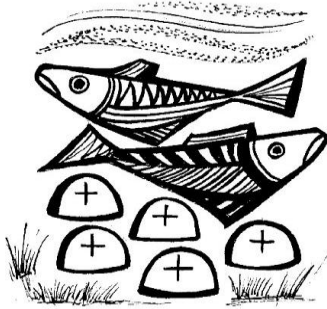


**NEWSLETTER FOR ST BRENDAN, HARWOOD
& ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, BROMLEY CROSS**

31ST JULY 2011

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Divine providence is a wonderful thing: God is so generous with his creation (it is human greed that denies some their rightful share). The Kingdom of God is the time and place when this vision will be fully realised, when all who wish may ‘come to the water’, when all who are hungry may ‘eat as much as they want’, when what is left over is still enough for all the twelve tribes of Israel. Our contemplation of the kingdom of God, through the parables and miracles of Jesus, should stir us up to build this kingdom here and now. The miracle of Divine providence is allowed to work when human greed and selfishness give way to the power of the Spirit working within us, and we share all we have with those in need. Our hearts are set on the kingdom of God, where there is corn and wine and milk in abundance.

Liturgy & Activities This Week		Prayers Please
<i>Sunday Cycle A; Weekday Cycle 1; Divine Office Week 2 Patmos Room - St John's (SJ); Harbour Room - St Brendan's (SB)</i>		<p>Sick: Gladys Hall, Kevan Dunleavy, Mary Leigh, Joan Coles, Isabelle Owen, Philip Blackburn, Laura Shuttleworth, Bill Kay, Ethel Caton, Tony Winstanley, Baby Guy, Bernard Edmundson, Jonathan Rimmer, Maria de los Angeles, Paul Preston, Elizabeth Patterson, Eunice Brierley, Betty Boyle, Bernard Callaghan, Judith Oldham, Kathleen Humphreys, Eileen Jones, Cecilia Guest, Rowland Coles, Joseph Walton, Jean York, Paul Whittle, Caroline Vickers, Bill Sharples, George Cowley, Marie Donnelly, Alice Coyne, Robin Tootill, Gerard Walker, Elzie Ball, Elizabeth Walton, Karen West, Tommy Lenihan, Tricia Jennings, Mick Collins, Marie Rigby, Francis Xavier Price (new-born baby), Alf Isherwood, Kathleen Smith and all who are sick or recovering from serious illness.</p> <p>Lately Dead: Peter Diduch,</p> <p>Anniversaries: Neil Wild, Frank Booth, Stanley Mellor</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mass Intentions</p> <p>Neil Wild, Rowland Coles, Peter Diduch, Frank Booth, Stanley Mellor</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Cycle of Prayer Part 5 (of 6)</p> <p>We pray especially for: a deeper understanding between Christians and Jews; those who suffer persecution, oppression and denial of human rights; Europe; human life; seafarers</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Lourdes & World Youth Day</p> <p>Please pray for all those throughout the diocese (and further afield) who are going on pilgrimage in the coming weeks.</p>
Sunday	9.15am Mass (SJ) <i>Flower Festival at St Anne's Turton</i> 11.15am Mass (SB) <i>(12.30 to 5.30)</i> 2pm Baptisms (SJ) 5.30pm Lourdes Mass (Salford Cathedral)	
<i>Special Collection for Day for Life</i>		
Monday	9.30 Mass (SJ) 7-8.30pm Baptism Preparation (Harbour Room) 8pm SVP (SJ)	
<i>St Alphonsus</i>		
Tuesday	7pm Mass (SB) 7.30pm SVP (SB)	
Wednesday	9.30am Mass (SJ) Lourdes Pilgrims Depart	
Thursday	No Mass today	
<i>St John Mary Vianney</i>		
Friday	No Mass today	
Saturday	6.30pm Mass (SJ)	
<i>The Transfiguration of the Lord</i>		
Next Sunday	9.15am Mass (SJ) – with Children's Liturgy 11.15am Mass (SB) – with Children's Liturgy	
Collections, Donations, Gift Aid		Baptism or Marriage
<i>All cheques (even for special collections) should be made payable to St Brendan's or St John's as appropriate. If you are a tax-payer, the parish can claim back the tax you have paid on any donations you make if you simply sign a Gift Aid form once. Please ask. Thanks.</i>		<i>By appointment and with preparation You must give six months notice for Marriage See Fr Cooke to arrange</i>
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Day for Life: This weekend we have the annual day in the Church's year dedicated to celebrating the dignity of life from conception to natural death. This year we focus on what it means to live a full and happy life. Our special collection will go to support The Anscombe Bioethics Centre and other life-related activities.

Baptism Preparation: Monday 1st August (7 to 8.30pm) in the Harbour Room at St Brendan's. This is for parents from either parish wishing to have their child baptised from the end of August onwards.

Lourdes: Our group departs from St John's at 10.45am on Wednesday.

Parish Celebration: Tickets for the concert and buffet meal at Thornleigh Salesian College on Friday 16th September will be on sale at the Masses next weekend. They are £10 each and we have a limited number.

CAFOD: Further donations of £120 (with an additional £30 gift aid) have been received towards the East Africa Appeal, bringing the grand total to £1650.88. You will also notice that our fundraising thermometer (which does not include these special appeals) shows that we are now just over £200 short of our £4000 target. Many thanks.

Book Sale: Many thanks to all those who helped to make this a successful event. Thank you to those who donated books, who set up the tables and sorted out the stalls, those who gave donations (some of whom didn't require any books but wanted to contribute), those who came and bought books, gave encouragement and those who helped to clear everything up afterwards. A special thanks to Colin and Beatrice who stayed behind in the Harbour Room to provide coffee for "the workers"! It was much appreciated. The total amount raised was £136 for church and school. Many thanks. *Harbour Room Book Club*

SVP: Many thanks to all who supported the recent sponsored walk. The total amount raised was £2,581 of which St John's raised £1,065 and St Brendan's £684. All proceeds go to a fund for holidays or holiday activities for families in need. Anyone who falls into this category, or knows of anyone, please contact any member of the SVP.

Mary's Meals: Thank you to everyone who donated things towards the backpack appeal. In all, 60 backpacks were prepared and these have now been collected.

Parish Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi: We are exploring this option for September 2012, costing about £1300 (flying from Manchester). There are lists in the Patmos Room and in the porch at St Brendan's for those who wish to indicate an interest.

Circus Stars: Bolton Libraries have issued a Summer Reading Challenge, encouraging children aged 4 to 11 to read six books during the summer holiday. There is no charge and there are goodies to collect as you go along. Visit your local library for more information. *[On the subject of local libraries (BC & Harwood) well done to the campaigners!]*

New Translation of the Roman Missal Outline/Summary of Fifth Catechesis Session

Eucharistic Prayer

- Centre and summit of the entire Mass
- A prayer of thanksgiving and sanctification
- "...the president offers up prayers and thanksgivings, as much as in him lies. The people join in with an 'Amen'." (Justin Martyr, 150 AD)

The Structure

- Opening Dialogue
- Thanksgiving (Preface)
- Acclamation (Holy, Holy)
- Epiclesis (Calling down the Holy Spirit)
- Institution Narrative and Consecration
- Anamnesis (Acclamation - "The Mystery of Faith" – and prayer)
- Offering (puts this celebration in context of Christ's self-offering)
- Intercessions (for unity, for the living and the dead, for Christians, for all people)
- Doxology & Great Amen

Several to choose from

- Eucharistic Prayers I to IV
- Eucharistic Prayers for Reconciliation
- Eucharistic Prayer for Various Occasions
- (Eucharistic Prayers for Masses with Children)

Significant Changes

- What you hear more than what you say
- Longer, more involved, sentences
- Priest will need time to "learn" how to pray these new translations of the Eucharistic Prayers
- "Take this, all of you, and eat **of it for** this is my Body, which will be given up for you."
- "Take this all of you and drink from it, **for** this is the **chalice** of my Blood, the Blood of the new and **eternal** covenant, **which** will be **poured out** for you and for **many for the forgiveness of sins.**"

"The Eucharistic Prayer is 'the centre and summit of the entire celebration'. The different Eucharistic Prayers contained in the Missal have been handed down to us by the Church's living Tradition and are noteworthy for their inexhaustible theological and spiritual richness". (*Pope Benedict XVI*)

[Further information: www.salfordliturgy.org.uk/romanmissal.htm]

Copies of *Understanding the Revised Mass Texts* will be available at church next weekend. Copies of the texts will be available when we begin using them in September.

Think Vocations

Although he sought the peace of solitude, Our Blessed Lord had to labour the whole day. Let us pray for parents in their sometimes wearying task of raising children and educating them in the faith.

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