

Newsletter for St Brendan, Harwood, St Columba, Tonge Moor & St John the Evangelist, Bromley Cross

7th September 2014 – Twenty Third Week in Ordinary Time



If he listens to you, you have won back your brother.

"No man is an island..." How true this is for those who follow Christ: each of us has responsibilities towards each other, based on our 'debt of mutual love'. When we see wickedness and wrongdoing, then because of our privileged position of following the Lord Jesus, we have a duty to speak out. This will not always be easy - remember the prophet Jeremiah last week - but this was the mission of the Lord Jesus himself, and as his followers, it is our mission too. As with everything, love is 'the answer to every one of the commandments.'

	Liturgy & Activities This Week	Prayers Please
	Sunday Cycle A; Weekday Cycle 2; Divine Office Week 3 Sunday Missal: page 401; Preface: at priest's choice	Sick: Gladys Hall, Kevan Dunleavy, Mary Leigh, Joan Coles, Isabelle Owen, Laura Shuttleworth,
Sunday	9.15am Mass (SJ) - with Children's Liturgy 10.15am Mass (SC)- with Children's Liturgy 11.15am Mass (SB)- with Children's Liturgy	Tony Winstanley, Eunice Brierley, Cecilia Guest, Bernard Holder, Eileen Murphy, Kathleen Hopwood, Maureen Kennedy, Joan Pearce, Dr Bernard Higgins, Walter Norris, Peter Cranmer, Anthony Axford, Emma Turner, Pauline Bowling, Caroline Garside, Sarah Parkinson, Leila Parker, Rose Mellor, Mary Long, Oliver Smith, Dylan Crosby and all who are sick or recovering from serious illness.
Monday The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9.30am Mass (SJ) 8pm SVP (SJ) 7pm Mass (SB)	
Tuesday	7.30pm SVP (SB)	Lately Dead: Mary Marshall, David Walton, Joyce Howcroft, Keith Gerrard, Mike Collins, Dorothy Briggs, Jack Stables, Tommy Quinn,
Wednesday St Ambrose Barlow	9.30am School Mass in Church (SJ) 1pm Requiem Mass for Martin Ball (SC) 7.30pm Churches in Harwood Meeting (Methodist Manse)	Monica Gallagher Anniversaries: Joseph Hopkinson, Sarah
Thursday	9.15am School Mass in Church (SB) 10.00am Requiem Mass for Mary Marshall (SJ) 7.30pm CAFOD Group, Patmos Room (SJ)	Kendall, Gerard Lamoury, David Gracie, John & Mary Ellen Gilmartin, John Gilmartin (Son), Albert Jansen, Mary Watson, John Edward O'Brien
Friday	9.30am Mass (SJ)	Mass Intentions: Joseph Hopkinson, Sarah Kendall, Frederick Martin (Birthday Remembrance), David Walton, St Joseph for a Special Intention, Margaret Barrett (Birthday Remembrance), Tommy Quinn, Deceased Members of the Knowles family & friends, Leila Parker, Gerard Lamoury, Bill Callaghan, Mary Marshall, John Marshall, David Gracie, Gini Dias & the boys, John & Mary Ellen Gilmartin, John Gilmartin (son), Joyce
Saturday St John Chrysostom	10.30am-12noon Baptism Preparation Course, Harbour Room (SB) 5pm Mass (SC) 5.30pm-6pm Reconciliation (SJ) 6.30pm Mass (SJ) Special Collection for the Catholic Association	
Next Sunday The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Cycle of Prav	9.15am Mass (SJ) - with Children's Liturgy for Racial Justice 10.15am Mass (SC) - with Children's Liturgy 11.15am Mass (SB) - with Children's Liturgy 2pm Baptism (SB) Racial Justice Sunday yer Part 6 (of 6): We pray especially for: the spread of the Go	Howcroft, Keith Gerrard, Mike Collins, Dorothy Briggs, Jack Stables, Monica Gallagher, Albert Jansen, Mary Watson, John Edward O'Brien

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reverent use of creation; justice and peace in the world; all victims of war; young people; prisoners & their families

Congratulations: To Hugo Alexander Evans who was baptised at St Brendan's last Saturday and to Matilda Alexandra Wilde who was baptised at St John's last Sunday. We pray that they and their families may continue to grow in faith.

Racial Justice Sunday: Next weekend, the Catholic Church in England and Wales will be celebrating Racial Justice Sunday. It is a day on which all Christians are called to earnestly pray for an end to racism and racial inequality. Please pray for this intention in your prayers. The Catholic Church in England and Wales is contributing to the efforts to overcome racial justice in our nation through the pioneering work of the Bishops' Conference Office for migratiom. This work has seen a unique partnership forged between the Church and statutory authorities in combating human trafficking and modern day forms of slavery, and supporting some of the most vulnerable people. To support the work of the Catholic Association for Racial Justice, a second collection will be taken next weekend. If you would like more information, please go to www.cbcew.org.uk/human-trafficking. If you wish to make an online donation, please go to www.catholicchurch.org.ukdonations

Diocesan Talks The Year of the Canonisation of Two Popes

The Department for Evangelisation have organised two new talks this autumn:

Tuesday 16 September (7.30pm) - *St John Paul II, His life, ministry & vision* by Bishop Alan Hopes, (Bishop of East Anglia).

Wednesday 15 October (7.30pm) – St John XXIII, His life, ministry & vision by Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor (Retired Archbishop of Westminster).

Both talks take place at St Gabriel's High School, Bridge Road, Bury BL9 0TZ.

The cost per evening will be £5 per person.

Email: <u>sharonbeech@dioceseofsalford.org.uk</u>. for reservations

Telephone reservations: 0161 761 0536

Basic First Aid Training: So that we can ensure that parishioners are appropriately cared for if they suffer an accident or illness, Basic First Aid Training will be delivered in autumn 2014. Everyone is welcome, but interest is particularly encouraged from apparitors, who are often the first to be called upon if someone is taken ill during Masses, and those who arrange parish groups and events. Please let Fr. Cooke or Tony Proctor know (Tel. 301425) if you are interested. Alternatively email the Parish Office at office@sbsj.org.uk. Please indicate the day of the week you would prefer to attend. The training is likely to be of about one day or two half days duration and would be delivered at a parish venue.

SVP Awareness: September is the annual month for raising awareness about this organisation. Please see the posters on the notice boards (which change weekly). If you are interested in finding out more about the SVP please contact any member.

Schoenstatt Centre: On Sunday 21 September, there will be a blessing of the Mosaic, the gift of the Schoenstatt Family, in thanksgiving for the 100 years of the Covenant of Love. The Right Reverend Bishop Brain will bless the Mosaic. Refreshments will be served at a gathering at 2pm and the blessing will commence at 3pm, followed by a family celebration at 4pm.

World War I Centenary: There will be a Deanery Mass at 7.30pm on Wednesday 17 September in St Patrick's Church, Great Moor Street, Bolton, to pray for those who gave their lives in World War I, for those currently serving in our armed forces and for peace in the world today.

CAFOD Group: The next meeting for the CAFOD Group will be Thursday 11 September at 7.30pm in the Patmos Room (SJ)

URBAN OUTREACH (BOLTON) Position Available Family First – Project Worker

Urban Outreach is a Christian Charity working with vulnerable people in Bolton. Family First is Bolton's name for the Government's Troubled Families Programme. Our Family First team supports families experiencing issues such as children not attending school, parents not in work, youth crime and antisocial behaviour.

We are looking for a Project Worker who will undertake whole family assessments, work together with families and other agencies to create action plans, and help the families implement these action plans to create positive outcomes.

Salary: £18,000 per annum (35 hours per week)
Contract: 12 month Temporary Contract

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Download an application form and job description from www.urbanoutreach.co.uk. For further information email info@urbanoutreach.co.uk or telephone 01204 385848

BRASS: The collection for September will take place at the weekend Masses at St Brendan's. Your continued support is greatly appreciated. Thanks.

Think Vocation

When two or more agree to ask the Father something, he hears it more pressingly. Why not start a private prayer campaign with another person to pray for somebody who may be discerning their 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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