

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


22ND MAY 2016 – THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



This Sunday is all about the “Divine Community” - in other words, the way in which our God is in himself a communion of love: Father, Son and Spirit, distinct yet perfectly united - three persons, one God. We hear of the perfect union between Father and Son, revealed in the mysterious poem of the First Reading, where the Son is “Wisdom” joining the Father in the act of creation. This union bears fruit in the Spirit, who pours this perfect love into our hearts, so that we may imitate the “Communion of Love” by living together and hoping for our place within the Divine Community.

Liturgy & Activities This Week		Prayers Please
<i>Sunday Cycle C; Weekday Cycle 1; Divine Office Week 4</i> Sunday Missal page 816; Readings 821; Preface 824 <i>For Prayers in Latin: Number 670 in Hymn Book</i>		<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, Roy Shepherd, Margaret Hatchman, Tony Wright, Janet Rabbett, Mike Greenhalgh, Barbara Stoppard, June Dawson, Greta Barlow, Cassie Wilson, Jim Carney, John James McLaughlin, Carrie Roscoe, Christine Hasleden, Eileen Dearden and all who are sick or recovering from serious illness.</p> <p>Lately Dead: Elizabeth Kenna, Nanette Hyland, Joan Glover, Sr Brid McCaughan CP</p> <p>Anniversaries: Christine Hardgrave, Francis Riley, Andrew Hustwit</p> <p>Mass Intentions: A Special Intention, Sr Mary Doyle (Golden Jubilee), Leonard Ainscough, Len Wallwork (Birthday Remembrance), Gordon Hollinshead (Birthday Remembrance), Christine Hardgrave, Margaret & Joseph Halliwell, Stanley Roberts, Nanette Hyland, Francis Riley, Andrew Hustwit, Agnes McDonagh (Birthday Remembrance, Joan Glover, Sr Brid McCaughan CP</p>
Sunday	9.15am Mass (SJ) – with Children’s Liturgy 11.15am Mass (SB) – with Children’s Liturgy	
Monday (23 rd)	9.30am Mass (SB) 7.45pm SVP (SJ)	
Tuesday (24 th)	7pm Mass (SJ) 7.15pm SVP (SB)	
Wednesday (25 th)	9.15am Yr5 Class Mass (SC) 1.15pm-3pm Harbour Room Book Club (SB)	
<i>St Bede</i>		
Thursday (26 th)	9.15am Mass (SB)	
<i>St Philip Neri</i>		
Friday (27 th) <i>St Augustine of Canterbury</i>	9.30am Mass (SJ)	
Saturday (28 th)	5pm Mass (SC)	
Next Sunday (29 th)	9.15am Mass (SJ) - Children’s Liturgy 11.15am Mass (SB) – Children’s Liturgy	
<i>The Body & Blood of Christ</i>		

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Cycle of Prayer Part 5 (of 6): 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

Collections & Donations: *All cheques (even for special collections) should be made payable to St Brendan's, St Columba's or St John's as appropriate.*
Mass Intentions: *Cheques should be made payable to St John's*
Gift Aid: *If you are a tax-payer, the parish can claim back the tax you have paid on any donations you make if you simply sign a Gift Aid form once. Please ask. Thanks*

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Congratulations: To Samuel Jedidiah & Joel Ezekiel Oyewusi who were baptised at St Columba's last Saturday. We pray that they and their family may continue to grow in faith.

CAMEO Group: A big thank you to Eileen and Sian for the brilliant and informative talk last Wednesday. The total donation to *Hearing Dogs* was £103. Thank you to everyone for your generosity.

SVP

St John's SVP Afternoon Tea: Rather than visit another parish in the diocese, this spring the SVP will hold afternoon tea for the housebound from each of our three churches. This will be held in the Patmos Room on Sunday 3 July. Please let anyone in the SVP know if you would like to come.

Annual Family Sponsored Walk: This year, the sponsored walk will take place on Sunday 12 June (11am-4pm). The route is around the reservoirs of Turton and Bromley Cross and there are different routes from 3 miles up to 10 miles (maps will be provided). The event starts and finishes at St John's Church and refreshments will be available. If you would like to take part to raise money for local families and people in need in our parishes then please take a sponsor form from any of our three churches and come and join in. It is a great chance for families to help families!

The Destitution Project: Our next joint parish collection will be in June. All help, goods, food and clothes are much appreciated. Thank you.

Fostering Fortnight: There is a desperate need for new foster carers nationally. Foster families are needed to provide homes for teenagers, disabled children, unaccompanied asylum seeking children and sibling groups. Caritas Fostering would like to hear from anyone who has an interest in finding out more and please pass on this message to friends and family. Call us on 0161 8172250, or email info@caritasfostering.org.uk or come and meet us at our open afternoons which take place every Friday 1.30-3.30pm at Cathedral Centre, 3 Ford Street, Salford, M3 6DP.

St Brendan's School Summer Fair: This will be held on Thursday 26 May from 3.30pm-5.30pm. Everyone welcome and let's hope the sun shines!

Harbour Room Book Club: The next meeting will be on Wednesday 25 May to discuss *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry* by Rachel Joyce. Same time (1.15-3pm). All welcome.

Baptism Preparation: Our next preparation session will take place on Saturday 11 June (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. Please contact the office to let us know if you will be attending by phoning 01204 301927 or emailing office@sbsj.org.uk.

Offertory Envelopes (St Brendan's): There has been a mistake with one of the boxes of offertory envelopes (recently collected). Please could the person with box numbered **34** contact Kathryn Wilkinson as soon as possible (01204 419213). Thank you.

Think Vocation

"In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." The Sign of the Cross is a very simple prayer as well as a way into and out of prayer. However it is also a reminder of our belief in the Blessed Trinity. Vocations to the priesthood and Consecrated Life usually come from Catholic families. May each parent take great joy in teaching the Sign of the Cross to their child.

Marriage Matters (www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk)

Called to 'mirror' God: One way we 'mirror' the love of the Trinity is by becoming pro-creators with God of new life – our children, bringing new life to our own relationship! As we accept astonishing responsibility, we receive amazing blessings! The Gospel ends: ...*"the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, which has been given to us."*

Exam Prayers: At this time of year we pray 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.

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for Next Weekend

Mass	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers
5.00 (SC)	M Mayberry	P & F McDowell
9.15 (SJ)	V Holstead	E Rothwell, M Russell, A Gracie D Ramsden T Armstrong, A Rawlinson
11.15 (SB)	T Proctor	J Proctor, T Proctor, T Taylor

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MANY THINGS SPIRIT
TRUTH LEAD COMPLETE
SPEAKING LEARNT GLORIFY
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