

Last week's Offerings to the Parish: Total

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: baptismsternards@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: **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; now short of Tinned fish, tinned fruit, tinned custard For more information, take a leaflet from the porch, 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;

Message from Diocese about First Confessions and First Communions: Once again it is too early to arrange dates at which these may be celebrated. Once details are known as to required social distancing further guidance will be issued. Particular attention will need to be given as to how to resume catechesis. You may wish to direct parents to the online catechesis that is available on the Diocesan website and to the Lord's Day at Home resource for prayer as a family. The Diocesan Sacramental Programme resources, which used to be printed by Gemini, are also on the website.

High Sheriff Special Recognition Awards: The High Sheriff of Greater Manchester is calling for nominations of ordinary people doing extraordinary things during the pandemic. Dr Eamonn O'Neal DL, High Sheriff, has launched The Special Recognition Awards to publicly acknowledge the amazing acts of thoughtfulness and kindness being done by many people during the C-19 pandemic. Nominations are open now and the nomination forms can be found by mailing HighSheriffGM@gmail.com

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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

PENTECOST SUNDAY

SUNDAY 31ST MAY 2020



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

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STAY WITH US ON OUR JOURNEY

Pentecost Sunday of Easter Home Sheets

June month of the Sacred Heart



"I'm sure many of us wish we would wake up one morning soon and realize that these past few months have been a terrible dream. But we're slowly learning to live in a new reality where we can't even welcome our friends with a strong embrace or even a handshake. We're not unlike those first disciples who had to get used to a new reality, a reality that didn't include the physical presence of Jesus, their Lord and teacher. Like them, we are afraid and some days would rather lock ourselves away rather than face this new way of being.

Those early Christians didn't know how to be church. When Jesus of Nazareth left the future in the hands of his followers, he didn't present them with a handbook of how to do it. But he promised them his own Spirit to dwell with them and in them to be their hope, their comfort and their guide. All they had to do was listen to the quiet, gentle voice in their heart of hearts that spoke of love and truth and mercy.

The most powerful message we preach to the world is in the way we treat each other, especially at times like this when we are afraid and tired and confused. "By this shall they know that you are my disciples: by the way you love one another." This is where Pentecost begins. This is how we become the church." Dan Schutte

We pray for the people of the parishes of St. Ann and St. Hugh, Stretford, and for Fr. Gerald Murphy, their parish priest. We pray for their parish primary schools, for St. Anthony's Catholic College, and for the Faithful Companions of Jesus.

Pope Francis Tweet: "The Holy Spirit makes us take flight, opens up the wonderful destiny for which we were born, and nourishes us with living hope. Let us ask Him to come to us, and He will draw near."



THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS for June: **Evangelisation: The Way of the Heart**. We pray that all those who suffer may find their way in life, allowing themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus.

This week's timetable

PENTECOST	31 st May	Morning Mass Evening Mass	10am 6pm	Rosary in the Garden 1pm***
Monday	1 st June	Mary, Mother of the Church	9-30am	Mass
Tuesday	2 nd June	Ss Marcellinus & Peter *Holy Hour	9-30am 12 Noon* 7pm	Mass Exposition* Mass
Wednesday	3 rd June	St Charles Lwanga & Companions	9-30am	Mass
Thursday	4 th June	Feast: Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest Rosary & Litany	9-30am 12 Noon*	Mass
Friday	5 th June	St Boniface	9-30am	Mass
Saturday	6 th June	St Norbert	12 Noon	Mass
Trinity Sunday	7 th June	Morning Mass Evening Mass	10am 6pm	Rosary in the Garden 12 noon

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

The live-streaming of the celebration of Mass will, on Sundays and throughout the week: look out for special prayer times! Tune in!

+ **Funerals this week:** Monday Veronica Hesketh; Friday Cath O'Callaghan, two old stagers of the Parish who will be missed, please keep them and their families in your prayers, thank you-

Mass intentions and offerings should be put through the Presbytery Door. Up to date news and information can be found on the Parish Website: take a look at the Parish Pump and also the daily blog. Please store planned giving envelopes at home.

Masses this week: Special Intentions, Holy Souls, Catherine O'Callaghan, Peter Henderson, Marian Parker, Kitty Kinsella, Claire, Kathleen Toland, Patrick Towey, Nora Goldrick, Baby Stephen, Stephen Ward, In thanks to St Jude, Michael & Family, Dan & Joe Lawrence, Lawrence & Joyce Collins, Christina & Christine Lawrence, In thanksgiving, Michael & Davey Lawrence, David Lawrence, John Paul Duran, Cian & Callum Lawrence, Joe Kinsella, Doris Haddon.

In your prayers please remember: Breda Gallagher, Ann Masterson, Pat Lawrence, Denis Joyce, Mobishir Rawthore, Kath Welch, Kitty Kinsella, Sr Ann McCabe, Bill O'Hara, James Barrens, Katie Richards, Marian Parker, David Goddard, Mary Bancroft, Ian Lomas, Arianna, Fr Arthur Neary, Oliver Agnew, Pat Preston, Mary Boylan, Pat Lawrence, Pat Scott, Fr Pat Deegan, Teresa Barrett, Ann Richards, Lisa McElwaine, Fr Leo Heakin, William Harkin, Paddy Lyons, Lyndsey Kelly, John Phillips, Stefan Lachkovic, Clare Bainbridge, Steven Moorhouse, Karen & Billy Hennessy, Debbie

Roberts, Dillon Ward, Brian Waugh, Ellen Leach, Robert Leeming, Michael Turner, Chris Forbes, Maureen Nash, Yas Poptani, Sr Pat Carney, Dorothy Harold, Christine, Marcella McNevin, Ged MacCarron, Pat Hallows, Celia & Alf Meschi, John & Michael Griffin, Fr Chris Lough, Jane Riley, Jacky Watts, Margaret Hills, Sheila Walsh, John Kirwin, Christopher Burke, Ann O'Connor, MJK, Doreen French, Anne Hutton, Tess Kenrick, Sandra Lannatta, Kevin Hempself, George Hegarty, Margaret & Dave Watkins, Sue Atherton, Lizzie Frost, Anthony Gormley, Nancy Maguire, Breda Orr, Orla McManus, Betty Ann Jones, Siobhan Drugan, Kathleen Curley, Anthony Mullen, Marion Moran, Ronald Bradshaw, Ann & John MacCarron, Anthony Gallagher, Fr Vincent Cavey, Mary Winterbourne, Mary Mulvihill, Phyllis Dowd, Margaret Bayhi, Celia Deignan, Eileen Kenny, Mary Jordan, Kathleen Connolly, Michael Carney, Maureen Walkin, Bernie Quezena, Lee Hegarty, Richard O'Connor, Patrick Clarke, Anna Lawless, Eddie McDonald.

Our Lady's Lamp for Fr Michael's Intention & the **Sacred Heart Lamp** for Fr John's Intention : let us know if you would like an entry making on the list: suggested donation £5. Thank you

TODAY Pentecost Sunday - Rosary Rally: Pope Francis is encouraging Catholics to pray the Rosary in their family homes during the month of May, especially when the Pandemic is making us aware of the value of our families and making it possible for us to pray together in lockdown at home. He encourages simple Rosaries and joining online Rosary initiatives to pray to Our Lady for deliverance from Covid-19 and he has composed two prayers for this intention. You are invited to join in an initiative that follows on the Pope's request, the **Pentecost Sunday National Rosary Rally**, from 9.00am to 9.00pm across Scotland England and Wales. [Our Diocese has been asked to pray a Rosary Hour at 1pm and you are invited to take part.](#)

CAFOD: We may be in lockdown but the work of CAFOD must go on. CAFOD is there for us - visit www.cafod.org.uk for prayers, children's liturgies, short inspiring talks & films & the 5th anniversary of Laudato Si (Our Common Home). CAFOD also asks us to be there for our brothers & sisters in countries which have the virus but have no health service, no benefit system & poor access to water. If you are able to help please go to www.cafod.org.uk/coronavirusappeal or click the Useful Links on the St. Bernard website. THANK YOU for all you do.



Pope Francis says: "Plenty of people promise change, new beginnings, prodigious renewals, but experience teaches us that no earthly attempt to change reality can ever completely satisfy the human heart," the pope said. "Yet the change that the Spirit brings is different. It does not revolutionize life around us, but changes our hearts."

This change, Francis continued, does not take away all of our problems, but "liberates us within so that we can face them. It does not give us everything at once, but makes us press on confidently, never growing weary of life. The Spirit keeps our hearts young." Pope Francis noted that when Catholics want to bring about real change in their lives, they should pray to the Holy Spirit. "Who among us does not need a change? Particularly when we are downcast, wearied by life's burdens, oppressed by our own weakness, at those times when it is hard to keep going and loving seems impossible," the pope said. In those moments, people need a powerful "jolt" or "reinvigoration" of the Spirit, he stated, pointing out how in the creed, Catholics profess that the Holy Spirit is the "giver of life. How good it would be for us each day to feel this jolt of life!" he encouraged. "To say when we wake up each morning: 'Come, Holy Spirit, come into my heart, come into my day.' Just as wind brings change to the environment - "warmth when it is cold, cool when it is hot" - the Holy Spirit, "on a very different level, does the same." "He is the divine force that changes the world"