



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

<p style="text-align: center;">14TH AUGUST 2016</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Sunday Cycle C; Weekday Cycle 1; Divine Office Week 4</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday Missal: page 920; Readings 921; Preface page 924</p> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div style="flex-grow: 1;"> <p>This great feast is a twin to the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord. Then, if you recall, the preface of the Mass contained these words: Christ is the beginning, the head of the Church; where he has gone, we hope to follow.” Today we celebrate the first of us to do just that, as we remember Mary following our Lord into heaven. She is the first to follow him - but not the last: this feast should help open our eyes to our final destination, heaven. So this feast pushes us right back to Easter, to thoughts of death and resurrection: it is the second reading which underlines all this. It talks of the gradual resurrection of the dead: Christ first, then those who belong to him. Of these, the first is Mary, she who was without stain of original sin, she who was “ most blessed of all women.” In her, today, we see the fulfilment of the vision of the first reading: the end of death and the victory of life in Christ.</p> </div> </div>	<p style="text-align: center;">21ST AUGUST 2016</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Sunday Cycle C; Weekday Cycle 1; Divine Office Week 1</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday Missal: page 381; Readings 387; Preface at Priest's choice</p> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div style="flex-grow: 1;"> <p>It's probably a nightmare we all share to some degree or other - being locked out of the house, the sales, the big match, or missing the train, the boat or plane. Contemplating watching the crowds that have got inside, while we can do nothing, can be unnerving. Complacency can leave us in this situation: today the Lord warns all who listen to him to be careful, taking nothing for granted, but making sure that we are (spiritually at least) like the people waiting with their sleeping bags and thermos flasks by the front door of the ticket office.</p> </div> </div>
<p style="text-align: center;">Masses, Feasts & Activities</p> <p>Sunday Masses 9.15am (SJ); 11.15am (SB); 2pm Baptism (SC)</p> <p>Monday (15th) 9.30am Mass (SB); 7.45pm SVP (SJ)</p> <p>Tuesday (16th) 7pm Mass (SJ); 7.15pm SVP (SB)</p> <p>Wednesday (17th June) 9.30am Mass (SJ)</p> <p>Thursday (18th) 9.15am Mass (SB); 1pm Funeral Service of Penny Jean Mulkeen (Baby)</p> <p>Friday (19th) 9.30am Mass (SJ) – CHURCH CLEANING (SJ)</p> <p>Saturday (20th) 2pm Baptism (SJ); 5pm Mass (SC) – <i>St Bernard</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Masses, Feasts & Activities</p> <p>Sunday Masses 9.15am (SJ); 11.15am (SB)</p> <p>Monday (22nd) 9.30am Mass (SB); 7.45pm SVP (SJ) – <i>The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i></p> <p>Tuesday (23rd) 7pm Mass (SJ); 7.15pm SVP (SB)</p> <p>Wednesday (24th June) 9.30am Mass (SJ)- <i>St Bartholomew</i></p> <p>Thursday (25th) 9.15am Mass (SB)</p> <p>Friday (26th) 9.30am Mass (SJ); 1.30pm Wedding of Christianne O'Connor and Philip Kania (SJ)</p> <p>Saturday (27th) 5pm Mass (SC) – <i>St Monica</i></p> <p>Next Sunday (28th) 9.15am (SJ); 11.15am (SB); 2pm Baptism (SJ)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Think Vocation</p> <p>We pray that through the example and prayers of Our Blessed Lady, those who feel called to serve within the Church may be given the courage to take the next step to respond in trust and love.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Think Vocation</p> <p>“They will bring all brothers from all the nations.” We can often get so caught up with ourselves and our local community that we can lose sight of being part of the bigger picture – that is that we are part of a universal Church. Let us choose another country and commit ourselves this week to pray for the Church in that land.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Marriage Matters</p> <p>Being thankful for the good times: Our Lady is blessed because she kept the commitment she made at the Annunciation. We are blessed for the ways we reach out to each other. Sometimes this leads to a moment of deep joy: just being alone together on the settee when the television is off. What about a prayer every night in thanks for the good times?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Marriage Matters</p> <p>Our calling is to be a sign of God's love: Married couples have a special calling to evangelise. God created man and woman to live intimately together so that the people we meet see a living example of His love for each of us. Many of us at some time have seen a couple together and felt intense joy or sensitivity in them – living examples of His love for us.</p>

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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, Elaine Jansen, Bernard Corri, 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, Suzanne Freeman-Hill, Josephine Gell, Jude McCann Brown, Ann Cunliffe, Barbara Proctor, John Pryor and all who are sick or recovering from serious illness.

Lately Dead: Lilian Boardman, Anne Meadows, Penny Jean Mulkeen (baby)

Anniversaries: David Walton, Ellen & Charles Liston, Harry O'Connor, Thomas Kehoe, Andrew Hayes

Mass Intentions: Lilian Boardman, Ellen & Charles Liston, Liston & Rothwell families, Elizabeth Taylor (sick), Harry O'Connor, Thomas Kehoe, Andrew Hayes, Keira Mulholland (sick), Anne Meadows, For favours received and many thanks to Our Lady & Padre Pio



Congratulations: To Faith Marie Niezrecka who was baptised at St Columba's last Sunday. We pray that she and her family will continue to grow in faith.

Flower Festival

Auction: Thank you to everyone who donated articles to be auctioned and to those who bought them. Special thanks must go to our Auctioneer Kath Denton and to the many helpers on the day. The auction raised a magnificent £375.00 which will go towards the Festival.

Sponsorship: If you have sponsored a display, a window, or a pew end, please contact Peter Carolan in the next couple of weeks to ensure we have the correct wording on the displays. We are still a few dedications outstanding. Telephone 01204 386006.

CAFOD: Ethiopia Crisis Appeal: Thank you for your generosity with the appeal. The total collected was £1,444.70.

Readers' Rota: The rota for St John's and St Brendan's will soon be updated. If you would like to become a reader at Sunday Masses for either church, or if you wish your name to be removed please contact the parish office 301927 or office@sbsj.org.uk

Tanzania to Kenya Bike Ride: Between 4 & 7 August six riders will be completing a 4 day sponsored bike ride across Tanzania and Kenya. They will be riding from Moshi, in Tanzania to Nairobi in Kenya. The ride team is known as 'Team Tanken' (from Salford and Liverpool diocese) and will be joined by a Kenyan rider – Joseph Kamau, the Director of Caritas in Kitui, Kenya (who have been developing some very effective water projects). At the end of the ride the team will be visiting some of these projects and will report back to you on their return. The BBC are loaning them a Go-Pro camera so recordings of the ride will be posted on the CAFOD-Salford blog site <http://cafod.org.uk/Give/Hands-On/Hands-On-Kitui>. In the spirit of 'Laudato Si' all the bikes and equipment will be re-cycled, re-used or re-claimed and the bikes will be left in Kenya for health and community workers. Funds are being raised for: CAFOD and The Medaille Trust (<http://www.medaille-trust.org.uk/>).

The riders aim to raise £4,400 (the distance from the CAFOD-Salford Volunteer Centre to Nairobi, Kenya). We will be holding a 'bucket' collection, at the end of our masses this weekend. Please support *Team Tanken* if you can. Thank you

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Magic of the Musicals

A Charity Concert with the Eden Singers

**On Friday 16 September at 7.30pm
 at Old Links Golf Club, Chorley Old Road,
 Bolton, BL1 5SU**

**Tickets (£7) are available from any member of
 the SVP, Peter Carolan (SB) or Frank McDowell
 (SC) after weekend Masses**

All proceeds are in aid of the SVP

See posters for more details

St John's 200 Club

The July winners are:

£50 P Charnock (6)
 £30 J Flanagan (125)
 £20 D Cooper (18)



Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for 20/21 Aug

Mass	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers
5pm (SC)	C Molyneux	F Ginty, C Molyneux
9.15 (SJ)	A Gracie	E Rothwell, M Russell, A Gracie, D Ramsden, F Smith, T Armstrong,
11.15(SB)	T Proctor	K Wilkinson, P Carolan, J Murphy

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for 27/28 Aug

Mass	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers
5pm (SC)	V Cryer	M Hilton J O'Connor
9.15 (SJ)	M Roe	J Carroll, A Grundy, A Rawlinson, M Speed, D Ramsden, P McArdle
11.15(SB)	C Owen	M Durkan, C Owen, P Brennan

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