

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

24TH JULY 2011

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



What a gift it is, to be able to recognise the true value of things, and choose those which will last forever and bring us true happiness! Solomon, renowned for wisdom, is able to make the right choices when offered the chance to have anything he wants. What would we choose? The parable in the Gospel tells us that, in a sense, the choice is already before us: we can see the kingdom of heaven waiting for us: it is of greater value than anything else, and so all our hearts should be set on it. Nothing should stand in our way.

Liturgy & Activities This Week		Prayers Please
<i>Sunday Cycle A; Weekday Cycle 1; Divine Office Week 1 Patmos Room - St John's (SJ); Harbour Room - St Brendan's (SB)</i>		
Sunday	9.15am Mass (SJ) – with Children's Liturgy 11.15am Mass (SB) – with Children's Liturgy (followed by Book Sale)	<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, Roland 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: Kath Hayes, Esther Hickey, Peter Diduch</p> <p>Anniversaries: Allan Guest, Nell O'Neill</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mass Intentions</p> <p>Special Intention, For a successful operation, Allan Guest, Agnes & William Lee (Birthday Remembrance), Esther Hickey, Joseph Parker (Birthday Remembrance), Nell O'Neill, Peter Diduch</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>
Monday	9.30 Mass (SJ) 8pm SVP (SJ)	
<i>St James</i>		
Tuesday	7pm Mass (SB) 7.30pm SVP (SB)	
<i>Ss Joachim & Anne, parents of the BVM</i>		
Wednesday	9.30am Mass (SJ)	
Thursday	9.15am Mass (SB)	
Friday	9.30am Mass (SJ)	
<i>St Martha</i>		
Saturday	1-4pm CARITAS Garden Party (Didsbury) 5.30-6pm Reconciliation (SJ) 6.30pm Mass (SJ)	
	<i>Flower Festival at St Anne's Turton</i>	
Next Sunday	9.15am Mass (SJ) 11.15am Mass (SB) 2pm Baptisms (SJ)	
<i>Day for Life</i>	<i>Flower Festival at St Anne's Turton</i> <i>Special Collection for Day for Life</i>	
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>
Have you visited us on the web yet? www.sbsj.org.uk		
Find out about our Parishes, Masses, Events, Groups and so much more		

Congratulations: To Erin May Collier and Isla Mae Jenkins who were baptised at St Brendan's last Sunday. We pray that they and their families will continue to grow in faith.

Baptism Preparation: It has been hard to find a free evening recently, so apologies to those who have been waiting some time for this date to be set. The next session will be on 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.

CAFOD East Africa Appeal: Our special collection last weekend raised £1394.63 and CAFOD will be able to claim £106.25 through the Gift Aid declarations completed, making a total of £1500.88. Many thanks.

CAMEO Group: Thanks to everyone that attended our gathering on 14th July. Martin Roe from JUSTICIA in Bolton gave an informative talk about Fairtrade. We followed this with a lovely cream tea. An enjoyable afternoon. Keep supporting us please. *The CAMEO ladies.*

Book Sale: Weather permitting, there will be a sale of books, after the 11.15 Mass at St. Brendan's this Sunday (24th July). *Harbour Room Book Club*

Lourdes: A reminder for those going on the parish pilgrimage to Lourdes that there is a Mass at 5.30pm next Sunday at Salford Cathedral.

Flower Festival: This annual event (since 1980) takes place next weekend at St Anne's Church, Turton and this year's theme is *What's My Line?* St John's parish sponsor one display and some of our ladies arrange the pillar decorations each year. The festival is open on Saturday (10.30am to 7.30pm) and Sunday (12.30pm to 5.30pm) and is always well worth a visit.

St Brendan's 100 Club: The June winners are:

£25 P Marshall (79)
£15 L & M Johnston (108)
£10 C Owen (27)

The July winners are:

£25 J Davies (147)
£15 J Grady (13)
£10 D Yates (68)



Bolton at Home Board: Have a vacancy for an Independent Member. Details on church noticeboards.

Parish Celebration: Tickets for the concert and buffet meal at Thornleigh Salesian College on Friday 16th September will be on sale at the Masses on the first weekend of August. They are £10 each.

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.

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

Liturgy of the Eucharist

- The structure remains the same
- There are three elements
- Preparation of the Gifts (Offertory)
- Eucharistic Prayer
- Communion Rite

Preparation of the Gifts (Offertory)

- Hymn / Collection / Procession
- Some changes of wording (including quiet prayers)
- "through your goodness we have received the bread (the wine) we offer you"
- "my sacrifice and yours"
- "the good of all his holy Church"
- Prayer over the Offerings

Eucharistic Prayer

- Centre and summit of the entire Mass
- Opening Dialogue: "It is right and just" & Preface
- Holy Holy: "God of hosts"
- Choice of Eucharistic Prayers *[more on them next week]*
- "The Mystery of Faith"
- Doxology & Great Amen

Communion Rite

- The Lord's Prayer (unchanged)
- Sign of Peace
- Lamb of God
- Invitation to Communion
- Holy Communion
- Communion Hymn (or silence)
- Prayer after Communion

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

Bishop Arthur Roche (Bishop of Leeds and Chairman of ICEL) has released a podcast this week about his hopes for the new translation. He speaks of the scriptural nuances and the nobility of the language used and reminds us that whenever we attend Mass we're entering into a reality which is taking place in Heaven as well as here on earth. *[Listen in via www.catholic-ev.org.uk/]*

Day for Life

Next weekend we have this 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.

Think Vocations

Material possessions are of no comparison to the pearl of great value which is found in one's vocation. Let us celebrate when men and women, following the will of God, embrace the poverty of monasticism.

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