



Our Lady of Hope Parish, Salford

Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy - 28 April 2019

This week the Gospel is chosen because it relates “what happened today” – eight days after Easter, Jesus comes again to his disciples. The story of Thomas’s doubt and faith leads us to think about our doubts and faith – but always in the context of being part of the family of the Church. Remember last week, and the baptisms you may have witnessed, or the renewal of your own baptismal promises: “this is the faith of the Church, the faith in which we are baptised.”

Marriage Matters: *Taking time out for our relationship:* On Easter Sunday night the risen Jesus greets the Apostles saying ‘*Peace be with you*’. How can we find peace in such a hectic world? We are called to make time for our relationship with God, and make a diary entry for our personal relationship. Listening and dialogue build intimacy and peace – with each other and with God.

Think Vocation: On this Divine Mercy Sunday we think about priests called to be channels of God’s mercy in the sacrament of Reconciliation; that they may always convey the unconditional love God has for us. We also think about all those (priests and people) whose vocation is to be involved in the corporal works of mercy, stretching out the loving hand of God to those in need – caring for the hungry, thirsty, naked, homeless, sick, imprisoned; and burying the dead.

Masses / Services	St Luke’s	Ss Peter & Paul
Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday	Sat vigil 6:30pm 9:30am	8:00am and 11:00am
Monday - St Catherine of Siena, Patron of Europe (Feast)		9am Mass & Adoration
Tuesday - St George, Patron of England (Solemnity)	9am Mass	9am Mass & Adoration
Wednesday - Easter Weekday or St Joseph the Worker	9.30am Requiem Mass for Mary Griffin; 7pm Mass	9am Mass & Adoration
Thursday - St Athanasius	9am Mass	7pm Novena & Mass
Friday - St Philip and St James (Feast)	9am Mass	9am Mass & Adoration
Saturday - The English Martyrs (Feast)	11:30am Mass followed by Adoration & Confessions	No Mass
Third Sunday of Easter	Sat vigil 6:30pm 9:30am	8:00am and 11:00am

Sick: Julie Webster; Alsie O’Malley; Elsie Pearce

Lately Dead: Jennifer Culligan; Mary Griffin; Sylvia Oates; Joan McDonnell; Frances Butcher; Mary Hussey

Anniversaries: Mary Wilmington; Kevin Whittaker

Masses Received: Mary Wilmington (Anniversary & Birthday Memories); Bernard Ward (Birthday Memories); Joan McDonnell (Lately Dead); Frances Butcher (Lately Dead); Mary Hussey (Lately Dead); Julie Webster (Sick); Alan Roberts; Deceased members of the Sloyan & Roberts family; Deceased Members of the McMannimon & Gravin family; Fr Saji (Silver Jubilee of Priestly Ordination); Edith and John Blacklock; Kevin Whittaker (Anniversary)

Diocesan Prayer Cycle: We pray for the people of the parishes of St Joseph the Worker and St Teresa of Avila, Irlam, with Fr Anthony Clarke, and for their parish primary schools. May this coming year be for them a time of grace and blessing.

Divine Mercy: This Sunday (28 April) Divine Mercy devotions will take place at St James RC Church (Heywood Way, M6 5UJ) from 2pm to 3.15pm, with Adoration, confessions, rosary, recitation of the chaplet and the 3 O’clock prayer. All are welcome.

Sri Lanka: Following the terrible events of Easter Sunday, we pray for all those who died or were injured in the explosions, together with all who have been affected in any way by this tragedy. We pray too for all members of the Sri Lankan community in the UK, especially those who have suffered the loss or serious injury of family and friends at home. There will be a vigil at Manchester Cathedral tonight (Sunday) at 7pm which will include time for reflection, the sharing of a minute’s silence, prayer, the lighting of candles and words from representatives of the region’s faith communities. There will also be a Book of Condolence open for you to write in. All are welcome to attend.

Offertory Collection £2,512.45; **Shrines of Palestine** (Good Friday) £430.51

Saint George:

We would normally celebrate the Feast of St George, Patron Saint of England, on the 23 April but, since that is one of the days within the Easter Octave, the Church transfers this feast to the first available date which is not already a solemnity or feast. So this year we are celebrating St George a week later, Tuesday 30 April.



Sacramental Programme:

Ss Peter & Paul are reminded that the preparation sessions begin again this Sunday (28 April). With the change of Mass times, it has been agreed that the preparation sessions will take place at 10am rather than after the later Mass

St Luke are reminded that their next preparation session is next Sunday (5 May) at 2pm in the parish centre.

Please pray for all the children and their families at this important time.

Confirmation: As you may be aware, pupils currently in year 6 will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation when they are in year 8 (Easter 2021). An invitation from Bishop John to the young people to continue their faith journey towards Confirmation has been sent out via our Catholic schools. If your child is not in a Catholic school and has not received an invitation, can you please speak to one of the priests so that you can receive the invitation letter and register your interest.

Ministries: In the Easter period, we will find a time to bring together people who are involved in a whole range of ministries (not just Eucharistic) for a period of reflection and a service of commissioning.

Hope in the Future - Gifts and Talents: A training day for people who are, or would like to be, involved in **Parish Management** will take place on Saturday 18 May (10am-3pm) at Salford Cathedral Centre. If you would like to attend, you can find out more and book your place via the diocesan website.

Re-booting Your Confirmation: The second of the Journeying in Faith Retreat Days will take place at *Ss Peter & Paul* Church on Saturday 11 May, beginning with Mass at 9am and concluding around 5.30pm. This is open to the whole deanery, so feel free to invite your friends from other parishes to come along.

Next Week's Newsletter: Liz Connolly.

Please send notices before Wednesday
Email: newsletter@ourladyofhope.org.uk

St Luke's Children's Liturgy: Now that we have established a new pattern of Mass times, several people have suggested beginning a children's liturgy at the 9.30 Sunday Mass. If you are interested in volunteering to lead the group or help, please send an email to clare.kerrane@salford.gov.uk.

Transport: With our new Mass times, there may be people who will now need transport to get them to Mass. If you are someone who needs a lift or someone prepared to offer a lift, please have a word with Jacqui McCormick (at *St Luke*) or Liz Ainley (at *Ss Peter & Paul*) or e-mail priests@ourladyofhope.org.uk and we will try to coordinate requests/offers as soon as possible.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham (Saturday 4 May 2019): The pilgrimage this year is being led by Canon Michael Cooke VG. There are still places left on the coaches that will be leaving the diocese early next Saturday morning. If you would like to take part in the pilgrimage, you can get more information regarding transport etc, by contacting:
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SS. Peter and Paul UCM invite all ladies from our parish to join us on Thursday 2 May at 7.00pm at *St. Peter and Paul* Church for Our Annual Dedication UCM Mass.

St Luke's UCM Next meeting is Wednesday 8 May after 7pm Mass at *St Luke's*.

Mikron Theatre: Once again there was a packed church for the (as always) fantastic performance of "All Hands on Deck" on Wednesday night and it raised £1,751 for Salford Loaves and Fishes. Many thanks to all those involved in organising this event and all who supported it.

Our Lady's Catechists: Visit our new website today to learn more about our courses and our faith. www.catechists.org.uk

St Peter and Paul

500 Club – Congratulations to our Winners

1st Prize £152 number 82 Liz Ainsley
2nd Prize £76 number 66 Christine Nixon
3rd Prize - £77 – Number 27 – Mrs Regina Singh
Congratulations to our winners. Good Luck to everyone for next month's Draw. The bigger the number of entrants the bigger the prize for just £5 per month.
Contact Pat at *Sts. Peter and Paul*.

You can join the 500 Club any time but to be included in the super Christmas Bonus Draw you have to have been in the 500 Club for at least 6-7 months. Join Now!!

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