

Last week's Offerings to the Parish: Total £655 08p Thank you

The Divine Mercy prayer Group meets on the First and Third Wednesday of the month in the Church at 1pm; why not join them?

TODDLERS GROUP. The group is open. 9.30am --11.30am every Tuesday; Further enquiries to Anne 431 7212.

Young at Heart, open every Monday 11-30pm:

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Please put items for the newsletter through the presbytery door for inclusion, or send via email to Fr. Michael

CAFOD is happy to receive your surplus Christmas presents for our next event & raffle. There is a **box** in the porch. Many thanks.

BURNAGE FOOD BANK provides emergency food for local people in crisis, whether on benefits or in work. For more information, take a leaflet from the porch, www.burnagefoodbank.org.uk or tel: 07936698546; 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. The support of all the churches is vital to the Food bank. Thank you. **The following items required for the food bank please - tinned rice pudding, long life fruit juice and tinned fruit, thank you!**

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ST. BERNARD'S PARISH NEWSLETTER
THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
SUNDAY 28TH JANUARY 2018



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STAY WITH US ON OUR JOURNEY

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MASS 7/ Creed 12;

Eucharistic Prayer 3 (p28)



Where does authority come from? Why is one man regarded as a prophet, and another as a lunatic, and a third as a hypocrite? Jesus startles the crowds with a 'new teaching' today, but what amazes them so much is not the message but the authority behind it: they are convinced because what he does somehow adds credibility to what he says. It's the old situation that we are all familiar with - we look through words to see the actions, which

show us the real message. The scribes did not heal or work miracles, but simply talked about God. Jesus talks about the Kingdom of God, but also shows the people what it is - a Kingdom where all that damages human happiness is abolished. The other side to this is that we must listen to a prophet or teacher when they are backed by such authority; we may not "harden our hearts" and ignore the message when we have recognised that the messenger is sent by God. This is the hard part, because it demands that we too show, by our actions, that we have heard.

Caritas means **Love & Charity** & today is **Caritas Sunday** when we celebrate our home charity, **Caritas Diocese of Salford**. We are asked to pray for the work of **Caritas**, to think of volunteering & to give generously to the 2nd collection which enables **Caritas** to run **Cornerstone**, the **Lalley Centre**, the **Fostering & Adoption Service**, the **Mission to the Deaf** (& many other projects beside). A special **Caritas Sunday** edition of **The Beacon** is in the porch to read & share & envelopes should you wish to Gift Aid. THANK YOU

Pope Francis Tweet: Prayer allows us to see one another the way God our Father sees us, and to realize that we are brothers and sisters.

CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK.

TODAY Sunday 28th January, "Sermon Slam" at Christ Church, Parris wood Road
4pm you will be very welcome at this event, as pray for our One Family.

This weeks' time table

Sunday, 28th January 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass at 10am & 6pm

TODAY IS CARITAS SUNDAY

Monday, 29th January - Mass of the day at 9.30am

Tuesday, 30th January -Exposition from 6pm, Mass Of the day at 7pm

Wednesday, 31st January St John Bosco Mass at 9.30am

Thursday, 1st February Mass of the day 9-30am

Friday, 2nd February Feast: The Presentation 9-30am

Saturday, 3rd February Mass of St Blaise at 12 noon: **Followed by the Blessing of throats.** Confessions from 11am with exposition,

Sunday, 4th February 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time at 10am & 6pm

ROTAS THIS SUNDAY, 28th January 2018

January Readers

10am Christine Robinson, Audrey Steadford, Yvonne Tapodi

6pm Stany Rodriques, Janice Banks, John Press

Eucharistic Ministers 10am Margaret Duffy, Anne Richards, John McCormack, Bernie Kirstein, Molly Richards, Terry O'Neil, Stephen Bourke.

6pm - Jed & Rita Froggatt, Anne Kiernan

Soft Church - Hilary & Tony Addyman

Offertory Joseph & Lucy Loso and Senal Mendonsa

Counting Team - Alan Brown, Barry Moorhouse, J.

Commerford, G. Bostock

Tea & Coffee - B Close, G Oakley, C Clegg

Weekday Reader this week - L McMahon

Weekday Eucharistic Ministers Maureen Nash & Tony Kirstein



Hope in the Future: There will be a **meeting** for all current **readers** who read either during the week or on Sundays on **Monday, 5th February at 7pm** in the Parish Hall, The meeting is to review the current practice of readers and will be chaired by Tony Black. All readers should attend, if you are unable please inform Tony. Anyone interested in becoming a reader at Mass are welcome to attend. Thank you.

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS January: Religious Minorities in Asia: That Christians, and other religious minorities, may be able to practice their faith in full freedom.

The St Pio Prayer Group will meet at 8pm on Wednesday Jan 31st at 14, Astor Road, Burnage. You will be very welcome.

+ I offer our prayers and sympathy to Marie and family on the death of Eamon Fahey. May he rest in peace. +

Sick: please remember the sick and housebound of the parish and elsewhere: Marcella McNevin, Isla Forrest, Mary Boylan, Lawrence Hennigan, Fr David Foster, Kathleen Connolly, Clare Hare, Pat Preston, Paula, Mary Grobicki, Breda Gallagher, Keith Nunnerley, Richard Kujacz, Lee Hegarty, Steven Moorhouse, Patrick Clarke, John Kujacz, Louis Kitt, Pat and Harry Hallows, Bishop Drainey, Betty Smith, Oriel Kerr, Jack & Ann MacCarron, Clare Bainbridge.

Masses this week: Walter Moorhouse, Mitchell family, Jim Lister, Bernard Connolly, Parishioners & Priests, Pedrito Ballester, Oriel Kerr, Jack & Ann MacCarron, Margaret Cummins, Gareth Linton, Mary Connolly, Julie Murphy, Joe Kelly, Thomas & Sharon Harper, Kevin McGahan, Patrick Serridge, Karen & Paul safe delivery, Francesca, Dierdra & Tony, Ryan & Ann, James & Daniel, Martin & Norah Rock, Theresa Rock, Margaret Stankard, Matthew & Margaret Barrens, Mary Bostock.

Baptism: don't forget to pop in to see Father after Sunday Mass to begin the process.

Sacrament of Marriage: 6 months' notice must be given, please see Father to make arrangements.

Sacramental Programme We are in need of prayer partners; please sign up at the back of Church.



Our Lady's Lamp burns for: in memory of Bernard Connolly & The Sacred Heart Lamp in for the Lawrence Family thank you. There is a list at the at the back of Church: suggested donation £5.



Drop in Thursday after Mass in the parish hall open till 3pm, good conversation, games, newspapers, constant tea and coffee, and toast. Homemade soup and bread and homemade treats at 12pm, lovely warm atmosphere: you will be made very welcome, so pop in and bring your friends.

The Moorhouse family would like to thank Fr Michael, Fr John and the parishioners for their prayers, cards, and kind messages during their sad loss. A special thank you is extended to those who attended the funeral. Mass will be said for your intentions.



CARJ SUNDAY: We pray today for those who have been forced to leave their homes and families because of persecution and discrimination and those affected by war or political violence. May we always be ready to welcome the stranger in our midst, to offer them compassionate support at what is a very difficult time of their lives.