

# ST. BERNARD'S PARISH BULLETIN

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# TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## GOSPEL REFLECTION

With cunning and insincerity the Pharisees try to trap Jesus. The tables are turned on them as Jesus traps them with the truth. He tells them that following the ways of God means acting with integrity in every area of life. Giving ourselves firstly to God will give us true priorities and help us know the "way," and the "truth" of all our loyalties in life, and then the choices we make and our behaviour will help further God's plan of Salvation.

Fr. Steven

THIS WEEK IN CHURCH						
Today	16 <sup>th</sup> October	10.00am	Mass			
		6.00pm	Mass			
Monday	17 <sup>th</sup> October	9.00am	Eucharistic Service			
Tuesday	18 <sup>th</sup> October	6.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament			
		7.00pm	Mass (St. Luke)			
Wednesday	19 <sup>th</sup> October	9.00am	Mass			
Thursday	20 <sup>th</sup> October	9.00am	Mass			
Friday	21 <sup>st</sup> October	9.00am	Mass			
Saturday	22 <sup>nd</sup> October	11.00am	Sacrament of Reconciliation and Exposition			
		12 noon	Mass			

#### TODAY

TODAY WE START THE SALE OF TICKETS FOR THE CHRISTMAS CASH IN THE BUCKET DRAW. Please help this to be a success by buying a ticket or two and taking some home for family and friends who are not in the parish.

Grateful thanks for a donation received of £100 towards the Christmas Fair.

#### REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

YOUNG AT HEART - Parish Hall - Mondays - 1.00pm to 3.00pm

LEGION OF MARY - Parish Hall - Tuesdays - 7.45pm

DIVINE MERCY - Sacristy - Thursdays - 7.30pm

#### FORTHCOMING EVENTS



OCTOBER DEVOTIONS on weekday evenings CONTINUE TOMORROW at 7.00pm. This year we will be praying particularly for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious life. Will <u>YOU</u> come and join us?

**RCIA/Journey in Faith:** For those interested in becoming Catholic or finding out more about the Catholic Faith. The next meeting is on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 2.00pm in Church.

**LOURDES YOUTH PILGRIMAGE** 25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER PETITIONS AND CANDLES. There is a box at the back of church for the next few weeks. We will pray for you, please pray for us.

26<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 7.30pm MEETING IN THE PARISH HALL for anyone who can help in any way make the fair a success. Come along and bring in some new ideas.

ST MARY'S PARISH CENTRE LEVENSHULME SATURDAY 29TH OCTOBER 2011 Brenda Harkin Fundraising Night 7.30 - Midnight. Full Licenced Bar. Entertainment, Kevin Prendergast, The Last Drop, J.I.B, Disco plus Special Guests, Over 18 only. Come early!

30th October CHRISTMAS FAIR GIFT SUNDAY.

PARISH DAY OF RECOLLECTION - on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November at the Marist Centre on Nell Lane 9.45am - 3.30pm. Quiet time and some input and reflection. Suggested donation £3. If you would like to attend please post an envelope containing your donation, with your name and contact details written on it through the Presbytery letterbox.

#### 13th November CHRISTMAS FAIR BOTTLE SUNDAY.



QUARANT' ORE –  $18^{th}$  –  $20^{th}$  NOVEMBER QUARANTE ORE (EXTENDED EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT) will take place on Friday  $18^{th}$ , Saturday  $19^{th}$  and Sunday  $20^{th}$  November. It begins on Friday  $18^{th}$  after Mass at  $\underline{9.00am}$  and concludes on Sunday  $20^{st}$  the Feast of Christ the

King with a Holy Hour at 3.00pm.

**FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION** - A five day four night pilgrimage to Lourdes led by Fr. Steven,  $5^{th}$  -  $9^{th}$  December 2011, staying at the  $3 \star \text{Hotel}$  St George – full board. Price £389, not including luggage. Contact Fr. Steven for booking forms. £150 deposit with full details of passport, the balance is due by the end of October

### 3rd December CHRISTMAS FAIR.

TRIP TO THE PANTO - ARE YOU COMING? Jack and the Beanstalk -  $17^{th}$  December at Stockport Plaza, seats in the Stalls and Coach £12.75. Deposit £8. List open at the back of church.

#### OTHER NOTICES

FRIDAY FASTING AND ABSTINENCE - The Bishops are calling us to reinstate Friday as a day of fasting and abstinence, to identify with the Lord's offering on the cross, in solidarity with those in need and to deepen our Catholic identity. For most of us this means refraining from eating meat, those who do not eat meat as part of their diet could make their witness by abstaining form some other food.

**BAPTISM** - Please make initial enquiry to Fr. Steven following any Sunday Mass. A Baptismal Certificate of one of the parents requesting Baptism for their child is now required.

MARRIAGE - Six months notice is required, one of the couple being a baptised Catholic resident in the Parish.

**BOOKSTALL** - now available children's prayer books - beautifully illustrated step by step guide to the Mass, (including texts from the new translation) and  $\,$  C.T.S. Simple Prayer Books.

A "THANK-YOU" from Josie Fahey for all the kindnesses received form people of St. Bernard's during her recent illness.

**HOSPITAL CHAPLAINS** - Catholics admitted to hospital should let the hospital chaplain know they are there.

Manchester Royal Infirmary - Fr. D. Egan tel: 276 4247 (MRI) and 224 1895 (home).

The Christie - Fr. M. O'Brien - tel: 446 3097

Wythenshawe Hospital - Fr K. Brigham and Sr. Bernadette - tel: 291 2297.

Alternatively ask the ward staff to inform the Chaplain.

PARISH MINISTRIES GROUPS								
		Offertory	Eucharistic	Counting	Tea /Coffee			
			Ministers					
			Sunday 10.00am					
This week	16 <sup>th</sup> October	8	New Group 1	5	4			
Next week	23 <sup>rd</sup> October	9	New Group 2	6	5			
		Eucharistic	Eucharistic	Cleaning	Eucharistic			
		Ministers	Ministers		Ministers			
		Sunday 6.00pm	Weekdays		Tuesday 7pm			
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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). Items for the Bulletin can be left at the Presbytery or emailed to <a href="mailto:annieteresa@hotmail.com">annieteresa@hotmail.com</a> by Thursday for inclusion the following Sunday.

# EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS SUNDAY 10.00am; please note that as from this Sunday we will operate with the 5 new groups. There are lists at the back of church with the new groupings.

New Group 1: Christine Appleton, Mary Black, Stephen Bourke, Kathleen Clarke, Imelda Dean, Kath Dinan,, Margaret Mining, Ann Tipper

**New Group 2**:Annie Doherty, Pauline Hixon, William Onzivu, Christine Blackburn, Patricia Jones, Jacqueline Turner, Tony Hennigan, Tony Masterson

New Group 3: Marie Fahey, Olive Hogan, Jenni Bird, Bernard Grigaitis, Denis Keyworth Mary Saunders, Mary Gurney, Liam McMahon

New Group 4: D. Dimitrui, Terry O'Neill, Catherine Bourke, Denise Hamilton, Barbara Philips, Connor Turner, Tony Kirstein, Ann Richards

**New Group 5:** Ted Cross, Christine Kelly, Pauline Nieri, Margaret Duffy, Bernadette Kirstein, Berni Roan, Margaret Hennigan, John McCormack