

Diocesan Notices

Lenten School of Prayer: This takes place on the Tuesdays of Lent (10.30am-12.30pm) at Our Lady and the Lancashire Martyrs, Little Hulton (M28 0DL) with the overall theme Our Lenten Call. The first session on 17 February is entitled God Calls us to Conversion. Please contact Sr Joan Kerley (joanfmsj@gmail.com or 07934 816796) to reserve a place.

Exploring our Lenten Gospels: Each Tuesday during our Lenten period, a series of reflections will be given online by various speakers, exploring the meaning of our Lenten Gospels and their implications for our lives today. The series will begin on Tuesday 17 February with Fr. Michael Deas reflecting on The Temptations of Jesus and will conclude with Bishop John on the Palm Sunday readings. For more information on how to book your free place, please visit the diocesan website: <https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/online-readings-for-lent/>

Permanent Diaconate 'Come and See' Event: Could you be called to serve the church as a Permanent Deacon? If you are a Catholic man interested in learning more about the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Salford, please come along to our 'Come and See' event. This is a chance to discuss and learn more about the ministry. This event takes place from 10:00am to 2:00pm on Saturday 7 March at St Mary's Church, Hall Burnley, BB10 4AU. For more information about the Diaconate, please email diaconate@dioceseofsalford.org.uk or visit the diocesan website here: www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/faith/vocations/permanent-diaconate/

Annual Reunion Mass for St Joseph's RC Technical High School: A reunion Mass is being offered for Alumni, Staff and their families. If you went to St Joseph's, this Mass is for you to come and celebrate your part in Manchester's history from 1871-1985. Mass will be held at St Bernard's RC Church, Burnage Lane M19 1DR, followed by refreshments in the parish hall. **Saturday, 21 March 2026** - 11 am Confessions & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 12 Noon Mass for Feast of St Joseph

The National Novena to St Joseph: Will take place from the 10-18 March at St Joseph's Church in Maidenhead. Every year, the Mill Hill Missionaries prepare for the Feast of St Joseph, their Society Patron, with a special Novena of Masses and prayers to ask for God's blessing on their Society's missionary outreach and for the intentions of all those who support their work. If you are able to attend, Masses are at 10am every day of the Novena except Sunday when it is at 11am. These Masses will be available to follow on YouTube via the Mill Hill website www.millhillmissionaries.com/novena. The Novena Prayer Booklet is available on request for a suggested donation of £1 per booklet to cover costs. You are welcome to send in your petitions and or to request a Novena prayer booklet. Please write to the Novena Director at 6 Colby Gardens, Maidenhead, SL6 7GZ or email novenamhm@gmail.com

Next Week's Newsletter:

Could you please send notices before Tuesday

Email: newsletter@ourladyofhope.org.uk

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NEWSLETTER 15 FEBRUARY 2026

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses at SL & live-streamed Sat 6.30pm & Sun 9.30am

Masses at SsPP Sun 8.00am & 11am

Monday – Weekday

No Mass today

Tuesday – Weekday or The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

Requiem Mass for John Ashfield at SL 10.30am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at SL 6pm

Mass at SL & live-streamed 6.30pm

Wednesday – Ash Wednesday - *Day of Fasting and Abstinence*

Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am

Mass at SsPP 6.30pm

Thursday – Lent Weekday

Requiem Mass for Winifred Thorpe at SL 11am

Rosary at SsPP 6pm; Mass at SsPP 6.30pm

Friday – Lent Weekday

Stations of the Cross at SL 9am

Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am

Saturday – Lent Weekday or St Peter Damien

Mass at SsPP 12noon (Followed by CAFOD Lenten Soup Lunch)

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

Sunday - First Sunday of Lent

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: Beryl Crabtree and all who are sick (at home or in hospital)

Lately Dead: Fr Robert Morrow, Mary Jacques, John Ashfield, Winifred Thorpe, Michael Farragher, Dr. Alan Chapman, Fr Francis Austin, Fr Francis Frost, Stewart Shields, Dennis Simcox, Colin Doyle, Bernard Hayward, David Ogden, Carmela Bartkiw, Michael Govin, James Collins, Margaret Connor, June Cusack, Margaret Barlow

Anniversaries: Denis Eagleton, Reneé Tyldesley, John McDonald, Margaret Sullivan

Masses Received: Bishop Mark Davies (Ordination A), Denis Eagleton (A), Reneé Tyldesley (A), John McDonald (LD), Gabrielle Ward (BM), Margaret Sullivan (A), Union of Catholic Mothers, Isabelle Lyons (BM), Winifred Thorpe (LD), Mary Jacques (LD)

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Let us hold in prayer the people of the parish of St. Patrick, Collyhurst, Canon Paul Daly, their parish priest, Fr. Anthony Nnajofofor, Fr. Jose Netto and Deacon Stephen Scott, together with Fr. Cletus Magugu, the chaplain to the Zimbabwean community. We pray for their three parish primary schools, for the Chaplaincy to Deaf People, for those who live or work in Caritas House, and for the Presentation Sisters, the Sisters of Evron and the Brother Missionaries of Charity.

Parish Notices

Funerals: There will be a Requiem Mass for John Ashfield on Tuesday 17 February at 10.30am at St Luke's. There will be a Requiem Mass for Winifred Thorpe on Thursday 19 February at 11am at St Luke's. May they rest in peace.

OLOH Men's Fellowship: wish to warmly invite you to join us for our Men's Fellowship at St Luke's Church on Tuesday 17th February, 2026 at 7:00pm. For further information, please contact Ian (icgifford@hotmail.com) or Calli (calli.onyebuchibe@outlook.com).

Ecumenical World Day of Prayer: Takes place on 6 March 2pm at Mount Chapel (corner of Eccles Old Rd and Langworthy Rd). Join friends from local churches. This year's theme is Nigeria, all welcome.

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2026: We are pleased to announce that for this year's **Our Lady of Hope Parish Pilgrimage**, we are organising a group to join the **Salford Diocesan Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes** from **30th July – 5th August 2026**. To make the journey as seamless as possible, we intend to arrange coach transfers to and from Liverpool Airport (dependent on the number of parishioners interested). If you would like to join the parish group or require further information regarding costs and booking, please register your interest as soon as possible to help us finalise transport arrangements. **Contact Kathleen:** Tel: 07910050514 Email: k18ucm@gmail.com

International Mass – Saturday 25 April: Join us as we celebrate the rich diversity of our parish community at this Mass, followed by a social evening in the parish with music and shared food from around the world. If you can help represent your country or contribute in any way, we would love to hear from you. Speak to Joan Sweeney or Paul Ashton or Email communications@ourladyofhope.org.uk

Newsletter: Could any notices for next week's newsletter, please be in before Tuesday.

All Hallows RC High school: In the Chaplaincy groups, following Racial Justice Sunday, pupils this week have taken part in activities around the theme of 'Love your Neighbour'. They have created passports of where they were born, their nationality and ethnicity, stating actions we can take to foster unity in our community. Our Chapel has been freshly painted with new Stations of the Cross installed as well as a beautiful statue of Our Lady which the school group brought back from their pilgrimage to Lourdes last year. Fr Jan, who kindly celebrated Mass for us this week, reminded pupils that the school Chapel is a sacred space where pupils are always welcome to spend quiet time in prayer with God.

Lent

Ash Wednesday: The season of Lent begins on Wednesday, with a day of fasting and abstinence. We will have two Masses on Wednesday at which the ashes will be distributed 9.30am at St Luke's and 6.30pm at Ss Peter & Paul

Walk With Me: The booklets are now available for you to take (free of charge). These are a wonderful resource to accompany us on our Lenten journey.

Ecumenical Lent Course & Lunch: Organised by the Churches on the Height, these will take place on the Thursdays of Lent (12.30-2pm) using a resource entitled *The Final Week*. The first lunch is on 19 February at Height Methodist Church. The second week (26 February) will be at St Luke's. All welcome.

Stations of the Cross: These will take place at St Luke's at 9am on the Friday mornings of Lent.

Deanery Station Masses: There will be five Masses at various churches across the deanery at 7.30pm on the Wednesday evenings of Lent (with Reconciliation available from 7pm). The first one will be on 25 February at St Mark's, Station Road, Pendlebury (M27 6BY) and will include our Deanery Prayers for Peace.

CAFOD—Join us for a Lenten Soup Lunch: We are inviting you to share a simple yet nourishing soup lunch, every Saturday throughout Lent, after the 12noon Mass at SsPP. The meal is free, but we encourage donations to CAFOD to support those in need. The first meal will be on offer on **Saturday 21st February**. All are welcome - bring a friend!

CAFOD Annual Family Fast Day: The Family Fast day takes place on Friday 27th February, we are all encouraged to eat a simple meal on this day and to think of people who do not have as much food as us. We are encouraged to make a donation to CAFOD which will make a difference to people in need. The Family Fast Day envelopes will be distributed at each Mass on the 21 & 22 February.

Day Retreat for Lent: A day retreat for Lent is taking place on the 28 March from 10am to 4pm at SsPP. The retreat is aimed at helping parishioners reflect on our relationship with God and to gain a deeper understanding of our faith. There will be talks, praise, worship and adoration. Lunch will be provided and tea & coffee available.