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Newsletter – 23 July 2023
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday – Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - <i>Day of Prayer for Grandparents and Elderly People</i> Mass at SL & live-streamed Sat 6.30pm & Sun 9.30am Masses at SsPP Sun 8am & 11am
Monday – Weekday or St Sharbel Makhoulouf No Mass today
Tuesday – St James (Feast) Mass at SL & live-streamed 6.30pm
Wednesday – Ss Joachim and Anne, Parents of the BVM Requiem Mass for Oliver Peyton at SL 9.30am
Thursday - Weekday Rosary at SsPP 6pm; Mass at SsPP 6.30pm
Friday – Weekday <i>Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Departs</i> Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am
Saturday – Ss Martha, Mary and Lazarus Mass at SsPP 12noon Reconciliation 12.30-1pm at SsPP; 5.45-6.15pm at SL
Sunday – Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Masses at SL & live-streamed Sat 6.30pm & Sun 9.30am Masses at SsPP Sun 8am & 11am
Live-stream: www.facebook.com/ourladyofhopesalford/

Prayers Requested
Sick: All who are sick, especially John McDermottroe
Lately Dead: Oliver Peyton, Ambrosmar Gamotin, David Fallon, Ray Nichols
Anniversaries: Anna Shalliker, James Hayes, Michael Casey Sr, Michael Casey Jr
Masses Received: Anna Shalliker (A), James Hayes (A), Michael Casey Sr (A), Michael Casey Jr (A), Julie Webster (BM), Kevin Robbin, Alan Roberts, Jack & Bridget Sloyan, Thomas & Sarah McMannimon, Madge, Merion, James & John Roberts, In thanksgiving to Our Lady & the Sacred Heart, Fr John Williams, For my sisters & my children, Deceased of the parish, Special Intention, Pat Williams (B), Nichols Family, Ray Nichols (LD)
Diocesan Prayer Cycle: We pray for the people of the parish of St Augustine, Manchester, with Fr Michael Deas, their parish priest, and their parish primary school. We pray for the Jesuit community at the Holy Name, for the Catholic Chaplaincy to the Manchester Universities and the Catholic Chaplaincy at the Manchester Hospitals, and for the Daughters of Charity. May they be guided by the Spirit of God who helps us in our weakness.
Lourdes Pilgrimage: We pray that this may be a time of blessing for the pilgrims and for our whole diocese.

Reflections for This Week
<i>Let them both grow till the harvest</i>
There is no room in a good field for weeds and rubbish: so in the Kingdom of Heaven, there is no room for 'all things that provoke offences, and all who do evil'. They must be got rid of, for the sake of the good wheat, for the sake of the good subjects of the kingdom. But this weeding out will not take place until harvest time - in case one piece of good wheat is destroyed with the weeds. This shows the mercy of God: everyone has chance after chance to prove that they are wheat, not darnel; there are no quick judgements in the kingdom of heaven, and things are never as black and white as we think. Only at the end of time will evil stand out clearly, so that it can be disposed of, and only the Son of Man can judge.
Marriage Matters: Attentive listening: The Gospel today raises questions about our ability 'to listen'. We easily hear criticism in a comment, or a question which often puts us at odds with each other. But if we listen with our hearts, in the way Jesus commanded us to do, we are enabled, in all our relationships, to follow His command "...listen, anyone who has ears".
Think Vocation: We pray that with dedicated spirits, we will beg the Lord of the Harvest to provide an abundance of vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life in our diocese who will help gather the wheat of souls into His barn.

Father Mark
We congratulate Father Mark as he celebrates the sixth anniversary of his ordination this weekend. Please keep him in your prayers as he prepares to become Parish Priest of St Winifred's, Heaton Mersey, Stockport in September.

Father Emmanuel
This weekend, hopefully, our new priest will concelebrate the two Sunday morning Masses at Ss Peter and Paul. Next weekend he will concelebrate the Masses at St Luke's.

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 <i>Diocese of Salford Registered Charity 250037</i>

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

World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly: This Sunday is the Third World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly, falling close to the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, grandparents of Jesus. To mark this year's celebration, Pope Francis presents each of us with a challenge to foster "joyful and renewed encounter" across all generations, and to make a special gesture to reach out to grandparents and the elderly. As part of this, Pope Francis has granted a Plenary Indulgence for those who visit their grandparents, or elderly or housebound friends, neighbours, or relatives. Visit the Holy See's website at <https://shorturl.at/cjmA9> to read more. For further information, resources, and prayers to mark this special day, please visit www.cbcew.org.uk/world-day-grandparents-elderly/

Funeral: There is a Requiem Mass for Oliver Peyton on Wednesday at St Luke's at 9.30am. May he rest in peace.

World Youth Day: Thank you for your support last weekend for the three young people from our parish who will be attending the World Youth Day in Lisbon this August. Between their raffle and the collection baskets, they raised £945.35. This means they have raised about a third of the cost through that appeal and raffle. We are also supporting them with £300 each from the Youth Pilgrimage Fund (established last year when Fr Mark did his sponsored cycle to Lourdes) and they have also been given £100 each by a parishioner. That leaves roughly a third of the cost for them to contribute themselves.

Save the Date 1: Ss Peter & Paul's UCM are holding an Afternoon Tea. Sunday 10 September at St Luke's Parish Hall 2pm until 4pm. Everybody welcome. Tickets will be on sale soon.

Save the Date 2: Friday, 22 September, Jazz and Pop Classics, St Luke's Parish Centre. Further details to follow.

Church Heating (SL): This week we received a cheque for £4900 from the Benefact Trust as a contribution towards the cost of our new heating system. This was applied for by our Diocesan Grant and Bid Writer, who has also applied to another fund on our behalf towards the cost of the new roof on the sacristy (Fingers Crossed!). As you know, the old heating system has been removed and the roofing work is completed. We were told this week that the manufacturer hopes to have the new heating unit ready by the end of August and then the contractor will begin the installation in early September. So, we should be able to look forward to a warmer winter than the last two!

Summer Holidays: As our schools have now broken up for the summer, we wish all who are involved in them a good relaxing break. We thank all members of staff for all their professional dedication and hard work during the last academic year.

We pray for all our Year 6 pupils, Year 11 pupils and our Sixth Form students who are moving on. We ask that they may be given guidance and encouragement as they continue their journeys.

Many of you will be setting off on holiday over the coming weeks. Whether you are staying in this country, or travelling overseas, we wish you a safe journey and we hope that the sun will shine!

Communion Under Both Kinds

We have had five catechetical reflections so far and there are four more to go. However, given we are entering into the holiday season, we will hold those over until September and then reconsider what to do about Communion under both kinds in October.

Summer Fair and Draw

The Grand Total raised was £3594. This is a wonderful amount to be shared between the Parish and the School. Thank you to everybody who contributed, helped and came to enjoy themselves on the day. Everyone deserves a round of applause! Thank you.

Summer Draw: This was tremendously well supported both by prize givers and those who purchased tickets. All winners have been notified and there is a list of winners in the porch at both churches. Thank you!

Mystery Winner: At the Summer Fair, the raffle for the large bottle of whiskey was won by ticket number 1-5. If you have this ticket, please ring Joan on 07787 526972. Thank you.

Other Winners are as follows:

- Pick a meal was 'Mac and cheese' and was won by Jean
- Name the dolls was Katy and Sarah and won by Elsie

Diocesan Notices

Lourdes Pilgrimage: The Diocese of Salford Lourdes Pilgrimage Team invites you to join them for this year's Pre-Departure Mass. Bishop John will lead the Mass at 5.30pm on Sunday 23 July at St Bernadette's, 436 Bury New Road, Whitefield M45 7SX. All are welcome to attend the Mass and to stay for refreshments afterwards.

Details of the pilgrimage and how to follow it on social media can be found at <https://www.salfordlourdes.co.uk/> and some of the events can be viewed on the Lourdes TV channel (<https://www.lourdes-france.org/en/>) or YouTube.

Deanery Synod Holy Hours: Bishop John is currently leading a Holy Hour for our Diocesan Synod in each Deanery. All are invited to attend any of these times of prayer as we embark on our Diocesan Synod asking the Holy Spirit to enlighten us on this next stage of our journey. The time of prayer will include hymns, silence, scripture, and a reflection from Bishop John on the vision for our Synod. The final three are:
Deanery of St John Vianney (Burnley) - Tuesday 25 July, 7-8pm – St Mary's Church, Todmorden Rd, Burnley BB10 4AU
Deanery of St Ambrose Barlow (South Manchester) - Wednesday 26 July, 7-8pm - Our Lady's Church, Raby St, Manchester M16 7DJ
Deanery of St Chad (North Manchester) - Thursday 27 July, 7-8pm – St Patrick's Church, Livesey St, Manchester M4 5HF

Diocesan Vacancies: There are currently three replacement roles being recruited: A Safeguarding Administrator (Full-time; permanent) and an Administrator (Part-time; permanent) based at Cathedral Centre, and a Parish Centre Manager (Full-time; permanent) based at St Kentigern's, Fallowfield.

For details of these posts please visit:

<https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies/>