

## Diocesan Notices

**Youth Pilgrimage to Lindisfarne:** Following on from the success of last years pilgrimage to Lindisfarne, we are offering young people in Years 7, 8 and 9 another opportunity to go to Lindisfarne from Friday 22 May – Sunday 24 May 2026. The cost is £120 which includes travel by coach and full board accommodation. We will be staying on the island at the SVP Camp. For more information or if you have any questions, please contact [youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk](mailto:youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk)

**Catholic Social Teaching (CST):** Caritas Salford is offering a free online webinar to introduce the basic principles of Catholic Social Teaching (CST) in an accessible way, with a particular focus on building hope, homes and a positive future for all. This will take place on Thursday 30th April 2026 from 6PM to 7:15PM. With local elections approaching in May, the time is right to raise our awareness of CST and reflect on how it can help to inform the decisions and choices we make in life. Register for your free place or find out more at: [www.caritassalford.org.uk/events](http://www.caritassalford.org.uk/events)

**Manchester Chinese Catholic Community (MCCC):** MCCC would like to invite you to their monthly Mass. This takes place on the second Sunday of the month at 2PM and is held in Salford's temporary Cathedral on Great George Street, M3 6EH.

### ALL HALLOWS ARE LOOKING TO RECRUIT FOUNDATION GOVERNORS

Working closely with the Headteacher, the main responsibility of the governing body is to determine the aims and overall conduct of the school with a view to promoting high standards of educational achievement. The specific duties of the governing body include setting staffing levels, setting and agreeing the school budget, ensuring that a broad and balanced curriculum is delivered, as well as monitoring health and safety and the management of the premises. It is also of the utmost importance that our Governors fully support the Catholic ethos of the school. Please note that to become a foundation governor you will need to be a practising Catholic. This is a volunteer role.

If this varied and important role is something that you are interested in, please contact Gemma Perkins (PA to Headteacher/Clerk to Governors) [g.perkins@allhallowsrc.co.uk](mailto:g.perkins@allhallowsrc.co.uk) for further information

#### 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:

Could you please send notices before Wednesday

Email: [newsletter@ourladyofhope.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@ourladyofhope.org.uk)



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## NEWSLETTER 19 APRIL 2026

### Third Sunday of Easter

#### Sunday - Third Sunday of Easter

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 or St Anselm

Requiem Mass for Margaret Thacker at SL 10.30am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at SL 6pm

Mass at SL & live-streamed 6.30pm

#### Wednesday – Easter Weekday

Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am

#### Thursday – St George, Patron of England (Solemnity)

Rosary at SsPP 6pm; Mass at SsPP 6.30pm

#### Friday – Easter Weekday or St Fidelis of Sigmaringen or St Adalbert

Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am

#### Saturday – St Mark (Feast)

Mass at SsPP 12noon

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

**Sunday - Fourth Sunday of Easter - Good Shepherd Sunday - Day of Prayer for Vocations to Priesthood, Diaconate and Consecrated Life - Special Collection for the Ecclesiastical Education Fund**

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/)

## Reflections

### *They recognised him at the breaking of bread*

During the Season of Easter we walk with the Risen Lord, enjoying his appearing to his disciples. Today's gospel is one of the loveliest accounts of his appearing - and one especially important for the reader. Jesus appears and teaches the two disciples, by reference to the Scriptures, the meaning of his death. This is very close to the way in which the neophytes (newly baptised) would continue to be taught, through hearing the scriptures, during Easter. The reader should take to herself or himself the words of the Gospel Acclamation: "Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us."

**Marriage Matters: How well do we listen to each other?** As Jesus walked to Emmaus, he listened carefully to His disciples and experienced their grief. An important part of our relationship is listening. We may disagree with our partner's thoughts and judgments but they are part of who this person is. We need to experience him/her and convey the joy of discovering the person he/she is.

**Think Vocation:** "The hearts of the disciples burned within them as the Lord explained the Sacred Scriptures to them." Let us pray for parents and teachers whose vocations lie in the formation and education of the young in the faith.

## Prayers Requested

**Sick:** All who are sick (at home or in hospital)

**Lately Dead:** Brenda Woods, John Walsh, Deacon Stephen O'Connor, Peter Newton, Margaret Thacker, Rita Armstrong, William Casey, Sheila Williams, Brian Nolan, Martina O'Brien

**Anniversaries:** Claire Faulkner, Colin Ferguson, Anne McKeever

**Masses Received:** Claire Faulkner (1st A), John Walsh (LD), Colin Ferguson (A), Colin Ferguson (BM), Brenda Woods (LD), Anne McKeever (A), Sister Mary Donelan (90th BM), Jack & Nellie Donelan, Margaret Thacker (LD)

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** The next instalment of the Cycle of Prayer is awaited.

## Vocations Sunday

Next weekend we have our annual day of prayer for vocations to priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life. We also have our annual collection for the Ecclesiastical Education Fund, which supports the training of future priests and deacons.

## Parish Notices

**Funerals:** There will be a Requiem Mass for Margaret Thacker on Tuesday 21 April at 10.30am at St Luke's. May she rest in peace.

**Music for a Spring Afternoon:** In aid of Parish funds. 2-4pm on Sunday 19 April in the Parish Centre. Bar open! Tea & coffee available. Tickets will be available at the back of both churches or ring Joan Sweeney on 07787 526972. All welcome!

**Bingo Night and Parish Quiz:** Thank you to all who helped in any way or attended the Bingo evening last Friday. £316 was raised towards Parish Funds. The next evening will be at **7pm on Friday 15 May at the Parish Centre** All welcome - bring your family and friends! Donations of prizes also welcome if you're unable to attend. Thank you.

**Social and Community Group:** The next meeting will be 7pm, 20 April at SsPP. We will be discussing the Summer Fair amongst other items. All parishioners are welcome to attend this group. Just turn up! You will be given a cup of tea and a warm welcome

**OLOH Men's Fellowship:** We wish to warmly invite you to join us for our Men's Fellowship at St. Luke's Church on Tuesday 21 April 7pm. For further information, please contact Ian [icgifford@hotmail.com](mailto:icgifford@hotmail.com) or Calli [calli.onyebuchibe@outlook.com](mailto:calli.onyebuchibe@outlook.com).

**International Mass – Sunday 26 April (St Luke's):** Join us as we celebrate the rich diversity of our parish community at this Mass. If you can help represent your country in our prayers and singing, we would love to hear from you. Speak to Joan Sweeney or Paul Ashton or email [communications@ourladyofhope.org.uk](mailto:communications@ourladyofhope.org.uk)

**MIKRON THEATRE COMPANY:** 'Top of the Wold' at SsPP on Wednesday 13 May at 7.30pm. TICKETS £13.00. To book telephone 07793206251 / Email [rita@mcnassociates.org.uk](mailto:rita@mcnassociates.org.uk) OR buy on line [www.mikron.org.uk/](http://www.mikron.org.uk/) Tel: 01484843701. The proceeds from this event will raise money for Salford Loaves & Fishes.

**Summer Fair - calling all gardeners:** The Summer Fair will be on Sunday 28 June at SsPP, please pot up spare cuttings from your garden for the plant stall. This is a very popular money raiser on the day and it is all free, using nature's bounty!

**All Hallows R.C. High School:** We returned to school this week with renewed enthusiasm for the term ahead. We are continuing with weekly Mass on a Tuesday morning in our beautiful Chapel with pupils writing their own prayers of intercession and choosing music. Caritas Ambassadors have been busy counting the donations collected for the St. Joseph's Penny Lent appeal which will be donated to Caritas, Salford.