



Parish of Pope St John XXIII - Parish Priest: Fr Robert Lasia 16 November 2025 - Thirty third Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Services to Sunday 23 November - Christ the King

Monday 17th November	10am	Mass at St Marys
Tuesday 18th November	10 am	Mass at St Patricks
Wednesday 19th November	10 am	Mass at St Mary's with pupils from school
Thursday 20th November	10 am 1.30pm	Funeral Service at St Mary's for ANNE WOOD, RIP Mass at St Patrick's with pupils from school
Friday 21st November	10.00am	Mass at St Marys
Saturday 22nd November	10-10.30 am 12.00 pm	Confessions at St Mary's Mass at St Patricks followed by Confession
Sunday 23rd November	9.30 am 11.15 am	Mass at St Patrick's with children's liturgy (primary school age only) Mass at St Mary's

Terry Clarke, RIP

Terry was a well-known, supportive parishioner of Saint Patrick's, a member of the Finance Committee and former Men's Confraternity. He was often involved in parish social events and will be missed by the many who knew him. His Requiem Mass will take place in the church he loved most, here at Saint Patrick's, on Tuesday 25 November at 11.45 am.

Choir Practices

Sunday 16th and Tuesday 18th of November, 7 pm.
St Mary's Parish Centre
Dress Rehearsal Sunday 23rd Nov. at 3.00 pm

Companions of Mary

Monday 17 November, 2 pm St Patrick's Presbytery
Newcomers welcome, just turn up.

Christian Meditation

Wednesday 19 November, 7 pm, at Sister Noel's
Please ring Pat on 07717226758 if you are interested in joining this group. Note change of day

Rosary

Thursday 20th November. Please use the sacristy door near the school gate.
Rosary, online, every Wednesday at 7pm
For further information, email John at stmarysr90@gmail.com

Irish Get-together

20 November, 2 pm, St Patrick's Presbytery
Fancy a chat? Like to listen to others tell their story? This group might be just what you are looking for. You don't have to be Irish to enjoy the craic! Beidh Failte Romhat. You will be very welcome!

Christmas Stall at St Mary's/Gift Shop at Saint Patrick's

From Sunday 23rd November open before and after mass at the back of church.

Christmas cards and gifts will be on sale (cash only please). All proceeds go towards parish funds. Please support both parish gift shops this Advent & Christmas season.

World Youth Sunday

23 November

National Youth Sunday is an opportunity to recognise young people as a gift in the Church. A host of resources to facilitate the celebration of National Youth Sunday and the Feast of Christ the King can be accessed at www.nationalyouthsunday.com.



Afternoon Tea with Entertainment

Sunday 30th November, 3 pm, tickets (available) £10
Please only buy a ticket if you intend to come because we have very limited space, and when all the tickets are sold there will be a waiting list for any returns.

Sanctuary Lamps

Thank you for your continued support of the Sanctuary lamps - this week dedicated to private, Special Intentions.

Springhill Hospice Christmas Fair

11 am to 3 pm, Sunday 23 November, Kingsway Park High School



All the usual stalls: tombola, raffle, Asian food, Father Christmas in his grotto, sparkly nails, face painting ... and all to raise funds for our wonderful hospice.

Mary's Meals

Double the Love Festive campaign

Running annually, for a limited period donations are matched by generous supporters up to the value of £1.1m.



TLC (Talk, Listen, Care) Bereavement Support Group

Next meets 9 December
Contact Julie Liepins on 07522 978953 for further information

Dates for your diary:

Parish Christmas Meal

Friday 12 December, 7.30 pm
Riva Restaurant, Hollingsworth Lake
Menus available shortly, but if you are interested in attending, please contact Angela Bradley direct on 07938 167610

Dates for your diary:

Carol Service

St. Mary's church, Thursday 18 December, 7 pm
Mulled Wine and Mince Pies to follow

Pilgrimage 2026: Rome, San Giovanni and Assisi

12-21 October, 2026, 10 days, £1450 pp sharing or £1690 for a single room. (3 nights Half board at each location)

Fly Manchester to Rome, visit the most famous places in Rome, including the weekly Papal Audience, where you will see our new Pope Leo XIV.

San Giovanni Rotondo, where Padre Pio lived and ministered for the last fifty years of his life, and where his body is now enshrined in a major Catholic Shrine.

Onwards to the Umbrian Hills to the town of Assisi, a most popular, and very peaceful Pilgrim Site dedicated to St Francis.

Further details :

Jeanette 07717 222 830 or
Northern Star Travel 0161 773 2115

Offertory collection in church for week ending
9 November:
Gift Aid: £354.25, Loose plate: £520.26,
World Missions £10



HMP Vacancy at Buckley Hall, Rochdale

Chaplain: Roman Catholic Ordained Deacon, Brother,
Sister, Lay Person Role, in either a full time, part time, job
share/flexible

Salary: £36151-£37887 NB Closing date: 21 November

Contact information for Ministry of Justice:

Tel: 0345 241 5359 (Mon-Fr 8 am to 6 pm) or e mail [moj-
recruitment-vetting-enquiries@resourcing.soprasteria.co.uk](mailto:moj-recruitment-vetting-enquiries@resourcing.soprasteria.co.uk)

Advice as weather gets colder and energy bills rise

If you or someone in your wider parish community is in need of support around rising energy bills, Caritas Salford, our diocesan charity, has a free energy advice service that can help. You can find details on their website on how to arrange a free session with their energy advice service team, and lots of other information

www.caritassalford.org.uk/energysupport

Quarant'ore - 40 Hours with the Lord

St Mary's, the Hidden Gem, invites you to join a special period of prayer - 40 Hours of Adoration of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Join us between Friday 21 November – Sunday 23 November as we take part in Solemn Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament each day, with celebrations of Holy Mass and confessions on each of the three days. The Quarant'ore will end with Solemn Sung Mass at 12 noon, followed by a short Blessed Sacrament Procession and Benediction. For more information, please contact the Parish by calling 0161 834 3547 or by emailing Mgr Canon Anthony Kay anthony.kay@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

A Day of Reflection on the role of Sacred Music in the Liturgy

On 29 November, a practical day course will be held on understanding the use of Sacred Music within the Mass, starting at 11am and finishing with sung Mass at 5:15pm. The morning session will take place at St. Augustine's, Grosvenor Square, and the afternoon session and Mass will take place at St. Mary's, the Hidden Gem. The cost is £20 per person, which includes a buffet lunch and light refreshments. To book and for more information please contact Dr. Rosemarie Darby via email: rosemarie.darby@manchester.ac.uk

Diocesan Vocations Team

The Diocese of Salford's vocations team is delighted to share its latest newsletter exploring updates on vocations to diocesan ministry, which includes the priesthood and permanent diaconate. For the latest on ordinations, inspiring vocation stories, and the latest update by numbers, please visit

dioceseofsalford.org.uk/faith/vocations/

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Gift Shop	St Mary's: Clare Davies, 07813 655014 St Patrick's: Derek Conway 01706 644412

We pray for those who are sick:

Robert Fitzgerald, Mary Ascough, Pat Brown, David Cunningham, Ann Deering, Beryl and Peter Hampton, Jane Mason, Pat May, Anthony McCarron, Cindy Nuttall, Peter O'Donnell, Anne Peacock, Vanessa Mennella, Diane Sheila Byrne, Ian Murton, Jonathan Wallwork, Illona Eckhard, Christine Wildman, Pat Roche

If you would like to include someone on the sick list please fill in the relevant form (available from the back of church). (This is to comply with safeguarding rules.)

Lately Dead:

Agnes Cooney, Terry Clarke, Margaret Russell, Doreen Riley
May they rest in the peace of their Crucified and Risen Saviour

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur up to 9th & 16th November:

Micheal Foley, Joseph Bradley, Eileen Judge, Fr Hugh O'Neill PP, Mary Broderick, Francis Luke Turner, Brian Heaney, Hilda Vidic, Catherine Hughes, Joseph Hughes, Christopher Hart, Elizabeth Crabtree, Sadie Maden, Ena McCarron, Arthur Heaney, Audrey Mary Smith, Nancy Smith, Mary Garvey, Cecilia Beresford Dora M Brennan, Arthur Dronsfield, Patricia Lamber, Eileen Devlin, James McMurray Haggarty, John J Morris, Frank Turner, Malcolm McCormick, James Brennan, Theresa Agnes Sherlock, Patricia Egan, Enoch Griffin, Michael Medynskyj, Fred Wrigley Family, Gabrielle Twigger, Mary Trow, John Gerard Keefe, Mary Nixon, James Conroy, Frank Kelly, Christine Driver, Mary Mullaney, Philip Holden, Thomas Nixon, Velinda Doodson, Leonard Brierley, Leo O'Gorman, Margaret Briggs, John Howarth, Frank Walker, Ann Harris, John Peter Keane, Maureen Nichol, Bernard McCabe Joan Cryer

Thank you for Masses received up to weeks ending: 9 and 16 November

Lately dead: Terry Clarke (2), Doreen Riley

Anniversary: Audrey Smith, Vincent Richardson, Basil Lord, Martin Richardson, Nicholas Reid

RIP: Alice Ashworth, John Morris, David Taylor

Others: A successful operation,
Private, special intention

Week commencing Monday November 17		
	St Mary's	St Patrick's
Greeters	Elaine, Malaiko	
Welcome	Joan	Mike Turner
Readers	Terence Angela	Katie Power, Mike Turner, Harrison Kenedium
Eucharistic Minister	Kath Pollard Joan Schofield	Regi James Slater James Parathot
Counters	Own rota	Roger and Breda
Gift Shop	Clare	Christine and Kath Lomax
Musicians	Jeanette	Tom, Caron
Children's Liturgy	-	Annette and Mark
Church Closing		Kate