



St Bernadette's RC Church, Bispham

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Second Sunday of Lent

We gather to celebrate the Eucharist, remembering that by committing ourselves to Jesus we can be set free from the sins that trap us.

First Reading Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18 Abraham trusted God even when he was called to sacrifice his only son.

Second Reading Romans 8:31-34 St Paul explains that since God loved us enough to let his own Son die for us, no one can condemn those that God has chosen.

Gospel Mark 9:2-10 As Jesus is transfigured on a mountain in the presence of Peter, James and John, a voice from heaven tells them that they are to listen to Jesus as God's beloved Son.



Sat 27th		
5pm	Public Mass	Arthur Evans
Sun. 28th		
10am	Public Mass	People of the Parish
12 noon	Private prayer and exposition.	
Mon. 1st March		
9am	Mass	Alan Bird
Tues. 2nd		
12noon	Public Mass	Int of Ken and Sheila Hargreaves
Wed. 3rd		
9am	Mass	Gillian Fisher
Thurs. 4th		
12noon	Public Mass	Lynda Rice
Fri. 5th		
11:30am	No Mass Today	Carleton Crematorium Service for Charles Kelly

The Third Sunday of Lent

Sat 6th		
5pm	Public Mass	People of the Parish
Sun. 7th		
10am	Public Mass	Peter Brennan
12 noon	Private prayer and exposition.	

We ask your prayers for all those who have died recently, especially Charles Kelly and Philip Flint and all those whose anniversary of death occur about this time especially, Susan Moseley, Ian Wheeler, James Walsh, John Garrity, Anita Houton, William Swords and Nicholas Neil and for those in need of our prayers: those in hospital, the hospice, our priests at St. Winefride's, and Michael Barnes, Meg Brett, Catherine Broughton, Joseph Curran, Maria Curran, Joan Farnen, Michael Garrity, Tricia and Les Gibbie, Roland Hamer, Ken Hargreaves, Paul Huson, Mo Long, Ethel Marshall, Gloria Morris, Sheila Stewart, Bob Taylor, and Ann 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.

Two Services of Stations of the Cross
From St. Bernadette's

are now available on our YouTube Channel

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'

In a Lenten spirit of almsgiving, four of our Parishioners have started a sponsored campaign to raise money for CAFOD, in particular to supply water to areas in need. Karen, Claire, Carla and Liz are pledging to walk 10,000 steps a day for Cafod's 'Walk for Water' challenge. They have set up a fundraising page and have already walked 25'000 steps and raised almost a £100. If anyone would like to sponsor them they'd be very grateful. Here's the link:

<https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/karen-claire-carla-and-liz-are-walking-for-wa2021> and well done Ladies! Keep us posted as to how you are doing!

Lancaster Diocese is looking for a part-time Faith and Justice worker and co-ordinator with the Commission Team to work throughout the Diocese to engage with parishes, schools and other institutions in order to advance the understanding of, and active engagement in Catholic Social Teaching and issues arising from it. An informed and enthusiastic person is needed with good communication skills who is able to form positive relationships with groups at all levels and facilitate their growth. You will need a good sense of humour, be able to manage your own time and have some administrative ability. Computer skills and the ability to drive are essential. Salary approximately £8300 per annum. The closing date for applications is 22nd March 2021. Further details can be obtained from: Margaret McSherry Administrator Lancaster Diocesan Faith & Justice Commission Email: lfjcomm@gmail.com Tel:07864012385

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.

Toiletries and food are always welcome at any time. People have been asking what food should be brought, and it's good to think about things that can make a meal – tinned meat, veg and so on. The staples of tea, coffee and long life milk are always welcome. Please remember that we can't use fresh produce. Many thanks for your continued support to those in need.