

Diocesan Notices

Day for Life – 16th June 2024: On Sunday 16th June, we celebrate the Day for Life. This year's theme is "The Lord is my Shepherd – Compassion and Hope at the End of Life", which allows us to reflect on end-of-life care in the midst of national debates on assisted suicide. A wide range of resources can be found on the Bishops' Conference of England Wales' website at: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/day-for-life/>. The Day for Life has also received a special blessing from the Holy Father, which can be found via this link: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/pope-francis-gives-his-blessing-to-day-for-life/>

Diocesan Mass for Vocations to the Priesthood: The Diocese of Salford's Vocations team invites you to join our next Mass for Vocations to the Priesthood. The Mass will take place at 12.00pm on Saturday 22nd June, at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, Moorside Road, Swinton M27 9PD. All are very welcome to attend as we pray together for the future of the priesthood in our diocese. **This Mass is our Deanery Mass for Vocations and gives an opportunity for us to pray together as a deanery for vocations.**

Madonna Del Rosario procession: The annual Madonna Del Rosario procession, organised by the Manchester Italian Association, will take place on Sunday 7 July 2024. The procession will begin at 1.15pm from St Michael's (former church), George Leigh Street, in Ancoats. It will continue through Manchester City Centre to St Peter's Square. All are welcome to join this wonderful celebration.

Diocesan Day Retreat: The Fire & The Well & The Cloak: As part of our Day Retreat Programme, another session is taking place on Saturday 6th July at Our Lady of Lourdes and St Gerard Majella Catholic Church, Browndedge Road, Lostock Hall, PR5 5AA. The theme for this session is "The Fire and The Well and The Cloak". It will explore the spirituality of the wonderful Saint Brigid and her compelling symbolism. It will start at 11.30am and will finish at 3pm and costs £20. Find out more and register at <https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/retreat-july-2024/>

Mercy Brothers SVP Fundraiser: Clergy-based band The Mercy Brothers are holding a fundraising concert to help support development of the Young Vincentian programmes in Salford and Shrewsbury dioceses. The concert will take place on Friday 21st June at Our Lady's Parish Centre, Flint Street, Stockport SK3 8GE at 7.30pm. Tickets are £15 per person and can be purchased on the day or online at <https://tinyurl.com/mercybrothersconcert>

Information and Guidance on Upcoming Elections: In light of the upcoming general elections on July 4, the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has shared very useful resources that offer information and guidance on key topics of interest to Catholic voters. The resources can be viewed online at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/election24/>

Job Vacancies: For Current Vacancies please visit <https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies/>



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NEWSLETTER 16 JUNE 2024

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - *Father's Day* -
Day for Life - Special Collection for Day for Life - See Diocesan Notices
Masses at SL & live-streamed Sat 6.30pm & Sun 9.30am
Masses at SsPP Sun 8am & 11am

Monday – Weekday
No Mass today

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

Wednesday – Weekday or St Romuald
Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am

Thursday – Weekday or St Alban
Rosary at SsPP 6pm; Mass at SsPP 6.30pm

Friday – St Aloysius Gonzaga
Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am

Saturday – Ss John Fisher and Thomas More (Feast)
Mass at SsPP 12noon
Reconciliation 12.30-1pm at SsPP; 5.45-6.15pm at SL

Sunday – Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Masses at SL & live-streamed Sat 6.30pm & Sun 9.30am
Masses at SsPP Sun 8am & 11am

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

Reflections for This Week

How does a tree grow? The scientists can give us their answers, but the miracle of life on our earth, in all its dazzling complexity and variety is exactly that - a miracle. God is responsible for the miracle of Nature and growth - how, we don't know, but we accept God's guiding hand as a fact of our faith. This mysterious growth in Nature is used as a parable today, for the life of the Church and the Kingdom of God. Just as a seed, planted and watered, turns by miraculous processes into something different and bigger and beautiful, so the seed of the Gospel will grow into something else, by some means we can never fully understand. And that is the grace of God, encouraging, prompting and helping all men and women of good will to swell the coming Kingdom of our God.

Marriage Matters: *The seed that grows to become a shelter:* Each of us has a 'seed' of love in us at our birth. This is fostered as we grow to value others through our relationships. Learning to love ourselves and each other more deeply helps our seeds of love to swell. Eventually our unified love becomes a 'shelter' for our children, our families and all those whose lives we touch.

Think Vocation: Like the mustard seed, a vocation can grow from something very small. We should always be aware of how some small act of kindness or encouragement done with love in the name of the Lord can make a huge difference to people's lives. The Lord can constantly use us to build up his Kingdom.

Prayers Requested

Sick: Michael Gilbert and all who are sick.

Lately Dead: Frances Pitt-Brooke, Peggy Trehy, Stephen Grainey, Noel Sloyan

Anniversaries: Jack Sullivan

Masses Received: Bob Clooney (Father's Day Remembrance), Anna Shalliker (BM), Jack Sullivan (A), Patsy Griffin (Father's Day Remembrance), Peggy Trehy (LD)

Diocesan Prayer Cycle: We pray this week for the people of the parish of St. Mary and St. Philip Neri, Radcliffe, for Fr. Philip Brady, their parish priest, and for their parish primary school.

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

Parish Notices

First Communion: Starting today, our young parishioners who have been following the Sacramental Programme this year will be receiving their First Holy Communion. This will be at the 9.30am Mass today and on the 23 & 30 June at St Luke's and at the 11am Mass on 7 July at Ss Peter and Paul. Please keep them all in your prayers at this very special time.

Exam Prayers: At this time of year we pray for all our young parishioners who are taking exams. We ask that they may be given guidance and support at this important time in their lives.

Flower Arranging: The next flower arranging class will be at SsPP on Wednesday 19th June, (1-3pm) Demonstration by Veronica. Everybody welcome, come and enjoy a cuppa and good company!

SL UCM Quiz Night: St Luke's UCM is holding a **QUIZ NIGHT & RAFFLE** on Friday 12th July at 7.30pm in aid of Salford Loaves and Fishes. Tickets £5, available after Masses or from Steph McDonough 0161 737 6419

Red Box: The Summer 2024 Mission Today Newsletter and Missio booklet are now available at the back of SsPP. For the parishioners who are part of the Red Box community, please take a copy.

Summer Fair - 7th July

Advance Notice: The usual stalls will be there - bottle tombola, cakes, books, fancy goods etc. Please would you start setting to one side items we may be able to sell in support of parish funds. Please keep them with you for the time being, we will start actually collecting the items nearer the time. Thank you

Summer Draw - Update: Prizes still required for the Summer Draw, please sign the list in the porch if you are able to help. Books of tickets are now available priced £2 a book from both Churches - thanks for your support.

**Happy
Father's
Day**

Wishing all Fathers a lovely day today.

We also remember and pray for those who are
deceased