

Times of Services this Week

ST. BERNADETTE'S
(BURY NEW RD, M45 7SX)

ST. MICHAEL'S
(RIBBLE DRIVE, M45 8NJ)

Saturday 28th – Sunday 5th June

Sat 28th	10-11.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Private Prayer 10-11.00am Sacrament of Reconciliation 2.00pm First Holy Communion Mass	11.00am First Holy Communion Mass
	Vigil Mass for Sunday 6.00pm Mass	
Sun 29th	11.00am Mass	9.30am Mass
Tues 31st	7.30pm Mass	
Wed 1st		9.30am Mass
Thurs 2nd	11.00am Mass	
Fri 3rd		9.30am Mass
Sat 4th	10-11.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Private Prayer 10-11.00am Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	Vigil Mass for Sunday 6.00pm Mass	
Sun 5th	11.00am Mass	9.30am Mass

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK:

Tuesday – The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Wednesday- St Justin.
Sts Marcellinus & Peter. Friday – St Charles Lwanga & Companions.

Next Sunday: Pentecost: Acts 2:1-11.
1 Cor 12:3-7,12-13. John 14: 15-16, 23-26

Mass Intentions

Sick: Bernard Howell.

Recently Deceased: Eileen Rogers, Eileen Rogers, Tony Crolla, Neil Watkins,
Jim Milnes, Tom Duffy Jnr.

Anniversary: Des Doyle,

Other: Teresa Dease, Rita Clarke.

Together

at St. Michael's & St. Bernadette's Whitefield



SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Year C)

29th May 2022



In these days between the Ascension and Pentecost, on the seventh Sunday of Easter, we read from the seventeenth chapter of John's Gospel. This comes at the conclusion of Jesus' Farewell Discourse delivered to the disciples at the Last Supper. The whole of this chapter is a prayer of Jesus, commending himself to the Father and expressing his care and concern for his disciples. Several important themes appear in this prayer of Jesus.

Jesus' prayer reaffirms the complete union between Jesus and the Father. Throughout John's Gospel, Jesus has been presented as the one who existed with the Father from the beginning and as the one sent by the Father to do his work on earth. In today's reading, we hear Jesus ask that the unity he experiences with the Father be extended to all who believe in him. He prays that we be one with each other, with him, and with the Father. We are reminded that Christ is the source of Christian unity and through Christ, we are united with one another and with God.

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ONGOING ARRANGEMENTS WITH REGARD TO COVID Please do wear a face-covering if that is your choice. Hand sanitizer will continue to be provided for use as you arrive and exit the buildings.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS for week ending 28th May £1097.64 of which £709.65 can be Gift Aided. Many thanks. **CAFOD UKRAINE REFUGEE APPEAL** total so far £5285.72. Many thanks for contributions towards the humanitarian support needed to support Ukrainian refugees. To donate please use the labelled baskets at the back of each church or donate online: <https://cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-Emergencies/Ukraine-Humanitarian-Appeal> The Caritas Diocese of Salford website has more information on the ongoing work to house refugees and support those already doing so: www.caritassalford.org.uk

FR SAMSON will be with us in the parish here until the middle of July and then he will attend the General Chapter of his Religious Order. On his return, he will be taking up an appointment (in early August) as assistant priest in the parish of St Oscar Romero, Blackburn. We keep him in our prayers.

ST MICHAEL'S & ST BERNADETTE'S CREDIT UNION is offering a telephone service. For information, please phone 07803 854963. The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on Thursday 23rd June 2022 at 7.30pm in St Bernadette's Social Centre. The Credit Union is about to undergo significant change with the proposed Transfer of Engagements (similar to a merger) with Hoot Credit Union. Details are given in the letter attached to the bulletin. Please pass this information on to any members of the Credit Union and Mr Thrifty you may know. It is very important that members attend the AGM to receive all the relevant information and participate in the process.

PRAYER GROUP will meet in the Lourdes Room on Tuesdays at 8.00pm after the evening Mass. All Welcome.

INTERNATIONAL MASS on Sunday 26th June in the 11.00am Mass we will celebrate this as an international Mass, appreciating the diversity of languages and cultures in our community. At the back of each church is a clipboard where people are invited to sign up to read, pray a bidding prayer in the language of their heritage. If you know someone who would appreciate the chance to do this please let them know. People would be very welcome to bring food (a dish of their culture) along to the social centre after Mass.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Communion Masses are continuing this weekend for the next few weeks can we please remember the children and their families in our prayers.

RCIA JOURNEY IN FAITH GROUP meets every Wednesday at 7.30pm in the Lourdes Room at St. Bernadette's. Anyone who would like to know more about or reflect upon the Catholic faith are welcome to join.

MASS FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND with the sacrament of the anointing of the sick will be held on Saturday 2nd July at 2.30pm at St Michael's Church. Thanks to the parish team and SVP for the preparations they are making.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION For those pupils in Year 8, who would like to present themselves as Candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation, there will be two meetings to

attend, one on Thursday 30th June in St Michael's Church at 6.30pm and the second on Thursday 7th July in St Michael's Church at 6.30pm. At these meetings you would need to be accompanied by an adult. Any pupils not in a Catholic High school and in year 8 and would like to be Confirmed are very welcome to attend these meetings – would their parents please let Fr Steven know names and contact details. A Confirmation Mass for these young people will be celebrated (during which the Sacrament will be conferred) will be held on Saturday 9th July at 3.00pm in St Bernadette's Church.

QUEEN'S JUBILEE COMMUNITY PARTY We are appealing for volunteers to help with the planning and execution of the Community Jubilee Party on 2nd June at St Michael's Hall. If you feel you can help in any way, please contact stmichaelswhitefield@gmail.com or Tel:07759678753 Thank you. The Jubilee party is on Thursday 2nd June from 3pm till late. All are welcome. Entry is free and there will be a DJ, entertainment, children's rides, the bar will be open. For anyone who wants to join in the buffet, tickets are still on sale these need to be bought in advance for catering purposes. Tickets are £3 per person and family tickets are available. Please call 07759678753 for more information. We hope to see you there so we can celebrate together!

FRIENDS SUMMER CONCERT FOR THE QUEEN'S JUBILEE AT ST BERNADETTE'S ON SUNDAY JUNE 12TH AT 3.00PM a wonderful afternoon's entertainment as we celebrate the coming of Summer and sprinkle it with a touch of all things 'Jubilee' Our wonderful 'Friends Choir & Orchestra' have been pulling out all the stops for months now preparing for our biggest concert ever with songs from films, sea shanties and songs for you to sing along to. We will top it all off with some refreshments in the Social Centre afterwards. No ticket required. Just turn up and pay £5 on the door. Hope to see you there.

TEA AND COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASSES Refreshments are served each Sunday morning Mass: after 9.30am mass at St Michael's in the Hall and in the Social Centre after 11.00am Mass at St Bernadette's. Numbers are steadily growing as we become more confident about socialising. Enjoy a biscuit and a brew and meet with friends old and new!

URGENTLY REQUIRED A casual cleaner for St Bernadette's Social Centre so we can resume taking bookings for social occasions. Interested or know someone who may be please phone - 07958 494512

MASS TO CELEBRATE THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE PAPAL VISIT marking 40 years since the visit of Pope St John Paul II: on Tuesday 31st May 2022 at 7.00pm in Our Lady of Grace church, Prestwich, the parish in which the Papal Mass in Heaton Park took place. A reception in the parish hall will follow. Bishop John will be there and Bishop Tom Neylon, Auxiliary Bishop of Liverpool, one of the priests ordained in the park that day, will be the main Celebrant of the Mass. All welcome.

RED DOOR (Caritas, Diocese of Salford) is open on Mondays and Thursdays from 10.00am until 1.00pm at St Joseph's (former Presbytery), Peter St, Bury, for food parcels, toiletries, shower, and a laundry service. There is also help and advice with housing and benefit issues. Tel 0161 272 0771. **FOODBANK** Contributions of non-perishable food for the SVP foodbank can be left in the collection points in the porch of either of our churches. Your support is much appreciated. Thank you for donations of £85 this week.