Diocesan Notices

Young Adults Mass: Our Young Adults Mass returns to St Augustine's in Manchester this September after our summer break! Join us at 5.30pm on Sunday 8 September as we gather together for our Mass and the start of a series of talks entitled "The Thrill of Orthodoxy", based on G K Chesterton's "Orthodoxy". The series will unpick how an exploration of religious, philosophical, social, and political ideas leads us to embrace our Christian faith.

Caritas Salford Sponsored Walk: Caritas Salford is organising a sponsored walk around beautiful Whalley, Lancashire, on Saturday 14 September. The walk will cover a moderately challenging route of 14km, with a shorter option available for those who prefer. Every step you take will also help local people experiencing homelessness, poverty and discrimination. To sign up to join the walk, visit: www.caritassalford.org.uk/lancswalk

Diocesan Synod Update: We are now entering into the Exploration Stage of our diocesan synod. Over the next four months, we will closely explore the four key themes to have emerged from our Big Listen responses. The themes are: Nurturing Faith for Tomorrow's World, Building Connections, Enabling Access, and Fostering Christ-like Care. To find out more the first of our themes and how to get involved, please visit https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/synod-theme-1

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lindisfarne: Discover the fascinating history of our Northern Saints with this one-off pilgrimage to Lindisfarne, Ripon, and Durham in celebration of our 2025 Year of Jubilee. Led by Bishop John, the pilgrimage will take place between 15th-17th May 2025. Find out more about this and all of our pilgrimages during our Jubilee year at https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/jubilee-2025/pilgrimages/

World Youth Day Rome 2025: Are you aged 16-35? Are you looking for an unforgettable opportunity to share your faith with other young Catholics? Pope Francis has announced a special World Youth Day in Rome next summer to celebrate the Church's Year of Jubilee and our diocesan Youth Ministry team invites you to be part of this once-in-a-25-year event! The pilgrimage will take place between 28 July and 3 August. For more information and to register your interest, please email youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

Season of Creation: This September, our diocese joins Christians across the globe in celebrating Season of Creation - a month-long campaign inviting us to renew our relationship with God and His Creation. This year, we will be celebrating by sharing updates on key diocesan projects, as well as top tips to support your efforts at home. Follow our news pages at https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news to stay up to date.

Catholic Association for Racial Justice 40th Anniversary: To mark the important milestone of their 40th anniversary, the Catholic Association for Racial Justice (CARJ) is holding a free conference in Oldham on Saturday 21st September. The 'Agenda for Change' conference will build on the experiences and learning of the past 40 years and put forward a strategy for bringing about greater equality and creating a racially-just Church and society. Find out more at www.carj.org.uk

Manchester-based charity seeks new trustees: Out There - a Manchester-based charity founded by the Daughters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul - is looking for two new recruits for its board of trustees to help guide the charity's mission to offer support to families affected by the imprisonment of a family member. To find out more about the position or the charity, please visit www.outtherecharity.org/volunteer/

Job Vacancies: The Diocese is currently recruiting for a Cleaner, Maintenance Operative and a Skilled Maintenance Operative. Find out more and apply at https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies





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Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday — - Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - *Education Sunday* — *Special Collection for the Catholic Education Service*

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

Masses at SsPP Sun 8am & 11am

Monday – Weekday or St Peter Claver

No Mass today

Tuesday – St Ambrose Barlow (Feast)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at SL 6pm

Mass at SL & live-streamed 6.30pm

Wednesday – Weekday

Mass at SL & live-streamed 9.30am

Thursday – Weekday or the Most Holy Name of Mary

Rosary at SsPP 6pm; Mass at SsPP 6.30pm

Friday – St John Chrystostom

No Mass today due to other commitments.

Saturday – The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Feast)

Mass at SsPP 12noon

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

Sunday - Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - *Evangelii Gaudium Day - Special Collection for Home Mission*

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

What shows us the presence of God? In the Biblical world it was miracles - signs, which pointed towards the emergence of a new Kingdom, the Kingdom of God. This had been prophesied from of old: it was said that One would come, and also that certain things would be associated with this Messiah which would display the perfection of the Kingdom God wanted to establish. Jesus, in both his preaching and his miracles, proclaims that the Kingdom of God is at hand, in his own person. He fulfils the prophecies of the past, as he displays to the people of his own time, and to us, the nature of Gods Kingdom: in it all diseases and afflictions are abolished: so opening the man's ears and eyes tells us two things: first that Jesus is God, present in our midst, and secondly that he calls us into a Kingdom where all is perfect.

Marriage Matters: *Healing and wholeness may take time:* Criticism, intended or not, can lead to harsh words or painful silences. When trying to talk, the hurts can be so deep, they seem too big a block to overcome. To leave space or do something we enjoy doing together, and then trying to talk, can often enable us to open our ears to listen and our hearts to love.

Think Vocation: We pray for a deeper participation amongst families in prayer for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, knowing that Christ is in their midst.

Prayers Requested

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

Lately Dead: Fr Derek Woodhead, Phillip Gresswell, May Cavanagh, Eric Crook, Breda Marnane

Anniversaries: Marie Wardle, Wilfred Lyons, Elizabeth Fernandes, Monica Flanagan, Samuel Fernandes

Masses Received: Marie Wardle (A, B), Wilfred Lyons (A), Nick Archer (Loving Memory), Elizabeth Fernandes (A), Samuel Fernandes (A), Catherine & Brian Ball, Monica Flanagan (A), Carol & Colin Doyle, Michael Gamotin.

Diocesan Prayer Cycle: Let us pray, this week, for the people of the parish of Christ the Redeemer, Bolton, for Fr. Morrough O'Brien, their parish priest, and their parish primary schools.

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Next Week's Newsletter:

Could you please send notices before Wednesday
Email: newsletter@ourladyofhope.org.uk

Parish Notices

Education Sunday: Today is our annual day of prayer for all those involved in education. It is a good chance to pray for all those in our schools, colleges and universities who are returning for the start of another academic year. We pray also for those who are moving on to the next stage of their education or into the world of work. We will have a special collection for the Catholic Education Service which is the agency of the Bishops' Conference that supports our Catholic educational institutions and our diocesan education services, as well as negotiating with Government on educational matters.

SL UCM: Parishioners are welcome to attend the next meeting of St. Luke's UCM on Wed 11 September as there will be a talk starting 7.30 pm on the Turin Shroud by Tony Cunliffe entitled: "The Case of the Missing Body Live".

PACT: Our Parish Advisory and Co-ordinating Team meet this Wednesday at 7.30pm at St Luke's.

Mass & Cenacle Prayers: There will be no Mass & Cenacle Prayers this Monday 9 September.

Loaves & Fishes: Urgently require drinking mugs, if you have any to spare, please leave them under the table in the Narthex. Thank you.

Evangelii Gaudium Sunday: This is the new name for Home Mission Sunday, which we will celebrate next weekend and we will have a special collection to support the Missionary work of the Bishops' Conference here in England and Wales.

Church Cleaning (SsPP): We are asking for any volunteers who can help in cleaning the church, taking it in turns on a regular basis to do the general cleaning, hoovering, emptying the bins and cleaning the toilets. If you would be able to be part of that rota, please pass your details on to one of the priests or via the parish office at St Luke's. Thank you.

Parish Newsletter Mailing List: If you would be interested in joining the Parish Mailing List to receive the Parish Newsletter via email, please send an email with subject - Mailing List to Jane.Wareham@dioceseofsalford.org.uk