

Parish of Corpus Christi, Bolton 27 January 2019

The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time





After our brief excursion last week into Saint John's Gospel, we are back on track this week with Saint Luke - whom we will follow for the rest of the year. Today is about beginnings: the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. It begins with the Word of God, in the synagogue. Jesus reads from the Old Testament, as we do every Sunday, and tells the people that it is

fulfilled in him. Everything that God has said to his people, through his prophets, comes together in Jesus, the Incarnate Word of God. Today is an ideal Sunday to think about the ministry of reader - about how as readers we make present the same fulfillment, Jesus, when we read the word of God in our Churches.

Marriage Matters

A new creation: On our wedding day you and I became us! I am still me, you are still you, but we are now linked together in a unique relationship. When we share ourselves completely with each other, we are enabled to speak with the authority of faith, hope and love. In this context we bring the Good News of marriage to everyone.

Think Vocation

"The Spirit of the Lord..... has anointed me." The word 'Christ' means anointed one - appointed by God for a mission. At a priestly ordination, the hands of the priest are anointed with the Sacred Oil of Chrism. The priest is then able to lead the people of God with the authority of Christ.

Sunday Cycle C; Weekday Cycle 1; Divine Office Week3
Sunday Missal: Page 195; Readings page 200
Preface: At priest's choice

Sunday 27 January - Caritas Sunday 9am Mass (SJ) - with Children's Liturgy 11am Mass (SB) - with Children's Liturgy

Monday 28 January - St Thomas Aquinas 9.30am Mass (SB) 7pm Needles (Harbour Room, SB) 7.45pm SVP (SJ)

Tuesday 29 January

2pm Christian Meditation (Harbour Room, SB) 6pm Celebration of Reconciliation for St Columba's School (SB) No Evening Mass today 7pm Becoming Catholic Course (SJ) 7.15pm SVP (SB)

Wednesday 30 January

9.30am Mass (SJ)

6pm Celebration of Reconciliation for St John's School (SJ)

Thursday 31 January - *St John Bosco* 9.15am Mass (SB)

6pm Celebration of Reconciliation for St Brendan's School (SB)

7.15pm Meditation (Harbour Room, SB)

Friday 1 February 9.30am Mass (SJ)

Saturday 2 February - The Presentation of the Lord

11am-12noon Adoration & Reconciliation (SJ) 2pm Baptism (SJ)

5pm Mass (SB) - with Children's Liturgy

Sunday 3 February

9am 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,

Fr John Ashton (SDB), Jackie Harte

Lately Dead: Jean Gorse, Jack Donnelly, Nellie Shechter, Peter McGowan, Sally O'Garra, Joseph Tiene,

James Connolly, **Anniversaries:** Michael Axford, Bridget Knowles, Alan Yates, Karen Storrow

Mass Intentions: Herbert Hustwit, Donnelly, Nellie Shechter, James Connolly, Jean Gorse, A sick person, Michael Axford, Bridget Knowles, Alan Yates, Karen Storrow, For a Special Intention

Cycle of Prayer Part 2 (of 6): We pray for: Peace on Earth; Christian Unity; The Sick & Those who Care for Them; Victims of Trafficking and Those who Work to Combat it; The Unemployed

Hope in the Future

Let us pray for the parish of St Mary, Denton, and St John Fisher, Haughton Green, with Fr Kinsella, and St Monica, Flixton, with Fr Mullarkey and Fr Quiligotti. We pray for their parish primary schools and for St Thomas More High School.

Facts and Figures for 19/20 January Offertory Collection: £1,058.38 Standing Orders (18-24 January): £130

Mass Attendance:

5pm-154; 9am-195; 11am-150; Total 499

Cheques: We now have our new Corpus Christi parish account name. Please make all cheques payable to Corpus Christi. Thank you.

Enjoy Praying With Scripture Lent 2019 More Information, as promised!

The purpose of the course is to allow people to experience a variety of methods of prayer so they may discover what works best for them.

Dates: Tuesdays: 12,19 & 26 March and Tuesdays: 2,9,23 April

7.30pm-9pm at St John's Church For more information, contact Paul Brennan via the Parish Office: office@sbsj.org.uk or

Tel: 301927

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Financial Summary for December 2018		
Income (for General Use)		
Gift-Aided Envelopes	2,533	
Non Gift-Aided Offertory	4,247	
Standing Orders	2,357	
Piety Stalls, Votives & Almanacs	498	
Baptisms/Funerals/Weddings	410	
Fundraising (inc. 200 Club subs)	215	
Harbour/Patmos Room Rental	1,088	
Total Monthly Income	11,348	
Expenditure		
Church Expenses (both)	3,672	
Presbytery Expenses (both)	1,142	
Clergy Allowances	625	
Wages (Estimate for the month)	2,000	
Fundraising	150	
Diocesan Levy	1,388	
Total Monthly Expenditure	8,977	
Balance Income/Expenditure	2,371	
Restricted Income		
Mass Intentions	620	
CAFOD	101	
Fr Parkinson Collection	20	
Restricted Expenditure		
Mass Intentions	2,191	
Fr Parkinson Gift	700	

Welcome: This weekend, we extend a warm welcome to Fr Alfred Rebello who joins our parish. We hope that he will have a happy and fruitful ministry here with us.

Congratulations: To Gracie Mae Edwards and Hannah Louise Edwards who were baptised at St John's last Saturday. We pray that they and their family may continue to grow in faith.

Caritas Sunday. This year Caritas is asking all parishioners to use their gifts and talents to #BeTheChange and to help *House* Homeless; Build Stronger Families and

Communities: and Welcome Refugees. second collection after Mass and ongoing parish support will allow Caritas Diocese of Salford to respond where the need is greatest in the year ahead. Thank you for your support.

SVP Coffee Morning: The next coffee morning will be held on Friday 1 February at 10am in the Patmos Room (St John's Church). All welcome.

First Holy Communion Mass Times: For those who have a child taking part in this year's Sacramental Programme, lists are now in both churches for the various dates and Mass times available for First Communion. Please make sure your child has their name on a list as soon as you can.

Harbour Room Book Club: Wednesday 30 January at 1pm Small Island by Andrea Levy. All Welcome. Also, a reminder for "Meet the Author", Diane Setterfield, at Bolton Library on Tuesday 29 January (1pm).

CAFOD: The CAFOD Ceilidh will be held at St Osmund's (Long Lane) on 22 February (7.30pm to 11pm). Tickets, as last year, are £10.00 and are now on sale.

Diocese of Salford - Vacancies

Operational Management and Support Roles, Cathedral and Cathedral Centre What we're looking for: The Diocese of Salford is seeking to recruit candidates for a variety of posts to support the ongoing management, operations and maintenance across the Cathedral Church, Cathedral House and Cathedral Centre, Salford. These are new or adapted roles to create a unified and integrated team, under the leadership of the Operations and Events Manager, to create and maintain a consistently high standard of support and hospitality to the various clergy, staff and visitors across the whole Cathedral campus.

Roles available: Operations and Events Manager, Maintenance Operative, Cleaner.

Closing Date for applications: Wednesday 20 February (12noon).

For more details see

https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/ or

Telephone: 0161-817-2203

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The Allotment Co-ordinator will manage the large Lalley Community Allotment. You will use your passion to show clients what growing your own food can achieve which will improve the health and wellbeing of individuals and address issues such as food poverty. For more details

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Million Minutes

Nominations Open for "Celebrating Young People Awards" 2019

Nominations are now open for the fourth *Celebrating Young People Awards*. The awards -powered by Catholic charity Million Minutes - honour the achievements of young people across the country who make our communities a better place. There are eight award categories, which take their names from Catholic social teaching and recognise the enormous, often unseen, social action of young people.

Parishes, schools and individuals in Salford Diocese are being invited to nominate young people. If you know an unsung hero or heroine or a group that have worked together to help their community put them forward for an award now at:

www.millionminutes.org/awards.

The award nominees will be invited to attend a special ceremony in London's West End in July. Cardinal Vincent Nichols will be the guest of honour and present the Pope Francis Award to one lucky young person

Baptism Preparation: Our next preparation session will take place on Saturday 9 March (10.30am-12noon) in the Harbour Room at St Brendan's. This is for parents from our parish who wish to have a child baptised in the coming months. Please contact the parish office on 01204 301927 or email: office@sbsj.org.uk.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers for 2/3 February 2019		
Mass	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers
5pm (SB)	M Maybury	TBA
9am (SJ)	A Gracie	J Carroll, M Russell, S May, A Rawlinson, A Gracie, M Speed
11am (SB)	K Wilkinson	C Owen, P Brennan, M Durkan

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Throughout the eight days of this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, the daily reflections have considered many difficult situations facing the world today, including greed, violence, exclusion, exploitation, poverty, pollution, hunger and trafficking. Churches in Indonesia are conscious of these issues as challenges facing all Christians. They recognise and confess that some of these sins have tainted the lives of their churches too, wounding their unity and diminishing their witness to the world. At the same time, they recognise as well the many promising instances of churches coming together to witness to their unity in Christ. Christians in other parts of the world can name many other examples from their own situations.

Day by day, year by year, and especially during this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Christians join together for common prayer, professing their common baptismal faith, listening for God's voice in the Scriptures and praying together for unity in Christ's body. In doing so, they recognise that the Holy Trinity is the source of all unity and that Jesus is the light of the world, who promises the light of life to those who follow him. The many injustices in the world frequently sadden or anger them. But they do not lose hope, they move to action. Because the Lord is their light and their salvation and the stronghold of their lives, they do not fear.

Prayer

God our Sustainer, we praise you for your loving kindness, for upholding us in times of trial, and showing us your light in times of darkness. Transform our lives so that we may be a blessing for others. Help us to live unity in diversity as a witness to your communion, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

Taken from the Pontifical Council For Promoting Christian Unity

http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/pontifical_councils/chrstuni/weeks-prayer-doc/rc_pc_chrstuni_doc_20180621_week-prayer-2019_en.htm.