

**NEWSLETTER FOR ST BRENDAN, HARWOOD
& ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, BROMLEY CROSS
15TH JULY 2012
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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Again it is prophecy that is our theme. Here, we concentrate on the sending of prophets, the entrusting of the mission to them, and most importantly the necessary qualifications to be a prophet. The only qualification necessary is an open ear, to hear the mandate from God. We see this in Amos, the simple shepherd, and in the Twelve, called by Jesus from their humble occupations, which no one would have thought qualified them to speak on 'religious' themes. As last week, the possibility of rejection and failure is quite explicitly treated - Jesus instructs the Apostles in what to do if they are ignored. When the Gospel simply states, "So they set off to preach repentance..." we can imagine all that was in their minds and hearts as they did so. They had heard the call of Jesus, and allowed it into their hearts: this was all they needed to go out and speak his words.

Liturgy & Activities This Week <i>Sunday Cycle B; Weekday Cycle 2; Divine Office Week 3</i> <i>Patmos Room - St John's (SJ); Harbour Room - St Brendan's (SB)</i>		Prayers Please
Sunday	9.15am Mass (SJ) 11.15am Mass (SB) 2pm Baptism (SJ)	<p>Sick: Gladys Hall, Kevan Dunleavy, Mary Leigh, Joan Coles, Isabelle Owen, Laura Shuttleworth, Ethel Caton, Tony Winstanley, Bernard Edmundson, Jonathan Rimmer, Eunice Brierley, Elizabeth Patterson, Bernard Callaghan, Judith Oldham, Kathleen Humphreys, Betty Boyle, Eileen Jones, Cecilia Guest, Joseph Walton, Jean York, Caroline Vickers, George Cowley, Marie Donnelly, Alice Coyne, Robin Tootill, Gerard Walker, Elzie Ball, Karen West, Tricia Jennings, Mick Collins, Bernard & Rita Holder, Michael, Baby Rose, Calum Russell, Margaret Edge, Frank Brazel, Graham Roberts, Eileen Murphy, Brendan O'Grady, Tommy Lenihan, Pauline Bowling, Paul Buckley, Margaret Walsh, Joan Plumbley, Jane Dent, Emma Turner, Vincent Wood, Margaret Wood, Joan Rankin, Guy Ryan, Maria Stott, Fiona Preston, Kathleen Hopwood, Trevor Gee, Catherine Crowley, Gerard Dobson, John Barrett, Fr Patrick Quinlan, Fr Ivor Netto, John Devine, Vincent Hopkinson, Bea Gilmore, Tara Vinden, Roy Smith and all who are sick or recovering from serious illness.</p> <p>Lately Dead: Bernard Walsh, Robert Paul (Premature Baby), Mary Costello</p> <p>Anniversary: Anne Howarth, Bernard Margiotta</p> <p>Mass Intentions: Joyce Knight, John McGeough, Robert Paul (Premature Baby), Anne Howarth, With grateful thanks to St Jude, St Anthony & the Sacred Heart for the safe delivery of Isabella Clare, Mary Costello</p> <p>Cycle of Prayer Part 5 (of 6): 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>
Monday <i>Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Patron of Diocese</i>	No Mass today 7pm Joint Parish Forum Meeting (SB) 8pm SVP (SJ)	
Tuesday	7pm Mass (SB) 7.30pm SVP (SB)	
Wednesday	9.15am Year 6 Leavers' Mass (SB Church) 7.30-8.30pm Youth Group (Patmos Room)	
Thursday	No morning Mass 6.45pm Year 6 Leavers' Mass (SJ School)	
Friday	9.30am Mass (SJ) 11am Funeral Service for Bernard Walsh (Overdale)	
Saturday	10am-12noon Marie Curie Tea Party (Longsight) 12noon Joe Gee's Ordination (Salford Cathedral) 5.30-6pm Reconciliation (SJ) 6.30pm Mass (SJ) <i>Appeal for</i>	
Next Sunday	9.15am Mass (SJ) <i>SURVIVE-MIVA</i> 11.15am Mass (SB) 2pm Baptism (SB)	
<p>Collections, Donations, Gift Aid <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></p>		<p>Baptism or Marriage <i>By appointment and with preparation</i> <i>You must give six months notice for Marriage</i> <i>See Fr Cooke to arrange</i></p>

SURVIVE-MIVA: This is the only UK-based Catholic Lay Association funding transport in the developing world (hence MIVA - Mission Vehicle Association). Next weekend, one of our own parishioners (Kath Denton) who is involved with this charity will make an appeal on its behalf. See www.survive-miva.org

SVP Sponsored Walk: Thank you to all who supported the recent sponsored walk. The amount raised will be announced when all sponsorship money is received. Cath Bridge, who was on crutches at the time, says a special thank you to Bert Hustwit for walking on her behalf.

One Bolton 5k: Thank you to all who sponsored me for this event last Sunday, raising a significant amount for Bolton Hospice. I will publish the figure when all the sponsorship money comes in. Some ran, some jogged...I completed the walk in 49 minutes. It was good to see some other parishioners involved. *Fr Cooke*


Children's Liturgy: After this weekend, we will suspend the children's liturgy for the school summer holidays.

Petitions for Lourdes: Please hand any petitions you may wish to make this year to Fr Cooke or any Lourdes group member before the group departs on 31 July. Thanks.

Marie Curie: The Bolton Fundraising Committee of Marie Curie Cancer Care are holding a *Blooming Great Tea Party* at Longsight Church Hall (Harwood) on Saturday 21 July (10am-12noon) and everyone is welcome to support this very worthy cause which allows terminally ill people to be cared for in their own homes. There will be a few of our own fundraising stalls, as well as a plant stall by local gardener Doug Wright. Hope you can come!

Fairtrade: Please note that there will not be a fairtrade stall at St John's in July or August.

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BRASS
 (Befriending Refugees and Asylum Seekers)

During the month of July, our parish SVP groups have pledged their support for this Bolton-based project (which Sr Barbara CP is very involved with). They are appealing for the following items:

Potatoes • Onions • Vegetable oil • Long life whole milk Concentrated orange juice • Tea bags • Sugar
 Tins of chopped tomatoes, tuna, sardines and pilchards
 Red kidney beans and chickpeas • Long grain rice

If you are able to donate any of these items, please bring them to church on the Sundays of July and the SVP will pass them on to BRASS. Thanks.

Parish Forum Meeting
Please come along and take an active part
Monday 16 July - 7pm at St Brendan's
[for both parishes]

Agenda

1. Welcome, Prayer & Opening Comments
2. Appointment of Secretary
3. Apologies for absence
4. Action summary
5. Sharing the Load
6. Reverence and Respect
7. Future of the Presbytery (SB)
8. Extension of the Patmos Room (SJ)
9. Social Committee Update
10. Date of next meeting

Think Vocation

"Take nothing for the journey" When someone presents themselves as a candidate for the priesthood, it is the people of God who will sustain that person through their seminary training. After ordination it is the people in the parish who support the priest through their generosity, love and kindness.

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