

Last week's collection: Total £620 67p Thank you

Christmas Day: 1400 Thank you

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: 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;

Act now and ask your MP to oppose introducing assisted suicide: The assisted suicide lobby have launched a large campaign to put pressure on the Government to reconsider the legalisation of assisted suicide. It is vital that it is clear to the Government that the public want them to continue to hold strong against this pressure from assisted suicide campaigners and reject their demands. Right To Life UK have set up an easy to use tool which will enable you to email your MP asking them to make it clear to the Government that it should not give into demands from the assisted suicide lobby to reconsider the legalisation of assisted suicide. It only takes 30 seconds to email your MP by visiting the link: <https://righttolife.org.uk/StopAssistedSuicide>

The Diocese has started work with academic partners on a 'decarbonisation strategy.' This will involve understanding our carbon footprint and ways to reduce it, over the next two years. The team would welcome anyone with expertise in this area in our parish communities to get in touch at decarbonisation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk.so that we are more aware of those that might want to get involved. Thank you.

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

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

2ND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

SUNDAY 3RD JANUARY 2021



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STAY WITH US ON OUR JOURNEY

2nd Sunday Mass sheets

January: Month of the Holy name of Jesus

"We saw his star and have come to do the king homage."



In the East, this Season of Christmas is called the 'Time of Manifestation', or Showing. Today is the 'Feast of the Manifestation', or the Showing of the Saviour to the whole world, to all nations. In the wise men who travel from the East, we see all the nations other than the people of Israel being welcomed at the New Temple of the New Covenant - the new born child in the manger. A look at the Psalm response shows this: "All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord." The same is true of the key word in the second reading: "Revelation". Remember that for the people of Israel this was to be

their Messiah, come to restore their fortunes. By this feast, we proclaim God's plan was to extend his salvation to men and women of every nation, of every time and every place - including us. In many ways this is our Christmas Feast, when we celebrate the Good News of the Saviour's birth revealed at last to us.

As the New Year begins, let us pray for the people of the parish of St. Marie and St. Joseph, Bury, and for Fr. Bill Foley, their parish priest. We pray for their primary schools, for St. Gabriel's High School and for Holy Cross College, as well as the patients, staff and chaplaincy at Fairfield General Hospital and the Bury Hospice. May Mary and Joseph lead us to Jesus the Lord.

Pope Francis Tweet: "Looking at the Nativity scene, we can become a little childlike and allow the wonder of the "marvellous" way in which God wanted to come into the world to be reborn in us. This will revive tenderness in us; and today we are in great need of tenderness!"

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS for January: May the Lord give us grace to live in full fellowship with our sisters and brothers of other religions, praying for one another, open to all

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



This week's timetable

Second Sunday of Christmas	3rd January	Morning Mass Evening Mass	10am 6pm	Mass Mass
Monday	4th January	Christmas weekday	9-30am	Mass
Tuesday HOLY DAY	5th January	First Mass of the Epiphany	6pm 7pm	Exposition Mass
Wednesday HOLY DAY	6th January	Epiphany +Requiem: Philomena Tierney+ Epiphany	9-30am 12-30pm 7pm	Mass Mass
Thursday	7th January	Christmas weekday (St Raymond of Penyafort)	9-30am	Mass
Friday	8th January	Christmas weekday	9-30am	Mass
Saturday	9th January	Christmas weekday	11am 12 Noon	Confessions & Exposition Mass
The Baptism of the Lord	10th January	Morning Mass Evening Mass	10am 6pm	Mass Mass



PLEASE WEAR A MASK AT CHURCH unless you are excused. Thanks

Masses this week: Special Intentions, Annette Ryan, Kelly's In thanksgiving for Parishioners prayers and Masses, Elizabeth Smith, In thanksgiving, Alan & Jean Gibson, For Family, Walter Moorhouse, Fr. Eugene Nee, Bernard Lynch, John-Joe Cahill, Frank Mooney, Joe Moran.

In your prayers please remember: Christine Kelly, Paddy Lyons, Bridget Giffney, Hilary, Margaret Moran, Oliver, Patricia Divine, Hanna O'Dea, Colm Harkin, Annette, Teresa Barrett, Vincent Gibson, Padraig Kavanagh, Canon Frank Deeney, Piers Henderson, Patrick Griffin, Michael Maguire, Audrey O'Neil, Carol Archer, Michael Griffin, Fr. Kevin Gradwell, Alan & Jean Gibson, James Hegerty, Audrey O'Neil, Jamie Mitchell, Monica Gallagher, Canon Michael Moore, Sarah Mitchell, Paddy Colbert, Gerard Cain, James Barrrens, Michaela Rabbitt, Mary Callaghan, B Keaveney, Antony & Christopher Mullen, Janet Ackley, Trevor Teale, Carol Archer, Ann McKenna, Barbara Hegarty, Barry Keaveney, Katherine Mahon, Mary Wheatley, Steven Moorhouse, Tess Kenrick, Pat Preston, Mary Boylan, Val Begley, Kevin Malpas, James Barren, Marcella McNevin, Ged MacCarron, Celia & Alf Meschi, Cam Lusco, Maureen Nash, Breda Gallagher, Margaret Bayhi, Paul Cannon, Angela & Dennis Keyworth, Clare Bainbridge, Denis Joyce, Mobishir Rawthore, Nancy Maguire, Kath Welch, Ann & David, Mary O'Neill, Fr Francis Austin, Sarah Byrns, Kitty Kinsella, Bill O'Hara, Marian Parker, David Goddard, Ian Lomas, Arianna, Oliver Agnew, Pat Lawrence, Pat Scott, Lisa McElwaine, Fr Leo Heakin, Sir Bobby Charlton, William Harkin, Lyndsey Kelly, John Phillips, Stefan Lachkovic, Karen & Billy Hennessy, Debbie Roberts, Dillon Ward, Brian Waugh, Ellen Leach, Michael Turner, Chris Forbes, Yas Poptani, Sr Pat Carney, Dorothy Harold, Christine, Pat Hallows, John Griffin, Fr Chris Lough, Jane Riley, Jacky Watts, Margaret Hills, Sheila Walsh, John Kirwin, Christopher Burke, Ann O'Connor, MJK, Anne Hutton, Sandra Lannatta, Kevin Hempzell, George Hegarty, Margaret & Dave

Watkins, Sue Atherton, Lizzie Frost, Breda Orr, Orla McManus, Betty Ann Jones, Kathleen Curley, Anthony Mullen, Marion Moran, Ronald Bradshaw, Ann & John MacCarron, Fr Vincent Cavey, Mary Winterbourne, Mary Mulvihill, Phyllis Dowd, Celia Deignan, Eileen Kenny, Mary Jordan, Michael Carney, Maureen Walkin, Bernie Quezema, Lee Hegarty, Richard O'Connor, Patrick Clarke, Anna Lawless, Eddie McDonald.

Our Lady's Lamp for Christine Kelly & the **Sacred Heart Lamp**: for Joe Moran: New lists at the back of the Church to sign up: suggested donation £5. Thank you



Please arrange your Baptisms by Annie or Janice using the Parish website on: **baptismstbernards@gmail.com** please be aware that some social distancing rules will apply and limited numbers.



EPIPHANY HOME BLESSING In many European Countries, Christians of all denominations follow the annual tradition of 'chalking the door'. You may wish to write in chalk the following by your front door, this is a great witness to all who will see it:

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The first two and last two digits represent the new year: 2021. • The letter C, M and B stand for the Latin phrase: *Christus Mansionem Benedicat*, which means: **MAY CHRIST BLESS THIS HOUSE.** •

It also helps you remember the names of the three Wise Men: Caspar (also known as Gaspar or Jaspas), Melchior and Balthasar. Chalking the door of your house is a sign of hospitality and of welcoming God into your home and is a great way to start the New Year!

The family could say together this prayer: Let us pray: Bless, O Lord God almighty, this home, that in it there may be health, purity, the strength of victory, humility, goodness and mercy, the fulfilment of your law, the thanksgiving to God the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. And may this blessing remain upon this home and upon all who live here. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

The Drama Displayed: A Journey of Salvation A free series of online talks offered by the Christian Heritage Centre. A range of excellent speakers will examine the key moments of salvation history, with the aid of great works of art; At 7:30pm every second Thursday, from 14th January to 25th March. For info and registration: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/the-drama-displayed/>

PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR: God, thank you for a New Year. May everyone in our family be willing to begin anew with a clean slate. We know that you are always ready to forgive us. Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves and to forgive one another. As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do. Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time. Amen