

# Newsletter – 22 October 2023 Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Sunday** – Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – *World Mission Sunday* – *Special Collection for Missio*Masses at SL & live-streamed Sat 6.30pm & Sun 9.30am
Masses at SSPP Sun 8am & 11am

## **CHURCH CLOSURE**

St Luke's church will be closed again this week (Monday to Saturday), with the Weekday Masses transferred to Ss Peter and Paul. Hopefully, this should be the last closure week.

**Monday** – Weekday or St John of Capistrano No Mass today

**Tuesday** – Weekday or St Anthony Mary Claret Mass at SsPP 9.30am – *Note morning rather than evening* 

**Wednesday** – Weekday Mass at SsPP 9.30am

**Thursday** – Weekday or Ss Chad & Cedd Rosary at SsPP 6pm; Mass at SsPP 6.30pm

**Friday** – Weekday Mass at SsPP 9.30am

Saturday - Ss Simon & Jude

Mass at SsPP 12noon

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

Clocks go back one hour tonight

**Sunday** – Thirtieth 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:** Mike Gilbert, Peter Carroll and all who are sick.

**Lately Dead:** Kathleen Cardwell, Stanley Fearnehough, Laura Nzemezie, Valentine Cleary

Anniversaries: Chris Roberts

**Masses Received:** Chris Roberts (A), Valentine Cleary (LD), Alan Roberts, Kitty Basha, Thanksgiving to Our Lady, Deceased Members of the Sloyan & Roberts family, Gabrielle Jones (S)

**Diocesan Prayer Cycle:** We pray for the people of the parish of the Sacred Heart and St Francis, Gorton, for their parish priest, Fr Kevin Murphy, and for Deacon Davie Nalikata. We pray for their parish primary schools and for the Franciscan Missionaries of St Joseph. May they give the Lord glory and power.

Deanery Holy Hour for Peace in the Holy Land
Wednesday 25 October at 7pm
Holy Cross Church, 370 Liverpool Street, Eccles M30 8QD
Spend time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament
with Readings, Meditations and Music
All are welcome



St Luke, Swinton Park Rd, Irlams o'th' Height, Salford M6 7WR
Ss Peter and Paul, Park Road, Pendleton, Salford M6 8JR
Parish Priest: Canon Michael Cooke (Vicar General)
Assistant Priest: Father Emmanuel Chukwujekwu HFFBY
Tel: 0161 736 2696 Email: priests@ourladyofhope.org.uk
Parish Website: www.ourladyofhope.org.uk

## **Reflections for This Week**

Everyone on this earth belongs to God. All are made in his image. Therefore, it is right that all men and women, 'from the rising to the setting of the sun', should know the God to whom they belong. The only desire of our God is that all should know and love him, and find in him the fulfilment that they seek. Even a pagan king like Cyrus is used to further this knowledge of God - just as Jesus uses Caesar's head to make the point again: all belong to God, and the mission of all who acknowledge that belonging is to help others to find it. This is exactly what we see Paul, Silvanus and Timothy doing, as they write to the people of Thessalonica, to whom they carried the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Marriage Matters: We all need each other: The Pharisees tried to trap Jesus: He told them to give to Caesar what belongs to him, "and to God what belongs to God". The world tells us to look after ourselves and not to need others. As married couples, we know that we are made by God for one another, not needy but needing to give of ourselves entirely.

**Think Vocation:** "Give to God what belongs to God." Our very lives belong to the Lord. Let us be open, with the Blessed Virgin, for them to be disposed to His will: "Be it done to me according to thy word."

# **World Mission Sunday**

In his message for World Mission Sunday, Pope Francis encourages us all to set hearts ablaze with God's love and compassion for 'everyone has the right to receive the Gospel and we as Christ's followers have the duty to proclaim it without excluding anyone.'

Donations and prayers on this day have a direct impact on Catholic communities overseas where the Church is too young, too small, or too poor to flourish without help from the rest of the Church. Thank you for your ongoing support of Missio through prayer and charity. For more information about World Mission Sunday and how you can get involved, please visit https://missio.org.uk/world-mission-sunday-2023/

# Diocesan Synod – The Big Listen

This weekend, Lisa Walker and Ian Gifford (the synod members for our parish) will be speaking briefly at the 9.30am and 11am Masses about how we will be undertaking the first stage of the Synod – The Big Listen. In his Pastoral Letter last weekend, Bishop John encouraged us all to take part in this ourselves and to find ways of involving other people who perhaps don't come to church very often.

#### **Parish Notices**

**CAFOD:** Thank you for further contributions amounting to £150 (including via the Dona machines) bringing the total raised to £797.65 to support the work of CAFOD.

**Mikron:** Thank you to all who organised and supported the Mikron Theatre Company production on Wednesday evening. It raised £490.75 for parish funds. Much appreciated.

**Christmas:** cards, candles, Mass cards and advent calendars are now available at the Piety Stall at the back of each church.

**Flower Arranging:** Our next Flower Arranging is on Wednesday 25 October (1-3pm). Everybody welcome at Ss Peter & Paul's.

**Celebration for Fr Mark:** Fr Mark will join us for the 6.30pm Mass next Saturday (28 October) followed by some light refreshments in the parish centre. The following Friday (3 November) he will be having his Mass of Induction at his new parish at 7pm. All are welcome.

Parish Craft Group: The next meeting of the craft group will be on Tuesday 31 October at Ss Peter and Paul (1-3pm), Why not come along and join in making items for the forthcoming Christmas Fair? Tea and cake always available!

**Ruby Jubilee:** Plans are underway for the celebration of Fr Michael's 40 years of priesthood. There will be a special Mass at St Luke's at 3pm on Sunday 5 November (his actual anniversary) followed by refreshments in the parish centre. There is an open invitation to parishioners to attend.

**Parish Meeting:** On Wednesday 8 November (7.30pm to 9pm) we will have a meeting that is open to all members of the parish. It will be a chance to be updated on various aspects of parish life and the work of the Parish Advisory and Coordinating Team. We will meet in the parish centre.

**Ecumenical Quiz:** The Churches on the Height are organising a Quiz Night and Raffle on Friday 10 November at 7.30pm in our parish centre (at St Luke's). Admission is £4 per person and the proceeds will go to CAFOD and Christian Aid,

Mass of Remembrance: This year's Remembrance Mass will be at Ss Peter & Paul's on Saturday 11 November at 12noon. There will be a list at the back of both churches; if you would like to have your deceased family or friend remembered during the Mass, please add them to our list. Refreshments will be available after Mass. All welcome. *The Bereavement Group* 

**Confirmation 2024:** If you still need to obtain a form, please contact the priests either in person after Mass, by email at <a href="mailto:priests@ourladyofhope.org.uk">priests@ourladyofhope.org.uk</a> or phone on 0161 736 2696.

Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: Names are now being taken for the parish pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Date 24th – 31st October 2024. A poster is available at the back of each church. For further information and booking form please contact Kathleen Playfair on 07910 050514 or k18ucm@gmail.com

# **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

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### Wrap Up Salford 2023

WE NEED YOUR THICK, WARM, CLEAN WINTER COATS for all ages: IF THEY'RE WATERPROOF THAT'S A BONUS! Please make sure that coats have intact linings and working buttons, zips etc. They are being given as gifts to people and families who cannot afford to replace any existing coat and often have no winter coat at all. Please note that it is only coats that are being collected, not any other clothing items.

Collection boxes for the coats will remain in both churches until next weekend (28/29 October). Your help will be much appreciated. Every coat counts in our quest to provide warmth to the homeless, those in need and families in crisis.

## Warm a Heart, Give a Coat

www.wrapupuk.org

### **Deanery and Diocesan Notices**

Walk for Young Adults: Saturday 28 October, 11am starting at English Martyrs Church, Whalley. Join Salford Youth and Young Adults Ministry for a day of faith and friendship in the beautiful Lancashire countryside! This October, the team is delighted to present a fabulous walk for young adults along the stunning 9km Tolkien Trail. The day begins with 11am Mass at English Martyrs Church, Whalley (BB7 9TN). Car shares are available upon request. Email youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk to find out more or visit https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/young-adults-walk/

**St James' Hub:** Youth 2000 Holy Hour on Sunday 29 October (Last Sunday of each month) 5.30-6.30pm Holy Hour followed by a social with food until 8.30pm. Young Saints, Guest Speaker: Anya Garth. For Young Adults aged 18 to 35. St James, Pendleton Way, Salford M6 5JA.

Diocesan Young Adults Mass - The Big Listen: Sunday 12 November, 5.30pm at St Augustine's Church, Grosvenor Square, Manchester, M15 6BW. Young adults from across the diocese are invited to join us this November as we turn our attention to our diocesan synod at our next monthly Mass. Fr David Yates, Director of Salford Youth and Young Adults Ministry, will lead our celebration of Mass before handing over to our young adult synod representatives, who will conduct The Big Listen exercise for our diocesan synod. Find out more at:

https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/young-adults-nov-23/

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## **Next Week's Newsletter:**

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