

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

1ST JUNE 2014 – THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me



Ascension is not just a feast that happens to fall in Eastertide: it is an integral part of the Easter mystery. Remember the Lord's words at the Last Supper: "I am going to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me." The resurrection presumes the Lord's return to the Father. This is therefore a feast of hope: our hope in the Lord's return, as he went. Our hope that he will take us with him, when our bodies are raised as his was. Our hope that we will take our place in heaven, where he sits on the Father's right.

.Liturgy & Activities This Week <i>Sunday Cycle A; Weekday Cycle 2; Divine Office Week 3</i> Sunday Missal: page 784; Preface Page 45 or 46		Prayers Please
Sunday	9.15am (SJ) – with Children's Liturgy 10.15am Mass (SC) 11.15am Mass (SB) – with Children's Liturgy 2pm Baptism (SB) <i>World Communications Day</i> SVP Sponsored Walk <i>Special Collection for CCN</i>	<p>Sick: Gladys Hall, Kevan Dunleavy, Mary Leigh, Joan Coles, Isabelle Owen, Laura Shuttleworth, Tony Winstanley, Eunice Brierley, Cecilia Guest, Bernard & Rita Holder, Eileen Murphy, Kathleen Hopwood, Maureen Kennedy, Mary Marshall, Joan Pearce, Tom Wardle, David Walton, Dr Bernard Higgins, Marie Corner, Walter Norris, Peter Cranmer, Anthony Axford, Anthony John Meagher, Emma Turner, Pauline Bowling, Caroline Garside and all who are sick or recovering from serious illness.</p> <p>Lately Dead: Eileen Entwistle, Philip Knowles, Bridie Winstanley, Patrick Plunkett, Danny Adams, Joan Leather</p> <p>Anniversaries: Dennis Sugg, Walter Mariner, Kathleen Keeley, Harry Dawson</p> <p>Mass Intentions: Dennis Sugg, Walter Mariner, Kathleen Keeley, Caroline Garside (who is sick), Eileen Entwistle, Philip Knowles, Harry Dawson, Philip Marshall (Birthday Remembrance)</p> <p>Cycle of Prayer Part 4 (of 6): We pray especially for: new members of the Church; vocations; the right use of the media; the Church; human work</p> <p>Exam Prayers: At this time of year we pray especially for all 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> <p>Think Vocation: In his authority as Lord of heaven and earth, Christ commands us to preach the Good News. How do I follow my vocation to act as a disciple of Christ? Do I proclaim the Gospel in words, in addition to my good example?</p>
Monday	9.30am Mass (SJ) 8pm SVP (SJ) 8pm Churches in Harwood meeting (Christ Church Vicarage)	
Tuesday <i>St Charles Lwanga & Companions</i>	7pm Mass (SB) 7.30pm SVP (SB) 7.30pm Talk by Dave Bagley (St Anne's, Chapeltown)	
Wednesday	9.30am Mass (SJ)	
Thursday <i>St Boniface</i>	9.15am Mass (SB) 1pm-3pm Teapot Time (Harbour Room, SB) 1.30pm Funeral Service for Joan Leather (SJ)	
Friday	9.30am Mass (SJ)	
Saturday	11am-12noon Adoration & Reconciliation (SJ) 5pm Mass (SC) 5.30pm-6pm Reconciliation (SJ) 6.30pm Mass (SJ) 7pm Passion for Pentecost – Victoria Hall, Bolton	
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Congratulations: To Ewan Oliver Illsley who was baptised at St Brendan's last Sunday. We pray that he and his family may continue to grow in faith.

World Communications Day: There will be a second collection at today's Mass which provides the funding for the Catholic Communications Network (CCN). The CCN provides support for the bishops of England and Wales and the Church more widely in promoting the Gospel through the media on current issues. Please help the CCN by your prayers and generosity. It is also possible to donate online at: www.catholicnews.org.uk/donations.

The Nicola Lamoury Memorial Cycle Ride 2014: Many Thanks for the kind and generous support from the parishioners of St Brendan's and associated parishes. Myself and Nicola attended St Brendan's Church as children and young adults and both attended St Brendan's Primary School. We were married at St Brendan's in July 1991. I still, therefore, have many friends and know people who were good friends to my parents in the parish. I thank you for the support and encouragement in supporting the Nicola Lamoury Memorial Cycle Ride. I, with my team of fellow riders, completed the challenge from Saturday 3 May to Sunday 11 May, from Lands End to John O'Groats covering over 900 miles and a combined ascent of over 40,000 feet. The current fund-raising total, for Cancer Research UK, stands at £30,000 + £5,500 Gift Aid. I am very pleased with that. Thank you again for your very kind and generous support. Kind regards, *Mark Lamoury*.

Baptism Preparation Course: The dates for the next two courses are Saturday 14 June and Saturday 12 July (10.30-12noon, venues to be decided). These are for parents from any of our three parishes who wish to have a child baptised in the coming months. If you wish to attend on either date please let one of the priests know or email office@sbsj.org.uk.

St John's SVP Spring Outing: The trip for the elderly and the housebound is on Sunday 15 June to St James the Less, Rawtenstall. There is a list in the Patmos Room for the names of those wishing to go on the outing and for volunteers willing to help with transport. Alternatively, please contact any member of St John's SVP.

SVP Sponsored Walk: The annual sponsored walk in aid of holiday/activities and any other forms of help for families in need, takes place this Sunday. Everyone is invited to join in the walk or, alternatively, please sponsor someone who is walking. *Thank you.*

Teapot Time: After our break we are back Thursday 5 June 1pm-3pm in the Harbour Room, St Brendan's. Come and have a cuppa. What's the cake this time? If you've not called before come along there's always a warm welcome! *Ursula.*

Coffee Morning (SJ): Thank you to all those who supported the coffee morning last Friday which raised £134 for the SVP.

Church Cleaners (SJ): D Peyton & A Vinden

BRASS: Thank you for all donations of food items this month. The collection during June will be held at St Brendan's. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Harbour Room Book Club: Thank you to all members who attended the last meeting of Book Club and a special thank you to Barbara Owen who took the chair and provided beautiful refreshments! The next meeting will be on 25 June to discuss *The Story of Beautiful Girl* by Rachel Simon. Please note the earlier start of 1pm. Any books for the Mini-Book Sale in July can be left in the Harbour Room, brought to Church or handed in on the day. Details to follow. Thank you. *Madeleine.*

Christ Church Walmsley: To celebrate the 175th Anniversary, there will be a series of evening meetings. The first of these is Tuesday 3 June with Dave Bagley (Head of Urban Outreach & Winter Watch, Bolton), 7.30pm at St Anne's Church, High Street, Chapeltown.

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12.15 to 1.30pm

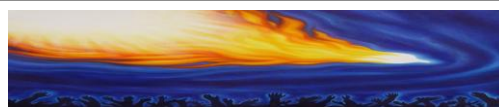
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Required for June 9th 2014

We are looking for someone who:

- enjoys the company of children
- has a sense of humour and can be firm but fair
- can organise and play games
- can be attentive and vigilant to the needs of children

Application pack from and returned to Chantal McMinn telephone 01204 332110 who will supply further detail or e-mail schoolsHRservice@bolton.gov.uk. Closing date 9th June 2014. Alternately e-mail the school at the address above. Despite it being half term we are still able to access e-mails.



Spirit - Passion for Pentecost

7pm on Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 June 2014
at the Victoria Hall, Bolton.

Tickets are available from Fr Cooke, The Albert Halls on 01204 334400 or pay on the night.

Ticket prices: £8.50 each. Concessions: £7 for O.A.P, children and group bookings of 10 or more.

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