



**St Luke**, Swinton Park Rd, Irlams o'th' Height, Salford M6 7WR  
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**Newsletter – 16 April 2023**  
**Second Sunday of Easter**

**Sunday** – Second Sunday of Easter – *Divine Mercy Sunday*  
 Masses at SL & live-streamed Sat 6.30pm & Sun 9.30am  
 Masses at SsPP Sun 8am & 11am

**Monday** – Easter Weekday  
 No Mass today

**Tuesday** – Easter Weekday  
 Mass at SL & live-streamed 6.30pm

**Wednesday** – Easter Weekday  
 Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am

**Thursday** – Easter Weekday  
 Rosary at SsPP 6pm; Mass at SsPP 6.30pm

**Friday** – Easter Weekday or St Anselm  
 Requiem Mass for Dennis O'Malley at SL 9.30am

**Saturday** – Easter Weekday  
 Mass at SsPP 12noon  
 Reconciliation 12.30-1pm at SsPP; 5.45-6.15pm at SL

**Sunday** – Third Sunday of Easter  
 Masses at SL & live-streamed Sat 6.30pm & Sun 9.30am  
 Masses at SsPP Sun 8am & 11am

**Live-stream:** [www.facebook.com/ourladyofhopesalford/](http://www.facebook.com/ourladyofhopesalford/)

**Prayers Requested**

**Sick:** All who are sick at this time, especially Pope Francis and John McDermottroe

**Lately Dead:** Margaret Gallagher, Rita Owens, Clare Bruce, Archie Swift, Ginette Daly, Fr Bernard Charnock, Rosaleen Fletcher, Dennis O'Malley, Fr Peter Haverty, Alan Chapman

**Masses Received:** Archie Swift (LD), Colin Ferguson (A), Rosaleen Fletcher (LD), Pauline Bryan (A), Dennis O'Malley (LD), James Howarth (A), SsPP UCM, Alan Chapman (LD)

**Diocesan Prayer Cycle:** We pray for the people of the parish of St Dunstan and St John Vianney, Moston, for Fr Martin Saunders, their parish priest, for St Matthew's High School and its parish primary school. May they profess with Thomas 'My Lord and my God.'

**Next Week's Newsletter**

Please send notices before Wednesday  
 Email: [newsletter@ourladyofhope.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@ourladyofhope.org.uk)

**Reflections for This Week**

***Eight days later, Jesus came***

When the Word is proclaimed, it is real and active – the Lord is present, and what is described is, in a sense, happening now. Often people forget that Easter is not just a day, but a season - the longest in the Church's year, in fact! We are given fifty glorious days of Spring and Summer to prolong our baptismal joy, fifty glorious days of basking in the light of the risen Saviour. It seems a shame that after the efforts we put into Lent we don't celebrate Eastertide with the same enthusiasm. The readings of this Season have their origins in the instruction given to converts in the early Church: in Lent, the readings were the basis of catechesis on the forthcoming baptism; in Easter the readings are "Mystagogy" - a type of teaching where the newly baptised ("neophytes") learn through taking part in the celebration of the sacraments and hearing the word. On the Sundays we hear who Jesus is, and on weekdays hear about Baptism and the Eucharist. This "Mystagogy" is not just to nourish the neophytes, but to help all of us deepen our life in the risen Lord Jesus. This Sunday we are with the disciples in the Upper Room, where eight days after the Resurrection Jesus comes among them - as he comes among us

**Marriage Matters: *Togetherness:*** Our 'togetherness' in what we do and say is a 'sign' of our love and a source of joy for us. Sometimes, like Thomas, we can be stubborn, with an attitude of 'I'll believe it when I see it' creating a sense of separation and distance. But together we have the power to stop, reflect, be forgiven, and begin again.

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**Diocesan Synod Prayer**

Loving Father, be with us as we seek new ways of being your people in our Diocese. May each new day bring us closer to your son Jesus, as we follow his teaching and become disciples of love. As we continue our Synodal Journey, draw us closer to each other. May the truth of your Spirit enlighten us. Open our hearts, as we listen to each other and reach out in love to your people. Stay with us, Lord, on our journey, Amen.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Pray for Us.

St Joseph. Pray for Us.

**Parish Notices**

**Funeral:** There is a Requiem Mass for Dennis O'Malley on Friday at St Luke at 9.30am. May he rest in peace.

**Parish Craft Group:** The recent mini-Easter sale raised £108 for Parish funds. The group next meets on Tuesday 18th April at 1pm at St Peter and Paul when we will begin making items for the Summer Fair. Why not come along, see what goes on and enjoy a cuppa and cake - all welcome.

**Mikron Theatre Company:** Presents 'Twitchers' at St Luke's Parish Centre (Swinton Park Rd, Irlams o' th' Height, M6 7WR) on Wednesday 19 April at 7.30pm. Tickets £12. To book your seat contact 07793 206251 or rita@mcnassociates.org.uk or buy online [www.mikron.org.uk](http://www.mikron.org.uk). The proceeds from this event will raise money for Salford Loaves & Fishes.

**Deanery & Diocesan Notices**

**Divine Mercy Sunday:** On Sunday 16 April, the Parish of St James and All Souls (Heywood Way, Salford, M6 5UJ) will have a Divine Mercy Mass with Devotions and confessions beforehand, from 2pm-4pm. All are welcome.



**Mass for Vocations to the Priesthood:** The next Mass will take place at 7pm on Friday 21 April at Salford Cathedral. All are very welcome to attend. To find out more, please visit: [www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/monthly-vocations-masses/](http://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/monthly-vocations-masses/)

**Women Saints and Spirituality:** Our next session takes place on Friday 21 April (10am-12.30pm) at Wardley Hall, Worsley, Manchester, M28 2ND and has a special focus on Catherine of Siena. Contact Sister Joan Kerley at [joankfmsj@gmail.com](mailto:joankfmsj@gmail.com) or 07934 816 796 to reserve a place. Find out more at [www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/women-saints-and-spirituality/](http://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/women-saints-and-spirituality/)

**Walsingham 2023:** The annual diocesan pilgrimage takes place on Saturday 20 May. The cost is £45 for the day trip, £134 for an overnight stay in a Standard room and £150 for an En-Suite room. For more information, call 0161 817 2214 or email [walsingham.pilgrimage@dioceseofsalford.org.uk](mailto:walsingham.pilgrimage@dioceseofsalford.org.uk) and for our Youth Pilgrimage email [youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk](mailto:youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk).

**Lourdes Pilgrimage:** Travel and accommodation booking is now available for this Summer's pilgrimage to Lourdes (28 July to 3 Aug), led by Bishop John Arnold. Full details are available on the pilgrimage website: [www.salfordlourdes.co.uk](http://www.salfordlourdes.co.uk). All bookings and enquiries can be made via Joe Walsh Tours, (ATOL 11313) on 0808 189 0468, or by email: [info@joewalstours.co.uk](mailto:info@joewalstours.co.uk)

**Caritas Vacancy: Bank Art/Activity Tutor:** Cornerstone Day Centre in Hulme is launching a new Arts Programme and has an exciting opportunity for Art Practitioner's to run an Arts Project at the Centre for people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. The tutor will plan, deliver and evaluate an arts/activity project on a weekly basis over an agreed period. The art/activity session will be 2 hours of delivery and 1 hour for preparation and planning. The sessions are designed to improve people's skills, confidence and well-being of people and to deliver an outcome that will showcase people's skills and talents. You can view the full job description [here](#). Bank rate SC16 £14.34 per hour (plus holiday pay accrued pro-rata). Please visit: <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/team-view/bank-art-activity-tutor-manchester/> to apply. The closing date is Monday 8 May 2023.

**Monthly Financial Summary – March 2023**

<b>Income</b>	
Offertory - Envelopes	220.00
Offertory – Standing Orders	1979.00
Offertory – Online or Bank Transfer*	359.00
Offertory – Loose Money & Cheques	3291.90
Church Boxes (Piety/Votives/Almanacs)	289.58
Ministry (Baptism/Marriage/Funeral)	1208.00
Fundraising (500 Club/Concert/ St Pat's)	1098.10
Other Income (Donations/Rents/Refunds)	45.00
Interest (Current & Deposit Accounts)*	0.00
<b>Total Monthly Income</b>	<b>8490.58</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>	
Churches	2748.51
Presbyteries	3217.00
Parish Centre (Insurance)	87.11
Clergy	818.78
Fundraising (500 Club Prizes)	440.00
Diocesan Levy	1362.82
Charges (Bank & for Web Donations)*	7.82
<b>Total Monthly Expenditure</b>	<b>8682.04</b>
<b>Balances [Excluding Restricted Funds]</b>	
Opening Balance (Current & Deposit)	85189.40
Balance of Income/Expenditure	-191.46
Closing Balance	84997.94
<b>Balances [Restricted Funds]</b>	
Helping Hand Fund	2030.02
Youth Pilgrimage Fund	3030.00
Poor Box	45.12
Mass Intentions	680.00
Other items not paid over yet	0.00
<b>Total Restricted Funds Held</b>	<b>5785.14</b>
Gift Aid Tax Reclaim (Estimated)	639.50

*\*Some unavailable March figures will be added in April*

**Financially Supporting Our Parish**

**Contactless:** The Dona machines enable you to make donations with your card or mobile phone and to gift-aid them

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

TSDT Our Lady of Hope 50317403 20 55 34

**Cheques:** Payable to Our Lady of Hope

**Gift Aid:** If you are a taxpayer and complete a declaration, the parish can claim an extra 25p for every £1 you donate

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