

CONGRATULATIONS

to Sacred Heart Primary School who celebrate their Diamond Anniversary this year.. Many congratulations for all that you have achieved in those years. I have seen the lovely pictures of your celebrations on Facebook. I'm sorry that I couldn't join you for the picnic party but I had other duties here. With my prayers and best wishes. Ad multos annos!!! I hope you managed to have some strawberries (and cream) on Friday.



MANY THANKS



to all those who worked so hard to make our Quarant'Ore such a lovely few days of grace. My thanks go to those who arranged the sanctuary so beautifully with the flowers and candles. To Father Ian Kelly for guiding our reflections each evening and to Nathan Jowett who came to provide music for our sung Mass to close our devotions. Lastly to you my parishioners for coming each day to spend some time with the Lord. He will certainly reward the time you spent with Him. Now that you know what Quarant'Ore is, it is a tradition that you can build on.

READERS AT MASS FOR JUNE

Saturday 12:00 Noon Mass

12th June Jane Mawdsley
19th June Christopher Howard
26th June Anthony Rungay

Saturday 6pm Mass

12th June M Breen 12/6,
19th June J Bannon 19/6,
26th June M Pearson

Sunday Masses 10:00am and 11:30am

13th K. Ansley (SH) F. Gabriel (HF)
20th J. Collier (SH) T Napier (HF)
27th A. Nickson (SH) P. Rowen (HF)

ENVIRONMENT SUNDAY



Today marks another 'themed Mass' as the Bishops have dedicated this Sunday as 'Environment Sunday'. I thought the only theme of every Mass was the sacrifice of Christ on Calvary.

The Sacrament of the Eucharist, Holy Mass, is at the very centre of our Christian life. It gives us a unique opportunity to establish deep communion with God and with all material reality. It is a unique place of encounter of the Divine and the earthly.



Here, we give thanks for all that is good in us and around us. Here, we express our love for the Creator and Lord of the Universe and for the great works that he unceasingly accomplishes. Here, we ask that our thoughts, our hearts, and our senses be renewed so that we can see our neighbour and nature as God does. Here, at last, we ask forgiveness for the evil and sin that destroy the divine harmony of the world. (Adapted from 'The Ecologist's Breviary' by Zdzislaw Kijas OFM Conv, Katowice 2018.)



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13th June 2021

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



Masses & Services

11th Sunday in OT

10:00am Holy Mass (HF)

11.30am Holy Mass (SH)

Monday 14th June

9:30am Holy Mass (SH)

Dedication of the Cathedral

Tuesday 15th June

9:30am Holy Mass (SH)

Weekday

Wednesday 16th June

9:30am Holy Mass (SH)

St Richard of Chichester

Thursday 17th June

NO MASS

Friday 18th June

9:30am Holy Mass (SH)

Weekday

Saturday 19th June

In honour of Our Lady

10:00am 1st Holy Communion Mass (HF)

12:00 Noon Holy Mass (SH)

6:00pm Vigil Mass (SH)

Sunday 20th June

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00am Holy Mass (HF)

11.30 am Holy Mass (SH)

3:00pm 1st Holy Communion Mass (SH)



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.

SVP FOOD COLLECTION

Any future donations of non perishable food stuffs for the SVP can now be brought with you when you attend Mass and left in the porch. Many thanks for all your support for those less fortunate than ourselves.



Please Pray For the Following

Sick: Canon Henrique Fragelli ICKSP, Oscar Travis, Michael Hagans, Pat Gale, Marian Whyte, Mary Millar, Brian Lynam, Diane Chadwick, Eileen Naven, Louise Sherrington, Ken Hargreaves, Philomena Hill, Doreen Boardman, Cindy Nuttall, Lindsay Hillen, Jim & Helen Hyndman, Andrew Swaby, Marjorie Molloy, Stephen Ramlaul.

Lately Dead: Mary Cook, Luba Lawrence, Brenda Mahon, Renee Howarth, Kathleen Rickett, Anthony McKenzie, Tom Herle.

Anniversaries & B'days: Gerard Molloy, Mary Oliver, Mary Cook, Shirley Keefe, Daniel Swaby, Kitty Brogan, Thomas Brogan. Fr Maurice Murphy, Fr Richard O'Connor.

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINS

Springhill Hospice: 01706 649920

Royal Oldham: 0161 627 8796

Fairfield: Fr. Starkie 07979351744

North M/c Hospital: 0161 720 2293

The Christie: 0161 446 3097

NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL

To receive the newsletter by email please drop a note to the parish email: parish@sacredheartchurchrochdale.org.uk

CHURCH PARISH CENTRE CLEAN

It has been suggested that we gather a few volunteers to help with aspects of church cleaning. As restrictions continue to ease and life returns to some sort of normality we look forward to the day when we can meet socially in our parish centre again. We also need to tidy up and sort out the storage space at the back of the choir loft. If you can help with this then please come along after the 12:00noon Mass on 26th June and lend a hand. The more the merrier.

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER

can be emailed to:

parish@sacredheartrochdale.org.uk

or pushed through the door at Sacred Heart by 12:00 Noon on Fridays. Many thanks.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions are available by appointment at this time Please have a word with Father if you would like to celebrate this Sacrament.

MORE STEWARDS NEEDED

Many thanks for work our stewards have been doing for many months now in order that we may have our churches open for the celebration of Mass and other services. There is only one problem with them - there are not enough of them!!! Could you spare sometime to be a steward

SANCTUARY LAMPS

We now have three lamps in the sanctuary at Sacred Heart. One burns by Our Lady, one by the Sacred Heart and one by the Tabernacle. These lamps can be purchased to burn for your intentions. If you would like to purchase a lamp (donation £5) then have a word with Fr Francis or place your offering in an envelope marking it 'Sanctuary Lamp' and where you would like the lamp to burn and for what Intention.

The lamps this week burn as follows:

Sacred Heart

Past and Present pupils and Staff
Sacred Heart School

Our Lady

Thanks to Blessed Carlo Acutis

Tabernacle

Those who gave so much to Sacred Heart School

Please note lamps are burnt in the order that they are received. Names will appear in the newsletter when they are being burnt.

SVP FOOD DONATIONS

Members of the SVP are asking for donations of tins of fruit, rice pudding, custard, meat and fish. Many thanks to all who have contributed to recent appeals on behalf of the needy we serve.

PARISH BANK ACCOUNTS

The former bank accounts of the Sacred Heart and Holy Family have now been amalgamated into one new account by the diocese. In future please could you make any cheques payable to:

SAINT MARGARET CLITHEROW

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The programme of preparation will begin in September. I am trying to compile a list of those children from our parish who do not attend a Catholic High school and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please get touch with Fr Francis ASAP to register for the programme. Many thanks.

1st HOLY COMMUNION MASSES

will take place on the following days and locations.

Sunday 13th June 3:00pm at SH

Saturday 19th June 10:00am at HF

Sunday 20th June 3:00pm at SH

Saturday 26th June 10:00am at HF

Sunday 4th July 3:00pm at SH

HOPE IN THE FUTURE



We pray for the parishioners of St. James the Less, Rawtenstall, and for Canon Anthony McBride, their parish priest. We pray for their parish primary school and for All Saints High School. May they plant seeds of faith within people's hearts and allow the faith within their own hearts to grow.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Code of Canon Law states: "Parents are obliged to see to it that infants are baptised within the first weeks after birth" (867). This canon, although not always practical for many reasons, reminds us of the importance and urgency of the sacrament of Baptism. **As a Parish within the Diocese of Salford we follow the Diocesan Baptism Policy.** In order for a baby/child (under the age of 7) to be baptised, the Catholic family, (resident in the Parish of St. Margaret Clitherow) if not already practising their faith, must begin to attend Sunday Mass for a minimum of at least 6 weeks before a baptism date can be discussed. To discuss this further please speak to Fr Francis after Mass.

THE GOD WHO SPEAKS THROUGH MARK

As we return to Ordinary Time after Pentecost, the Department for Formation is pleased to offer four online evenings on the Gospel according to Mark.

Wednesday 9 June 2021 – *The Disciples in Mark* (with Fr Michael Deas)

Wednesday 16 June 2021 – *The Little People in Mark* (with Fr Michael Winstanley SDB)

Each presentation will be from 7.00 to 8.30 pm and will include time for discussion and questions. They are offered free of charge. To reserve a place on one or all the evenings and to receive the Zoom link in advance, email:

formation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

SCHOOL MASS

I will be celebrating Mass with the Year 4 children of Holy Family School in Church on Tuesday at 11:00am. All parishioners are warmly invited to attend.



I said to the doctor 'Can you give me something for my liver?'
He gave me a pound of onions.