

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

**16TH JUNE 2013
11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



The “theme” of the First Reading, Psalm and Gospel today is “forgiveness of sins”. We hear the touching Gospel story, of the “woman with a bad name in the town” coming to anoint Jesus’ feet. Living inspired by the love of Jesus is the key to our discipleship - his crucifixion is the sign of his love, which is in itself the forgiveness of sins.

Liturgy & Activities This Week <i>Sunday Cycle C; Weekday Cycle 1; Divine Office Week 3</i> Sunday Missal: page 278; Readings 283 Preface at Priest’s choice		Prayers Please
Sunday <i>Father’s Day</i>	9.15am Mass (SJ) – with Children’s Liturgy 10.15am Mass (SC) – with Children’s Liturgy & Sacramental Programme Session 11.15am Mass (SB) – with Children’s Liturgy 2pm First Holy Communion Mass (SB) SVP Sponsored Walk	<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, Kathleen Humphreys, Eileen Jones, Cecilia Guest, Joseph Walton, Jean York, Caroline Vickers, George Cowley, Robin Tootill, Elzie Ball, Tricia Jennings, Mick Collins, Bernard & Rita Holder, Michael, Baby Rose, Calum Russell, Eileen Murphy, Brendan O’Grady, Pauline Bowling, Margaret Walsh, Emma Turner, Joan Rankin, Guy Ryan, Maria Stott, Fiona Preston, Kathleen Hopwood, Catherine Crowley, John Barrett, Bea Gilmore, Roy Smith, Isabelle Karzynski, Fiona Oldham (nee Clappison), Emma Jimanez (baby), Stephen Tootill, Maureen Kennedy, Vera Evans, Denise Carolan, Julie Smith, Ernie Little, Mary Coyne, Anthony Axford, Mary Marshall, Joan Pearce, Joshua Almond, Jacqueline Kay, Wynn Elliot, Tom Wardle, Cyril Connaughton, Joan Peake (nee Hooton) and all who are sick or recovering from serious illness.</p> <p>Latently Dead: Jacques Minard, James Cain, Margaret Coyle, William McManus, Susan Bamber, Emily Redmond</p> <p>Anniversaries: Joseph Healey, John Crowley, Mary Rose Hanley, Georgette & Marian Kosecki, Bill Cleary, Bill Redmond</p> <p>Mass Intentions: Cyril Connaughton (sick), In honour of St Jude, St Anthony and The Sacred Heart, Jean (McGarry) Stones (sick), Joseph Healey, Joyce Knight, Jacques Minard, James Cain, John Crowley, Mary Grundy (99th Birthday), Baby Emma Jimanez (for a successful operation), Mary Rose Hanley, Georgette & Marian Kosecki, Joan Peake (nee Hooton) (sick), Emily Redmond, Bill Redmond</p> <p>Exam Prayers: At this time of year we pray especially for our young parishioners who are taking exams. We ask that they may be given guidance and support at this important time in their lives.</p>
Monday	9.30am Mass (SJ) 8pm SVP (SJ)	
Tuesday	7pm Mass (SB) 7.30pm SVP (SB)	
Wednesday	9.30am Mass (SJ)	
Thursday	9.15am Forward in Faith Mass (SB) 1.30pm Genocide Memorial Service (Victoria Square)	
Friday <i>St Aloysius Gonzaga</i>	9.30am Mass (SJ)	
Saturday <i>St John Fisher, Bishop & St Thomas More</i>	<i>A Day of Special Prayer for those who Suffer Persecution, Oppression & Denial of Human Rights</i> 2pm Annual APF Mission Mass (Salford Cathedral) 5pm Mass (SC) – New time from this weekend 5.30-6pm Reconciliation (SJ) 6.30pm Mass (SJ)	
Next Sunday	9.15am Mass (SJ) – with Children’s Liturgy 10.15am First Holy Communion Mass (SC) 11.15am Mass (SB) – with Children’s Liturgy 2pm First Holy Communion Mass (SJ)	

Happy Father’s Day! Let each of us remember our father, living or dead, on this special day

Please also pray for the children making their First Holy Communion at this time

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Change of Mass Time

Following discussion at the last parish forum meeting and the period of consultation over the past two months, the bishop has given permission for the **Saturday evening Mass at St Columba's** to be moved to **5pm**. This will take effect from **next Saturday (22 June)**.

Congratulations: To Ella Louise Tyrer who was baptised at St Brendan's last Sunday. We pray that she and her family will continue to grow in faith.

Lourdes Appeal: You may recall the media photographs of the devastating damage caused by the October 2012 flooding in the Lourdes area. The town and various parts of the Shrine and Sanctuaries were the worst hit. However, insurance cover for the town properties and generous donations from local groups and organisations have enabled the area to be totally restored to normal.

Unfortunately, the Salford Diocese voluntary medical team of Doctors and Nurses, mainly from the Bolton area, have lost all their equipment and materials which were left in storage on site.

Many of you will be fully aware of the excellent service provided by this voluntary group and may wish to make a donation, in response to an appeal from Fr. Michael Jones at the Lourdes Office in Salford, to help replace all these essential items.

Donations can be given directly to Fr Cooke or Fr Gee so that a joint contribution can be sent to the Lourdes office on behalf of our three parishes. If donating by cheque, please make it payable to St John's. *God bless and thanks to all.*

SVP Sponsored Walk: The annual sponsored walk takes place this Sunday (16 June). It is not too late for anyone interested in walking or sponsoring someone who is walking.

BRASS: The collection of food items during June will be held at the weekend Masses at Brendan's. The following items are much appreciated: cartons of orange juice, vegetable oil, tinned fruit, chick peas, kidney beans, tinned tomatoes, coffee, jam, biscuits and sugar. *Thank you*

Sacramental Programme: There will be a preparation session for the children involved at St Columba's during the 10.15am Mass this Sunday. Please pray for the children from all three parishes as they prepare for First Communion.

CAMEO and Book Sale: The joint afternoon will take place on Wednesday 3 July. Proceeds to Church funds and Bolton Hospice. All book donations gratefully received and will be collected during the month of June. Boxes will be placed in the porch of St. Brendan's. Alternatively, they can be brought to Book Club or on the day itself. Please support the worthy causes!

APF Mission Mass: The annual Mass for red box holders & annual members at Salford Cathedral (22 June) will now be at 2pm **not** 3pm. Parking is available behind the cathedral offices (access via Ford St). All are welcome and refreshments are provided.

Community Ensembles Concert

Saturday 22 June 7.30pm
Victoria Hall, Bolton

Featuring

Ladybridge Community Choir
Bromley Cross Community Choir
Tonge with The Haulgh Community Choir
Cantamus Community Choir
Kearsley Youth Brass Band
Kearsley Training Brass Band
Brass Unlimited

Adults £4.00; Accompanied Under 19's Free
(Tickets available on the door only;
please bring correct money if possible)

Contact: Bolton Music Service (01204 333533). Email:
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Anne Murphy

Dear Parishioners

Mrs Anne Murphy retires at the end of the school year. Anne has taught in each of our Parish schools, firstly at St John's where she began her teaching career, at St Columba's where her dad, Donald Jerstice, was Head Teacher and at St Brendan's where Anne spent many happy years. Anne returned to St John's three years ago and so has come full circle.

Over the years, Anne has earned great respect among parents, staff and children trusted to her care. We therefore wish to give her a good send off to celebrate her teaching career.

You are invited to a special Mass at St John's church on Friday 12 July at 7pm, followed by a celebration and exhibition in St John's school. Please join us.

If you have any photographs of Anne or any special memories that you would like to share, then please contact St John's school (01204 333440)

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Think Vocation

"I have sinned against the Lord." These words of David could be on the lips of any one of us. We are all sinners and we all need the mercy of God. The month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart and invites us, though we are sinners, to enter into an intimate relationship with Our Lord Jesus. In this Year of Faith may we try to encourage those we encounter who have drifted away from the faith to have the courage to approach Our Lord in humility and trust.

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