

Diocesan Notices

Caritas Volunteer Week: From 1 to 7 June it is national Volunteer Week, with various celebrations and activities taking place across the UK. Our diocesan charity, Caritas Salford, has a wide range of volunteering opportunities available to help support their work with people in Greater Manchester and Lancashire who are experiencing homelessness, poverty and discrimination. If you have a passion or skillset you'd like to share with others, you can find out more about the volunteering opportunities available on their website at www.caritassalford.org.uk/volunteer or contact Matt Yates at m.yates@caritassalford.org.uk

Free energy bill advice from Caritas: If you are worried about rising energy costs, our diocesan charity Caritas Salford runs a range of free drop-in advice sessions to help with everything from energy debt to making your home more energy efficient. You can find out more about these and other ways the team can help people across Greater Manchester and Lancashire on the Caritas website at www.caritassalford.org.uk/energysupport

Marriage Preparation Course - Love for a Lifetime: This course will be held on Saturday 5th September and Saturday 12th September 2026 from 2PM to 5PM at St John Fisher's Presbytery, Manchester Road, Kearsley. Attendance is required on both dates. For more information and to register please email Fr Bryan Cunningham at fr.bryan@schoenstatt.org.uk or Fr Herbert Opara at fr.herbert@schoenstatt.org.uk

Manchester Notre Dame Association May Mass : Mass will be celebrated for past pupils and staff on Saturday May 23 at 11am at St John Bosco's Church, 197 Charlestown Road, M9 7BD, followed by refreshments in the hall. Any enquiries please contact Margaret Dolan on marlydolan@aol.com



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St Luke, Swinton Park Rd, Irlams o'th' Height, Salford M6 7WR

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Seventh Sunday of Easter

Sunday - Seventh Sunday of Easter - *World Communications Day - Special Collection for Catholic Communications Network*

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

Masses at SsPP Sun 8am & 11am

Monday – Easter Weekday or St John

No Mass today

Tuesday – Easter Weekday or St Dunstan

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at SL 6pm

Mass at SL & live-streamed 6.30pm

Wednesday – Easter Weekday or St Bernardine of Sena

Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am

Thursday – Easter Weekday or St Christopher Magallanes & His Companions

Rosary at SsPP 6pm; Mass at SsPP 6.30pm

Friday – Easter Weekday or St Rita of Cascia

Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am

Saturday – Easter Weekday

Mass at SsPP 12noon

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

Sunday - Pentecost Sunday - *A Special Day of Prayer for the Church*

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

Masses at SsPP Sun 8am & 11am

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

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

Are you, or someone you know, interested in becoming a Catholic? If so, please send us an email, give us a call, or speak to one of our priests after Mass

Reflections

This Sunday, the last before Pentecost, presents us with an essential aspect of the Church's life: confident prayer that God's Spirit may come upon her, and openness to that same Holy Spirit. The reading from the Acts of the Apostles shows us Mary and the apostles "all joined in continuous prayer"; the Gospel presents us with Jesus' own prayer to his Father before he gave his life on the cross. In today's liturgy we unite our prayer to that of our Lord. All the Church's prayer in fact is "through our Lord Jesus Christ". Today we pray that his Spirit may be given us and that he may renew us so as to be able to follow Christ even in the bustle of the contemporary world.

Marriage Matters: *Strengthened by the Lord:* When we married in church, our intention to enter into Marriage was strengthened by the Lord with a sacred seal. Let us be conscious that Christ is with us in all the events of our daily married life. The love that binds us together is abundantly blessed by that presence, strengthening us to be a more effective Sacrament to others.

Think Vocation: Let us pray, confidently, that the Lord will provide priests, deacons and religious for the Church and that those the Lord is calling will be open to the prompting of the Holy Spirit.

Prayers Requested

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

Lately Dead: Michael Henshall, Jenny, Albert Bentham, Peter Hopkins, Fr Peter McGiveron, Carol Somerville, James Woods, William Peter Lowry, Harry Jewkes, Tony Slade, Brenda Woods, John Walsh, Deacon Stephen O'Connor, Peter Newton

Anniversaries: Letitia Harold, Mary Chika Egbebu, Ronnie Gambles

Masses Received: Mary Chika Egbebu (1st A), Eric Ball (BM), Peter Hopkins (LD), Albert Bentham (LD), Ronnie Gambles (A), Ronnie Gambles (B), Michael Henshall (LD), Joan Helps (B), Michael Wood (BM), Jenny (LD)

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: This week we pray for the parishes of St Joseph, Mossley, and Sacred Heart and St. William, Uppermill, for Fr James Clarke, their parish priest, and for their parish primary school.

Parish Notices

Special Collections: Belated thanks for the special collections taken during Holy Week. £507.12 was raised for our parish SVP on Maundy Thursday and £593.61 for the Shrines of Palestine on Good Friday. Many thanks for your generosity.

Communications: The Sunday between Ascension and Pentecost is World Communications Day. We pray for the work of the Church in spreading the Good News through the Media and we have a special collection to support the Catholic Communications Network.

Ecclesiastical Education Fund: Just a reminder that this collection remains open for a further week for any private donations.

Caritas Europa: We offer our congratulations to Bishop John who has been elected as the next President of Caritas Europa, beginning a four-year term in May 2027.

Parish Quiz Night: Friday 12 June at the Parish Centre. Teams of six. £5 entry limited to 120 places. **Tickets will be on sale after Mass from the 16 May. Or ring Joan Sweeney on 07787 526972.** Quiz starts at 8.00pm - doors open at 7.30pm. Bar open - bringing you own snacks. Prizes for winning team plus raffle. All welcome!

All Hallows R.C. High School: Many thanks to those who joined us to recite the Rosary last Monday at school. Everyone is invited to an outdoor Rosary taking place in our school prayer garden on Mon 18th May at 3:30pm as we gather together with a focus on the environment and reflecting on protecting nature. You can register beforehand via <https://forms.gle/ZXSUtaAisrqLhuWd7> but there is no need to book beforehand.

Monton Voices Community Choir: Please join us for our Summer Sunday Concert in aid of Salford Loaves & Fishes on 7 June at 3pm at SsPP. Music, Refreshments & Raffle! Adults £5, children free, please speak to choir members or pay on the door.

Summer Fair

Sunday 28 June 2pm—4pm at SsPP

Donations: Please could you start putting aside any items for the Fair. Bottles, bric a brac, books - all very welcome. You will be able to drop off items nearer the time. Thank you!

Plant Stall: Calling all gardening Parishioners, please pot up spare cuttings from your garden for the plant stall. This is a very popular money raiser on the day and its all free, using nature's bounty!!