

**Diocesan Notices have not been updated this week, next update is 31 May**

**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](http://www.caritassalford.org.uk/volunteer) or contact Matt Yates at [m.yates@caritassalford.org.uk](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:fr.bryan@schoenstatt.org.uk) or Fr Herbert Opara at [fr.herbert@schoenstatt.org.uk](mailto:fr.herbert@schoenstatt.org.uk)



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**NEWSLETTER 24 MAY 2026**

**Pentecost Sunday**

**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

**Monday** – Mary, Mother of the Church

No Mass today

**Tuesday** – St Philip Neri

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at SL 6pm

Mass at SL & live-streamed 6.30pm

**Wednesday** – St Augustine of Canterbury (Feast)

Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am

**Thursday** – Our Lord Jesus Christ the Eternal High Priest (Feast)

Rosary at SsPP 6pm; Mass at SsPP 6.30pm

**Friday** – Weekday or St Paul

Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am

**Saturday** – Weekday or Saturday Memorial of Our Lady

Mass at SsPP 12noon

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

**Sunday - The Most Holy Trinity**

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/)

**Financially Supporting Our Parish**

Contactless: The Dona machines (card or mobile phone)

Bank Details: TSDT Our Lady of Hope  
50317403 20 55 34

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**Next Week's Newsletter:**

Could you please send notices before Wednesday

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

We arrive at the fiftieth day - the completion of the Easter Season, and the completion of the Paschal Mystery: the Lord has died, is risen, has ascended to heaven and now gives birth to his Church, by sending the Spirit upon the apostles. This feast of the gift of the Spirit is so significant for us, because it marks the handing on of Jesus' ministry to the Church - in the Church we are guaranteed the presence of the Lord, in his sacraments, in his ministers, in the Blessed Sacrament and in his Celebrated Word. It also marks the fulfilment of our thoughts about baptism throughout this season: the gift of the Spirit which we receive in Confirmation is the "seal" of our baptism, guaranteeing and confirming all that baptism achieves.

**Marriage Matters:** *The Spirit works in all sorts of different ways:* Years ago, on a Marriage Encounter weekend, we had a real experience of the Spirit working "in all sorts of different ways in different people", not in Church documents, but in real life. We were like the disciples at Pentecost, "filled with joy when they saw the Lord", and we heard our own native language, deep inside each of us.

**Think Vocation:** "Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love." Today is the birthday of the Church. May we be proud of our Catholic faith that comes to us from the Apostles.

## Prayers Requested

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

**Lately Dead:** Joseph Mather, Edna Kenny, Michael Henshall, Jenny, Albert Bentham, Peter Hopkins, Fr Peter McGiveron, Carol Somerville, James Woods, William Peter Lowry, Harry Jewkes

**Anniversaries:** Mark Ford, Jane Horton, Rosamma, Margaret McElduff, Angus Cotton

**Masses Received:** Mark Ford (A), Edna Kenny (LD), Jane Horton (A), Joseph Mather (LD), Rosamma (A), Elad & Xi, Charlotte Kavanagh, Margaret McElduff (A), Angus Cotton (A)

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** Let us pray for the parish of Our Lady and St. Patrick, Oldham, for Fr Philip Sumner, their parish priest, for their parish primary schools and for the chaplaincy to the Cantonese Catholic Community.

**Confirmation:** Please pray for our young people (from this parish and other parishes in the deanery) who were confirmed by Bishop John at St Luke's on Wednesday evening. We congratulate them and pray that they will continue to grow in faith.

## Parish Notices

**Communications:** Thank you for the special collection last weekend which raised £338.12 and £125 from the Dona machine to support the Catholic Communications Network.

**Bingo evening:** Thank you to all who contributed, attended or participated in any way. £272 has been raised for Parish Funds.

**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, or ring Joan Sweeney on 07787 526972.** Quiz starts at 8.00pm - doors open at 7.30pm. Bar open - bring you own snacks. Prizes for winning team plus raffle. All welcome!

**Easter Raffle Prizes:** There are still two chocolate baskets that have not been claimed, ticket 41-45 (Imogen) and ticket 86-90 (Pip). Please see the stewards to claim your prize.

**Mikron:** Last week's production in aid of Loaves & Fishes raised £1173.00 and £53.00 for CAFOD from the refreshment sales, fantastic amounts and a most entertaining evening. Look out for their next show "Wensleydale Whey" at SsPP on 21 October which will be in aid of Parish Funds.

**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.

**All Hallows R.C. High School:** Form 10LW enjoyed a free breakfast in school as a reward for being the form who collected the most for this year's St Joseph's Penny appeal for Caritas. Pupils who belong to Chaplaincy groups also celebrated the last week of Eastertide with a treasure hunt with treats and linked pieces of Scripture; they then created artwork around their favourite Bible quotes linked to the season. Y7 pupils participated in a fantastic Pentecost Retreat Day brilliantly run by the Just Youth team. Everyone from the All hallows' family congratulates those who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Wednesday at St. Luke's church. May the Holy Spirit always guide their path.

## Summer Fair

**Sunday 28 June 2pm - 4pm at SsPP**

**Summer Draw:** Tickets are now available in the porch of both churches - £2.50 a book. Please return counterfoils and cash in an envelope ASAP. If you can supply a prize, please sign the list. Many thanks for your generous support.

**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!!