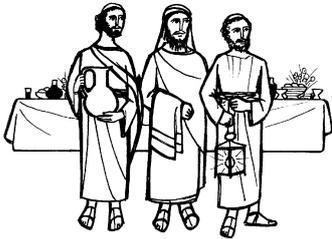


**NEWSLETTER FOR ST BRENDAN, HARWOOD, ST COLUMBA, TONGE MOOR  
& ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, BROMLEY CROSS**

**7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2016 - NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**



Vigilance: we wait for glory or ruin, salvation or disaster. This is the choice that faces the Christian each and every day, as we wait for the Lord to return, as he promised he would. We often live our lives leaving such things to a distant, shadowy future - like the person who is going to fix that faulty lock or window-frame, but in the end doesn't get round to it before the burglar comes. The lamps of our lives should be lit and shining, filled to the brim with the oil of prayer and charity, singing the hymns of the fathers as we wait for the Master to return.

<b>Liturgy &amp; Activities This Week</b> <i>Sunday Cycle C; Weekday Cycle 1; Divine Office Week 3</i> <b>Sunday Missal:</b> page 359; Readings 365; Preface at Priest's choice		<b>Prayers Please</b>
Sunday	9.15am Mass (SJ) 11.15am Mass (SB) 2pm Baptism (SC)	<p><b>Sick:</b> 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, Suzanne Freeman-Hill, Josephine Gell, Jude McCann Brown, Ann Cunliffe, Barbara Proctor and all who are sick or recovering from serious illness.</p> <p><b>Lately Dead:</b> Frank Higson, Stephen Wild</p> <p><b>Anniversaries:</b> Frank Booth, Stanley Mellor, Patricia Allen, Jozef Szwedzinski, Mary Whitton, Julian Marek Szwedzinski,</p> <p><b>Mass Intentions:</b> Frank Booth, Stanley Mellor, Patricia Allen, Jozef Szwedzinski, Mary Whitton, Julian Marek Szwedzinski</p>
Monday (8 <sup>th</sup> ) <i>St Dominic</i>	9.30am Mass (SB) 7.45pm SVP (SJ)	
Tuesday (9 <sup>th</sup> ) <i>St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross</i>	7pm Mass (SJ) 7.15pm SVP (SB)	
Wednesday (10 <sup>th</sup> ) <i>St Lawrence</i>	9.30am Mass (SJ)	
Thursday (11 <sup>th</sup> ) <i>St Clare</i>	9.15am Mass (SB) 7pm CAFOD Meeting (Patmos Room, SJ)	
Friday (12 <sup>th</sup> )	9.30am Mass (SJ)	
Saturday (13 <sup>th</sup> )	10.30am-12noon Baptism Preparation (Patmos Room, SJ) 5pm Mass (SC)	
Next Sunday (14 <sup>th</sup> )	9.15am Mass (SJ) 11.15am Mass (SB) 2pm Baptism (SC) <b>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Holyday of Obligation</b>	
<b>Cycle of Prayer Part 5 (of 6):</b> 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><b>Collections &amp; Donations:</b> All cheques (even for special collections) should be made payable to St Brendan's, St Columba's or St John's as appropriate.</p> <p><b>Mass Intentions:</b> Cheques should be made payable to St John's</p> <p><b>Gift Aid:</b> 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</p>		

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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 5JU

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

**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 next weekend (13/14 August). Please support *Team Tanken* if you can. Thank you

**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](mailto:office@sbsj.org.uk)

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**Baptism Preparation:** Our next preparation session will take place on Saturday 13 August (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](mailto:office@sbsj.org.uk).

### Marriage Matters ([www.twainoneflesh.org.uk](http://www.twainoneflesh.org.uk))

Too tired to love! Where is our treasure?: *Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.* It is easy to get life out of balance and let other activities be more important than loving our spouse, and then falling into bed too tired to talk or make love. If our love is the most important thing in our lives, we must spend prime time together daily.

### Think Vocation

"Happy are the people the Lord has chosen as his own." If we think of the apostles Our Lord chose, we would not have thought that they were the best people available to him. However, apart from Judas, they proved more than up to the task. We believe it's the Lord who chooses those who are to be his priests today. Like the disciples, they might not be the most likely of people. However with the help of our prayers and those involved with their formation, they also can be up to the task.

### Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for Next Weekend

Mass	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers
5.00 (SC)	M Mayberry	P & F McDowell
9.15 (SJ)	P French	M Russell, A Grundy, A Rawlinson, M Fau-Goodwin, J Carroll, M Cropper
11.15 (SB)	E Rankin	J Murphy, K Wilkinson, P Carolan,

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