

**NEWSLETTER FOR ST BRENDAN, HARWOOD
& ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, BROMLEY CROSS**
27TH MAY 2012
PENTECOST SUNDAY

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We arrive at the fiftieth day - the completion of the Easter Season, and the completion of the Paschal Mystery: the Lord has died, is risen, has ascended to heaven and now gives birth to his Church, by sending the Spirit upon the apostles. This feast of the gift of the Spirit is so significant for us, because it marks the handing on of Jesus' ministry to the Church. In the Church we are guaranteed the presence of the Lord, in his sacraments, in his ministers, in the Blessed Sacrament and in his Celebrated Word. It also marks the fulfilment of our thoughts about baptism throughout this season: the gift of the Spirit which we receive in Confirmation is the 'seal' of our baptism, guaranteeing and confirming all that baptism achieves.

Liturgy & Activities This Week <i>Sunday Cycle B; Weekday Cycle 2; Divine Office Week 4</i> <i>Patmos Room - St John's (SJ); Harbour Room - St Brendan's (SB)</i>		Prayers Please
Sunday	9.15am Mass (SJ) <i>Flower Festival at Tottington Road</i> 11.15am Mass (SB) 3pm Churches in Harwood Walk of Witness [<i>see below</i>]	<p>Sick: Gladys Hall, Kevan Dunleavy, Mary Leigh, Joan Coles, Isabelle Owen, Laura Shuttleworth, Bill Kay, Ethel Caton, Tony Winstanley, Bernard Edmundson, Jonathan Rimmer, Eunice Brierley, Elizabeth Patterson, Bernard Callaghan, Judith Oldham, Kathleen Humphreys, Betty Boyle, Eileen Jones, Cecilia Guest, Joseph Walton, Jean York, Caroline Vickers, Bill Sharples, George Cowley, Marie Donnelly, Alice Coyne, Robin Tootill, Gerard Walker, Elzie Ball, Karen West, Tricia Jennings, Mick Collins, Alf Isherwood, Bernard & Rita Holder, Michael (six year old), Baby Rose, Calum Russell (baby), Margaret Edge, Frank Brazel, Graham Roberts, Eileen Murphy, Brendan O'Grady, Tommy Lenihan, Pauline Bowling, Paul Buckley, Margaret Walsh, Joan Plumbley, Jane Dent, Emma Turner (12yrs old), Vincent Wood, Margaret Wood, Patrick O'Donnell (new-born baby), Joan Rankin, Bernard Cummings, Guy (3yrs old), Maria Stott, Fiona Preston, Kathleen Hopwood, Trevor Gee, Catherine Crowley, Gerard Dobson and all who are sick or recovering from serious illness.</p> <p>Lately Dead: Pat Williams, Andy Murphy, Aiden McCafferty, Lola Anne Cosgrave (2 weeks old)</p> <p>Mass Intentions: Cecilia Guest (80th Birthday), Philip Marshall (Birthday Remembrance), Joyce Knight, Lola Anne Cosgrave, Cynthia Winstanley, For the intentions of Rose & Pat O'Toole, For a successful operation, Pat Williams</p> <p>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</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>At our Masses next weekend we will offer special prayers for Queen Elizabeth's Diamond Jubilee</i></p>
Monday	9.30am Mass (SJ) 11.30am Funeral Service for Aiden McCafferty (Overdale) 8pm SVP (SJ) <i>Ordinary Time Week 8</i>	
Tuesday	7pm Mass (SB) 7.30pm SVP (SB)	
Wednesday	9.30am Mass (SJ) 1.30-3pm Harbour Room Book Club 7.30-8.30pm Youth Group (Patmos Room)	
Thursday	9.15am Mass (SB) Olympic Torch Event (Victoria Square) [<i>see overleaf</i>] [Please note the event in Queen's Park is ticket only]	
Friday	5.30am Olympic Torch Event (Victoria Square) 9.30am Mass (SJ) <i>St Justin</i>	
Saturday	5.30-6pm Reconciliation (SJ) 6.30pm Mass (SJ)	
Next Sunday	9.15am Mass (SJ) 11.15am Mass (SB) 3pm Bolton Big Dinner (Queen's Park) <i>Trinity Sunday</i>	
Churches in Harwood Walk of Witness All welcome! Please join us to mark the Feast of Pentecost Service at 3pm in St Brendan's Church Walk to Harwood Meadows School (via Longsight Lane & Hough Fold Way) for food (5pm) Service in Christ's Church at 6pm [Food items should be taken to the school between 12 & 2]		

Congratulations: To Ciaran James Blackburn who was baptised at St John's last Sunday. We pray that he and his family may continue to grow in faith.

Congratulations: To Steven Janicki and Emily Robinson who were married at St Brendan's on Thursday. We pray that they will have a long, happy and fulfilling married life.

Ecclesiastical Education Fund: Thank you for further donations of £180 to this fund for training our future priests. One donation was in memory of James Garrett Latham, the rest were anonymous.


Harbour Room Book Club: The next meeting will be on Wednesday May 30th at the usual time of 1.30-3pm. The designated read is *The Silver Pigs* by Lindsey Davis. Please note that at this meeting members will be required to vote for next year's reading schedule. Refreshments provided, all welcome. *Madeleine*

SVP Sponsored Walk: The annual sponsored walk in aid of holidays/activities for families in need takes place on Sunday 17 June. Anyone interested is invited to walk or alternatively please sponsor someone who is walking. Sponsor forms are available at church today.

Consultation on Marriage: The consultation runs until 14 June. It is important that as many people as possible respond to say they disagree with the proposal. So please, use this link www.c4m.org.uk/consultation and share it with others. Together we can save the true meaning of marriage.

CAFOD Cook Book: A recipe book entitled *50 Fairtrade Favourites*, produced by CAFOD Salford, is available at either of our churches for £6.

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Think Vocations
 One of the fruits of the Holy Spirit is "Self-Control". Let us ask ourselves how much control we have over our appetite, our temper and our tongue. Seeing the Holy Spirit at work within ourselves can be a mighty witness to the world that the Lord is alive in his Church.

Olympic Torch in Bolton

Victoria Square on 31 May
 In the build-up to main event there are some exciting activities planned on Victoria Square:
12noon - 4pm: A fantastic festival of sports and entertainment is planned throughout the afternoon. With taster sessions for Olympic sports, the Big Dance Initiative (part of the cultural Olympiad activities), BMX bike displays along with Strolling Players, Balloon modellers, street dance and much more.
5.00pm - 7.30pm: The town centre will ready itself to welcome the torchbearer into Victoria Square, Le Mans crescent will be lined with local community groups all raising the roof in celebration.
 5.30pm: the specially installed large screen will begin broadcasting the live feed of the torch bearers as they make their way into Bolton from Wigan.
 6.40pm: Live torchbearer handover on Victoria square

Victoria Square on 1 June
 There will be an Olympic Torch Farewell on Friday 1 June which starts at 5.30am. There will be hundreds of children and young people from schools in Bolton giving a noisy and colourful send off to the torch at 6.06am as it continues its journey around the UK. The torch's departure is likely to broadcast live on television that morning.

Lourdes 2012
Tuesday 31 July to Monday 6 August
 We have a group travelling from St Brendan's and St John's, staying at the Hotel Irelande (close to the Domaine). If you are interested in joining us, please contact Terry Smith on 01204 531197

Northern Catholic Conference
 Liverpool, 8-10 June
Corpus Christi - The Eucharist - The Real Presence of Jesus

Speakers include Kristina Cooper, Tony Hickey, Fr Christopher Jamison OSB, Fr Daniel O'Leary, Marino Resrepo, Bart MacKendrick, Fr Peter Morgan

More information on church noticeboards or telephone 07543 800812 or visit www.northernatholic.co.uk

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