



Parish of St. Michael & St. Bernadette Whitefield



THE TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B) 9TH JUNE 2024

In St Mark's Gospel preceding the section we read for today's Mass, Jesus begins to call his disciples and we read the beginning of Jesus' healing ministry in Capernaum. The account mentions the relationship between Jesus and his own family. As the story unfolds, we see that such a large crowd has gathered outside the house where Jesus is, that he and his disciples are not even able to eat. For his welfare, his family comes to take him away. The scribes claim that Jesus is possessed; Jesus points out to them the absurdity of their thinking: that he uses the devil to cast out demons.



In the verses that follow we hear Jesus teaching about forgiveness. All sin can be forgiven except for blasphemy against the Holy Spirit, suggesting that the only sin that cannot be forgiven is the one that cuts us off from the source of forgiveness, the Holy Spirit. St Mark then brings Jesus' family back into the picture, not presenting them in a critical light but saying that they wish to see him. This gives Jesus the opportunity to point out that family for him is not based on blood, but rather the ties that bind us together in God in Jesus' name.

Times of Services this Week

	ST. BERNADETTE'S	ST. MICHAEL'S
Sunday 9 th June	11.00am Mass	9.30am Mass
Tuesday (St Barnabas)	7.30pm Mass	
Wednesday		9.30am Mass
Thursday (St Anthony of Padua)	9.30am Mass	
Friday (The Dedication of the Cathedral)		9.30am Requiem Mass Teresa Caveney RIP
Saturday	6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday	11.00am First Holy Communion Mass
Sunday 16 th June	11.00am Mass	9.30am Mass

Next Sunday – The Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) Ezekiel 17:22-24. 2 Corinthians 5:6-10. Mark 4:26-34.

Response to today's psalm: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Mass Intentions:

Recently deceased: Teresa Caveney, Carl Allen, Mary Maguire, Pauline Willcox, Donald McKenzie, Jim King, Agnes Carolan, Chris Finn.

Anniversary: Peter & Celia Dunn, Sr Anne O'Shea, Eileen Jasper, Josephine Green, Philip Russell, Patricia Russell, Mrs Elizabeth Eileen Teresa O'Donnell, Joseph Cassidy, James Gill, Chris Finn.

Sick: Keith Roberts, Adrian Tivnan, Eileen Quigley

Other: Rita Clarke (Remembrance), Joan & Bernard Howell (Remembrance), Maureen Makin (90th Birthday), Special Intention, John Withers (Remembrance), Paul Withers (Remembrance) June Elizabeth Eaves (Birthday Remembrance), Kathleen & Tony McDonnell (Birthday), Cath Lee (Birthday).

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Weekly offerings for week ending 7th June 2024 £1332.28 of which £692.15 can be Gift Aided.

Foodbank donations: £75.00 Thank you.

Thank you to Councillors Joan Grimshaw, Tahir Rafic and Nathan Boroda for the contributions from their community funds of £1200.00 towards the St Bernadette's Hall Renovation project which is greatly appreciated.

THE PRAYER GROUP will meet during the summer months in The Lourdes Room, at St Bernadette's on Tuesdays at 8pm, after 7.30pm Mass. All are welcome.

ST MICHAEL & ST BERNADETTE WOMEN'S SOCIAL GROUP will meet Wednesday 12th June 2024 at 2.00pm in the Lourdes Room at St Bernadette's. All welcome.

TABLE TOP SALE IN ST MICHAEL'S HALL Sunday 23rd June 9.45 -12.45. Please ring or text 07759 678753 to book a table.

COFFEE MORNING IN ST MICHAEL'S HALL after 9.30 Mass will not be open on Sunday 30th June, as the children making their First Holy Communion will be using the hall for their First Communion Breakfast.

RCIA JOURNEY IN FAITH GROUP For anyone who would like to know more about or reflect upon the Catholic faith. The group meets on Wednesday evening at 7.00pm in the Lourdes Room at St Bernadette's.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY Many thanks to all who support the Children's Liturgy at the 11.00am Sunday Mass. Activity packs and Sunday activity sheets for children are available at the back of each church.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION Congratulations to all those who received the Sacrament of Confirmation when Bishop John was with us on Thursday evening. May they always know the power and presence of God's Holy Spirit.

THE PARISH IMPACT YOUTH GROUP (YCW) for 10 – 14-year-olds to see how you can be more involved in the life of the parish, will hold a social event on Sunday 23rd June at 12 Noon – more details to follow. Their next meeting will be on Thursday 4th July at 6.00pm in the Lourdes Room.

DBS CHECKS If you have recently attended for a DBS check can you email Christine. Joyce10@virginmedia.com to confirm you have now received your certificate of satisfaction and the date received, if you have not already done so. There will be one more final DBS check before the summer break - anyone in a regulatory role working with adults or children must attend for a DBS check or you may not be able to continue. Any queries email Christine as above. Thank you.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE On Monday 17th June, before departure at 9.15am, there will be Mass at 8.30 am in St Bernadette's Church.

INTERNATIONAL MASS on Sunday 14th July at the 11.00am Mass in St Bernadette's. We hope to celebrate this as an International Mass, appreciating the diversity of languages and cultures in our community. Next week at the back of each church there will be a clipboard where people are invited to sign up to read or 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. This was much appreciated in the previous couple of years, with the Mass being held last year at the 9.30am Mass in St Michael's.

MASS WITH THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK will be celebrated in St Michael's Church on Saturday, June 29th at 2.00pm. If anyone requires transport to and from the Mass, please call the SVP number 07749 678562.

SUMMER CHOIR CONCERT The Friends Choir, Children's Choir and Musicians will be holding their summer concert on 21st June at 7.00pm in St Bernadette's church, performing songs from Broadway and Hollywood...lots of favourites, old and new! The traditional after party is in the social centre. All are welcome. Tickets are £5 or £8 to include hot pot. Tickets will be on sale after Masses before the event or you can contact one of the performers.

RED DOOR (Caritas, Diocese of Salford) is open each weekday (Monday-Friday) from 10.00am until 1.00pm at St. Joseph's (former Presbytery), Peter St, Bury, for meals, food parcels, toiletries, showers, a laundry service and advice with housing and benefit issues. Tel 0161 272 0771.

70 YEARS OF ST GABRIELS RC HIGH SCHOOL CELEBRATION Unfortunately, due to insufficient ticket sales, our 70th anniversary evening event at the Village Hotel has been cancelled. **We are delighted to still be celebrating Mass with Bishop John Arnold on Saturday 29th June 2024 at 11.00am at St Gabriel's.** The school will remain open thereafter until 3.00pm, and refreshments will be available. We look forward to celebrating our school community's platinum anniversary with you then!