



# St Bernadette's RC Church, Bispham

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## The Feast of the Holy Family

**First Reading: Genesis 15:1-6,21:1-3** The childless Abraham and Sarah are given a child by God for their goodness, a son, that Abraham names Isaac.

**Second Reading: Hebrews 11:8,11-12,17-19** The writer discusses Abraham and Sarah's great faith, and their great gift of many descendants.

**Gospel: Luke 22:22-40** The presentation of Jesus in the Temple, with Simeon making a great prophecy about the future of Jesus, and how this will also affect Mary.



### The Feast of the Holy Family

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| <b>Sat 26<sup>th</sup></b>    | <b>Public Mass</b> | The People of the Parish                         |
| <b>5pm</b>                    |                    |  |
| <b>Sun. 27<sup>th</sup></b>   | <b>Public Mass</b> | Thomas Sutcliffe                                 |
| <b>10am</b>                   |                    |  |
| <b>Mon. 28<sup>th</sup></b>   | <b>Mass</b>        | Intentions of the Cornall Family                 |
| <b>9am</b>                    |                    |  |
| <b>Tues. 29<sup>th</sup></b>  | <b>Public Mass</b> | Tony Brooke                                      |
| <b>12 noon</b>                |                    |  |
| <b>Wed. 30<sup>th</sup></b>   | <b>Mass</b>        | Bernard and Vera Brennan                         |
| <b>9am</b>                    |                    |  |
| <b>12noon</b>                 |                    | Carleton Crematorium Service for Jane McClelland |
| <b>Thurs. 31<sup>st</sup></b> | <b>Public Mass</b> | Alan Bird  |
| <b>12 noon</b>                |                    |  |
| <b>Fri. 1<sup>st</sup></b>    | <b>Public Mass</b> | People of the Parish                             |

### Second Sunday after Christmas

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| <b>Sat 2<sup>nd</sup></b>  | <b>Public Mass</b> | Mary Hynes                    |
| <b>5pm</b>                 |                    |                               |
| <b>Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup></b> | <b>Public Mass</b> | The Bird Family               |
| <b>10am</b>                |                    |                               |
| <b>12noon-1pm</b>          |                    | Private Prayer and Exposition |

**We ask your prayers for all those who have died recently, especially Peter Brennan, May Kidd and Jane McClelland and all those whose anniversary of death occur about this time** June MacCormac, John O'Hare, Lily Kirkman, Thomas Ralston, Frank Robinson, Betty Garrity, Jack O'Hare, Tony Brooke, Josph Whittle, Teresa Hall, Sally Ann Middleton, Mary Jones, Joan formby, Angela Simpson, Michael Cullinane, Brenda Gahan, Margaret Connolly **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, Joan Farnen, Tricia and Les Gibbie, Roland Hamer, Ken Hargreaves, Paul Huson, Ethel Marshall, Gloria Morris, James Neary, Brian Payne, Eric Sharples, Sheila Stewart, Bob Taylor, and Alex Walker.

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## St. Bernadette's is NOT CLOSED

we are just going to have to do things differently for a while.  
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**Please note that there is no private prayer hour this Sunday. Exposition and Private Prayer will resume next Sunday 12noon-1pm**

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Mass will be streamed live on Saturday at 5pm and Sunday at 10am. and then available for the week. If you wish to watch 'live' please tune in five minutes beforehand.

Please join us in prayer on the St. Bernadette's Bispham Channel on the YouTube.

Search 'YouTube St. Bernadette's Bispham'

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Huge thanks to everyone involved with our Christmas services, readers, musicians, servers, stewards, videographer, seating planner, and everyone who came to our services or watched them on the YouTube. Given the circumstances I think we all did a great job, and duly celebrated the birth of Christ in a solemn and joyful way. Let's pray that normal service can be resumed next year!

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Personal thanks from Father Peter for all the kind cards, gifts and offerings received during the festive season. Many thanks and blessings to you all. God bless you.

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**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 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 option.

**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 1pm. 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.  
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**Public Mass for the Feast of Mary, Mother of God 12noon January 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 at 12noon**

