

Sunday 1st December 2024

**First Sunday of Advent** 

**Newsletter No 47** 

Mass Readings: Sunday cycle C

Weekday cycle I

Psalter week 1

<b>Opening Times of Church</b> Sunday: 7.30am—6.30pm Monday to Friday: 7.30am—4.30pm Saturday: 9.00am—6.30pm	MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK		
	<b>Sunday 1st December</b> 1st Sunday of Advent	8.00am	Sick of the Parish
Times of Holy Mass		9.15am	People of the Parish
Sunday: 8.00am, 9.15am, 11.00am & 5.30pm Monday to Friday: 8.00am & 12.10pm Saturday: 10.00am & 5.30pm (Vigil Mass for Sunday)		11.00am	In Thanksgiving (SI)
		2.00pm Mass	Priest's Intention
Holy Days of Obligation: 30pm (Vigil), 8.00am, 10am (Term time only), 12.10pm and 7.30pm		5.30pm	Sean Larkin (LD)
Times of Confession Monday to Friday: 11.30am—11.55am Saturday: 10.30am—11.25am and 4.45pm—5.15pm	Monday 2nd December Advent weekday	8.00am	Sr Susan (In Mem)
		12.10pm	Sr Jude (In Mem)
Times of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Monday to Friday: 11.30am—12.00noon Saturday: 10.30.am—11.30am	<b>Tuesday 3rd December</b> St Francis Xavier, Priest	8.00am	Mr & Mrs Deeney & Family (In Mem
		12.10pm	Mr & Mrs Johnson & Family (In Mem)
Join our live streamed services at www.salfordcathedral.co.uk Parish Office 250 Chapel Street, Salford M3 5LE Open Monday to Friday 8.30am-4.30pm Phone: 0161 817 2210 enquiries@salfordcathedral.co.uk Cathedral Staff Cathedral Dean: Rev Canon Michael D. Jones Dean@salfordcathedral.co.uk	Wednesday 4th December St John Damascene, Priest, Doctor	8.00am	Frances Kinsella (In Mem)
		12.10pm Chapter Mass	Canon's Intention
	<b>Thursday 5th December</b> Advent Weekday	8.00am	Mr & Mrs Maxwell (In Mem)
		10.00am School Mass	Lilly Mott (In Mem)
		12.10pm	Marie Ann (In Mem)
Cathedral Sub Dean: Rev Nathan Horne Subdean@salfordcathedral.co.uk	Friday 6th December St Nicholas, Bishop	8.00am	Irene Jack (In Mem)
Cathedral Precentor: Rev Frankie Mulgrew Frankie.mulgrew@dioceseofsalford.org.uk Chaplain: Rev Jude Elodimuo		12.10pm	Eric Mason (In Mem)
Jude.Elodimuo@dioceseofsalford.org.uk <b>Parish Sister:</b> Sr. Brenda Matterson DC. Parish.sister@salfordcathedral.co.uk			
Parish Secretary: Mrs Deborah Holmes	Saturday 7th December	10.00am	Eddie McCallie (In Mem)
Enquiries@salfordcathedral.co.uk Cathedral Finance Officer: Mrs Corinne Turnbull Finance@salfordcathedral.co.uk		5.30pm Vigil Mass	Hugh McCarter (In Mem)
Cathedral Director of Music: Mr Alex Patterson Music@salfordcathedral.co.uk	Sunday 8th December 2nd Sunday of Advent	8.00am	(In Mem)
Cathedral Organist: Mr Anthony Hunt Organist@salfordcathedral.co.uk	2nd Sunday of Advent	9.15am	(In Mem)
Cathedral Volunteer Programme Co-Ordinator: Mrs Maura Pasini Volunteering@salfordcathedral.co.uk		11.00am	People of the Parish
Cathedral Sacristan: Mr Anthony Wilson Sacristy@salfordcathedral.co.uk		2.00pm Chinese Mass	Priest's Intention
Cathedral Caretaker: Mr Charles Gorry Charles.gorry@dioceseofsalford.org.uk Parish Safeguarding:		5.30pm	(In Mem)

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## PARISH NOTICES

## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Roman Catholic community, which welcomes everyone. As members of the Family of God, strengthened by the Sacraments, and guided by the Holy Spirit, we strive to build a safe and loving Parish.

We nourish our community through the Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, by the Word of God and catholic social teaching, following the commission of Our Lord Jesus Christ to "go out to the whole world and proclaim the Good News" (Mark 16:15)

## The Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage

All enquiries for the sacraments of Baptism and Marriage must be made directly through the parish office.

#### A minimum of 6 months notice must be given for Marriage and a minimum of 2 months notice must be given for Baptisms

Please contact the parish secretary via email at enquiries@salfordcathedral.co.uk or on 0161 817 2210 during office hours: Monday to Friday, from 8.30am-4.30pm.

## **Offertory collection**

#### 24th November 2024—£ 755.74 Thank you for your continued generosity Giving by standing order

Regular giving is the financial bedrock of the Cathedral. It also minimises risk and costs the Cathedral parish less to manage, so your money goes further. Standing orders are also an easy option for regular giving – and you will no longer need to worry about having the right cash on a weekly basis. If you have online banking you can set this up online, or you can pick up the Gift aid declaration and standing order forms at the back of the Cathedral or from the Parish office.

#### Salford Roman Catholic Diocesan Trustees A Registered Charity No. 250037

## Mass intentions received this week

Fr Brendan Curley and All Holy Souls

Please pray for all those who are sick, especially Theresa O'Connor, Eugene Gibbs & and for those who have died recently, especially

Clare Muscat & Fr Brendan Curley



Wednesday Club—Over 60's Why not join us from 1.00pm in the Cloisters for a couple of hours of fun, good company and light refreshments.

See you there

## AT THE TIME OF HOLY COMMUNION.....

'We welcome everyone to share in our Celebration of Mass and invite you, if you are not a Catholic, or if for any reason you are not receiving communion, to come up for a blessing and indicate this by placing your arms across your chest'.



## **The New Lectionary**

The Lectionary is the book that contains the Scripture Readings for Holy Mass and the Sacraments. As Bishop John reminded us in his recent Pastoral Letter, from today, the First Sunday of Advent, in the Catholic Churches of England, Wales and Scotland, the Word of God will be proclaimed using the English Standard Version - Catholic Edition for the Readings and the Abbey Psalms and Canticles for the Responsorial Psalms.

The new Lectionaries and the Book of the Gospels for use in our Cathedral Parish will be blessed at the Vigil Mass. Our sincere thanks to the donor of this new set of liturgical books.

Parish Service of Reconciliation On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm we will have our Parish Service of Reconciliation with Priests available for confession.

What a great way to prepare for Christmas by going to confession and receiving all God's mercy. Please invite family and friends who you think may like to come to receive God's mercy.

## **PARISH NOTICES**

## PARISH CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Parishioners helping Parishioners.

Our parish Christmas project led by the SVP and Legion of Mary is once again going to make up food hampers and presents of new toys for struggling families.



We know that there are some families in our parish who are really finding it difficult to make ends meet. After your very generous response last year we are again asking for your assistance with this year's Christmas appeal to help our parishioners who are less fortunate than ourselves, to have a happy and less stressful Christmas.

**PLEASE CAN YOU HELP**; when you are shopping for toys for your children and grandchildren, will you purchase an extra toy to share with other families or donate some non-perishable food; such as a small Christmas cake, Christmas pudding, rice, pasta, tinned ham, tinned soups & sauces, savoury pies, mince pies, savoury and sweet biscuits, preserves,

breakfast cereals, tea, coffee, sugar, powdered or uht milk etc.

There will be a box at the back of the Cathedral to place your donations in, until Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December, please ask one of the Welcomers to direct you to it. (Unfortunately we cannot accept fresh food as we have nowhere to store it).

Please do take this opportunity to help our own parish families at this wonderful time of the year, it's a small way that we can exercise our Christian duty by showing our love for those in need.

## Diocesan Synod in the Parish

We are now entering into the Exploration Stage of our Diocesan Synod and are inviting parishioners to attend a Themed Gathering Meeting 'Enabling Access and Fostering Christ-like Care'.

We will reflect on the findings from the Big Listen and suggest what action to take as a Church. So do attend and be a voice for the parish!

Please join us on Sunday 8th December @ 12.45pm in the Assembly Room.





Loving Father, be with us as we seek new ways of being your people in our Diocese. May each new day bring us closer to your son Jesus, as we follow his teaching and become disciples of love. As we continue our Synodal journey, draw us closer to each other. May the truth of your Spirit enlighten us Open our hearts, as we listen to each other and reach out in love to your people. Stay with us, Lord, on our journey. Amen. Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Pray for Us.

St Joseph, Pray for Us

SALFORD SCHOOLS SINGING PROGRAMME

## Carol Service

A one-hour service of traditional carols and readings featuring school-children from St Chad's, Cheetham Hill St Joseph the Worker, Irlam with Salford Cathedral Choir

## Friday 6 December, 6.30pm St Patrick's RC Church, Collyhurst Livesey St, Manchester M4 5HF

Free admission - Retiring Collection - All welcome! Part of our Salford SSP Carol Services Series taking place across the Diocese of Salford this December. Scan the OR code for more information.





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## **DIOCESAN NOTICES**

#### **Diocesan Mass for Young Adults**

Our Diocesan Mass for Young Adults returns to St Augustine's in Manchester next month with a festive feel!

Join us at 5.30pm on Sunday 8 December as we gather together for Mass before enjoying some seasonal treats and the return of our series of talks exploring the Catholic faith.

#### All are welcome

## **Becoming Pilgrims of Hope: Advent Talks**

A series of talks exploring the theme of hope is set to begin this Advent as we embark on the 2025 Year of Jubilee. Join Sr Joan Kerley, FMSJ, and Maria Kidd as they unpick our Advent readings to explore some of the themes that are central to the concept of Jubilee. The talks will take place on 29 November, 6 and 13 December between 10am and 12.30pm at Wardley Hall.

> Find out more and register <u>https://</u> <u>dioceseofsalford.org.uk/advent-hope-talk-1</u>

## **DIOCESAN NOTICES**

#### Laudato Si' Centre - Advent Wreath Workshop

Join the Diocese of Salford's Laudato Si' Centre team on Friday 6 December for the return of its Advent Wreath Workshop, where you will have the opportunity to learn how to create your own wreath from natural materials under the guidance of our skilled team.

Find out more and book at <u>https://</u> laudatosicentre.org.uk/events/wreath-workshop

## Caritas is buzzing about new launch...

Have you seen the special short animation and new campaign for Advent from our diocesan charity Caritas Salford? This year they are asking people to make a real difference this Christmas and not make it all about the tinsel, the parties, and the supermarket queues.

Watch the specially created animation, find out more, donate, or take part in the appeal in another way: <u>www.caritassalford.org.uk/beethere</u>

## Take Action on Oppose Assisted Suicide

Catholics across England and Wales are being called to unite in prayer and compassionate action in opposition to a new Bill on assisted suicide. The Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales has pulled together a range of resources with more information, a pastoral letter from Cardinal Nichols, and a link to an online tool to contact your MP to voice your opposition to the bill. Find out more at

https://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide

#### **Caritas Homelessness report**

Our diocesan charity, Caritas Salford, is running a campaign in the coming weeks and months to shine a spotlight on issues around the increasing number of individuals and families who are currently homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. There are lots of really simple ways you can get involved to help in your area. Please take a look at their website and help if you can: www.caritassalford.org.uk/endhomelessness

## Remembering our loved ones A Moment of Prayer

The Diocese of Salford's Laudato Si' Centre is inviting people to remember loved ones in a special way this November. Names will be written down and hung in the centre's willow dome, where visitors will be asked to pray for those people and their families during the month of November.

They will also be remembered in a special prayer service on 29th November. If you would like your loved ones to be remembered in this way, or would like to join the prayer service, please email <u>laudatosi@dioceseofsalford.org.uk</u> SALFORD SCHOOLS SINGING PROGRAMME

# CAROL <sup>\*</sup> Services 2024 *«*

THURSDAY 5 DECEMBER, 6.30pm Our Lady of the Assumption RC Church, Middleton

FRIDAY 6 DECEMBER, 6.30pm St Patrick's RC Church, Collyhurst

WEDNESDAY 11 DECEMBER, 6.30pm St Mary's RC Church, Bamber Bridge

THURSDAY 12 DECEMBER, 6.30pm St Mary's RC Church, Burnley

FRIDAY 13 DECEMBER, 6.30pm St Alban's RC Church, Blackburn

MONDAY 16 DECEMBER, 6.30pm Sacred Heart RC Church, Colne Six one-hour services of traditional carols and readings featuring school-children involved in our Salford SSP taking place across the Diocese of Salford



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## **Diocesan Vacancies**

#### Cleaner

## Parish of Corpus Christi (replacement role)

Appointment Type: Part-time, permanent Working Hours: 4 hours per week, working pattern to be agreed with Parish Priest Location: St John's Presbytery, The Crescent, Bromley Cross and St Brendan's Church, Harwood. Salary: £12 per hour. Find out more and apply at https:// dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies

Project Administrator

Diocese of Salford Appointment Type: Full-time, permanent, part-time considered Working Hours: 28 hours per week or 35 hours per week Location: Cathedral Centre, 3 Ford Street, Salford, M3 6DP

**Salary:** £24,983 Find out more and apply at <u>https://</u> <u>dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies</u>