

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

23RD JUNE 2013

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Out of a seemingly innocent question comes the dark shadow of the cross: Jesus must teach his disciples that to be the “Anointed One”, “the Christ”, means to follow the path of sacrifice to the very end. He is not a King who comes with armies, but a King who comes with truth and humility, prepared to die for that truth about God’s Kingdom. But the mourning is always to be seen in the light of Easter - “being raised on the third day”, when “a fountain will be opened”, the fountain of Baptism and eternal life in the death and resurrection of the Lord.

Liturgy & Activities This Week <i>Sunday Cycle C; Weekday Cycle 1; Divine Office Week 4</i> Sunday Missal: page 288; Readings 294 Preface at Priest’s choice		Prayers Please
Sunday	9.15am Mass (SJ) – with Children’s Liturgy 10.15am Mass (SC) – First Holy Communion Mass 11.15am Mass (SB) – with Children’s Liturgy 2pm First Holy Communion Mass (SJ)	<p>Sick: Gladys Hall, Kevan Dunleavy, Mary Leigh, Joan Coles, Isabelle Owen, Laura Shuttleworth, Ethel Caton, Tony Winstanley, Bernard Edmundson, Jonathan Rimmer, Eunice Brierley, Elizabeth Patterson, Bernard Callaghan, Kathleen Humphreys, Eileen Jones, Cecilia Guest, Joseph Walton, Jean York, Caroline Vickers, George Cowley, Robin Tootill, Elzie Ball, Tricia Jennings, Mick Collins, Bernard & Rita Holder, Michael, Baby Rose, Calum Russell, Eileen Murphy, Brendan O’Grady, Pauline Bowling, Emma Turner, Joan Rankin, Guy Ryan, Maria Stott, Fiona Preston, Kathleen Hopwood, Catherine Crowley, John Barrett, Bea Gilmore, Roy Smith, Isabelle Karzynski, Fiona Oldham (nee Clappison), Emma Jimanez (baby), Stephen Tootill, Maureen Kennedy, Vera Evans, Julie Smith, Ernie Little, Mary Coyne, Anthony Axford, Mary Marshall, Joan Pearce, Joshua Almond, Jacqueline Kay, Wynn Elliot, Tom Wardle, Cyril Connaughton, Joan Peake (nee Hooton) and all who are sick or recovering from serious illness.</p> <p>Lately Dead: Jacques Minard, James Cain, Emily Redmond, Margaret Walsh, Denise Carolan</p> <p>Mass Intentions: In Thanksgiving to St Luke, St Martin & St Jude, Cynthia Winstanley, Bernard Cummings (Father’s Day Remembrance), Gerard Murphy (Birthday Remembrance), Michael Fogarty (sick), Marian Fogarty, A Special Intention, Joyce Knight, Margaret Walsh</p> <p>Exam Prayers: At this time of year we pray especially for our young parishioners who are taking exams. We ask that they may be given guidance and support at this important time in their lives.</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>St Joseph: The Vatican Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments has issued a decree that the name of St Joseph should be added in to Eucharistic Prayers II, III & IV, after the Blessed Virgin Mary, as it already is in Eucharistic Prayer I</p>
Monday <i>The Nativity of St John the Baptist</i>	No Mass today 7.30pm Concert for Caritas (St Joseph’s, Halliwell) 8pm SVP (SJ)	
Tuesday	7pm Mass (SB) 7.30pm SVP (SB)	
Wednesday	9.30am Mass (SJ) 1pm Harbour Room Book Club	
Thursday	9.15am Mass (SB)	
Friday <i>St Irenaens</i>	9.30am Mass (SJ)	
Saturday	5pm Mass (SC) 5.30-6pm Reconciliation (SJ) 6.30pm Mass (SJ) <i>Special Collection for Peter’s Pence</i>	
Next Sunday <i>Ss Peter & Paul</i>	<i>Special Collection for Peter’s Pence</i> 9.15am Mass (SJ) – with Children’s Liturgy 10.15am (SC) – with Children’s Liturgy 11.15am Mass (SB) – with Children’s Liturgy 2pm Baptism (SB)	
<p>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.</p>		

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Year of Faith CaFE (Catholic Faith Exploration)

St James the Great, Montserrat, present a compilation of sessions from different CaFE DVD collections:

- Monday 1 July – *The Saints*
St Catherine of Siena.
- Monday 8 July - *The Poor*
A heart for the Poor.
- Monday 15 July – *The Bible*
Where on earth is God?
- Monday 22 July – *The Church*
The tradition of the Church
- Monday 29 July – *The New Evangelisation*
The Call

There will also be a concert for Pope Benedict and Pope Francis with singer/songwriter & poet, Gerry Coates. This will be held at St Joseph's Halliwell, Bolton on Monday 24 June starting with a 7.30pm Mass. The concert is free, but a collection will be made for Caritas for the Bolton Mother & Baby Unit. Please see notice boards for details on all the above.

Heaton Cemetery: Our Annual deanery Mass for all the deceased takes place on Tuesday 2 July at 7.30pm. If it is wet, we will transfer to St Thomas of Canterbury, Lonsdale Road, Heaton (BL1 4PN). Please come along to the Mass, if you can, to pray for all those who have died.

Spirit of Bolton: This event takes place in Victoria Square on Saturday 6 July (10.30am to 3.30pm) and is a flagship event for showcasing the diversity of the Bolton community. There will be a variety of stalls, activities and entertainment provided by a range of faith, community and voluntary groups.

Harbour Room Book Club: The next meeting of the Harbour Room Book Club will take place on Wednesday 26 June to discuss *The Mesmerist* by Barbara Ewing. Please note the earlier start at 1pm. Refreshments and Raffle. All welcome. *Madeleine*

CAMEO and Book Sale: A reminder that the Parish social afternoon will take place on Wednesday 3 July between 12 noon and 4pm (Harbour Room). Thank you to all those who have donated books for the Book Sale. We hope to have this charity event to raise funds for both Church expenses and Bolton Hospice. There will be homemade refreshments and a raffle. Please "drop in" and support the cause! All very welcome.

St Brendan's 100 Club

	<i>March winners</i>	<i>April winners</i>	<i>May winners</i>
£25	S Stell (53)	R Dutson (127)	M Grundy(104)
£15	T Rabbitt (17)	L Cardwell (32)	A M Kay (113)
£10	J Smith (37)	J Smith (37)	J Crawford (51)

BRASS: The collection of food items during June will be held at the weekend Masses at Brendan's. The following items are much appreciated: cartons of orange juice, vegetable oil, tinned fruit, chick peas, kidney beans, tinned tomatoes, coffee, jam, biscuits and sugar. *Thank you*

Anne Murphy

Mrs Anne Murphy retires at the end of the school year, having taught in each of our Parish schools and earning great respect among parents, staff and children trusted to her care. We therefore wish to give her a good send off to celebrate her teaching career.

You are invited to a special Mass at St John's church on Friday 12 July at 7pm, followed by a celebration and exhibition in St John's school. Please join us.

If you have any photographs of Anne or any special memories that you would like to share, then please contact St John's school (01204 333440)

Email: office@st-johns-bromley-cross.bolton.sch.uk

or Marie Aspinall (07837177510)

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Baptism Preparation: As a result of a suggestion from some parents who were finding it difficult to attend an evening session, the next baptism preparation meeting will take place on a Saturday (20 July) from 10.30am to 12noon at St John's. This is for parents from all three parishes who wish to have a child baptised in the coming months. Please let one of the priests know if you will be attending.

Peter's Pence: This annual collection, taken throughout the world, provides money for the Pope's charitable giving. We will have this collection at the Masses next weekend.

St. Columba's Red Mission Boxes: Promoters will soon be calling on red mission box holders to deliver the summer edition of the mission magazine and to empty the boxes. If you would like to bring your box to Mass to be emptied please do not leave it at the back of church but hand it to one of the volunteers or the priest.

Volunteer Photographer: Caritas Diocese of Salford need a skilled photographer to volunteer their time to show the Catholic community the work they are supporting through their prayers, donations and time. If you think you could help, please e-mail a portfolio of up to 10 images (including shots of the interior of your church, a portrait and a busy event) to Mary at comms@caritassalford.org.uk by 19 July. For further details phone 0161 817 2252

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Think Vocation

"O God you are my God, for you I long." These words from Psalm 62 occur very frequently in the Liturgy of the Hours, prayed daily by all Religious, priests and seminarians as well as many lay people. If you are not familiar with this practice, perhaps if you ask a priest or Religious, you can be shown where to obtain the appropriate prayer books. It would be a great thing to take on as part of the Year of Faith.