

MASSES AND SERVICES

Vigil 7.00	6th Sunday of Easter Jim Morris		Thu	THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD	30 May
Sun 9.30 11.00 6.30	6th Sunday of Easter The Parish Derek Foster Archie, Eleanor and Thompson Families	26 May	9.30 11.00 4.30 7.30	Christina Skerritt (LD) SCH Priest's Intention The Parish Richard & Mary Lloyd	
Mon	ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY	27 May	Fri	VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	31 May
9.30	Livesey & Sumner Families		9.10	Michael Jones	
Tue 9.10	Tony Livesey	28 May	Sat	St Justin	1 June
Wed 9.10	Gerald Brown	29 May	9.30	Elizabeth Doreen & Bernard John Sheehan	
			Vigil	7th Sunday of Easter	
			7.00	Mary, Jim & Elizabeth Baldwin	
			Sun	7th Sunday of Easter	2 June
			9.30	John Woof and Intentions of Isaac John smith	
			11.00	The Parish	
			6.30	Jack & Gertie Woods	

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: 6:30 pm; Tuesday: 9:15 am; Wednesday: Vigil of the Ascension: 6.30pm;

Ascension Thursday: 8.30am; Friday - No Mass

Saturday 6pm; Sunday 8.30am & 10am

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This Week's Prayers for Salford Diocese:

We pray for the people of the parish of Our Lady of Mount Carmel with St John Bosco, Blackley and for Fr Philip Brady, their parish priest. We pray for their primary schools



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Stay with us, Lord, on our journey!

ST MARY'S BROWNEDGE

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PLEASE PRAY FOR

lately dead, especially Margaret Maureen Parker, Connie Sharples

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

Marie Fitzgerald, Eddie Gough, Joyce Cronin, Joyce Crook, Brenda Towers,

Mary Halpin-Flood, Margaret Riley, Ryan Womack, Terry Heaney,

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Agnes Jackson, Albert Livesey

James Hankinson, Teresa Prescott, Jim Morris, Thelma Woods, Michael Jones

6th Sunday of Easter **26 May**
Welcome everyone to our Mass, especially any people who are visiting or who have not been for a while. In the gospel we hear Jesus assuring his disciples that they do not need to be afraid because his Father will send the Holy Spirit; during these final 2 weeks of Eastertide let us pray for a new outpouring of the Spirit this Pentecost in our lives and on our world.

Cycle of Prayer: during Easter: We are asked to pray for : New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of the Media; the Church; Human Work

Holy Father's Intention: Evangelization: That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.

THIS WEEK

Mon 27 : Mass for the Bank Holiday at 9.30am

Wed 29 May: Hyning Monastery: Day of Recollection. Fr Colin will lead the day, reflecting on Our Lady in her month of May. Coach leaves church at 9.30am returning for approximately 4.30pm. To book, please contact Edward Lawson, tel 01772 338704

Wed 29 May: 1pm Scripture Group meet in the Priory.

Thu 30 May: FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD: The Ascension has now reverted to the Thursday of the 6th week of Easter and is a **Holy day of Obligation**. Please see reverse of bulletin for Mass times both here and at Our Lady & St Gerard's & at St Catherine's Hospice.

Offerings

Offerings : £1,115.17

Attendance: 348

Total offerings this year: £23,198.30

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity

200 Club— The next Monthly Draw takes place this weekend

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

Next Sunday: **2 June**

7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Second Collection at all Masses for *World Communications Network*

Offertory Processions

Vigil 7 pm: Madalene & Mike Hankey
9.30 am: Walsb Family
9.30am Welcoming: GreenwoodFamily

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.

Festival 2019: A huge thank you to everyone for the great amount which went into making Festival 2019 a great success. The flowers, artwork, liturgies and concerts all came together beautifully to celebrate our Church and our community. A special word of thanks goes to Raymund Livesey for all his hard work and unstinting effort. The Ecumenical Festival Service from Thursday 9 May with the choir of St John's Broughton is now available to view on our streaming service: click on the "featured videos" section.

The **SVP** would like to invite Senior Citizens to their Summer Tea Party at the Catholic Club on **Thursday, 6 June** from 1pm until 4pm. Anyone wishing to attend please complete the slip and place in the **SVP Box** at the entrances of the church. If anyone would like to donate a raffle prize it would be very much appreciated. A box for raffle prizes is at the back of church.

World Youth Day @ Home: A great day or weekend of fun for young people : **Pentecost Weekend, 7-9th June 2019 at Alton Castle.** Either go for the weekend or just go for the Sat-

urday. See Fr Mark if you are interested. To book your place with the diocesan youth team, contact Lorraine Leonard on 0161 817 2205 or Lorraine.leonard@dioceseofsalford.org.uk. A coach is being provided free of charge for the Saturday only, book your place quickly! Thank you to the Catenian Association for funding the coach.

Confirmation: As you know, we no longer celebrate confirmation in the Diocese of Salford when children are in year 3. It will now be offered to children when they reach year 8 (12-13 years old). Those children now in year 6 are the first cohort to take part in the new programme. All year 6 children across the diocese are invited to join the Bishop for a special launch day in Bolton on Saturday, 15 June 10am—2pm. Any one interested please see Fr Mark ASAP. Any children above year 6 who have not yet been confirmed and would like to be also see Fr Mark.

Unclaimed Raffle Prizes from Festival: Green border 319 : pink border 434 : blue border 460 : blue border 539. Prizes can be collected after any of the weekend Masses or the parish office between 2.15 and 4.45pm, Monday—Friday.

Lost Property: Please check the *lost property tray* in the Narthex—there are a large number of gloves which have been left behind.

Also a lady's black handbag (with no identification) is in the parish office—this have been there for some months. If this is yours, please collect during the above hours or phone 01772 335 168.

Boarbank Hall: The Augustinian Sisters at Boarbank Hall, Grange over Sands offer a series of retreats through the year. They also offer guest accommodation to anyone who would like to just get away for a few days. See www.boarbankhall.org.us for further details. There are some flyers at the back of Church.

CAFOD Climate Pilgrimage to London: Caritas and 100 other organisations are supporting this event on 26 June. If you wish to be

involved, a coach will be leaving Preston station at 5am on that day. Coaches will be travelling from all over the country and our Diocese is offering this at a cost of £25 per person. For more details and to sign up, please go to: www.cafod.org.uk/climatelobby or contact our Caritas Rep: kaye_hodgson@hotmail.com or 07745 934 785.

Online Streaming: We received the following note from a lady in Luton: "I watch Holy Mass from your church most days. Lovely lovely Mass. I enjoy all Masses . My late Husband worked in Preston in the 50's. I often wonder if he attended your church. I met him in Luton and got married. He and I never missed Mass. He died 22 years ago. Anniversary coming up soon. He often spoke about Preston". In April we have found that there were **1,951** unique connections which could be individuals, households with more than 1 person, communities or Nursing Homes who made connections for a total of **9,793** times during the month and stayed with your services for a total of **3,952** hours. How amazing to think we are reaching out to so many people sharing with them the love of Christ. You can view our services on either our parish website or on www.churchservicestv.org where you can view many other parishes as well.

Thy Kingdom Come: There is a Beacon/Launch Event for this on Weds 29th May 7.30pm at Crossgate Church in Preston PR1 5LG. It is an ecumenical prayer initiative inviting us to pray in a special the classic Novena (9 days) between Ascension and Pentecost. Go to www.thykingdomcome.global for more details or download the app for your smartphone.

Corpus Christi: Sunday 23 June is the feast of Corpus Christi. We will celebrate this in two very special ways: Mass of First Holy Communion at 9.30am and a Blessed Sacrament Procession at 3pm.

Sherry Weddell: Author of "Forming Intentional Disciples". A session for parishioners to look at how they can build up their parish communities. Thursday 20th June 2019, 5:30pm – 9:00pm, St Bernadette's Parish Centre, Whitefield, M45 7SX. Please see Fr Mark if you would be interested in attending this.