



# St Bernadette's RC Church, Bispham

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## 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> September 2021

## Twenty-Fifth Sunday of the Year

Another Sunday, and once again we are reminded that what matters is not only what happens on the Lord's day but also how we behave towards one another during the rest of the week.

**First Reading Wisdom 2:12.17-20** A description of the way the wicked conspire against the just, because the latter's goodness stands as a reproach to them.

**Second Reading James 3:16-4:3** There are competing desires within us, some seeking peace and leading to harmony and holiness, others self-seeking and leading to jealousy and ambition that will stop at nothing.

**Gospel Mark 9:30-37** Jesus, the Just One, tells of the conspiracy hatched against him and promises his competitive disciples that it is in the child-like, not the high and mighty, that they will meet him.



<b>Sat 18<sup>th</sup></b>		
<b>5pm</b>	<b>Public Mass</b>	Ann Reidy
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup></b>		
<b>10am</b>	<b>Public Mass</b>	Edna Thorley
<b>12-1pm</b>	Devotions and Confessions	
<b>Mon. 20<sup>th</sup></b>		
<b>9am</b>	<b>Public Mass</b>	People of the Parish
<b>Tues. 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<i>Feast of St. Matthew</i>	
<b>9:30am</b>	Mass in St. Bernadette's School	
<b>12noon</b>	<b>Public Mass</b>	Intentions of Shane & David Nash
<b>1:30pm</b>	Mass in Holy Family School	
<b>Wed. 22<sup>nd</sup></b>		
<b>9am</b>	<b>Public Mass</b>	Tom Rigby
<b>10:30am</b>	Carleton Crematorium Service for Lawrence Keogh	
<b>1:15pm</b>	Carleton Crematorium Service for Margaret Darby	
<b>Thurs. 23<sup>rd</sup></b>		
<b>12 Noon</b>	<b>Public Mass</b>	Patricia Charnley
<b>Fri. 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>No Mass Today</b>	
<b>Sat 25<sup>th</sup></b>		
<b>5pm</b>	<b>Public Mass</b>	Ints. of Don & Daphne Golden Wedding Anniversary.
<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup></b>		
<b>10am</b>	<b>Public Mass</b>	People of the Parish

**We ask your prayers for all those who have died recently especially Bob Parker, Lawrence Keogh, and Margaret Darby, and all those whose anniversary of death occur about this time especially Ike Culshaw, Monsignor Michael Kirkham, Michael Shaw, Sylvia Knowles, Kathleen McGuire, Lewis Dean and Thomas Griffin 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, Joan Farnen, Tricia and Les Gibbie, Roland Hamer, Ken Hargreaves, Michael Hilton, Paul Huson, Mo Long, Ethel Marshall, Gloria Morris and Bob Taylor.

### Private Prayer and Exposition this Sunday 12noon-1pm

Fr. Peter will be in the Sacristy throughout the hour for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

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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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#### 'Opening Up' Guidelines

Please **continue the option to wear masks** whilst in the Church building, sanitize as usual, and optionally sign in for track and trace. Social distancing is not required but please **be sensitive to others**, and for the time being the ropes **at the front** will remain on alternate side benches. Communion distribution will continue as present **by hand under one kind**. Singing, and other readings and various actions during mass (such as an offertory procession) etc., will be gradually reintroduced. Please **leave orderly** as directed, and **be sensitive to people's feelings**.

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#### Getting back to (or Starting?) (The New) Normal.

As we slowly get back to normal it would be great if we can start such things as refreshments after Sunday Mass, a full readers and ministers rota, and cleaning rota. If you have carried out any of the ministers previously, or would be willing to offer your time for cleaning or refreshment making, please see Fr. P. or Eileen, or drop an email to the Parish. Hope springs eternal! Huge thanks to everyone who has kept things going, and keeps things going throughout the whole of the Parish! And many thanks to be people who have re-volunteered!

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## SVP Coffee Morning

With coffee, tea, cakes, and chit-chat



**ALL WELCOME In the Hall from 10:30pm**

**This Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September**

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Fr. Peter is still making Origami notelets and stuff, all of which can be taken from the back of Church, and any donations to the SVP would be appreciated.

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O Glorious St. Matthew,

in your Gospel you portray Jesus as the longed-for Messiah who fulfilled the Prophets of the Old Covenant and as the Lawgiver who founded a Church of the New Covenant.

Obtain for us the grace to see Jesus living in His Church and to follow His teaching in our lives on Earth so that we may live forever with Him in heaven. Amen.



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**Mass Intentions can still be left in the collection at Masses 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. Mass intention envelopes are available at the back of Church.

**Food Sunday** will continue, and likely to be more necessary than ever. Food can be brought to the Church at Mass times or the presbytery at any time.

**Hospital On-Call Chaplains:** We are still operating a 24/7 on-call R.C. Chaplain's rota in Victoria Hospital. 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 continuing weekly offerings in Church at Masses. Envelopes and the envelope scheme are available. You could also alternatively send us what you would normally put in the collection via bank transfer. Email us to take up this option. Many thanks.

**Newsletters are printed every week**, and are available at all Masses, as well as being emailed to everyone on the list, and copies left in the Church porch. Please take copies of the newsletter give to people 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.

**Book Exchange** available in the Church Porch. Please help yourself

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**This Week in the Hall: Sunday: 1pm Bowling Monday: 6pm Bowling. Tuesday 10,30am Coffee Morning; 1pm Whist Wednesday: 9.30pm Pilates Thursday: 1pm Bowling; 7.30pm Drama Group.**

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