

MASSES AND SERVICES

Vigil 7.00	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Frank Bevan		Thu 9.10	St Francis de Sales Brian Watts	24 Jan
Sun 9.30 11.00 6.30	2nd in Ordinary Time The Parish Jim Hankinson Heaney & Holman Families	20 Jan	11.00	<i>SCH</i> Priest's Intention	
Mon 9.10	St Agnes Joan Livesey	21 Jan	Fri 9.10 10.00	THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL, APOSTLE No Mass <i>Funeral Mass:</i> Imelda Harrison	25 Jan
Tue 9.10	St Vincent Thomas Craven	22 Jan	Sat 9.30 11.30	SS Timothy and Titus Dec'd of Gorman Family <i>Wedding:</i> Michael Carty and Samantha Atherton	26 Jan
Wed 9.10	SMSB Class Mass : Mary Lloyd	23 Jan	Vigil 7.00	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Leo Crook	
			Sun 9.30 11.00 6.30	3rd in Ordinary Time The Parish Christopher Tipping Elizabeth Prescott	27 Jan

Reconciliation/Confession Sat 10.00—10.30 & 6.15—6.45 (*or by arrangement*)
Exposition Sat 10.00—10.30

Our Lady & St Gerard's, Lostock Hall. Mass Times:

Monday at 6:30 pm; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 9:15 am; Friday - No Mass

Saturday 6pm; Sunday 8.30am & 10am

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This Week's Prayers for Salford Diocese:

Let us pray for the parish of St Anne and St Joseph, Accrington with Fr Stamp, and for the parish of St James, Rawtenstall, with Canon McBride, for their primary schools and for All Saints College



HOPE
IN THE FUTURE

Stay with us, Lord, On Our journey

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PLEASE PRAY FOR

Imelda Harrison, lately dead

The sick, and the housebound of the parish and those who care for them, especially

Joyce Crook, Brenda & Denis Towers, Ryan Womack, Terry Heaney, Agnes Crook

For those whose **anniversaries** occur at this time, especially James Harrison, Annie Kendal,

Evelyn Patten, Mary Agatha Spencer, Brian Watts, Alice Woodcock

Sunday 20 January 2019

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY
2ND IN ORDINARY TIME

Today is a Day of Prayer for **Peace on Earth**

SVP Collection after all Masses this week-end. Sincere thanks for last month's generous donations of £171.13

Welcome everyone to our Mass, especially any people who are visiting or who have not been for a while. Today we hear how Jesus performs his first miracle at the Wedding Feast of Cana; It is a further revealing of the presence of "God with us". The words of Mary remind us to "do whatever He tells you". Do we do what Jesus wants us to do or do we more often follow our own voice?

First Communion Preparation: During the 9.30am Mass we are celebrating the next stage in the journey for those of our children who are preparing for First Holy Communion: **'We are People who Pray'**. One of the most important things we do is pray together (as well as praying alone). Every Sunday, we come together as the Church to pray the Mass, this phrase 'pray the Mass', might sound rather old fashioned, but it's what we should do—rather than 'hear' or 'listen' or 'watch'. The children are looking at different ways of praying, and particularly at the Mass, the prayer of all God's people. One of the high points of Mass is when we all pray together in the words that Jesus taught us. We call God 'Our Father' (not 'my' Father) because we are **'the Body of Christ' - the Church.**

Baptism: Welcome to Elliot James Ewin who will be baptised into the **Body of Christ** in our parish today.

Cycle of Prayer: Ordinary Time: We are asked to pray for Peace on Earth; Christian

Unity; Victims of Human Trafficking; the Sick and Those who Care for Them; the Unemployed

Holy Father's Intention for January. *Evangelization:* That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world. Please pray also for the success of the upcoming World Youth Day gathering with Pope Francis in Panama.

Christian Unity Week: 18-25 January each year is the week of Prayer for Christian Unity, concluding with the feast of the Conversion of St Paul. We pray for all Christian communities, especially those in our own area, that we make seek ways of working together more closely.

THIS WEEK

Wed 23 Jan: 1pm Mothers Prayers Group meet in the Priory.

Thurs 24 Jan 7pm: Catholicism with Bishop Robert Barron: the latest in our video presentation about the Faith. This week we will focus on the Mass and the Mystery of the Eucharist. All welcome to any of these sessions.

200 Club—the next draw will take place next weekend, 26/27 January

For further information please contact Sandra or Kathryn, Tel 01772 312558. For further information about the 200 Club .

Offerings

Offerings £1,177.33

Attendance: 385

Total offerings this year: £2,345.09

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 27 Jan
Offertory Processions:

Vigil 7 pm: Connie Dixon

9.30 am: Pugh Family

9.30am Welcoming: Barbara/Delia Families

New Parishioners: We hope you will soon feel at home in this community. Please introduce yourself and give us your details on one of the pink forms at the church entrances. Hand this to one of the priests or another parishioner after Mass. Let us know if you would like your home to be blessed.

New Phone Number: St Benedict's Monastery, residence of our parish clergy, has a new phone number: **01772 321201.**

Parish Dinner: will take place on Sunday 27 January and is now fully booked.

HCPT GROUP 56 Annual Quiz will take place on Friday, 1st February at Bamber Bridge Catholic Club starting at 7.30pm; price £8 including Hot Pot Supper. Tickets will be on sale after 9.30am Mass this week-end and 20 and 27 January or phone Janice, 468474.

Ampleforth Retreat 2019 will be on 8, 9 & 10 March. Please contact Janice Spencer, 01772 468474 to book your place. Cost is £130 or £140 (ensuite). A non-refundable deposit of £25 is required to confirm.

CAFOD : We hope to have our mystery raffle again during Lent and would be grateful for any unwanted presents. Please leave them in the Christmas Box under the table near the Piety Shop. Thank You.

CAFOD: Many thanks to all who support our parish Cafod group. We are promoting a new initiative to make use of unrecyclable plastic: **The ECO brick;** fill up a plastic 4 pint milk bottle with all the bits of smaller plastic which we usually throw away as non recyclable and pack them in to make the bottle as full and as solid as possible. Bring them

to church and we will pass them on to be used in a garden project the Bishop's House, Wardley Hall. They get bound together to make bigger blocks to build garden walls etc..

Parish Website:

www.stmarysbrownedge.org.uk The website is now back in functioning order. Pay a visit to find information, watch live services, pray the weekly bidding prayers and find the link to our Facebook page. If you would like to publish any articles or photographs for the website please send them to the parish office.

Counters: We need some more volunteers to help count the weekly collection. This is done on a Sunday evening on a 4 week rota basis. If you can help please contact the parish office.

Parish Volunteers : Please note that all volunteers in the Diocese are now required to complete Diocesan safeguarding procedures.

Blessing for Engaged Couples

The Bishop of Salford is holding a service of blessing for engaged couples at Salford cathedral on Saturday 9 February at 3pm.

Job Vacancy: Salford Diocese Human Resources Manager: the post holder will act as the HR lead working closely with senior managers to support the development and implementation of effective HR solutions focused on the current and emerging needs of the Diocese. More details can be found at: www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies/

Diploma in Pastoral Ministry: in partnership with Loyola University, Chicago, and Liverpool Hope University. The Certificate offers a detailed introduction to Catholic Theology, Scripture and Catechesis and, with the addition of a series of Skills Workshops, becomes the Diploma. The Parish may be able to assist with some of the funding. The course lasts 2-3 years. More information can be found on the diocese website at: www.salforddiocese.org.uk.