

**6TH JULY 2014 – FOURTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**



**I am gentle and humble of heart**

Today's Gospel in an answer to a very simple question: who is this Jesus we follow? What is he like? He tells us himself: he is gentle, and humble of heart. There is a simplicity about this Gospel which speaks very clearly to tired hearts. Indeed, it is often the case that we overlook the simplicity of the Gospel message - which is why it is valuable to be as children, constantly wondering and marvelling at the beauty and fascination of Jesus. How much God must love us: the message of salvation is so easy to receive, the promise is so welcome. This is a Sunday to wallow in the wonder of a God who is 'kind and full of compassion.'

<b>Liturgy &amp; Activities This Week</b> <i>Sunday Cycle A; Weekday Cycle 2; Divine Office Week 2</i> <b>Sunday Missal:</b> page 307; Preface: at priest's choice		<b>Prayers Please</b>
Sunday	9.15am Forward In Faith Mass (SJ) 10.15am Mass (SC) - with Children's Liturgy 11.15am Mass (SB) - with Children's Liturgy followed by Mini Book Sale 2pm Baptism (SB)	<p><b>Sick:</b> Gladys Hall, Kevan Dunleavy, Mary Leigh, Joan Coles, Isabelle Owen, Laura Shuttleworth, Tony Winstanley, Eunice Brierley, Cecilia Guest, Bernard &amp; Rita Holder, Eileen Murphy, Kathleen Hopwood, Maureen Kennedy, Mary Marshall, Joan Pearce, David Walton, Dr Bernard Higgins, Walter Norris, Peter Cranmer, Anthony Axford, Anthony John Meagher, Emma Turner, Pauline Bowling, Caroline Garside, Sarah Parkinson, Leila Parker and all who are sick or recovering from serious illness.</p> <p><b>Lately Dead:</b> Marie Corner, Amy Chung, Marion Ranft, Duncan Webster, Alphonsus Surpless, Bridie Lyons</p> <p><b>Anniversaries:</b> Leonard Dawson, Josephine Westley</p> <p><b>Mass Intentions:</b> Marie Corner, Leila Parker (who is sick), Joan &amp; Denis Cowen (Golden Wedding), St Joseph for a Special Intention, Leonard Dawson, Amy Chung, In thanksgiving to Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Marion Ranft, Patrick &amp; May Josephine O'Brien, Joyce Knight, Alphonsus Surpless, Josephine Westley</p> <p><b>Cycle of Prayer Part 5 (of 6):</b> 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	9.30am Mass (SJ) 8pm SVP (SJ)	
Tuesday	9.30am Y2 Class Mass in School (SJ) 7pm Mass (SB) 7.30pm SVP (SB)	
Wednesday	9.15am Y2 Class Mass in School (SC) 9.30am Mass (SJ)	
Thursday	9.15am Mass (SB)	
Friday <i>St Benedict</i>	9.30am Mass (SJ)  <i>A Day of Special Prayer for Europe</i>	
Saturday	10.30am – 12noon Baptism Preparation Course (Patmos Room, SJ) 12 noon Mass at St Mary's Standishgate, Wigan [see overleaf] 5pm Mass (SC) 5.30pm-6pm Reconciliation (SJ) 6.30pm Mass (SJ) <i>A Special Collection for Apostleship</i>	
Next Sunday <i>Sea Sunday</i>	9.15am Mass (SJ) - with Children's Liturgy <i>of the Sea</i> 10.15am Mass (SC) - with Children's Liturgy 11.15am Mass (SB) - with Children's Liturgy 2pm Baptism (SC) <i>A Day of Special Prayer for Seafarers</i>	

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## Congratulations

**To Emilia Annie Jackson** who was baptised at St Brendan's last Sunday. We pray that she and her family may continue to grow in faith.

**To Ashley Wareing and Louise Archer** who were married at St Columba's last Saturday. We pray that they will have a long, happy and fulfilling married life.

**To Joan & Denis Cowen** who celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary on 1 July.

**Sea Sunday:** Next week is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be a second collection for Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church in Great Britain. It provides practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. Please give generously to support its important work. For more information visit [www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk](http://www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk)

**Mini Book Sale:** Please support our Book Sale **THIS SUNDAY** after 11.15 Mass as we are trying to raise cash for Church Funds. All books are 50 pence each or 3 for £1. Some excellent bargains to be had! *Madeleine*

**Unused Rosaries:** Since 2009 the Catenian Rosary Group have been sending Rosaries to Africa and to Aborigines in Australia. The work has also spread to islands in the Pacific. To date, it is estimated that 100,000 Rosaries have been dispatched but many more are needed. If you have any unused Rosaries tucked away in a drawer or cupboard and you wish to help, then please send them to: John Riley, 112 Lonsdale Road, Bolton, BL1 4PN. For further information please ring 01204 845094 or email: [dor.jonriley@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:dor.jonriley@yahoo.co.uk). Thank you.

**Rosa Mystica:** There will be a Mass on Saturday 12 July

**Baptism Preparation Course:** The date for the next course is Saturday 12 July (10.30am-12noon) in the Patmos Room at St John's. This is for parents from any of our three parishes who wish to have a child baptised in the coming months. If you wish to attend please let one of the priests know or email [office@sbsj.org.uk](mailto:office@sbsj.org.uk).

**BRASS:** The collection for July will take place at St Columba's. Your continued support is greatly appreciated, Thanks.

**Open Door Retreat:** St Antony's Spirituality Project are holding a weekly meeting every Tuesday (commencing on 15 July) for 9 weeks (2-4pm) at St Antony's Centre, Trafford Park, Manchester. This retreat is based on the Spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius of Loyola and invites us to evaluate our mission in life. Places are limited, so booking is essential. For more details please contact: St Antony's Centre for Church & Industry, Eleventh Street, Trafford Park, Manchester, M17 1JF. Tel: (0161 848 9173). Email: [diane.williams@stantoneyscentre.org.uk](mailto:diane.williams@stantoneyscentre.org.uk) or Sr Winnie: ([winniecenacle@mail.com](mailto:winniecenacle@mail.com))

**Church Cleaning (SJ):** A Gracie & M Isherwood

### Think Vocation

The Lord reveals to the young their vocation in life if they seek it. Are you open to the prospect of your son or daughter entering religious life? Could you encourage a relation of yours to consider this vocation?

### Come and Join Us!

Tea & Coffee is always served after the Sunday Masses at St John's (9.15am) and St Brendan's (11.15am)

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at St Mary's, Standishgate, Wigan (12 noon). This will be followed by Devotions Procession & Benediction at 3pm.