

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

4TH AUGUST 2013 – EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Today we contemplate a great truth about our life: you can't take it with you. The old phrase "There are no pockets in a shroud" is what we confront today, in the preaching of both Ecclesiastes and the Lord Jesus. What Jesus makes us think about, however, is not just this truth, but the consequences of it: if we are not to build up treasure here on earth, what are we to do? The answer is simple: by our way of living we "make ourselves rich in the sight of God"!

Liturgy & Activities This Week		Prayers Please
<i>Sunday Cycle C; Weekday Cycle 1; Divine Office Week 2</i>		<p>Sick: All who are sick or recovering from serious illness.</p> <p>Lately Dead: Bernice Caldwell, Tim Doyle, Eileen Wood, Ellen Day, Sylvia Ratcliffe</p> <p>Anniversaries: Maggie Holt, Jane Connaughton</p> <p>Mass Intentions: Bernice Caldwell, Special Intention, Tim Doyle, Maggie Holt, Mary Fitzgerald, Eileen Wood, Ellen Day, Jane Connaughton, Ron Higson (Birthday Remembrance)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Cycle of Prayer Part 5 (of 6)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">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;">Think Vocation</p> <p>"Let us not lose sight of Jesus who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection." Our faith tells us that Jesus is present to us in the Gospel, in the sacraments and journeys with us throughout our lives. In this Year of Faith may we help others to draw closer to the Lord by growing in their faith. In addition he is calling us all to grow in holiness and goodness.</p>
Sunday Missal: page 349; Readings 355; Preface at Priest's choice		
Sunday	9.15am (SJ) 10.15am Mass (SC) 11.15am Mass (SB)	
Monday	9.30am Mass (SJ) 8pm SVP (SJ)	
Tuesday <i>Transfiguration of the Lord</i>	7pm Mass (SB) 7.30pm SVP (SB)	
Wednesday	9.30am Mass (SJ)	
Thursday <i>St Dominic</i>	9.15am Mass (SB)	
Friday <i>St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross</i>	10am Requiem Mass for Sylvia Ratcliffe (SB) <i>A Special Day of prayer for Europe</i>	
Saturday <i>St Lawrence</i>	5pm Mass (SC) 5.30-6pm Reconciliation (SJ) 6.30pm Mass (SJ)	
Next Sunday	9.15am (SJ) 10.15am (SC) 11.15am Mass (SB) 2pm Baptism (SC)	


Congratulations: To Enid Elizabeth Robinson and Liam Tyldesley-Byrne who were baptised at St Columba's last Sunday. We pray that they and their families may continue to grow in faith.

Social Committee: Two events have been arranged for later this year, a Quiz Night on Friday 18 October and a Christmas Dance on Friday 20 December, both at Dunscair Conservative Club. Tickets will be on sale 3 or 4 weeks before each event.

Over the past few months the Social Committee has met the cost of purchase and installation of a water heater in the Patmos Room and also the cost of the new Altar Missals for St John's following the revision of the Mass translation introduced in September 2011. Many thanks.

Diocesan Almanacs: Now half-price – only £1.50

BRASS: The collection of items during August will take place at the weekend Masses at St John's. The following food items are much appreciated: Cartons of orange juice, tinned tomatoes, vegetable oil, tinned fruit, chick peas, kidney beans, coffee, jam, biscuits and sugar. There is also a request for items of good quality, unwanted clothing for both children and adults. *Thank you.*

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