

Waterside Catholic Parish Newsletter

St Bernard's & St Michael's

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Parish Diary for week commencing Sunday 8th October, Week 27 in Ordinary Time. Weekday Cycle I

	Sunday 8th	Monday 9th	Tuesday 10th	Wednesday 11th	Thursday 12th	Friday 13th	Saturday 14th
	PACT Prisoners' Sunday	St John Henry Newman	St Paulinus of York	St John XXIII	St Wilfred	St Edward the Confessor	St Callistus
St Bernard's	9am			9am Followed by Rosary, Adoration and Grandparents Group	Soup Lunch & Raffle 12.30pm		Cooking with Fe 10.30am
St Michael's	11am	9am	9am		9am		9am Followed by confession

"When you approach the confessional, know this, that I Myself am waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest, but I Myself act in your soul. Here the misery of the soul meets the God of mercy. Tell souls that from this fount of mercy souls draw graces solely with the vessel of trust. If their trust is great, there is no limit to My generosity." **Jesus to St Faustina**

Last weeks Collections

St Bernard's £74.85

St Michael's £93.51

Envelopes £142.00

Direct transfer to bank figures for August
£1,687.00

Winners of the 100 Club Draw

1st Prize Kevin Dawtry £105.00
2nd Prize Mary Francis £63.00
3rd Prize Peter Mitchell £42.00

The 100 club raised £620 for the parish from July–September.

CAFOD Family Fast day appeal Friday 6th October

Please return your CAFOD envelopes in the collection today

Father Innaiah's coffee mornings.

Monday and Wednesday mornings after mass in St Michael's and St Bernard's respectively.

Stay a while after Sunday Mass at St Bernard's for a cuppa and a chat.

We could not offer this friendly gathering without the generous help and support of our fabulous volunteers!

In our increasingly cashless society we recognise that online giving is becoming more popular. We offer a monthly standing order option (forms are available at the back of both churches). If, however, you prefer the flexibility of donating weekly (and without charges) please do feel welcome to donate directly into the Parish account.

Sort Code: 30-93-04

Account no: 00880001

Account name: CDP Waterside St Michael & St Bernard.



Are you a parent, grandparent, carer, catechist or children's liturgy leader? Celebrate has a series of high quality, faith-filled sessions for you. Our three fantastic experienced speakers will be giving really useful tips and ideas to help you to engage the children in your life and your parish more deeply in faith. It will be accessible, practical and fun!

The last of these short sessions (1 hour), priced at £5.00 is this Thursday. Full details and links to sign up are available on the website. www.celebratetrust.org/faith-parenting or follow the link [Faith Parenting — Celebrate Trust](#)

RACHEL TURNER
HELPING CHILDREN HAVE A PERSONAL
RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD
Thursday 12th October

Could you be a Parish Angel?

Volunteers from within our parish family are the unsung heroes of St Michael's and St Bernard's, giving a few hours a week to keep the churches clean, tidy and ready to welcome us all.

Could you donate a slice of time occasionally to help with small tasks that are the minutiae of our parish? Perhaps you have a passion for gardening, or are a keen DIYer and a dab hand with a paintbrush or maybe you are a keen crafter or quiz master and would like to be more engaged with your community.

If you feel you could donate some time and expertise to your churches and parish, please do make yourself know to Deacon Ian, Angela or Andrea. We have many wonderful, talented parishioners and would welcome your help.



You are the heart of the parish and if for any reason you would like to see either Father Innaiah or Deacon Ian they are always available and happy for you to call, visit the Presbytery or have either of them visit you.

Home visits by our Priest or Deacon are not restricted to the frail, poorly or housebound.

Dates for your diary

Wednesdays from 4th—1st November

Forthcoming webinars specifically designed for parish readers (but all parishioners are welcome) are being hosted online every Wednesday by the Liturgy Formation Team. Details of the sessions are at the back of both churches.

Please email the parish office or see the latest edition of the Bishops e-news letter for links to register

Cooking with Fe

Fe's second class at the new time of 10.30am in St Bernard's Hall is this Saturday, 14th October.

This week you will be making BBQ Pork Back Ribs
£5.00 per person.

@Pontifex on X

This is the Synod's primary task: to refocus our gaze on God, to be a Church that looks mercifully on humanity. A Church that is united and fraternal, that listens and dialogues; a Church that blesses and encourages, that helps those who seek the Lord. [#Synod](#)

Jesus' gaze that blesses invites us to be a Church that does not face today's challenges and problems with a divisive and contentious spirit but, turns its eyes to God who is communion and, with awe and humility, blesses and adores him, recognizing him as its only Lord. [#Synod](#)

The Holy Spirit is our teacher: the interior maestro who conducts each one of us and our walking together. He creates variety and unity; He is harmony itself. We entrust ourselves to his gentle and powerful guidance.

Father Innaiah would like to invite the PPC, Liturgy group, Finance group, Sacristans and Social group to meet with him on Monday 16th October at 7.30pm in St Bernard's Hall.

With the days drawing in and the calendar marching on, this meeting will be focussing on our Advent and Christmas celebrations.

If anyone outside these groups would like to proffer ideas and suggestions please do get in touch with Father Innaiah, Deacon Ian or the parish office.



We keep in our prayers the sick and housebound members of the parish:

John Allen, Pauline Moore, Kathleen Ketley, Mike Slipper and Paola McCarthy

To comply with GDPR legislation, the express permission of the sick parishioner is needed before inclusion in this part of the Parish newsletter Registration forms are available at both churches.

IN MEMORIAM

We pray for the dear departed of the parish and for those whose anniversaries occur this week

- 8th Frederick Barrow (1984), Elizabeth Slightam (2000), Phyllis Mullen(2015)
- 9th Clarice Mintram (1970), Ann Gallacher-McArdle (1971), Victor Rogers (1982), Joseph Leonard (1985), Anthony Watkins (2011)
- 10th Sean Connery (1980), Grace Lorek (1990), Ellen Philomena West (2011)
- 11th Clotilda Smith (1998), Patrick Joseph Gallanagh (2013), Thomas Pender (2016)
- 12th Bridget Morris-Roe (1978), Frances Scarratt (1978)
- 13th Alfred House (1983)
- 14th Leslie Rowden (1989), Ronald Westfoot (1998), William Hopper (1999)

Pious tradition holds that Jesus promised St. Gertrude that a thousand souls would be released from purgatory each time the following prayer is said devoutly: "Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Your Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen."

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY INTERNSHIPS

Castlerigg Manor (The Lancaster Diocese Retreat Centre) is looking for young Catholics aged 18-25 to join their Internship Programme. The scheme lasts for one or two years and gives participants wide ranging experience, skills, training, and qualifications as well as the opportunity to work with a fantastic team based in the Lake District. For more information contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk

10 October St Paulinus of York (bishop)

St Paulinus died on this day in 644. He was among the second group of monks sent to England by Pope Gregory in 601. After working for twenty years in Kent, he was ordained bishop and sent to Northumbria as chaplain to the Christian princess Ethelburga who was to marry the pagan king Edwin. By 627, he was able to baptise the king and many of his nobles, but before he received the pallium as archbishop of York, Northumbria was overrun by pagans in 633, and Paulinus returned to Kent, where he served as bishop of Rochester for his remaining years.

13 October St Edward the Confessor

Born in 1003, St Edward died at Westminster on 5 January 1066. He became king of England in 1042, the last of the old Anglo-Saxon line; his death precipitated the Norman invasion of 1066. Commonly known as the 'Confessor', he was regarded as a saint during his lifetime, renowned for his generosity to the Church and to the poor, and because of the readiness with which he listened to his subject's grievances. His relics were translated on this day in 1163 to a new shrine in Westminster Abbey, which foundation he had richly endowed and expanded.



MASS READINGS FOR THE 27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: *Isaiah 5:1-7*

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard. My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug the soil, cleared it of stones and planted choice vines in it. In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too. He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me. What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? I expected it to yield grapes. Why did it yield sour grapes instead? Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on. I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it. Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of Hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant. He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 79:9. 12-16, 19-20 r. Is 5:7 The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.*

Second Reading: *Philippians 4:6-9*

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, Alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!*

Gospel: *Matthew 21:33-43*

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son" he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see? 'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

Communion Antiphon: *The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to those who are searching for his love.*