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# NEWSLETTER FOR ST BRENDAN, HARWOOD & ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, BROMLEY CROSS 22<sup>ND</sup> APRIL 2012 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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We continue to think about the Resurrection this week, from three different perspectives: the Gospel gives us another story of Jesus appearing to his disciples - this time the beautiful story of the meeting in Jerusalem, when Jesus proves he is alive and no ghost by eating some grilled fish: he reminds the disciples that he had to suffer and rise so the "repentance for the forgiveness of sins" could be preached to the whole world. The first reading shows us Saint Peter doing just that, as he addresses the crowd in Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost: he takes them through recent events (fifty days earlier), highlighting the important point, that he and the disciples can witness to the raising of Jesus from the

dead, and calling them to "repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out." The second reading brings this into our lives: the resurrection is not just a historical event, which we remember. By baptism (which we renewed at Easter) we become part of Jesus in his dying and his rising, as he 'becomes the sacrifice that takes our sins away'. So all that Saint John tells us about the commandments and avoiding sin is our way of living the Resurrection.

Liturgy & Activities This Week Sunday Cycle B; Weekday Cycle 2; Divine Office Week 3 Patmos Room - St John's (SJ); Harbour Room - St Brendan's (SB)		Father Graham Turner RIP
Sunday	9.15am Mass (SJ) 11.15am Mass (SB) 2pm Baptism (SJ)	
Monday Solemnity of St George, Patron of England	12noon Requiem Mass for Father Graham Turner (SB) 8pm SVP (SJ)	E. P
Tuesday	No Mass today 12.45 Requiem for Father Graham Turner (Edinburgh) 7.30pm SVP (SB)	
Wednesday St Mark	9.30am Mass (SJ) 1.30-3pm Harbour Room Book Club 7.30-8.30pm Youth Group (Patmos Room)	Graham came to stay with his parents in Harwood in the summer of 2011, whilst undergoing treatment for leukaemia. He quickly became part of the parish family.
Thursday	9.15am Mass (SB)	Just before Easter, Graham and his family were informed that his treatment had not been successful and that the prognosis was poor.
Friday	7.30am Bolton Prayer Breakfast No Mass today	Cardinal O'Brien decided to ordain Graham in Salford Royal hospital and this took place in a very moving ceremony on Easter Monday.
Saturday	5.30-6pm Reconciliation (SJ) 6.30pm Mass (SJ)	Father Graham died one week later, aged 48, on Monday 16 April. May he rest in peace.
Next	9.15am Mass (SJ)	Graham's funeral will take place at St Brendan's, Harwood with Requiem Mass at 12noon on Monday 23 April and then on Tuesday 24 April
Sunday Good Shepherd Sunday	11.15am Mass (SB) World Day of Prayer for Vocations Collection for Ecclesiastical Education Fund	with Requiem Mass at 12.45 in St Mary's Roman Catholic Cathedral, Edinburgh, prior to burial in "The Priests' Circle" in Mount Vernon Cemetery.
<b>Collections, Donations, Gift Aid</b> All cheques (even for special collections) should be made payable to St Brendan's or St John's as appropriate. If you are a tax-payer, the parish can claim back the tax you have paid on any donations you make if you simply sign a Gift Aid form once. Please ask. Thanks.		Please remember Graham, his family, the Beda College, and the Archdiocese of St Andrews and Edinburgh at this time.

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## CAFOD

### "Give it Up" Collection Boxes

We are collecting the contents of these special boxes this weekend. If you have been using one during Lent, but have forgotten to bring it with you, please bring it to church next weekend. Thanks.

#### Campaign

*Thirst for Change* cards are still available if you have not yet had chance to join in with this campaign.

#### UK Aid

We have about a month to go on this special scheme where the Government will match  $\underline{f}$  for  $\underline{f}$  all donations to CAFOD. So, if you are thinking of making any further contributions, please do so in the next few weeks so that CAFOD gets the benefit of the extra funding. Thanks.

**Sunday Coffee (SJ):** Served after the 9.15 Mass, with all proceeds going to CAFOD. Anyone willing to take a turn making the coffee (approx once every 12 weeks), to fill vacancies which have arisen, please see Margaret Callaghan.

Harbour Room Book Club: The next meeting will be on Wednesday 25 April 1.30-3pm. The designated book is *A Thousand Splendid Suns* by Khaled Hosseini. This is the anniversary meeting in memory of Marie Lamoury who was due to lead the discussion on this novel. Refreshments provided.  $\pounds$ 1. All welcome. Many thanks also to everyone who made our trip to Cheetham's such an enjoyable day (despite the rain!). *Madeleine* 

**Coalition for Marriage:** Please sign the petition at <u>www.C4M.org.uk</u> or in paper form at the back of church.

Church Cleaning (SJ): M O'Kane & G Bamping

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#### **Prayers Please**

Sick: Gladys Hall, Kevan Dunleavy, Mary Leigh, Joan Coles, Isabelle Owen, Laura Shuttleworth, Bill Kay, Ethel Caton, Tony Winstanley, Bernard Edmundson, Jonathan Rimmer, Eunice Brierley, Elizabeth Patterson, Bernard Callaghan, Judith Oldham, Kathleen Humphreys, Betty Boyle, Eileen Jones, Cecilia Guest, Joseph Walton, Jean York, Caroline Vickers, Bill Sharples, George Cowley, Marie Donnelly, Alice Coyne, Robin Tootill, Gerard Walker, Elzie Ball, Karen West, Tricia Jennings, Mick Collins, Alf Isherwood, Bernard & Rita Holder, Michael (six year old), Baby Rose, Calum Russell (baby), Margaret Edge, Frank Brazel, Graham Roberts, Eileen Murphy, Brendan O'Grady, Tommy Lenihan, Pauline Bowling, Paul Buckley, Margaret Walsh, Joan Plumbley, Jane Dent, Emma Turner (12yrs old), Vincent Wood, Margaret Wood, Patrick O'Donnell (new-born baby), Joan Rankin, Bernard Cummings, Guy (3yrs old), Fr Francis McCauley, Maria Stott, Fiona Preston, Kathleen Hopwood, Fabrice Muamba and all who are sick or recovering from serious illness.

Lately Dead: Fr Graham Turner

Anniversary: Monica Shuker, Ian Fazackerley, Jack Jordan

Mass Intentions: Samuel Cooke (Birthday Remembrance), Monica Shuker, Cynthia Winstanley, Philip Blackburn, John Barrett, Special Intention, Ian Fazackerley, Jack Jordan (Anniversary & Birthday Remembrance)

**Cycle of Prayer Part 4 (of 6)**: We pray especially for: new members of the Church; vocations; the right use of the media; the Church; human work

#### **Think Vocations**

Today we hear that St Peter the first Pope bravely preaches the Easter message that Christ is Risen. The present Holy Father is the successor to St Peter and is the leader of the universal Church. As we receive the Eucharist today let us become aware of our place in the universal Church and let us always have a "world" dimension to our understanding of what it is to be Roman Catholic.

