

Newsletter - 25 June 2023

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday – Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass at SL & live-streamed Sat 6.30pm & Sun 9.30am Masses at SsPP Sun 8am & 11am

Monday – Weekday No Mass today

Tuesday – Weekday or St Cyril of Alexandria

Mass at SL & live-streamed 6.30pm

Wednesday - St Irenaeus

Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am

Thursday - Ss Peter & Paul (Solemnity) - Holyday of Obligation

Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am (School attending) Rosary at SsPP 6pm; Mass at SsPP 6.30pm

Friday – Weekday or The First Martyrs of the Roman Church Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am

Saturday – Weekday or St Oliver Plunkett or Our Lady on Saturday

Mass at SsPP 12noon

Reconciliation 12.30-1pm at SsPP; 5.45-6.15pm at SL

Sunday – Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – *Special Collection for Peter's Pence*

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Live-stream: www.facebook.com/ourladyofhopesalford/

Prayers Requested

Sick: All who are sick, especially John McDermottroe and Oliver Peyton

Lately Dead: Gerald Millward, Anne Bates, Joan Rochford, Marg Davis, Mary Camateras, Ann McNulty, Frances Silcock, Alan O'Donnell, Rosemary Horne

Anniversaries: Kathleen Elizabeth Lea, Richard McGrath, John the Baptist van Thi Nguyen

Masses Received: For Job, For Health of Parents, Kathleen Elizabeth Lea (A), John McCabe, Anthony Hudson (B), Richard McGrath (A), Rosemary Horne (LD), John the Baptist van Thi Nguyen (A)

Diocesan Prayer Cycle: We pray for the parish of the Three Martyrs: St Sebastian, St Boniface and St Thomas of Canterbury, for Fr Alphonsus Anaele, their parish priest, for the Spiritans, the Christian Brothers, and the parish primary schools. May they be a people who proclaim from the housetops that God is love.



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Reflections for This Week

Do not be afraid of those who kill the body

Today's Gospel turns our thoughts to the strange phenomenon of persecution: throughout the history of mankind, the truth has been a commodity that often leads to persecution: the prophets of the Old Testament were attacked because of their message, as was the Lord Jesus himself. For his followers, the same may be true. The point of the readings is not simply to face up to the reality of the opposition the Gospel may meet, but to remember where the truth of the Gospel comes from: The Father in heaven, who knows us and values us so we can be confirmed in our mission to witness to the truth, not fearing those who merely kill the body.

Marriage Matters: Fear Conceals Itself: How easy to become paranoid, to wonder what others might be saying about us. These aspects can be present outside our relationship and within it; at their core is fear! Jesus continuously exhorts the Twelve, "do not be afraid...every hair on your head has been counted". Living our life now in Christ, we will not fear what others think.

Think Vocation: Let us pray that those who God is calling to serve Him in the priesthood or consecrated religious life, will not be afraid to follow Him and preach the Gospel from the rooftops.

First Holy Communion

Let us pray for all the children who are celebrating their First Holy Communion in our parish. 18/25 June, 2 July at St Luke's and 9 July at Ss Peter & Paul's.

Help us to guide and support the children who are celebrating this sacrament. God bless them and their families.

Financially Supporting Our Parish

Contactless: The Dona machines (card or mobile phone) **Bank Details:** TSDT Our Lady of Hope 50317403 20 55 34

Cheques: Payable to Our Lady of Hope Diocese of Salford Registered Charity 250037

Next Week's Newsletter: Jan McIntyre
Please send notices before Wednesday
Email: newsletter@ourladyofhope.org.uk

Parish Notices

Holyday: Thursday of this week is a Holyday of Obligation, as we celebrate the Solemnity of Ss Peter & Paul. We will have 9.30am Mass at St Luke's, in addition to our usual 6.30pm Thursday Mass at Ss Peter & Paul.

Peter's Pence: Next weekend we will have a special collection for Peter's Pence which funds the Pope's charitable work.

Day for Life: Thank you for the special collection at our Masses last weekend. This raised £433.79 in the baskets and a further £30 via the Dona machines.

Helping Hand Fund: Thank you for further donations (cash & via Dona) amounting to £90.

Ss Peter & Paul UCM: Thank you to the UCM for £150 donated to parish funds from the recent Cake Sale.

Parish Craft Group: The next meeting of the group will be on Tuesday 27 June from 1-3pm at Ss Peter & Paul. All welcome!

Flower Arranging: Please note the next class is on Wednesday 28 June (1-3pm) at Ss Peter & Paul's. Veronica will do a display. Everybody welcome. Enjoy a cup of tea and cake.

Music for a Summer Evening: 7.30pm, 1 July, at St Luke Parish Centre. An evening of music and song with something for everyone - including familiar classics, songs from musicals, jazz, pop and everything in between. Tickets (£5 each) are now on sale at both churches or pay on the door. Families welcome.

Summer Draw: Tickets are now available in the porch at both churches in books of 5 for £2. If you can provide a prize, please sign up on the list in the porch at either church. It is a great help if you can return the counterfoils in an envelope and place in the box in the porch. The draw will take place at the Summer Fair. Thanks for your support!

Parish Summer Fair: 16 July at 2pm at Ss Peter and Paul. We are now beginning to collect items for the Fair. We need Fancy Goods, bottles, chocolate and books. There is a box at the back of each church for you to place your donations. There will be a 'drop off' session on 15 July for cakes and plants. We also need helpers on the day - tea and coffee makers urgently needed and if you are able to 'float' between stalls on the day that would be really helpful. Please contact Joan on 07787 526972 with offers of help. Thank you.

Quiz Night: St Luke's Parish Centre, Fridays, 8.30pm. Come and test your knowledge and enjoy some (very!) friendly banter. If your team wins, your prize will be knowing you are cleverer than the rest of them! No limit to team size. All welcome.

500 Club

Congratulations to our recent winners:

April: Marie Murphy (61) £142; Peter Carroll (214) £72; Kath Connell (57) £72

May: Beryl Wakefield (96) £142; Katy Ferguson (227) £72; Dave McGrath (35) £72

June: Rita McNamara (139) £142; Gincy George (76) £72; Anne Lloyd (14) £72

Please note that, for those who pay by standing order, prize money will be paid into your bank account.

Communion Under Both Kinds - Catechetical Reflection Two

Catholic belief is that the bread and wine we bring to the Altar are changed into the Body and Blood of Jesus. They do not simply represent Jesus or make him present just whilst the service is going on. They become his body and blood permanently. This is why we treat them with great respect and keep what is not consumed in the tabernacle.

The technical term for the change in the bread and wine is Transubstantiation. This means that they retain their outward appearance and all the material properties of bread and wine but their substance (what they are in essence) is changed. Obviously, this is a matter of Faith and not something that science can either prove or deny.

We also believe that Jesus is fully present in either the host or the precious blood, so in receiving either we receive Jesus "body, blood, soul and divinity" (as the Catechism says). However, the sign of receiving him fully is greater when we receive Communion under both kinds, so we should do so whenever that is possible.

Diocesan Notices

Ukrainian Flood Appeal: The Ukrainian Catholic Church in Great Britain has shared details of a fund to provide humanitarian aid to all those who have lost their homes and livelihoods as a result of the destruction of the Nova Kakhovka dam in the Kherson region of Ukraine. Any help you are able to give at this time would be greatly appreciated. Find out more at https://www.gofundme.com/f/nova-kakhovka-fundraiser-for-humanitarian-aid

Bury Convent Grammar School "Old Girls" Reunion: Thursday 6 July, 6pm at Holy Cross College, Manchester Road, Bury, BL9 9BB. Holy Cross College in Bury, formerly Bury Convent Grammar School, is hosting a reunion on Thursday 6th July from 6pm. The school was founded by the Daughters of the Cross in 1878 and continues to thrive as a large mixed 6th form today maintaining its distinctive ethos and celebrating the Catholic life and mission of the Daughters. Tours of the site and light refreshments will be provided. The event is free, but tickets will be required to monitor numbers. Tickets can be found at www.ticketsource.co.uk/holycrosscollege

Young Adults Mass: Sunday 9 July, 5.30pm at St Augustine's RC Church, Grosvenor Square, Manchester, M15 6BW. The Diocese of Salford's Youth Ministry Team is delighted to welcome pilgrims attending World Youth Day to its next Young Adults Mass. Fr Joe Gee will preside and preach at the Mass, which will also act as a pre-departure Mass for our World Youth Day pilgrims. All are welcome to attend as we pray for all those joining this year's pilgrimage and gather together for pizza and social time after Mass.

Diocesan Vacancies: For details of any posts please visit: https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies/

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