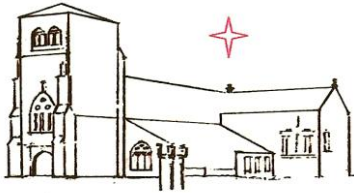


# Newsletter for the parish of St. Anne & St. Bernard Liverpool



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## The Feast of the Holy Trinity

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*“Go therefore, make disciples of all nations; ...  
know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time”*



– these words are popularly known as the “*apostolic commission*”, the mission given by Jesus to the apostles to share the Good News of God’s saving presence in our world. The new followers are to be baptised “*in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit*”. To be baptised “*in the name of*” is to signify that the person baptised belongs to the trinity of persons whose names are invoked in baptism.

These new Christians are to do “*all that I have commanded you*”. Matthew constantly presents Jesus as the new Moses of the new chosen people. The word “*command*” does not affirm a new *law* but of a *new way of life*, in which the living presence of Jesus, “*I am with you always*” is the enduring inspiration of those who continue his mission, the source of constant renewal. It is the witness of their lives which is the constant testimonial that Jesus is truly risen and lives in his Church.

Today’s feast not only celebrates God as Father, Son and Spirit but also as God who “empties” himself, goes out of himself in a threefold way – God reveals himself, God redeems us, and God enables us to respond to what he tells us of himself and to believe in his work of redemption. In the way God reveals himself we think of this as the action of the Father, the redemption is the action of the Son, and the mission of the Spirit is to enable us to respond, to give us God’s grace..

*From the Catholic Catechism.* The Mystery of the Most holy Trinity is the central mystery of the Christian Faith and of Christian life. God alone can make it known to us by revealing himself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The Incarnation of God’s Son reveals that God is the eternal Father and that the Son is...in the Father and with the Father, the Son is the one and the same God.

The Mission of the Holy Spirit, sent by the Father in the name of the Son (Jn 14:26) and by the Son: from the Father (Jn 5:26), reveals that, with them, the Spirit is one and the same God. “With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified” (Nicene Creed)

Inseparable in what they are, the Divine Persons are also inseparable in what they do. But with the single divine operation each shows forth what is proper to Him in the Trinity, especially in the divine missions of the Son’s incarnation and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

**Mass** this week will be as follows

St. Anne's

Saturday 5.30 p.m. Parish intention  
 Sunday 11.15 a.m. David Brown  
 Tuesday 12.noon Charles Eaton (Requiem)  
 Wednesday 8.30 a.m. Daniel & Maisie O'Sullivan  
 Friday 10,00 The First Communion children  
 Saturday 5.30 p.m. Parish intention

St. Bernard's

Sunday 10.00 a.m. Parishioners  
 Monday 12,00 noon Denis Obigwe (Requiem)  
 Thursday 9.00 a.m. Sister Stanislaus FCJ

The Mass on Friday will be in the main church and will celebrate all this year's first Holy Communion children. The school children will all be present. Everyone is welcome.

Our prayer is with the families of Denis Obigwe and Charles Eaton whose funerals are this week. May they rest in peace.. After his Mass, Denis's body will be flown to Nigeria for burial.

The **Prayer Group** continues to meet on Friday at 7.30 p.m. in St. Anne's House Chapel. All are welcome

**Money Report.** The **collection** last week came to **£341.03**. Add on £301.62 from standing orders to make a total of **£642.65**. There is also £77.89 to come from Gift Aid. **Thank you.**

The insurance claim has now been met and repairs should take place this week. Meanwhile please continue to put money for candles, papers, charities etc, into the St. Anthony candle box.

A dozen or so people kindly pay for their 50/50 membership by writing an annual cheque. This Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> June, is time for renewal

Next Sunday there will be the annual collection for **Provision for priests in retirement**. Canon Joe Kelly writes to the clergy asking us to publicise the collection. He says "There are 67 retired priests living in various properties around the Archdiocese. There are serious ongoing costs in the upkeep of these properties which the designated Fund cannot totally fund. Hence the need for this collection. It is worth mentioning that this collection is not to provide pocket-money for the retired priests themselves!! An interesting statistic: of the 67 retired, 8 are nonagenarians, 40 are octogenarians, and 19 are various ages under 80". He adds to us priests "remember- if you live long enough you will become part of that statistic!! DV you will".

The **Justice & Peace** group meets on Thursday in St. Bernard's at 7.30 p.m. We have a very good and active group of J & P members who would love to have everyone to come and join us.

There will be very evident changes in our website very shortly. We hope that the various groups will be able to access their own pages and develop them as they will. We want photographs of all parish helpers, either in one big group or in a number of smaller groups, so that the parish can be presented as a place for people, something very human and alive. For the future, not just yet, we will be able to video the Sunday Mass and housebound people and former parishioners, wherever they are, will be able to follow it on the parish website on their own computer screen.