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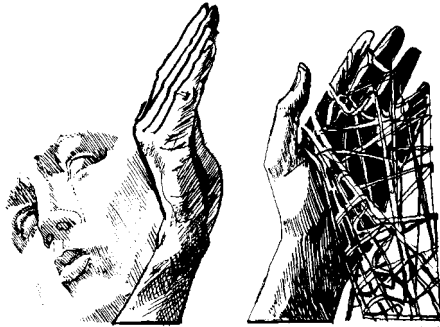
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

God calls us together to hear his word and to invite us to renew our discipleship. As we call on the Lord's name, let us renew our commitment to work for God's kingdom.

First Reading *Jonah 3:1-5, 10* Reluctantly, Jonah finally agrees to deliver God's message of repentance to Nineveh, and the people respond.

Second Reading *1 Corinthians 7:29-31* Paul encourages the people of Corinth to live in the knowledge that the kingdom of God is close at hand, so they should respond without delay.

Gospel *Mark 1:14-20* In a very concentrated passage, we hear the core of Jesus' message and the beginning of Jesus' ministry, with the call of the disciples.



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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| Sat 23rd 5pm | Public Mass | People of the Parish |
| Sun. 24th 10am 12noon-1pm | Public Mass | Frank Swarbrick |
| | | Private Prayer and Exposition |
| Mon. 25th 9am | Mass | Patricia Smith |
| 10:30am | | Carleton Crematorium Service for Kathleen Hopley |
| Tues. 26th 12noon | Public Mass | Peter Brennan |
| Wed. 27th 9am | Mass | Jessie Adams |
| Thurs. 28th 12noon | Public Mass | Jack Waters |
| Fri. 29th 11:30am 2:30pm | No Mass Today | Carleton Crematorium Service for Marie Godley Carleton Crematorium Service for Margaret Proud |

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| Sat 30th 5pm | Public Mass | People of the Parish |
| Sun. 31st 10am 12noon-1pm | Public Mass | Alan Bird |
| | | Private Prayer and Exposition |

We ask your prayers for all those who have died recently, especially Ann Marie Godley, Margaret Proud, Michael Damian Jones and Kathleen Hopley and all those whose anniversary of death occur about this time Marianna Kulinska, Janos Lukas, Harry Cottam, Fred Hall, June Hodkinson Gaffney, Jessie Mould, Graham Morris, Margaret Agnes Purcell, Vincent Parker, John Redikin, Catherine Barnes, Catherine West, Edith Taylor, Eileen Brady, John Barnes, John Park, Michael Wallace and Alf Ryder **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, Mo Long, Ethel Marshall, Gloria Morris, Eric Sharples, Sheila Stewart, Bob Taylor, and Alex Walker.

St. Bernadette's is NOT CLOSED

we are just going to have to do things differently for a while.

Exposition and Private Prayer Sunday 12noon-1pm

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'

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. 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.

There is a call in certain quarters for all Churches to close whilst in Tier 4. In order that we are able to stay open please comply with all social distancing rules when visiting Church, i.e. two metres apart, with no socializing with members from outside your bubble.

Wear your mask at all times whilst on Church premises, and sanitize your hands on entering and exiting. Only by showing we are as safe as we can be will we be allowed to remain open. Many thanks.

Donations to St. Bernadette's 'Tech Fund' to help us supply computers and tablets for our families who are struggling at home with their online learning are being most gratefully received. Donations can be made in person, or directly to the parish bank account: Acc. No. 41334581 Sort Code 40-27-02 Parish of St. Bernadette's. Many thanks for the donations already made, and thank you in anticipation.