

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


3 JULY 2016 - FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



The link between the First Reading and Gospel is not immediately apparent today, until you look at the “headings” which are always chosen “to make the connection between readings of the same Mass clear.” (Introduction to the Lectionary n.123). The “headings” present us with a simple picture today: a river of peace flowing out from the Lord, which we see in the Gospel as the flowing of the disciples as they are sent out on their first mission. From the Lord of Peace, others, like ripples in a pool, flow out carrying his simple message: “Peace to this house!”

Liturgy & Activities This Week <i>Sunday Cycle C; Weekday Cycle 1; Divine Office Week 2</i> Sunday Missal: page 307; Readings 312; Preface at Priest's choice		Prayers Please
Sunday	9.15am Mass (SJ) – with Children’s Liturgy 11.15am Mass (SB) – with Children’s Liturgy 2pm Baptism (SB) 2pm SVP Afternoon Tea (SJ) 2pm Laying of Wreaths (Dunscar War Memorial)	<p>Sick: Mary Leigh, Joan Coles, Isabelle Owen, Laura Shuttleworth, Tony Winstanley, Bernard Holder, Eileen Murphy, Maureen Kennedy, Joan Pearce, Peter Cranmer, Anthony Axford, Pauline Bowling, Caroline Garside, Sarah Parkinson, Mary Long, Linda Southern, Rita Brooks, Callum Fazackerley, Lucy Hesford, Elaine Jansen, Bernard Corri, Winifred Coyle, Josephine Knowles, Rita Bell, Mary Cassidy, Derek Crompton, Roy Shepherd, Tony Wright, Janet Rabbett, Mike Greenhalgh, Barbara Stoppard, June Dawson, Greta Barlow, Cassie Wilson, John James McLaughlin, Carrie Roscoe, Christine Hasleden, Eileen Dearden, Suzanne Freeman-Hill, Josephine Gell, Jude McCann Brown, Ann Cunliffe and all who are sick or recovering from serious illness.</p> <p>Lately Dead: Cecilia Guest, Denis O’Toole, Winifred Coyle (Aged 102), Rose Crook</p> <p>Anniversaries: Ivor Lloyd, Madge Lloyd, Josephine Westley, Marie Corner</p> <p>Mass Intentions: Cecilia Guest, Denis O’Toole, Joyce Knight, In thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart, The Holy Spirit, & Our Lady (exam success), In thanksgiving to St Anthony, St Jude & St Theresa (exam success), Ivor Lloyd, Madge Lloyd, Rose Crook, Josephine Westley, A special intention in honour of St Jude, Rita Brooks (Special Intentions)</p>
Monday (4 th)	9.30am Mass (SB) 7.45pm SVP (SJ)	
Tuesday (5 th)	7pm Mass (SJ) 7.15pm SVP (SB)	
Wednesday (6 th)	9.15am Yr2 Class Mass (SC) 1.30pm Requiem Mass for Denis O’Toole (SB) 7pm Deanery Mass for the Deceased (Heaton Cemetery)	
Thursday (7 th)	9.15am Mass (SB)	
Friday (8 th)	9.30am Mass (SJ) 12.30pm Nuptial Mass of Stephen Morgan & Gemma Hargreaves (SJ)	
Saturday (9 th)	5pm Mass (SC) – with Children’s Liturgy <i>Special Collection for Apostleship</i>	
Next Sunday (10 th)	9.15am Mass (SJ) – with Children’s Liturgy 11.15am Mass (SB) – with Children’s Liturgy 2pm Baptism (SC)	
<i>Sea Sunday</i>	<i>of the Sea</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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Apostleship of the Sea

Next weekend we celebrate Sea Sunday when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Seafarers are commonly recruited from poorer countries and work in difficult and often dangerous conditions suffering from loneliness, spiritual deprivation and even exploitation as they transport the goods we use and consume every day.

The Apostleship of the Sea is the official Maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church in Great Britain and it reaches out to seafarers visiting our ports, offering pastoral and practical care and support. It is wholly dependent on voluntary donations and so the annual Sea Sunday collection is vital to this work. For more information: www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk



Congratulations: To Lucie Alice Gallagher who was Baptised at St John's last Saturday. Also to Reuben Lewis Vincent Carlin who was baptised at St Brendan's last Sunday. We pray that they and their families will continue to grow in faith.

Harbour Room Book Club: Thank you to all members who turned up for our last meeting of the season. Congratulations to our raffle winners!

The three most popular "best reads" of the year were voted for as follows:

1. *The Book Thief* by Marcus Zusak
2. *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd
3. *The Girl You Left Behind* by Jojo Moyes.

The reading for next September is to choose any "thriller" and bring it along to the meeting on 28 September.

Please enjoy a lovely summer and please support our Charity Book Sale (next weekend) after 5pm Mass (St Columba's) and on Sunday 10 July after the 9.15 Mass (St John's) and 11.15 Mass (St Brendan's). Thank you to all!

Deanery Mass for the Deceased: This will be held on Wednesday 6 July (7pm) at Heaton Cemetery for the deceased relatives and friends of all in St Joseph's Deanery. In the event of rain the Mass will be celebrated in St Thomas of Canterbury Church, Lonsdale Road, BL1 4PN.

Thank you: Staff at the Destitution Project (Victoria Hall) have passed on a note of thanks to our three churches for the donation of food and clothing recently received. The numbers of people needing help increases weekly and without your generosity the project would struggle to cope. Thanks once again.

CAMEO: The next meeting will be on Wednesday 13 July and will include a talk by Florence Wood called *Bolton and Walt Whitman*. The meeting is at 2-4pm in the Harbour Room at St Brendan's. Refreshments are available and all very welcome.

Christie Friends: There are still tickets available (£20) for the Afternoon Tea at Hoysters, Holcombe Brook on Monday 25 July. Please contact Kath Brown (07753 170241) if you would like to go.

Reader's List: (St Columba's): The list for readers is now available at the back of Church.



Come and join us for tea, coffee and a chat after the Sunday Masses at St John's and St Brendan's.

Everyone always welcome!

Auction: Our friends at Harwood Methodist Church have agreed to lend us their Community Hall on Longsight Lane to raise money for the Flower Festival (see below). The auction will take place on Friday 15 July at 7pm and items may be brought to the hall from 3pm until 6.45pm (however viewing is from 6.30pm). Collection, if necessary, can be arranged by ringing Kathleen Denton (399332). Sorry but no large bulky items (furniture, fridges etc) can be accepted.

Flower Festival (Weekend of 24/25 September): Once again thank you to everyone who has donated and pledged monies for the festival. We will still be at all Masses to accept your donations over the next few Sundays. People have asked if they can also Gift Aid on their donations, you can do this if you pay Tax. Please let us have a note with your name and address on it expressing your wish to Gift Aid the amount you have donated and sign the note confirming this. If you are donating by cheque please make it payable to **St Brendan's** and please mark the envelopes **Flower Festival**.

Marriage Matters (www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk)

Romance is at the core of our calling: The theme of today's readings is rejoicing. Those who have had to be away from home know the thrill of returning – the hug, the kiss and perhaps making love. But when every day is much like any other, we can lose the spark and we need to remember that romance is at the very core of our calling.

Think Vocation

"The harvest is rich but the labourers are few." The Lord tells us that there are many people who desperately need to know of the Lord's love in their lives. We need priests for the Eucharist and to proclaim the Gospel to the People of God. Our Lord instructs us to ask God for labourers to his harvest. Do we genuinely pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life?

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for Next Weekend

Mass	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers
5.00 (SC)	C Molineux	M Hilton, J Cranshaw
9.15 (SJ)	P Margiotta	E Rothwell, M Russell, A Gracie D Ramsden, T Armstrong, A Rawlinson
11.15 (SB)	J Proctor	P Brennan, M Durkan, C Owen

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