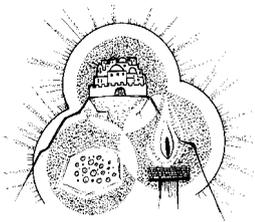


Parish of Corpus Christi, Bolton

9 February 2020

Fifth Week in Ordinary Time



While the world may seem to be very indifferent to Christianity most of the time, it can be very critical of Christians who do not seem to be following the most basic tenet of their faith - to be a people of “good deeds”, as Jesus teaches in today’s portion of the Sermon on the Mount. While we may sometimes feel indignant about the world’s criticism of our faults, we have to remember that we are in a vital relationship with “the world” - we are to be its light. This means that we should welcome the world’s gaze and scrutiny of our actions and beliefs and we should, in a sense, be accountable to the world for the way we live. We should never be salt that loses its taste. This openness to the gaze of all is not for our own glory, however: it is so that others may find what we have found - their way to the Father.

Marriage Matters

Unity is the key: When we married, a new flame was lit in our Church, signified by the lighting of a new candle as we made our vows and became “Little Church” together. Now, as we think of our life up to now, we can see how our love has been reflected on to our children, our family and our Church community.

Think Vocation

“Share your bread with the hungry and shelter the homeless poor.” Those in need and those who have nothing are very close to the Lord. He wants no one to suffer and he will judge us on how we who have more than we need, have treated those who have nothing. Let us count our blessings each day and open our eyes and our hearts to those we come across who need our help.

*Sunday Cycle A; Weekday Cycle 2; Divine Office
Week 1*

Sunday Missal: Page 217; Preface: Pages 47-51

Sunday 9 February - Racial Justice Day
9.30am Mass (SJ) - *with Children’s Liturgy*
11am Mass (SB) - *with Children’s Liturgy*
A Special Collection will be taken for Racial Justice

Monday 10 February - St Scholastica
9am Exposition & Adoration (SB)
9.30am Mass (SB)
7.45pm SVP (SJ)

Tuesday 11 February
9.30am Yr1 Mass (SJ)

Wednesday 12 February
9.15am Yr5 Mass (SC)

Thursday 13 February
9am Exposition & Adoration (SB)
9.30am Mass (SB)
7.15pm Christian Meditation (Harbour Room)

Friday 14 February - St Cyril & St Methodius
No Mass Today

Saturday 15 February
10.30am Adoration & Reconciliation (SB)
11.30am Mass (SB)
5pm Mass (SB) - *with Children’s Liturgy*

Sunday 16 February
9.30am Mass (SJ) - *with Children’s Liturgy*
11am Mass (SB) - *with Children’s Liturgy*

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Prayers Please

We pray for all the sick and housebound in our parish, and other relatives and friends. Bernard Holder, Christopher Scott, Jackie Harte, Moya Fau-Goodwin, Margaret Russell, Anne Hurst, Kenneth Martin, Colin Spragg, Margaret Padfield

Lately Dead: Audrey Glover, Sylvia Kerlin, Baby Eowyn Coeli Cenina, Madeleine Summerscales, Damian Arthurs

Mass Intention: A sick person, Audrey Glover, Special Intentions, For Fr David Chinnery, Sylvia Kerlin, Rose Heron, Baby Eowyn Coeli Cenina, Pat & Brian Lever and son (in Australia)

Cycle of Prayer Part 2 (of 6)

We pray especially for: peace on earth; Christian unity; the sick and those who care for them; students and teachers; the unemployed

Hope In The Future

Let us pray for the people of the parish of St Anne and St Joseph, Accrington, with Fr Simon Stamp, their parish priest, for their primary school and the Accrington Victoria Hospital.

Facts and Figures

Mass Attendance

1/2 February
5pm - 129; 9.30am - 208; 11am- 172
Total - 509

Offertory Collection

1/2 February: £1,078.55
Standing Orders
(1-6 February) - £1,339.75

Cheques: Please make all cheques payable to *Corpus Christi*. Thank you.

Hope in the Future Events

Music & Liturgy Workshop Day With Jo Boyce

Saturday 8 February 10am-6.30pm

At St Thomas of Canterbury Church, Heaton
Tea/Coffee provided, please bring a packed lunch. **Register here:**

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/music-liturgy-workshop-day-with-jo-boyce-tickets-75826239323>

or email

hope@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

or call 0161 817 2214.

Children's Liturgy Training Day Led by Linda Pennington

Saturday 28 March 2020, 10am - 3pm
Cathedral Centre, Salford, M3 6DP

To register or for more information please visit:

www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/parishes/events
or call 0161 8172214

Mass Times in our Area

From time to time, it may not be possible for Fr Alf to be here for Mass or Mass times may need to change. Please see details of other Masses that are available in our nearby parishes. These will also be published on our external notice boards.

The Holy Infant and St Anthony Church (Holy Infant's, Astley Bridge)

Saturday Vigil 6.30pm

Sunday 10.00am

Monday 9.15am

Tuesday 9.15am

Wednesday 8.30am

Thursday 9.15am

Blessed Dominic Barberi (St Osmund's, Long Lane).

Saturday 29th February 2020 the time of the Vigil Mass will be changed from 6.30pm to **5.30pm**

11am Sunday

Mon 9am

Tue 7pm

Fri 9.30am

A Message of Thanks: I would like to say "Thank you" to all of you for your support, over the last eighteen months, whilst I have been your parish priest. I must also thank parishioners for my very generous gift, I am extremely grateful. I wish you all the very best, and will keep you all in my prayers. Please continue to pray for me as I move to my next parish. God Bless. *Fr David*

Christian Meditation: As you know, Christian Meditation has been running at St Brendan's church for some time. We are now able to offer these sessions at both our churches. Please come along and join us, especially as we move into the Lenten period. They are a perfect way to help us prepare.

Thursday 13 February (7.15pm Harbour Room, St Brendan's)

Tuesday 25 February (2pm in the Patmos Room, St John's)

Thursday 5 March (2pm in the Harbour Room)

Tuesday 10 March (7.30pm, following Mass) in the Patmos Room at St John's

Thursday 19 March (7.30pm in the Harbour Room)

Tuesday 24 March (2pm in the Patmos Room).

Social Committee Appeal for Members: We are seeking some new members to join our small team. No skills required, apart from a willingness to chat, discuss ideas and give a hand when required at events. If you are interested please see - Arthur, Maureen or Lauren (St John's) and Peter at St Brendan's. Thank you!

Ceilidh 4 Cafod

Friday 20th March 2020

St Osmund's Church Hall
Long Lane Bolton BL2 6EB

7.30PM to 11PM

Dancing to the Toll Bar Band

Licenced Bar & Pasty Supper.

Tickets £10.00

Available after Weekend
Masses

Re-Commissioning of Extraordinary Ministers of Eucharist and Liturgy: This will be held on Saturday 22 February (during the 11.30am Mass). All Eucharistic Ministers and Readers are invited to attend this Mass. Further details to follow.

Harbour Room Book Club. On Wednesday 26 February, Melanie Graaf, from Bolton Central Library, will be our Guest Speaker. Meetings begin at 1pm and all are welcome.

200 Club: Subscriptions to the 200 Club will be due at the beginning of March. Please put money in an envelope with your name and contact details. Ann Gracie will now be running the 200 Club. Please put envelopes in the boxes provided at the back of each church. Thank you

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers 15/16 February		
Mass	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers
5pm (SB)	A Grundy	TBA
9.30am (SJ)	A Hayes	J Carroll, F Smith, S May, A Rawlinson, A Gracie, M Speed
11am (SB)	K Denton	C Owen, P Brennan, Sub,

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Safeguarding Officer Vacancy

Appointment Type: Full time, permanent.
Working Hours: 35 hours per week, flexible working will be required to include evening and weekend work.

Location: Cathedral Centre, 3 Ford Street, Salford, M3 6DP

Salary: £42,000- 45,000 per annum based on skills and experience

The Diocese of Salford is seeking to recruit a suitably experienced and qualified practitioner to join our Safeguarding Team. They will be a highly motivated and well-organised professional, able to contribute to the development and implementation of safeguarding policies and strategies throughout the Diocese. They will have a practical working knowledge and experience of safeguarding and the ability to relate this experience to providing advice and support.

The closing date for this role is 12noon on Friday 21st February 2020

To find out more about the role and how to apply, please visit our vacancies page: www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies

Accountant Vacancy

The diocese is seeking a qualified Accountant who can effectively support the work of the Department for Finance by ensuring all Company Management and Statutory Accounts information is produced accurately and within timescales stipulated by the Trustees and Board of Directors.

To find out more and download a vacancy pack, please visit:

www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies

Caritas Safe Haven Volunteer

During the evening, Cornerstone Day Centre is used as an education centre for non-English speaking visitors who are helped to improve their English reading, writing and speaking skills. We also provide onsite residential and emergency accommodation. As a volunteer you will work with the cook and assist support staff to ensure that the health, safety and wellbeing of our service users is at the forefront of all of our activities. Volunteers are needed to support staff members between 4.30pm to 9.30pm.

For further information please visit:

caritassalford.org.uk

Hope in the Future, Living the Sunday Eucharist: Ninth Instalment

9th February (5th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
Pastoral Message and Worksheet Two
“Meeting Jesus in our Listening”

This weekend you will receive the second of our “worksheets” for this year, which concerns the Liturgy of the Word at Sunday Mass. Both Pope Francis and the Bishops of England and Wales have called on us this year to think more and more about the importance of the Sacred Scriptures in our journey of faith: as Bishop John says in today’s message: “... *it is in listening to the readings from the Scriptures that we hear God Himself speaking to us. The Letter to the Hebrews reminds us that “the Word of God is something alive and active” (Hebrews 4:12) which means that even the most familiar passages of the Scriptures can speak to us in different and new ways according to the circumstances of our lives, challenging and reassuring us, day by day. It is important that we continually investigate and pray with the Scriptures so that God can be made present in all our actions, choices and decisions.*” In weeks to come we will explore the different parts of the Liturgy of the Word one by one, but for this Sunday please spend some time thinking about, and discussing, the way in which we have a personal encounter with Jesus through the Word of God proclaimed in Sunday Mass.