

Diocesan Notices have not been updated this week, next update is 12 April

Seasonal Wellbeing Events: The Team at the Laudato Si' Centre are pleased to invite you to a number of 'Seasonal Wellbeing Events' with the first session for Spring taking place on Friday 10 April from 10AM to 12PM. These sessions are designed for seasonal connection with nature, and to heal, restore and focus on mind, body and spirit. The cost for each session is £5. Please contact laudatosi@dioceseofsalford.org.uk to book your place.

Deaf Awareness and Conversational British Sign Language Course: Caritas Salford has developed a brand new 12-week course for parishioners, to equip them with basic British Sign Language skills and greater awareness of accessibility and inclusion in parish life. The course will commence on 14 April and sessions will be held weekly on Tuesday evenings at St Patrick's Church, Livesey Street, Collyhurst, Manchester, M4 5HF (with parking available in the Caritas Salford car park adjacent to the church). Places for the course are strictly limited. To find out more and book a place, visit: www.caritassalford.org.uk/event/deaf-awareness-bsl

Thank You from Caritas: Thank you to everyone who has supported our diocesan charity Caritas Salford in recent months and that is doing so during Lent as we pray, fast and give. The demand for their services has continued to increase and all of your prayers, kindness and generosity make a huge difference to the lives of people in our parish communities. Find out how your support has helped, and see some special thank you messages at: www.caritassalford.org/thankyou

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 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:

Due to the short week could you please send notices before Wednesday

Email: newsletter@ourladyofhope.org.uk



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EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday - Easter Sunday

Mass at SL & live-streamed Sat 8pm (Easter Vigil) & Sun 9.30am
Masses at SsPP Sun 8am & 11am

Monday – Easter Monday

No Mass today

Tuesday – Easter Tuesday

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at SL 6pm
Mass at SL & live-streamed 6.30pm

Wednesday – Easter Wednesday

Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am

Thursday – Easter Thursday

Rosary at SsPP 6pm; Mass at SsPP 6.30pm

Friday – Easter Friday

Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am

Saturday – Easter Saturday

Mass at SsPP 12noon
No celebration of Reconciliation today

Sunday - Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday

Masses at SL & live-streamed Sat 6.30pm & Sun 9.30am
Masses at SsPP Sun 8am & 11am

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

Reflections

"Christ our Passover has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord."

When the Word is proclaimed, it is real and active – the Lord is present, and what is described is, in a sense, happening now. On certain days, this is made more obvious by the selection of scripture that refers to a particular time or day. Such a selection occurs this morning, when we go with Mary Magdalene to visit the tomb, only to make – with her – a momentous discovery: the tomb is empty, he is risen!

Marriage Matters: Love our spouse just as they are: The different behaviour patterns of Jesus' friends are well illustrated in these Scriptures. Jesus loved each of them exactly as they were, just as He loves each of us. Our challenge is to really love our spouse, just as they are, with all the differences that we have. It's a lifelong journey, but like Jesus' friends, our understanding can grow.

Think Vocation: It is the Risen Lord Jesus who calls men to follow him and prepare for the sacred priesthood. At the Chrism Mass, all the priests were invited to renew their priestly promises made on their ordination day. Therefore, they are able to celebrate the Easter Sunday Mass today with renewed joy and commitment. As we renew our baptismal promises may we all truly celebrate our belief in the new life that comes through the Risen Lord Jesus.



Prayers Requested

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

Lately Dead: Deacon Stephen O'Connor, Margaret Thacker, Rita Armstrong, William Casey, Sheila Williams, Brian Nolan, Martina O'Brien

Anniversaries: Máire McAlister

Masses Received: Joseph Mather, Kevin Hazeldine (Loving Memory), Rory Kavanagh, Máire McAlister (A), Father Frank (Easter Blessings), Nick Archer (Loving Memory), Margaret Thacker (LD), Bob & Maria Connor (Easter Blessings)

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: This week we pray for the parishioners of Christ the King, Newton Heath, for Fr. Derek McCartney, their parish priest, and for their parish primary school.

**FATHERS MICHAEL, PAUL, FRANK & DERMOT
WISH A VERY HAPPY & HOLY EASTER
TO YOU ALL
AND TO YOUR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS**



Parish Notices

Lourdes Fundraiser - A Heartfelt Thank you: A huge thank you to all our parishioners and UCM members who supported the Mercy Brothers Charity Evening. Thanks to your incredible generosity, we raised a total of £1,370.00. These funds will go directly toward supporting our Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage this July.

CAFOD Lenten Soup Lunches: Thank you for your support we raised a total of £495.42.

Easter Raffle Results: A huge congratulations to the lucky winners of our Chocolate Hamper Easter Raffle! We raised a total of £409.00 the winning tickets are: Green Ticket 166-170 Jane McKenzie SsPP, Green Ticket 366-370 Sara Laidlow SsPP, Orange Ticket 41-45 Imogen Snape SL, Orange Ticket 86-90 Pip (Sat Mass) SL. Thank you to everyone who bought a ticket and supported our fundraising effort.

UCM News: Calling all ladies of the parish! Please join the **Union of Catholic Mothers (UCM)** for our next meeting on **Wednesday 8 April**, from **7pm to 8:30pm** in the Parish Centre. We are delighted to welcome our guest speaker, **Lorraine Leonard**, from the Salford Diocese Youth Ministry. It promises to be an inspiring evening of fellowship and insight. We look forward to seeing you there!

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 7 & 21 April 2026 at 7pm. Do join us in building a community where the men of our parish can pray, share and grow in faith. For further information, please contact Ian (icgifford@hotmail.com) or Calli (calli.onyebuchibe@outlook.com).

Bingo Night and Parish Quiz: The next Bingo night will be on **Friday 10 April at 7pm** in the Parish Centre. Bar open. All welcome, please bring your friends and family for a great evening, all in aid of parish funds.

St Vincent De Paul Society (SVP): The monthly general meeting of the SVP is scheduled for Tuesday April 14 at 7pm at St. Luke's Church. New members are welcome. SVP is a Catholic voluntary network dedicated to tackling poverty by providing practical assistance to people in need. We visit vulnerable or isolated people and offer them friendship and practical support.

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 from 28 March or ring Joan Sweeney on 07787 526972. All welcome!

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

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!