



Saint Bernadette's Church

Mass Times & Intentions: Sunday 19th July

Sixteenth Week of Ordinary Time (A)

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Parish Centre rooms to hire

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Date	Church	Time	Feast	Intention
Saturday 18 th July	Holy Souls'	9:30 am	Saturday Mass of Our Lady	-
Saturday 18 th July	St Bernadette's	6:00 pm	Vigil Mass for the Sixteenth	All NHS Staff
	Holy Souls'	6:00 pm	Sunday of Ordinary Time	-
Sunday 19 th July	St Bernadette's	9:00 am	Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time	Pro Populo
	Holy Souls'	9:00 am		-
	St Bernadette's	11:00 am		In Thanksgiving
	Holy Souls'	11:00 am		-
	Holy Souls' (Polish Mass)	4:30 pm		-
	St Bernadette's	7:00 pm		Private Intention
	Holy Souls'	7:00 pm		-
Monday 20 th July	St Bernadette's	9:30 am	Feria	Richard Arthur Crowther RIP
Tuesday 21 st July	Holy Souls'	9:30 am	Feria	-
Wednesday 22 nd	St Bernadette's	9:30 am	Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene	Joan Fitzmaurice RIP
Thursday 23 rd July	Holy Souls'	9:30 am	Feast of Saint Bridget of Sweden	-
Friday 24 th July	St Bernadette's	9:30 am	Feria	Linda Fawkes RIP
Saturday 25 th July	Holy Souls'	9:30 am	Feast of Saint James, Apostle	-
Saturday 25 th July	St Bernadette's	6:00 pm	Vigil Mass for the Seventeenth	Pro Populo
	Holy Souls'	6:00 pm	Sunday of Ordinary Time	-
Sunday 26 th July	St Bernadette's	9:00 am	Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time	John McDonald RIP
	Holy Souls'	9:00 am		-
	St Bernadette's	11:00 am		Private Intention
	Holy Souls'	11:00 am		-
	Holy Souls'	4:30 pm		-
	St Bernadette's	7:00 pm		Private Intention
	Holy Souls'	7:00pm		-

We are still governed by a variety of restrictions, not least the directive from the Diocese that we are to maintain a 2 metre social distancing policy inside our Churches and that there should be separate entrances and exits and sufficient stewards and cleaners present. In order to comply with these requirements **parishioners must book a place beforehand** as places are limited. **To book please email St Bernadette's Office at stbernadettesashby@gmail.com or telephone: 01724 844895 (11am – 1pm) and leave a message.**

Please pray for the sick and housebound in our parish.

Please pray for our deceased family and friends, particularly those who have died recently and those whose anniversary occurs at this time.

**2020
Reflection**

**16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 13:24-30**

Matthew follows up the parable of the sower with another parable of his own about different kinds of seed and sowing, focussed on the fact that the Church includes the bad as well as the good – or is it addressed to each of us, for each of us includes the bad as well as the good? It is not easy for the untutored eye to distinguish wheat from darnel, even in modern farming, despite the developments of modern wheat.

In any case, Matthew likes contrasting figures. We have already had several pairs of images at the end of the Sermon on the Mount, the broad road used and the narrow gate, etc. Many of his longer parables are based on such oppositions, the two sons, the guests at the wedding feast, and especially the parables of the coming judgement and the last judgement. On the whole his characters are rather caricatures of good and bad, with no more than the minimum of stark colouring, unlike Luke's characters who tend to be likeable rogues with both good and bad features (like ourselves!). Because of this the reader of Matthew is always aware that there will be a stark day of reckoning at the end, at harvest-time.

The parable of the darnel could almost be a continuation of the parable of the sower, an illustration of the different progresses of the seeds in action, the next stage after the sowing. In chapter 18 on the community Matthew shows that there are members of the community who put obstacles in the way of others; they are lost sheep who need to be reconciled; they are sinners who seek forgiveness but unwilling to forgive others. There are even those who need to be unfavourably judged. This is the mixed community in action! **(HW)**

From Canon Geoffrey

This past two weekends, for the first time since 20th March, public masses have once again been celebrated at Holy Souls' and St Bernadette's, Scunthorpe. My sincere thanks to a small, but dedicated group who have spent many hours, burnt midnight oil preparing documentation, photographic evidence, deep-cleaning and rearranging furniture so that we were in a position to obtain the necessary permissions in line with Government and Diocesan Directives to open these two Parish Churches.

Each of the ten masses celebrated over these weekends have required teams of volunteer stewards and cleaners of at least a minimum of two people, preferably three, to ensure that the churches could be made not only accessible, but primarily safe and secure for people to attend. Over the weekend approximately 8 hours have been spent cleaning after the masses so that they were available for the next mass.

Cardinal Nichols and Bishop Patrick acknowledged that initially not all Parish Churches would be able to open immediately for Public Worship. That is true. Currently, St Thomas of Canterbury, Gainsborough, and St Norbert's, Crowle, along with many other Parish Churches and Chapels throughout the Diocese have not opened **as of yet**, be it for private prayer or Public Worship. However, over the coming weeks, in consultation with members of those communities I hope to address how best to move forward and if at all possible consider what can be done.

Please be assured I am aware of the needs of our all our parishes, but we must tread carefully, and ensure that we are guided and governed by the need to have safe and accessible Churches whereby we can celebrate the Mass and Sacraments in an environment that meets current regulations.

May I make an appeal – please consider volunteering as a steward or cleaner. You should be over the age of 18, have no underlying health problems, be isolating or caring for someone who is isolating. Full training and induction will be given.

Thank you all for your patience and co-operation at the moment.

With every good wish and blessing to you all
Canon Geoffrey



Pope Francis Prayer Intention July 2020

Our Families

We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

Thank you to all parishioners who have donated to their respective parish by standing order, cash, or BACS, this is very much appreciated! Please note all our accounts are held with Lloyds Bank Limited. The details are:

St Bernadette's Scunthorpe RCP Account Number 00801306 Sort Code 30-97-44	Holy Souls' Scunthorpe RCP Account Number 00207099 Sort Code 30-97-44
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