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Newsletter – 15 May 2022 Fifth Sunday of Easter
<b>Sunday</b> – Fifth Sunday of Easter Mass at SL & live-streamed Sun 9:30am Masses at SsPP Sun 8am & Sun 11am
<b>Monday</b> – Easter Weekday No Mass today
<b>Tuesday</b> – Easter Weekday - <i>Day of Prayer for Survivors of Sexual Abuse</i> Mass at SL & live-streamed 6.30pm
<b>Wednesday</b> – Easter Weekday or St John I Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am
<b>Thursday</b> – Easter Weekday or St Dunstan Mass at SsPP 6.30pm
<b>Friday</b> – Easter Weekday or St Bernardine of Siena Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am Whole School Mass at SL 10.30am
<b>Saturday</b> – Easter Weekday or St Christopher Magallenes and Companions Mass at SsPP 12noon Reconciliation: 12.30-1pm at SsPP; 5.45-6.15pm at SL
<b>Sunday</b> – Sixth Sunday of Easter Mass at SL & live-streamed Sat 6.30pm & Sun 9:30am Masses at SsPP Sun 8am & Sun 11am
<b>Live-streaming is via our Facebook page: Our Lady of Hope Parish, Salford</b> ( <a href="https://www.facebook.com/ourladyofhopesalford/">https://www.facebook.com/ourladyofhopesalford/</a> )

Prayers Requested
<b>Sick:</b> All those who are sick at this time
<b>Lately Dead:</b> Patrick Nash, Brian McBride, Margaret Postill, Holger Ortega, Edmund Ellicott
<b>Anniversaries:</b> Patsy Griffin, Peter Kerr, Gerard McKenna, Anthony Rutherford, Letitia Harold
<b>Masses Received:</b> Margaret Postill (LD), Patsy Griffin (A), Deceased Members of the Griffin and Armstrong families, Edmund Ellicott (LD), Anthony Martin (S), Michael Wood (BM), Peter Kerr (A), Gerard McKenna (1st A), Geoffrey Howarth (S), Theresa Doherty (S), Anthony Rutherford (1st A)
<b>Diocesan Prayer Cycle:</b> We pray for the people of the parish of the Holy Family, Denton, and for Fr Christopher Dawson. May people know them to be disciples of the Risen Lord in the love they have for one another.

Reflections for This Week
 <p>We are now closer to Ascension and Pentecost than Easter, but we are still in the Easter Season. The readings this Sunday begin to move us along too, as once more we hear the Lord at the Last Supper preparing his disciples for his departure: he does this by giving them a rule to live by, a new commandment. This commandment, “love one another”, is to be the guiding light of the community of believers after Pentecost (check the first reading for the Second Sunday of Easter) – it is the risen Lord’s parting gift to his Church.</p> <p><b>Marriage Matters: Today is all we have:</b> We as a couple are unique - a one off! No other couple is quite like us. We can share the load, lighten the burden, and double the joys! Jesus said ‘Love one another as I have loved you’. Just as I care for myself, I must care for you too in the same way. Let us celebrate our coupleness.</p> <p><b>Think Vocation:</b> “I give you a new commandment: love one another.” Living in a family or as a Religious in community is not always easy. There is sometimes conflict and misunderstanding but these have to be lived out in Christian love. However, there are many opportunities to grow in our appreciation and understanding of God. Through such experiences, we can become stronger in faith, as well as able to learn about ourselves and other people.</p>

"A beautiful hallmark of the Catholic faith is the profound desire to participate in the Holy Mass and share in the Eucharist."
That is the opening sentence from a statement made by the Bishops of England and Wales in which they invite us, from the 5 June 2022 (The Feast of Pentecost), to return to Sunday Mass. They explain that the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holydays was never removed but that the circumstances of the pandemic were sufficient cause to impede fulfilment of that obligation and for people to stay away. They recognise that some people, for health reasons, will still not feel safe enough to return to Mass but they invite all those who can to begin attending Mass again in person if they have not already done so.
It is noted that 'virtual viewing' of Mass online does not fulfil the Sunday Obligation. It may, however, be a source of continual spiritual comfort to those who cannot attend Mass in person, for example those who are elderly and sick, for whom the obligation does not apply. In this context, the Bishops recognise gratefully the ministry of those who administer Holy Communion to the elderly, sick and housebound. To read the statement in full, go to: <a href="https://www.cbcew.org.uk/spring-plenary-2022-resolution-returning-to-mass-at-pentecost/">https://www.cbcew.org.uk/spring-plenary-2022-resolution-returning-to-mass-at-pentecost/</a>

### Parish Notices

**Confirmation:** Our young people who have been preparing for Confirmation this year will receive this sacrament from Bishop John next Saturday (21 May) in a special service at Salford Cathedral at 2pm. Please keep them in your prayers.

**Pancake Party:** Young people in Year 8 or above are invited to join us for a Pancake Party in the parish centre at St Luke's on Wednesday (18 May) from 6.30pm to 8pm. We will be launching a young people leadership programme that evening. Come and see!

**EEF:** The special collection last weekend for the Priests' Training Fund raised £490.10 and remains open for a further three weeks for any private donations. Many thanks for your generosity.

**Chocolate Bingo:** Thank you to the SsPP UCM and those who supported this event last Sunday which raised £160 for parish funds.

**Art and Craft Afternoon:** On Tuesday 24 May (1-3pm) at Ss Peter and Paul. If you have a hobby/ interest that you are willing to share or would like to try your hand at learning a new one please come along for a chat, cuppa and cake and we will see where we go! Everyone welcome. Ring Liz 736 5768 for further information.

**St. Luke's UCM Afternoon Tea in aid of Francis House Children's Hospice:** Sunday 29 May in the Parish Centre 2pm - 4.30pm. Tickets (£8) are on sale after all Sunday Masses or 'phone Bridie on 0161 312 3692.

### Diocesan Notices

**Survivors of Abuse:** This Tuesday (17 May) is the Day of Prayer in England and Wales for Survivors and Victims of Abuse. We pray that they may come to know, once again, the compassionate love of God and find healing and hope in the risen Lord.

**Walsingham:** Thank you to nearly 500 pilgrims who joined the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham last Saturday. It was good to welcome a group of young people from across the diocese. We also had a group that stayed overnight as well as coaches from all parts of the diocese. Next year's pilgrimage will be on Saturday 6 May. Save the date.

**Mass for LGBTQIA+ Catholics:** The next Diocesan Mass for members of the LGBTQIA+ community and their family and friends will be at St Augustine's Church, Grosvenor Square, Manchester on Saturday 28 May at 4pm. The celebrant and preacher will be Fr Paul Daly. All are welcome.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** 29 July-4 August 2022. Booking via Joe Walsh Tours Ltd. [www.joewalshstours.co.uk](http://www.joewalshstours.co.uk) with further enquiries to be forwarded to [lourdes.pilgrimage@dioceseofsalford.org.uk](mailto:lourdes.pilgrimage@dioceseofsalford.org.uk)

**Heritage Project Jobs:** The Diocese is seeking to appoint to two part-time roles at St John the Baptist RC Church, Rochdale. These are fixed-term contracts until 30/12/2023, with hours to be worked flexibly. A Heritage Project Manager (14 hours per week) and a Heritage Volunteer Activity Coordinator (21 hours per week). Closing date for applications is 12 noon on Monday 23 May 2022. Please visit: [www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies/](http://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies/)

### Monthly Financial Summary – April 2022

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<b>Income</b>	
Offertory - Envelopes	309.50
Offertory – Standing Orders	1994.00
Offertory – Online or Bank Transfer	100.00
Offertory – Loose Money & Cheques	4534.02
Church Boxes (Piety/Votives/Almanacs)	250.15
Ministry (Baptism/Marriage/Funeral)	1070.00
Fundraising (500 Club)	548.66
Other Income (Donations/Rents/Refunds)	821.56
Interest (Current & Deposit Accounts)	14.03
Gift Aid Tax Reclaim (Estimated) [See below]	1523.53
<b>Total Monthly Income</b>	<b>11165.45</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>	
Churches	2530.16
Presbyteries	1301.87
Parish Centre (Insurance)	72.65
Clergy	816.73
Diocesan Levy	823.86
Charges (Bank & for Web Donations)	165.74
<b>Total Monthly Expenditure</b>	<b>5711.01</b>
<b>Balances [Excluding Restricted Funds]</b>	
Opening Balance (Current & Deposit)	51518.88
Balance of Income/Expenditure	5454.44
Closing Balance	56973.32
<b>Balances [Restricted Funds]</b>	
Helping Hand Fund	1437.21
Lourdes (For Young People)	500.00
Poor Box	118.65
Mass Intentions	365.00
<b>Total Restricted Funds Held</b>	<b>2420.86</b>

**Gift Aid Tax Reclaim Estimate:** It was suggested that we should include in the monthly figures an estimate of how much tax can be reclaimed on the donations given in the month (even though the claim is made annually). So this is a notional figure within the totals and balances shown here. However, it serves the purpose of demonstrating how much extra money the parish can gain if all those who pay tax were to gift aid their donations. Please consider it.

### Donate by QR Code



Our Lady of Hope, Salford

Scanning this on your mobile phone will direct you to a website where you can donate money to our parish. The money will be transferred to the parish account once a month. You can also select to gift aid your donation.

### Bank Details (for Standing Orders or BACS):

TSDT Our Lady of Hope 50317403 20 55 34

**Cheques:** Payable to Our Lady of Hope  
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### Next Week's Newsletter: Margaret Haydock

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