

Last week's Offerings to the Parish: Total £728 34p Thank you

Baptism information: See Baptism Team after Sunday Mass to register your child's details and begin the process. Further information contact Annie or Janice on: baptismsternards@gmail.com

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**: Presentation Day: 2nd February: 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

BURNAGE FOOD BANK; now short of Tinned fruit, tinned custard, and tinned rice pudding For more information, take a leaflet from the porch, 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;

Lent Retreat 2020 - Journey into Freedom: This is the title of the Online Retreat being offered in Lent by Pathways to God <https://www.pathwaystogod.org/> an apostolate of the British Jesuits and colleagues. Resources and information are already online <https://www.pathwaystogod.org/len-retreat-2020> and people can sign up to receive daily emails during Lent.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE (MANCHESTER) Help save lives this Lent by praying for an end to abortion in our community. 40 Days for Life - 40 Days of prayer, fasting and public outreach for an end to abortion runs from 26th February - 5th April in Manchester. Launch meeting tonight, Sunday 23rd February at 7.30pm at St. Kentigern's Social Club, Please come along to learn more. Web www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/manchester-2/ Tel 07810 791032.

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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).

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ST. BERNARD'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 23RD FEBRUARY 2020



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STAY WITH US ON OUR JOURNEY

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MASS 6/ Creed 11;

Eucharistic Prayer 3(28)

"Love your enemies."



Love your neighbour as yourself. These are words we associate so clearly with the teaching of Jesus and the way of life the Gospel calls us to. But it may be a surprise to some people to hear that these words come first from the Old Testament, in the mouth of Moses himself. Moses was speaking the Lord God's instruction for the community the community of the people of Israel in flight from Egypt in their long sojourn in the wilderness. God's instructions were about how that community had to work without grudges, resentment or vengeance, but with

love and forgiveness and tolerance. When Jesus comes with the message of the Kingdom of heaven, it is the same instruction for a perfect, God-guided society, which depends on how each of us lives with others. The wisdom of this world , which Saint Paul mentions in the Second Reading, will not teach us this: the world will believe in vengeance and friendship only for your friends. Each of us must ask how we can embrace the apparent folly of Jesus teaching: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you

This week we pray for the people of the parish of St. John Paul II Padiham and Burnley, and for Fr. Allan Swift, their parish priest. We pray for their parish primary schools.

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS for February: Listen to the Migrants' Cries: We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

Pope Francis Tweet: "The option for the poor and the abandoned motivates us to liberate them from material poverty and to defend their rights, but also to invite them to friendship with the Lord, who loves them and has given them immense dignity."



Lent begins this week on Ash Wednesday: Begin as you mean to go on, come to the Lord:

Holy Mass at 9-30am; 12 Noon and 7pm

"Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return"



This week's timetable

Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time	23 rd February	Morning Mass Evening Mass	10am 6pm	
Monday	24 th February	Mass of the day	9-30am	Mass
Tuesday	25 th February	Mass of the day (Shrove Tuesday)	6pm 7pm	Exposition Mass
ASH WEDNESDAY Day of Fast and Abstinence	26 th February	Mass & Ashes	9-30am 12 Noon 7pm	Mass
Thursday	27 th February	Requiem: Mary Phillips	12 Noon	Mass
Friday	28 th February	Early Lent Mass +Exposition of the <i>Blessed Sacrament</i> + Requiem: Michael Lynch	6-30am*** Until 9-20am*** 9-30am	Mass
Saturday	29 th February	Lent Weekday	11am 12 Noon	Exposition & Confessions Mass
First Sunday of Lent	1 st March	Morning Mass Evening Mass	10am 6pm	

ROTAS THIS SUNDAY 23rd February 2020

10am: Clare Clegg, Tatenda Kachidza, Yvonne Tapodi

6pm: Janice Banks, Caroline Fahy, Siobhan Creggan

Eucharistic Ministers 10 am Tony Kirstein, Terry O'Neill, Barbara Philips, Ann Richards, Jacqueline Turner, Berni Roan, Christine Kelly

6pm Binu Biju, Fiona McGarvey, Teresa McHugh

Soft Church - Hilary & Tony Addyman

Little Church- Geraldine F/Julie

Offertory 10am: Olive Hogan, Ann Masterson

Counting Team: Bridie Close, Brigid Flatley, Denis Keyworth, Angela Keyworth,

Tea & Coffee: Angela Lord, Bernadette Moorhouse

Weekday Reader this week: Clare Clegg (Volunteers for Ash Wednesday please)

Weekday Eucharistic Ministers Volunteers (also needed for Ash Wednesday please)

Masses this week: Special Intentions, Mary Phillips, Tommy Hughes, Ted Cross, Rose Mitton, Ann & Michael Kane, Tadhg Mechan, Sr Teresa, Helen McLoughlin, Mary Flynn, Margaret Moyne, Maura Vlicich, Pauline Sadler, Philip Joseph, Christopher Thomas Lynch, Edward Luke Marron, Michael Flatley, Patricia Iredale, Helen Shepherd, Theresa Rock, Tommy Cooney, Kathleen Curley, Jimmy Barrrens, Agnes Halligan, Kevin McQuade, Erin Kirby, Maurice Hennessy, Billy Hennessey, Packie Farnan, Ellen & William Copley, Ann Furey, Edward Furey.

In your prayers please remember: Rose Mitton, Mary Bancroft, Ian Lomas, Arianna, Oliver Agnew, Pat Preston, Pat Lawrence, Ann Richards, Lisa McElwaine, William Harkin, Lyndsey Kelly, Dillon Ward, Brian Waugh, Ellen Leach, Robert Leeming, Jackie & Michael Turner, Chris Forbes, Louis Clegg, Maureen Nash, Denis Joyce, Breda Gallagher, Betty Serridge, Yas Poptani, Sr Pat Carney, Dorothy Harold, Christine, Marcella McNevin, George Hughes, Mary Boylan, Ged MacCarron, Pat Hallows, Eddie Hawley, Celia & Alf Meschi, John & Michael Griffin, Jane Riley, Jacky Watts, Margaret Hills, Ita Kirsey, Sheila Walsh, John Kirwin, Christopher Burke, Ann O'Connor, MJK, Doreen French, Noreen Hopper, John Lohan, Anne Hutton, Tess Kenrick, Teresa Barrett, Sandra



Lannatta, Kevin Hempzell, Paddy Lyons, George Hegarty, Margaret & Dave Watkins, Sue Atherton, Lizzie Frost, Anthony Gormley, Stefan Lachkovic, Steven Moorhouse, Nancy Maguire, Breda Orr, Orla McManus, Betty Ann Jones, Nora Gibbons, Siobhan Drugan, Kathleen Curley, Anthony Mullen, Marion Moran, Ronald Bradshaw, Ann & John MacCarron, John Phillips, Anthony Gallagher, Clare Bainbridge, Fr Vincent Cavey, Mary Winterbourne, Mary Mulvihill, Phyllis Dowd, Margaret Bayhi, Celia Deignan, Eileen Kenny, Mary Jordan, Kathleen Connolly, Michael Carney, Maureen Walkin, Bernie Quezena, Lee Hegarty, Richard O'Connor, Patrick Clarke, Anna Lawless, Eddie McDonald.

Sacramental Programme Session - "Come back to me" takes place in Parish Hall on Saturday 29 Feb starting 9.30am, repeated Wednesday 4 March starting 6pm. All children enrolled in parish programme in preparation for First Holy Communion to attend with parent/carer: Enquiries to Clare Clegg 07389 192655.

Would you please consider being a prayer partners for this year's children? If so please sign up at back of Church today, thank you

Our Lady's Lamp for Corona Virus Victims and hospital carers: the **Sacred Heart Lamp** for Albert Coe, there are NEW lists at the at the back of Church: suggested donation £5. Thank you

The St Pio Prayer Group will meet at 8-30pm on this Wednesday, at 14 Astor Road, Burnage: Everyone welcome.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham: Thursday 30th April to Saturday 2nd May. Staying at Elham House on half board, all en-suite rooms £190. There are only 3 twin rooms available, sorry no singles. Please contact Tony Kirstein or Ann Tipper. **One Day Diocesan Pilgrimage to**

Walsingham: Saturday 2nd May leaving Church at 6am, £22 per seat, List at the back of Church.

Day Trip to Southport, Saturday 28th March, leaving 8-30am back for 5-30pm £14 per person, please see list at the back of the Church, these trips sell out quickly!!!!

St Patrick Social Event in the Parish Hall on Friday 13th March, with lots of laughter, fun and supper, £5: Contact Bridie or Ann Tipper.

Hope in the Future, Living the Sunday Eucharist 23rd February 11: **LITURGY OF THE WORD: Structure of the Readings:** Last week we talked about the Lectionary being different from the Bible - passages are chosen and arranged in a very specific way. For the Sundays of Ordinary Time (which is most of the year apart from Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter) understanding the structure of the readings can aid our listening and understanding. The first point to note is that there is a "thematic" link between the First Reading, Psalm and Gospel, but beginning with the Gospel itself, which is read more or less continuously week by week. We have a three year cycle of Sunday readings (A, B and C) and each year focusses on reading a different Gospel (Matthew, Mark and Luke*). The Gospel passage for a particular Sunday "suggests" a reading from the Old Testament - perhaps a prophecy fulfilled in the Gospel, or a prayer, story or exhortation which is echoed by the words or actions of Jesus. The Psalm is always connected to the First Reading, expanding the "theme." The Second Readings are not part of this "thematic" structure, since they follow one of the letters of Saint Paul, Saint Peter or Saint James over several Sundays: this is not to say they are disconnected to the other readings - often the second readings bring insights into the other words of scripture from the point of view of the early Church living the Gospel. The great Seasons are different, since on each Sunday all the readings combine in the same "theme" - such as the Second Coming in Advent, or the significance of the Resurrection in Easter. Lent is a little different, since sometimes there are connecting themes in the readings of one Sunday, or sometimes the "theme" stretches continuously across several Sundays.