

Parish of Corpus Christi, Bolton 7 July 2019

Fourteenth Week of Ordinary Time





The link between the First Reading and Gospel is not immediately apparent today, until you look at the "headings" which are always chosen "to make the connection between

readings of the same Mass clear." (Introduction to the Lectionary n.123). The "headings" present us with a simple picture today: a river of peace flowing out from the Lord, which we see in the Gospel as the flowing of the disciples as they are sent out on their first mission. From the Lord of Peace, others, like ripples in a pool, flow out carrying his simple message: "Peace to this house!"

Marriage Matters

Romance is at the core of our calling: The theme of today's readings is rejoicing. Those who have had to be away from home know the thrill of returning - the hug, the kiss and perhaps making love. But when every day is much like any other, we can lose the spark and we need to remember that romance is at the very core of our calling

Think Vocation

"The harvest is rich but the labourers are few." The Lord tells us that there are many people who desperately need to know of the Lord's love in their lives. We need priests for the Eucharist and to proclaim the Gospel to the People of God. Our Lord instructs us to ask God for labourers to his harvest. Do we genuinely pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life?

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Sunday 7 July

9am Mass (SJ) - With Children's Liturgy 11am Mass (SB) - With Children's Liturgy 7.30pm Brixi Singers Concert (SB)

Monday 8 July

9.30am Mass (SB) 7pm Needles (Harbour Room, SB) 7.45pm SVP (SJ)

Tuesday 9 July

9.15am Forward in Faith Mass (SC School)6.30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (SJ)7pm Mass (SJ)7pm Property Committee Meeting (Harbour Room, SB)

7.15pm SVP (SB)

Wednesday 10 July - St Benedict

9.30am Mass (SJ)
7pm Deanery Mass for Deceased (Heaton Cemetery)

Thursday 11 July

9.15am St Brendan's School Mass (in Church)

Friday 12 July

9.30am Mass

10am Coffee Morning for SVP (SJ)

Saturday 13 July

5pm Mass (SB) - With Children's Liturgy
A Special Collection will be taken

Sunday 14 July for Apostleship of the Sea 9am Mass (SJ) - With Children's Liturgy 11am Mass (SB) - With Children's Liturgy

2pm Baptism (SB)

Sea Sunday

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Prayers Please

We pray for all the sick and housebound in our parish, and other relatives and friends. Bernard Holder, Jackie Harte, Moya Fau-Goodwin, Margaret Broadhead, Matthew Harvey, Margaret Russell, Terry Smith

Lately Dead: Joe Larkin, Winifred Millington

Anniversaries: Michael Hayes, Eileen Dearden, Winifred Weston, Richard Gardner-Hopkinson, Josephine Westley

Mass Intentions: Michael Hayes, Eileen Dearden, Winifred Weston, Richard Gardner Hopkinson, Josephine Westley, Joe Larkin, In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Lourdes, A 90th Birthday Celebration

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.

Hope in the Future

Let us pray for the parish of the St. Dunstan and St John Vianney, Moston, and for Fr Martin Saunders, their parish priest. We pray for the parish primary school and for St Matthew's High School.

Facts and Figures for 27/28 June
Offertory Collection: £1,142.09
Standing Orders (28 June-4 July): £633

Mass Attendance 5pm-167; 9am-219; 11am-238; Total-624

Cheques: Please make all cheques payable to *Corpus Christi*. Thank you.

Congratulations: To all the children who recently celebrated receiving their First Holy Communion. We pray that they can continue on their journey of faith, and are nourished by God's love.

Apostleship of the Sea: Next weekend we celebrate Sea Sunday when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Seafarers are commonly recruited from poorer countries and work in difficult and often dangerous conditions suffering from loneliness, spiritual deprivation and even exploitation as they transport the goods we use and consume every day.

The Apostleship of the Sea is the official Maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church in Great Britain and it reaches out to seafarers visiting our ports, offering pastoral and practical care and support. It is wholly dependent on voluntary donations and so the annual Sea Sunday collection is vital to this work. For more information: www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk

Baptism Preparation: Our next preparation session will take place on Wednesday 31 July (7pm-8.30pm) in the Patmos Room at St John's. This is for parents from our parish who wish to have a child baptised in the coming months. Please contact the Parish Office (01204 301927) or email office@sbsj.org.uk for more information.

Iron Man: Please note there will be a couple of road closures in part of our parish that may/may not affect travel on Sunday 14 July. The roads affected are presently sign posted, but there is a map at the back of each church with further details.

SVP: We are continuing the food collection for the Destitution Project. As well as the items listed in church, they have a particular need for tins of ham and corned beef. Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Reader's Rota: The rota is currently being updated and will be issued in the next couple of weeks. If you feel you would like to become a reader, or alternatively you wish to have your name removed, please contact the Parish Office 301927 office@sbsj.org.uk.

Newsletter: Due to holidays, next week's newsletter will cover w/c 14 July and 21 July. The newsletter after this will cover w/c 28 July, 4 August, 11 August and 18 August. If you have any items or Mass intentions that you would like included, please contact the office. Thank you.

Coffee Morning: Please come along and join us for coffee, tea, cakes and toasted tea-cakes at 10am in St John's Patmos Room on Friday 12 July. All proceeds will go to the SVP.

Deanery Mass for the Deceased: The Annual Mass for those who have died in the last year, around our Deanery, will take place on Wednesday 10 July (7pm) at Heaton Cemetery.

The Brixi Singers: Are performing at St Brendan's Church on Sunday 7 July at 7.30pm. It is entitled *Summer Songs*, a mix of serious and light music. Tickets are £10 (pay on the door).

Fr Denis McBride Talk: At St Gabriel's RCHS, Bury, BL6 OTZ, on Wednesday 17 July (7pm). Keynote talk from Fr Denis McBride CSsR on the theme Jesus the Relational Leader.

Quarantore at St John Fisher Church: St John Fisher RC Church/Schoenstatt Shrine is hosting four days of Quarantore (24-27 July). Each day will take place between 9.30am and 7.30pm. Mass will be available on Wednesday at 9am, Thursday at 7.30pm Friday at 9am and Saturday at 12noon. Contact: Julie Almond on 07939017317.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers 13/14 July 2019					
Mass	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers			
5pm (SB)	J O'Connor	TBA			
9am (SJ)	S May	T Armstrong, L Rule, A Grundy, P McArdle, M Cropper, A Rawlinson			
11am (SB)	C Bridge	P Carolan, J Murphy, K Wilkinson			