

Last week's collection total £729 31p Thank you

Groups now open: Young at Heart Monday 11.30am to 1.30pm; Toddlers Group places are available for parent/ carer and toddler(s) please contact Anne Cummins on 07305 392612.

Tuesday 9.30am to 11.15am; Drop In Thursday 10am to 1.00pm

Sacrament of Marriage: 6 months' notice must be given, please see Father to make arrangements, please speak to Clergy Marriage preparation course Book on line at marriage.stjosephsmanchester.co.uk:

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 or tel: 07936698546.

ST BERNARD'S TRAVEL CLUB: Walsingham Day coach Saturday 7th May: Pilgrimage being led by Bishop John. We still have 12 seats available cost £20 leaving St Bernard's at 6am. Contact Tony Kirsten or Ann Tipper ASAP 4425259

Supporting Ukrainian Refugees: If you would like to express an interest in hosting Ukrainian refugees, please email communitysponsorship@caritassalford.org.uk

Clergy and religious should contact Caritas Salford, **before registering**, in order that Caritas can co-ordinate support from the Diocesan Safeguarding Commission and Property Team to ensure the property is safe to welcome people.

Please email communitysponsorship@caritassalford.org.uk.

If you find that this programme is not suitable for you, there may be other ways that you could help including supporting a host. Details of how parishioners can donate are provided below, please consider sharing these details in your parish. All updates can be found at <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/ukraine-crisis/>

Eco-Gardening Training at Laudato Si' Centre: Various dates beginning April, Laudato Si' Centre at Wardley Hall. The Eco-gardening Essential Training programme enables gardeners of any skill level to confidently adopt sustainable gardening methods. Participants have the opportunity to learn the theory and practice of gardening with ecological patterns. The programme has been designed to skill people up while supporting the development of an eco-garden setting. Find out more and book at <https://northernschool.info/eco-gardening-course-laudato-si>

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MRI Hospital Chaplain + Christies number 0161 276 4247; **Wythenshawe** 0161 291 2297

ST. BERNARD'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

SUNDAY 3RD APRIL 2022



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STAY WITH US ON OUR JOURNEY

5th Lent: page 176 You tube: "St Bernard's Burnage" April: Month of the Holy Spirit



There is a logical development in the readings this Sunday: in the Old Testament, God asks us to look forward to the "new deed he will do", when he will put "water in the wilderness"; we then see the new deed, which Paul talks about, to be the "supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus", and sharing the "power of his resurrection"; so who is this Jesus, and how is he "water in the wilderness"? It is because he brings hope for the future and forgiveness of our sins, as the Gospel story relates. This Sunday's readings are

there for our encouragement, to help us look forward to Easter, and the meaning of Jesus' Passion, Death and Resurrection: that meaning is Reconciliation and a new creation (as we heard last week). We are driven on through Lent by a vision of the marvels that God has worked, and that God will work for us.

Let us pray for the people of the parish of St. Augustine, Manchester, with Fr. Michael Deas, their parish priest, and the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul, and St. Wilfrid's Primary School. May they show to others the gentle liberating mercy of God.

Pope Francis Tweet: "Reconciliation is not primarily our drawing near to God, but his embrace that enfolds, astonishes and overwhelms us... Let us first look at things from God's perspective: then we will rediscover our love for Confession. We need this, for every interior rebirth, every spiritual renewal, starts there, from God's forgiveness. May we not neglect Reconciliation, but rediscover it as the sacrament of joy. Yes, the sacrament of joy, for our shame for our sins becomes the occasion for an experience of the warm embrace of the Father, the gentle strength of Jesus who heals us, and the "maternal tenderness" of the Holy Spirit."

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS for April: For health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

This week's timetable

Fifth Sunday of Lent	3 rd April	Morning Mass Evening Mass	10am 6pm	Mass
Monday	4 th April	Mass of Lent [St Isidore]	9-30am	Mass
Tuesday	5 th April	Mass of Lent [St Vincent Ferrer]	6pm 7pm	Exposition & +Confessions + Mass
Wednesday	6 th April	Mass of Lent	9-30am	Mass
Thursday	7 th April	Mass of Lent [St John Baptist de la Salle] Requiem: Sydney Joseph Brosnon	9-30am 11am**	Mass Mass
Friday	8 th April	Mass of Lent	9-30am	Mass
Saturday	9 th April	Mass of Lent	11am 12 Noon	Exposition & Confessions Mass
PALM SUNDAY	10 th April	Morning Mass Evening Mass	10am 6pm	Mass

MASSES THIS WEEK: Special Intentions, for the sick, Mrs Pat Jones, Fr Pat Quinlan, Tina Kilheaney, Elizabeth Sharpe, Margaret Flanagan, Michael Rock, Jim Barrens, Canon Edward Mathews, Jim Lister, Elizabeth Cullenaine, Jackie McCusker, Joe Brosnon

In your prayers please remember: Jimmy O'Hanlon, John MacCarron, John Monaghan, Gerard Clegg, John Gorman, Natalie Forshaw, Karen Crowe, Fr. Moss O'Connell, Jim Campbell, Sheilagh & Steve Bridges, Paddy Lyons, Steven Moorhouse, Charlie McHugh, Marie Fahey, Albert Oatley, Meg Warriner, Lilly Flaherty, Gerard Clark, Patrick Carragher, Martin Conway, Teresa Barrett, Margaret Bayhi, Katie Griffin, Ged Moran, Sal & Cam Lusco, Celia Meschi, Margaret Moran, Lilly Keane, Bridget O'Brien, Marcella McNevin, Nellie McHale, Breda & Hughie Gallagher, Fr Leo Heakin, Michael Turner, Tony Rock, Deborah Kemp, Mark, Ann & Peter Lomas, Bernard Howell, Mary Boylan, Fr Bob Morrow, Patrick McCabe, Angela Forbes, Eabha, Stella Carragher, Angela & Dennis Keyworth, Maureen Nash, Ellen Leach, Fr Bob Morrow, Nancy Maguire, Therese Thompson, Denis Joyce, Margaret Walsh, Georgie Hegarty, Mgr Tom Mulheran, Rose Gibbons, David Brookes, Pat Gilligan, Joe Kelly, Christine Moores, MJK, Clare Bainbridge, Bernard Cartledge, Maureen, Annette Irving, Bernard, Sheila Taylor, Clare Hurd, Sr Philomena, Briege McAssey, Christine Moores, Arianna, Nora Connolly, Duncan, Marie Baker, Nevaeh-Rose, Stephen Bostock, Fr Frank Jennings, Chris Loftus, Dom Timothy Radcliffe, Marie Stylianou, Oliver, Fr. Kevin Gradwell, Canon Mort Stanley, Eamonn Coyle, Henry McDaid, Sir Bobby Charlton, Patricia Divine, Theresa Patrick, Fr Bernard Higham, Mary O'Neill, Ged McCarrow, Fr Anthony, Patrick Griffin, Michael Griffin, Audrey O'Neil, Carol Archer, James Barrens, Michaela Rabbitt, Mary Callaghan, Janet Ackley, Trevor Teale, Barry Keaveney, Katherine Mahon, Mary Wheatley, Tess Kenrick, Denis Law, James Barren, Ged MacCarron, Mobishir Rawthore, Ann & David, Mary O'Neill, Orla McManus, Betty Ann Jones, Kathleen Curley, Anthony Mullen, Marion Moran, Mary Winterbourne, Mary Mulvihill.

+ I offer our prayers and sympathy to the family of Sydney Joseph Brosnon, Joe, who has died aged 80: may he rest in peace. +

Thank you to everyone who supported the Women's World Day of Prayer. Your kind donations which have sent amounting to £180. Thank you very much.

Our Lady's Lamp for Eddie Hogan: and the Sacred Heart Lamp for Olive Hogan: News list at the back of the Church: suggested donation £5. Thank you



PLEASE ARRANGE YOUR BAPTISMS by introducing yourselves to Father after Sunday Mass, when details can be taken and our team can begin the process to organise this wonderful Sacrament for your child.

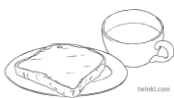
CONFIRMATION: Confirmation programme: waiting for our resources to arrive. **SACRAMENTS OF RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION** programme for non attenders at St Bernard's will begin after Easter.

GIFT AID AND NON GIFT AID ENVELOPES Thank you to all parishioners who have contributed to St Bernard's during the past year through gift aid, non gift aid and loose plate. Your valuable contributions have enabled the parish to claim over £6000 back which will be put to very good use in repairs, decoration and energy costs over the next twelve months. New gift aid, non gift aid boxes are now available to be collected. The new boxes commence on 10th April 2022. You will have a new number for your box this year. Your box will be given to you by Pat Jones (Gift Aid Organiser). If you currently have Box 89 please will you see Pat as soon as possible. Any parishioners who are tax payers and who do not currently contribute by gift aid but would like to have a gift aid box or pay by standing order each month please see Pat. Thank you for your continued support. **New Gift Aid envelopes start on 10th April please make sure you have collected yours from Pat Jones, thank you.**

Missio (Red Box Holders) thanks to those who have brought in Mission donations. If you are unable to bring in the contents of your box please contact Bernadette on 07780 956066 and arrangements will be made to collect it.

PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS: A planning meeting will be held in the Parish Hall **THIS Monday 4th April at 7pm all welcome.** Come along and bring in new ideas. For more information please call Barry or Bernadette on 07780 956066. **Mid Summer Draw** Details of our latest draw will be distributed in the next few weeks.

Thank you for Family Fast Day envelopes returned today for CAFOD's Lent Appeal. Your gifts will ensure that children in desperate need will receive nourishing food, whether that be in Sierra Leone or war-torn Ukraine. You can still give at www.cafod.org.uk/lent or put any envelope marked CAFOD through the Presbytery door throughout Lent. **Over £1000 has been sent off, THANK YOU.**



THE PARISH HALL IS OPEN TODAY AFTER MORNING MASS for tea and toast come and join us

COMING SOON Our Parish Fundraising and Social Activities. As we returning to normality we are planning to have the following events: - Instant Tombola, Summer Draw, Platinum Jubilee Celebration, and Quiz Night. All events will be held with safety in mind and further information will be announced in due course.