


Last week's Offerings to the Parish: Total £624 26 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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- MOUNTAIN
- PRESENCE
- BLEACHER
- WHITE
- ELIJAH
- MOSES
- RABBI
- THREE
- TENTS
- SHADOW
- BELOVED
- VOICE

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

**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](http://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.



**Walsingham 3/5 May:** we still have 6 single rooms and 1 twin room available £158 per person (contact Bernie or Tony Kirstein on 225 0227)

**Walsingham day Pilgrimage:** Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May booking list now open £20 see poster at the back of the Church.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE (MANCHESTER)** From 14th February to 25th March, our community will take part in 40 Days for Life... a groundbreaking, coordinated international mobilisation. We pray that, with God's help, this will mark the beginning of the end of abortion in our city - and beyond. To join the prayerful, peaceful vigil outside the abortion facility in Fallowfield, Manchester please sign up [www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/manchester-2/](http://www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/manchester-2/) or call 07810 791032

**Hospital Chaplain + Christies** number 0161 224 1895- Wythenshaw 0161 291 2297

# ST. BERNARD'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

## THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

**SUNDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2018**

**Clergy:** Mgr. Michael J Kujacz RD. Fr. John Coe

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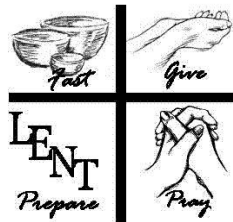
**Website** <http://stbernards-burnage.homeip.net>

STAY WITH US ON OUR JOURNEY

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MASS 7/ Creed 12;

Eucharistic Prayer 2 (24)



We spool forward a few centuries in the story of the Old Testament, to arrive at Abraham, "our Father in faith". Today we hear of another Covenant (like last week) - even though the word is not used. God promises Abraham descendants like "the stars of heaven", and the showering of blessings. This shows how much God loves Abraham, and all his children. This love is proved for

us in Jesus: God loves us so much he sacrificed his only Son (just as Abraham was willing to do); but this is not all: Jesus also rose from the dead, to stand at God's right hand and plead for us. All this is revealed in the story of the Transfiguration, where Jesus is seen in the glory that is rightfully his as the only Son of God. Not until after the Resurrection will the disciples see this fully again.

**Lenten prayer to share:** You will the salvation of all peoples, O Lord. Through this season of Lent, touch the hearts of the needy, the hardened, the proud and the penitent with your transforming love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Pope Francis Tweet:** In our daily lives we experience the tenderness of God who lovingly saves us from our sins, fears and anxieties. We must not wait to be perfect before responding to the Lord who calls us, but rather open our hearts to His voice.

## This weeks' time table

+ Each day whenever possible Simple Stations of the Cross after Mass. +

Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> February Second Sunday of Lent at 10am & 6pm

Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> February - Mass of Lent at 9.30am

Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> February - Mass of Lent

Exposition & Confessions from 6pm, Mass at 7pm

Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> February Wednesday Mass of Lent at 9-30am

Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> March Feast: St David 9-30 am

**First Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March MASS of Lent 6-30am [Lenten Sacrifice] & 9-30am**

Exposition from after 6-30am Mass till 9-20am;

Morning Prayer 9-10am, & Divine Mercy 3pm

Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March Mass of Lent at 12 noon:

Confessions from 11am with exposition.

Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> March Third Sunday of Lent at 10am & 6pm

**THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS February: Say "NO" to corruption:** That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

### **ROTAS THIS SUNDAY, 25<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

**10am** Pat Jones, Christine Kelly, Trevor Richards.

**6pm** Caroline Fahey, Janice Banks, Shelagh Bridge.

**Eucharistic Ministers** 10am Tony Kirstein, Terry O'Neill, Barbara Philips, Anne Richards, Jacqueline Turner, Bernie Roan, Clare Clegg.

**6pm** - Pearl Gorman, Kath Petty, Fiona McGarvey

**Soft Church** - Hilary & Tony Addyman

**Offertory** Olive Hogan & Ann Masterson

**Counting Team** - Ged Allcock, Olive Hogan, Liam McMahon, Yvonne Tapodi

**Tea & Coffee** - A. Allcock, E. Bostock & M Saunders.

**Weekday Reader this week** - Bernie Kirstein

**Weekday Eucharistic Ministers** Binu Biju & Clare Clegg



**Sick:** please remember the sick and housebound of the parish and elsewhere: Marcella McNevin, Kathryn, Isla Forrest, Tess Kendrick, Richard Kujacz, Betty Serridge, Mary Boylan, Lawrence Hennigan, Canon Kevin Kenny, Fr David Foster, Norah Gibbons, Kathleen Connolly, Clare Hare, Pat Preston, Paula, Mary Grobicki, Breda Gallagher, Evelyn Lohan, Ann Lawless, Keith Nunnerley, Lee Hegarty, Richard O'Connor, Steven Moorhouse, Patrick Clarke, John Kujacz, Norah Gibbons, Louis Kitt, Pat and Harry Hallows, Bishop Drainey, Paddy Murray Anna Lawless, Betty Smith, Oriel Kerr, Eddie McDonald, Jack & Ann MacCarron, Clare Bainbridge.

**Masses this week:** Mitchell Family, Charlie Smith, Karl Kirstein, John Kirstein, Kathleen Desmond, Mgr George Tutto, Danny Maloney, Michael McCallen, Eddie McDonald, Michael McHale, Paddy Murray, Eamon Fahey, Walter Moorhouse.

**#Sacrament of Confirmation:** if any adult 16+ has not received the Sacrament of Confirmation please contact Clare Clegg [clareclegg2@gmail.com] for preparation and information.#

**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.

The St. Pio Prayer Group will meet at 8pm this Wednesday at 14 Astor Road Burnage. Everyone welcome

Women's World Day of Prayer: **THIS** Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, at St Margaret's Church, Burnage Lane at 7pm. You will be very welcome.

**CAFOD:** Many thanks for offerings & **Lent Fast** envelopes returned today in the second collection. These will enable **CAFOD** to help our brothers & sisters in **Zimbabwe** to set up garden/allotments to grow vegetables, beans & nuts to feed their children well. Once again the **UK Govt** will match all our donations £1 for £1 up to £5 million because the work of **CAFOD** is so highly respected. **THANK YOU** for all you do. **NEXT** Sunday come over to our **CAFOD Sale of Gifts** (many ideal for Mother's Day) & **Books & Marmalade** etc.

**Gift Aid 2018-2019.** New envelopes will soon be prepared and made available in March. This is the ideal time for those of you not enrolled for Gift Aid to sign up to enable the Parish to reclaim tax on your donations. Our 'loose' collection is around £320 weekly and we are unable to claim any refund for this. Thank you to those who already Gift Aid. Gift Aid enables us to reclaim 25p for every £1 you donate. You simply sign a declaration and use a weekly envelope or donate by standing order. Please contact Bernard Grigaitis for more information.

**LENTEN ALMS:** box on the Sanctuary for you to place your Lenten alms to help the work to stop human trafficking. Please be generous.



**Our Lady's Lamp burns for: David & Julie Lawrence** 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, come and join us and be welcome. Homemade soup and bread and homemade treats at 12pm, lovely warm atmosphere: come and join us and be welcome.

### **CHURCH HEATING FUND**

**Easter Raffle**, with many sponsored prizes: tickets on sale for the next few Sundays at £1: please support. Thank you.

St. Patrick's Social Evening, in the Parish Hall on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March, 7-30 till 9-30pm. Lots of fun and supper. Tickets £4: List in the Parish Hall or contact Bridie Close or Ann Tipper.