

Sacred
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Sacred Heart Hindley Green NEWSLETTER

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DATE: - 23rd. June 2019.

SATURDAY 5:30pm.
Peter & Frances Donohue.

SUNDAY - 9:00am.
Michael Halliwell.

St. Benedict's
Saturday - 7:00pm.
Sunday - 11:00am.

Monday. 7-00pm
In Thanksgiving (R).

Tuesday. 9-15am.
Private Int. (MG)

Wednesday. 10-00am.
Special Int. (JO)

Thursday.
No Service.

Friday. 7-00pm.
Kathleen Cuff.
Confessions 7-30pm.

Next Weekend.
Sat. 5:30pm.
Martin & Winifred Kay.

Sun. 9:00am.
People of the Parish.

Pray for our sick	Lately Dead	Anniversaries
Joan Baines. .		Marian Tollitt.
Michael Gallagher. .		Thelma Jean Dawber.
Joyce Gorton. .		Michael Halliwell.
Tommy McLoughlin.		Ann Tyrer.
Jimmy Rafferty.		Anne Holden.
Jean Rafferty.		Enid Topping.
Eileen Watkinson.		.
Eileen McAlister. .		.
Elsie Byron. .		.
Maureen Blears. .		.
Bridie Phillips.	St Benedict's	.
Robert Barron.	Mon. 9am.	Collection Last Week
Jean Culkin.	Tues.	Envelopes: £325-00
Martin Culkin.	Wed. 7pm.	Loose Plate: £242-00
John Atkins.	Thurs.	CAFOD Box: £16-00
Anne Murphy.	Fri. 9am.	Day for Life £110-00
Doreen Smith.		Loose £77-00
Jedd Balmer.		

Sacred Heart Club. (Behind the church)

Bingo: Tues + Sun at 9:00pm Concerts every Saturday

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME.

Function room available for hire. . Bowling green is now open.

Next weekend there will be a retiring collection for Peters Pence. The money collected will be used by Pope Francis on behalf of all Catholics to offer humanitarian aid to victims of such disasters as hurricane, flood, famine and drought.

This Thursday, 27th June at St. Richards Club 7.30pm you are welcome to attend a Pastoral Area Forum open meeting to discuss the proposals and changes to mass times within the Leigh Deanery. Following the meeting the proposals will be put to the Archbishop and his Council to consider at their meeting in July.

This year the Summer Fair is on Sunday, 14th July and we need things such as raffle prizes, bottles for the tombola, nearly new things. We are having different things this year as we have new people with different ideas. Thanks for all the help and things you have done over the years and I hope it will continue as we have had some great summer fairs.

SUNDAY PLUS

Blessed and broken

Blessed, broken and shared

by Fr Denis Blackledge SJ

There are four key elements in a celebration of each Eucharist – just as Jesus did at the Last Supper, at the feeding of the five thousand, and just as Paul passed on in his first letter to the Corinthian Christians – the priest takes, blesses, breaks and gives the bread. This means that there is no giving, no possible true sharing, without first the breaking. Remember the *Broken* series on BBC1 a couple of years ago, with Sean Bean as Father Michael, an urban parish priest coping with his own brokenness, and that of his parishioners?

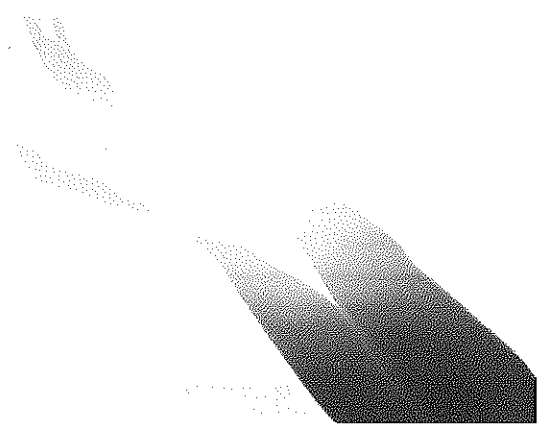
Just as Jesus made the crowd welcome, talked to them about the new culture (or kingdom) he had come to bring and cured those who needed healing, so he does for you and me right now, at this celebration of the Eucharist.

What was impossible for the disciples to do, to feed so many, Jesus did simply and without show. But the same four key words were spoken over the loaves and fishes as are said at each Eucharist: Jesus took, blessed, broke and gave. The result is the same for us as for them: "all ate and were filled."

What matters is that we pick up the pieces and that we don't forget about the scraps. Our Eucharist begins when we

leave church. Our Eucharist needs grounding, earthing, as we learn, day by day, to be ever better sharers, lovers and servants of Jesus and his people. That way, we pass on, as Paul did, what he had received from the Lord – we are slowly but surely turned into the One we receive.

Fr Denis Blackledge SJ was the Religious Adviser to Sean Bean in the BBC television series, *Broken*.



"We, who receive from Jesus our own room and board, are here to prepare a place and a meal for these, our brothers and sisters in need. Jesus became bread broken for our sake; in turn, he asks us to give ourselves to others, to live no longer for ourselves but for one another."

Pope Francis

Blessed, not broken

by Sr Janet Fearn FMDM

Sr Chris was confined to bed for seven years before she died in 2018. Before that, she had spent twenty four years working as a midwife in Zimbabwe, twelve delivering babies in a Palestinian refugee camp in Jordan and eighteen as an assistant prison chaplain in Wandsworth. She found it really hard to be "stuck" in her room, but, somehow, she was rarely alone. People gravitated to her bedside and always came away feeling better for having spent a few minutes with her. Even when Sr Chris was dying, she knew exactly

who had entered her room and smiled radiantly.

Yet her warmest smiles were reserved for whoever brought her Communion. "Have you brought me Jesus?" she would ask.

Sr Chris was one of those wonderful people whose body might be broken, but whose spirit was alive, intact, growing and reaching out to others. She was blessed, not broken. Whom do you know who is both limited and unlimited? Who has touched your heart?

Sr Janet Fearn is a Franciscan Missionary of the Divine Motherhood.

Jesus, my Lord and my God, I give you my heart and my soul Amen.

Why are people "dis-abled"?

by Cristina Gangemi

Is a person a person because of their bodily movements? How should a body look? Who decides how the body should look? Is it about the way they walk, or do not walk? Is it because of their body or their intellect? What is intellect? Is a human person a body and a spirit or is it a fusion of body with spirit? Whose life is valuable and whose life is not?

In a Church and culture where the concept of "them and us" is removed,

we all accept that we all belong, people are enabled. The barriers that exclude people just would not exist and we would be able to meet each other, recognising our valued place within the "Image of God" and as the "Image of God." No one person can be excluded from this. However, people do continue to be excluded.

Human love reflects the love of God for all. Human activity takes place against a background of the eternal, which is God.

Intellectual disability: caring for yourself and others is co-written by Cristina Gangemi and Dr Liam Waldron and available from Redemptorist Publications, www.rpbooks.co.uk

Today: Genesis 14:18-20 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 Luke 9:11-17	Monday: Isaiah 49:1-6 Acts 13:22-26 Luke 1:57-66. 80	Tuesday: Genesis 13:2, 5-18 Matthew 7:6, 12-14	Wednesday: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 Matthew 7:15-20	Thursday: Genesis 16:1-12, 15-16 Matthew 7:21-29	Friday: Ezekiel 34:11-16 Romans 5:5-11 Luke 15:3-7	Saturday: (E&W) Isaiah 61:1, 9-11 Luke 2:41-51	(S&I) Acts 12:1-11 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18 Matthew 16:13-19	Next Sunday: (E&W) Acts 12:1-11 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18 Matthew 16:13-19	(S&I) 1 Kings 19:16, 19-21 Galatians 5:1, 13-18 Luke 9:51-62
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