

St Bernadette's RC Church, Bispham

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Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Worship literally means giving God what God is worth: that is, what rightfully belongs to God. In this service we think about our responsibility to God and we renew our commitment to it in the Mass.

First Reading Isaiah 5:1-7 The prophet likens God's people to a carefully tended vineyard that disappointed its owner by producing sour fruit rather than good fruit.

Second Reading Philippians 4:6-9 We are promised that if we commit every situation to God and focus on the good things God gives, we shall know God's peace whatever happens.

Gospel Matthew 21:33-43 Jesus tells a parable to show that just as the people of God often rejected God's messengers, the prophets, for selfish reasons, so they will also reject Jesus.

Sat 3rd

5pm **Public Mass** People of the Parish

Sun. 4th

10am **Public Mass** Joseph Poyner B'day Remembrance

Mon. 5th

Mass 9am Lucy Cockroft

Tues. 6th

12 noon **Public Mass** Joan Hodskinson

Wed. 7th

Intentions of Paul Huson Mass 9am

Thurs. 8th

Public Mass 12 noon Intentions of Linda Rossi

Fri. 9th No Mass Today

Twenty eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 10th

5pm **Public Mass** Molly Brammer

Sun. I Ith

10am **Public Mass** Sheila and Tom Griffin

We ask your prayers for all those who have died recently, especially Mary Sullivan and all those whose anniversary of death occur about this time Clifford Nealon, Madeline Blackstock, Brian Ball, John Gahan, Anthony Hamer, Maureen Taylor, Harry Hughes, Gerard McCann and Molly Brammer and for those in need of our prayers: those in hospital, the hospice, our priests at St. Winefride's, and Michael Barnes, Meg Brett, Joseph Curran, Maria Curran, George Desborough, Patricia Hunt, Tricia and Les Gibbie, Roland Hamer, Ken Hargreaves, Patricia Hunt, Paul Huson, Gloria Morris, James Neary, Brian Payne, Sheila Stewart, Bob Taylor, and Alex Walker.

Mass Intentions can still be left at the presbytery and these intentions can continue to be said. Everyone is dispensed from the Obligation of Sunday and Holyday mass for the time being. Please consider praying the mass at home with me at these times.

Food Sunday will continue, and likely to be more necessary than ever. Food can be brought

to the Church Porch (which will be checked regularly) or the presbytery at any time.

Hospital On-Call Chaplains: Although hospital visiting is now severely restricted we are still operating a 24/7 on-call R.C. Chaplain's rota in Victoria Hospital. The active priests (including myself, on Saturday Nights through Sunday Morning) are on the rota. If you need a priest in an emergency please ring the ward and ask them to call the on-call duty R.C. chaplain.

Weekly Offerings. Given the financial ramifications of these times the diocese is asking our

parishioners to consider and arrange keeping-up their weekly offertory donation, either by setting up a standing-order, or by putting your weekly donation into a marked envelope and posting it through the presbytery letter box or by bringing the total amount to church after the situation is resolved. You could also alternatively send us what you would normally put in the collection via bank transfer. Email us to take up this

Newsletters will continue to be printed every week, and emailed to everyone on the list, and copies left in the Church porch. Please take copies of the newsletter or print them out to give to people you know without email, as well as other prayer sheets and cards etc. that I will leave at the back of Church and send by email. The Church Porch will generally be open from 10am to 4pm. Please take and deliver newsletters to those you know with no email. Please observe social distancing, and only have one person in the porch at each time.

Book Exchange available in the Church Porch. Please help your self.

Despite the new rulings of six only in houses etc., Masses in public in Church continue as normal, with all the same Covid guidelines taking place

This Week We will be Celebrating Mass Saturday 5pm Sunday 10am Tuesday I2noon Thursday I2noon

There can be no more than fifty bubbles in Church, so there is plenty of room at each Mass.

If you find Sunday too busy Thursday is the quietest Mass.

Please note the times of Mass, which allow for cleaning, and please follow all instructions for social distancing. Only sit in marked benches.

We now have a QR squiggly code for the Government's Track and Trace App for your phones. Tuesday Noon Mass is specially designated for our more vulnerable and elderly.

More information will be given throughout this week and before each service.

Please note that everyone is still dispensed from Sunday Obligation.

Wearing a mask is now obligatory

unless you have underlying medical conditions which prevent doing so.

Please stay at home if you are showing any symptoms of Covid 19. Mass is recorded and available on YouTube ***********************

This Saturday Sunday's Mass will be filmed and available via a link on YouTube. After it has been uploaded, I will let you know the link via email. The video will be up for a week, to be replaced by next Sunday's Mass. ************************

The 2021 Diary has arrived, so mass intentions for particular days or anniversaries can now be booked. Mass intention envelopes are at the back of Church, and we will endeavour to oblige for requested dates. ************************

Eileen's Sound-of-Music Sponsored Walk

Thanks to the support of the Pairhs near and far I've gathered £1033.10. The money will be banked next week, and put aside until such time that the social committee can gather to decide on colours of curtain. Thank you for all your support. Eileen (von Trapp).

And from us all many congratulations to Eileen for a great fun fund raiser and amazing success! Bravissima! **********************

If you are a Minister or Reader and have settled in to coming to a regular Mass, could you let Fr. or Eileen know, so we can make up a rota for assisting. Many thanks.

> Stay safe, sensible and keep up the prayers!