most welcome. This event is for all our Parishioners, why not pop in and show your support?



**Holy Land 2015 19<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> February 2015.** £899, Includes flight, baggage, hotels, fees to holy sites and boat ride on the Sea of Galilee. This price is on hold till May 31<sup>st</sup>. Deposit of £250. Flying from Manchester: [price does not include insurance, tips to guide or at hotels. This year's trip was great value for money as well as being a wonderful experience. Don't miss out. Last few places

**Pope Francis says: Pope Francis Tweet:** At times we can be self-absorbed. Lord, help us to open our hearts to others and to serve those who are most vulnerable.