

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

17TH JANUARY 2016 – SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



The Gospel of this second Sunday of Ordinary Time continues the theme of the end of Christmas - revelation. Jesus is revealed to the world by his birth, by his baptism, and by his miracles - the “signs” as John calls them. The wedding in today's Gospel is interpreted in many ways: today, reading the Gospel with the First Reading in mind, we can see it as an image of the way in which God is so close to his people, it is as though he is married to them. Thus Jesus, the spouse of the people, shows God's closeness by revealing his glory in this miracle.

Liturgy & Activities This Week <i>Sunday Cycle C; Weekday Cycle 2; Divine Office Week 2</i> Sunday Missal: page 185; Readings 191; Preface at priest's choice		Prayers Please	
Sunday <i>Peace Day</i>	Bishop John will celebrate the 9.15 & 11.15 Masses today. 9.15am Mass (SJ) - with Children's Liturgy 10.15am Mass (SC) – with Children's Liturgy 11.15am Mass (SB) – with Children's Liturgy 2pm Baptism (SJ)	<p>Sick: Mary Leigh, Joan Coles, Isabelle Owen, Laura Shuttleworth, Tony Winstanley, Cecilia Guest, Bernard Holder, Eileen Murphy, Maureen Kennedy, Joan Pearce, Peter Cranmer, Anthony Axford, Pauline Bowling, Caroline Garside, Sarah Parkinson, Mary Long, Linda Southern, Mary Joan Tornai, Rita Brooks, Callum Fazackerley, Lucy Hesford, Elaine Jansen, Bernard Corri, Winifred Coyle, Josephine Knowles, Rita Bell, Mary Cassidy, Derek Crompton, Florence Toole and all who are sick or recovering from serious illness.</p> <p>Lately Dead: Maria Verbini, Bernard Shuttleworth, Mother of Margaret Brabbin, Ron Brierley, Ann Farrell, Vincent John, Andrew Corr, Ken Mitchell, Linda Smith, Helen Jameson, Margaret Considine, John Hayhurst, Christine Littaye, Carl Airey, Peter Whithead, Michael Carding, Alf Patient, Bill Ginty, David Clegg</p> <p>Anniversaries: Anne Cordner, Frank Kilfoyle, Fr Gerard Duffy, Thomas Gaskell, Bernard Burke, Veronica & Doug Sweetland, Cynthia Winstanley, Agnes Beeching, Joe Parker, Winifred Kenyon, Kathleen & Harry Howarth, William Hurst</p> <p>Mass Intentions: Anne Cordner, Ann Farrell, Michael Axford (Birthday Remembrance), Frank Kilfoyle, Fr Gerard Duffy, Vincent John, Bernard Burke, Veronica & Doug Sweetland, George & Sarah Cranshaw, Annie Gaskell, Thomas Gaskell, Cynthia Winstanley, Maria Verbini, Agnes Beeching, Lucy Hesford (sick), Joe Parker, Bernard Shuttleworth, Winifred Kenyon, Kathleen & Harry Howarth, William Hurst, Mother of Margaret Brabbin</p>	
Monday (18 th)	9.30am Mass (SJ) 7.30pm Service for Prayer for Christian Unity (SB) 7.45pm SVP (SJ)		
Tuesday (19 th)	12.30pm Funeral Service for Irene Russell (SB) 7pm Mass (SB) 7.30pm SVP (SB)		
Wednesday (20 th)	9.15am Yr 5 Class Mass (SC) 9.30am Mass (SJ) 7.30pm Service for Prayer for Christian Unity (St Augustine's, Tonge Moor)		
Thursday (21 st) <i>St Agnes</i>	9.15am Mass (SB) – Yr 3, Listening 10.30am Requiem Mass for Ethel Mary English (SC)		
Friday (22 nd)	12noon Requiem Mass for Thomas Mackin (SC)		
Saturday (23 rd)	2pm Baptism (SB) 5pm Mass (SC) 5.30pm-6pm Reconciliation (SJ) 6.30pm Mass (SJ)		
Next Sunday (24 th) <i>Racial Justice Day</i>	9.15am Mass (SJ) - Children's Liturgy 10.15am Mass (SC) – Children's Liturgy 11.15am Mass (SB) – Children's Liturgy 2pm Baptism (SB) <i>A Day of Special Prayer for Peace & Justice</i>		
Cycle of Prayer Part 2 (of 6): We pray especially for: peace on earth; Christian unity; the sick and those who care for them; students and teachers; the unemployed			

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Bishop John Arnold: We welcome Bishop John, who will celebrate the 9.15am and 11.15am Masses at St John's and St Brendan's this weekend.



Congratulations: To Lois Olivia Hallé who was baptised at St Columba's on Saturday. And to Adrianna Florence Williams who was baptised at St Brendan's on Sunday. We pray that they and their families may continue to grow in faith.

CAFOD: The next CAFOD meeting is on Thursday 28 January (7.30pm) in the Harbour room at St Brendan's. All welcome!

Singin' in the Rain: Wednesday 8 June at the Octagon. The revised price is now £15.27 per person. There are some spare seats left. We will start collecting on Sundays after 11.15am Mass at St Brendan's.. Cheques payable to **The Octagon Theatre**. Thank you. *Frank and Madeleine* 303505

Readers: The Readers' Rota will be available next week. If you would like to become a reader at Mass or you would like to have your name removed from the list, please contact the office: 301927 or office@sbsj.org.uk.

Caritas Young Parents' Service
Are holding a 60's Night
At St Osmunds, Long Lane, Brightmet BL2 6EB
Friday 29 January – 7.30pm
Live Music, Stand up Bingo, Raffles and Supper
Proceeds are in aid of
The Radcliffe Road Mother and Baby Unit
Tickets £7.50 available from:
Radcliffe Road (01204 385245)
or Angela Bradshaw (01204 521490)

Mercy Bus Volunteers: This Lent, Salford Diocese have organised for a Mercy Bus with priests onboard to reach out to people during the Year of Mercy. Beginning in February, the specially designed double-decker "Mercy Bus" will tour different parts of the Diocese, stopping in City and Town centres for the day. There will be a group of priests on board available for confession, or a blessing, or to simply have a chat with. We need young adult volunteers (18-35yrs) who are willing to be "missionary disciples," by approaching people as they pass the Bus offering them a free gift blessed by Pope Francis (a miraculous medal) and if they accept it, engaging them in a conversation about what is available on the Bus for them. The dates the Mercy Bus will be touring the Diocese are Saturdays 6th (Salford), 13th (Bolton), 20th (Burnley), 27th (Blackburn) February, and Saturdays 5th (Rochdale), 12th (Ashton) 19th (North Manchester) and Tuesday 22nd (South Manchester) March 2016. If you are able to volunteer we just ask that you attend our training day on Sunday 31st January 2016, 3-5pm at the Assembly Room, Salford Cathedral, 3 Ford Street, Salford M3 6DP. For more information or to register a place for the training day please contact Lorraine Leonard at – lorraine.leonard@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

Bolton Symphony Orchestra
Perform
Films & Flags
Saturday 30 January – 7.30pm
At The Victoria Hall, Bolton
Tickets £10 (Free to under 19s) available from:
Booths Music, 17 Churchgate, Bolton.
Mr Gerry Russell (07764 826233) or on the door.
Visit www.boltonsymphony.or.uk for more details

Marriage Matters (twainoneflesh.org.uk)
Our marriages are blessed with gifts: Just like the bride and groom at Cana, our marriages are blessed with gifts. Every day we are given the grace to live our marriage vows: loving, cherishing and honouring each other in sickness and health, whether money is flowing or frozen. Each time we embrace each other and our own personal circumstances, we are letting God's glory be seen.

Think Vocation
 St Paul speaks of different people having different gifts. Let us strive to use our gifts to the best of our ability and encourage others to think about how they might use their gifts for the building of the Kingdom of God.

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for Next Weekend		
Mass	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers
5.00 (SC)	K Egan	K Egan, K Molyneux
6.30 (SJ)	A Scott	M Fau-Goodwin, L Rule, Z Mikolajewski
9.15 (SJ)	M Parkinson	E Rothwell, T Armstrong, M Cropper, M Speed, D Ramsden, A Gracie
10.15(SC)	G Roohan	F & P McDowell
11.15(SB)	F Doloroso	J Proctor, T Proctor, T Taylor

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N	D	E	S	T	E	W	A	R	D	WINE	SIX	STONE
A	W	E	W	N	A	E	I	E	C	JARS	THIRTY	GALLONS
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