

DIOCESAN NOTICES

Heart Speaks to Heart: Reconciliation and Holy Communion

Due to popular demand, our Department for Formation has ordered more copies of the Heart Speaks to Heart: Reconciliation and Holy Communion resource.

To find out more about the resource and how to buy for your parish, please contact the formation team to order by emailing formation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk or calling 0161 817 2214.

Call to Lead - A Post-Confirmation Programme

A new post-confirmation programme has been developed by Salford Youth Ministry and the Young Christian Workers Movement to bridge the gap between confirmation and adult formation, with the aim of helping young people to grow in faith and become active leaders of the parish community. For more information about the programme, please visit <https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/a-call-to-lead>

In the Footsteps of Mary An Advent Prayer Walk

Join the Diocese of Salford's Laudato Si' Centre team this December for a reflective prayer walk around the Centre's beautiful woodland. This self-guided trail invites us to focus on Mary's journey to Bethlehem and the example she sets us as we continue our own spiritual journey in this season of Advent. A number of sessions will be taking place on Wednesday 18 December. Find out more at <https://laudatosicentre.org.uk/events/advent-retreat/>

Jubilee of Youth - Pilgrimage to Rome

Young adults across the diocese are invited to join our diocesan Youth Ministry Team for a special pilgrimage to Rome next year. Pilgrims will be travelling to Rome for the Jubilee of Youth, announced by Pope Francis at the 2023 World Youth Day. Our pilgrimage will take place between 28 July and 4 August. Email youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk to find out more.

Advice as energy bills continue to rise

If you, anyone you know, or someone in your wider parish community is in need of support around rising energy bills, Caritas Salford has put together some helpful advice on their website. You can find out more by visiting <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/fuel-poverty-challenges/> and can also find details on the website page on how to arrange a session with their energy advice service team.

New Pilgrims of Hope book launched

Monsignor John Allen has harnessed his love of the geography and history of our diocese, penning a very special book which is being sold in aid of Caritas Salford. The book, Pilgrims of Hope, has been published in time for the start of the 2025 Jubilee Year which is also focussed on the theme of Pilgrims of Hope, and is available to purchase by visiting the Caritas website: www.caritassalford.org.uk/pilgrimbook

OTHER NOTICES

Salford Foodbank Christmas opening times

The opening times for Salford Foodbank centres and Foodbank warehouse are changing over the Christmas break.

To give our staff and volunteer teams a well deserved break, our office and warehouse will close at lunchtime on Christmas Eve and open again on Thursday 2nd January.

Our Church centres **will not** be open over the Christmas week.

St Philips Church Foodbank session will be closed on Christmas Eve.

Clegg's Lane Church Foodbank session will be closed on Christmas Eve but will open instead on Monday 23rd December from 10.30am until 1pm.

Anyone needing a food parcel over the Christmas week, our council centres can be accessed at the following limited times –

This applies to Broughton Hub, Swinton Gateway and Walkden Gateway.

Clients will however, as normal, require a Foodbank Voucher.

Christmas Eve Tuesday 24th December	08.00am – 4.00pm
Christmas Day Wednesday	Closed
Boxing Day Thursday 26th December	Closed
Friday 27th December	10.00am – 4.00pm
Saturday 28th December	9.00am – 1.00pm
Sunday 29th December	Closed
Monday 30th December	10.00am – 4.00pm
Tuesday 31st December	10.00am – 4.00pm
New Year's Day Wednesday 1st January	Closed

Thursday 2nd January – All centres back to normal opening times

Thank you for all your support this year.

The Staff Team at Salford Foodbank wish you all a Merry and Peaceful Christmas!



WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday 15th December 2024

Third Sunday of Advent

Newsletter No 49

Mass Readings: Sunday cycle C

Weekday cycle I

Psalter week 3

Opening Times of Church

Sunday: 7.30am–6.30pm
Monday to Friday: 7.30am–4.30pm
Saturday: 9.00am–6.30pm

Times of Holy Mass

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)

Holy Days of Obligation:

5.30pm (Vigil), 8.00am, 10am (Term time only), 12.10pm and 7.30pm

Times of Confession

Monday to Friday: 11.30am–11.55am
Saturday: 10.30am–11.25am and 4.45pm–5.15pm

Times of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday to Friday: 11.30am–12.00noon
Saturday: 10.30am–11.30am

Join our live streamed services at www.salfordcathedral.co.uk

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MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday 15th December 3rd Sunday of Advent	8.00am	Delia Spellman (<i>In Mem</i>)
	9.15am	Mary Ellen Spellman (<i>In Mem</i>)
	11.00am	Mary & Tony Mitton (<i>In Mem</i>)
	2.00pm <i>Filipino Mass</i>	Priest's Intention
Monday 16th December Advent Weekday	8.00am	Mary Dickson (<i>In Mem</i>)
	12.10pm	Dennis Cassidy (<i>In Mem</i>)
Tuesday 17th December Advent Weekday	8.00am	Bill & Rose Mitton (<i>In Mem</i>)
	12.10pm <i>Advent Mass for the Diocesan Curia</i>	Bishop's Intention
Wednesday 18th December Advent Weekday	8.00am	Irene & John Nixon (<i>In Mem</i>)
	10.00am <i>Requiem Mass</i>	Clare Muscat (RIP)
	12.10pm	All Holy Souls (<i>In Mem</i>)
Thursday 19th December Advent Weekday	8.00am	Peter Mascarenhas (<i>In Mem</i>)
	10.00am <i>School Mass</i>	The O'Donnell Family (<i>In Mem</i>)
	12.10pm	The Astin Family & Friends (<i>In Mem</i>)
Friday 20th December Advent Weekday	8.00am	The Rushton Family & Friends (<i>In Mem</i>)
	12.10pm	The Brooke Family (<i>In Mem</i>)
Saturday 21st December Advent Weekday	10.00am	The Fletcher Family (<i>In Mem</i>)
	5.30pm <i>Vigil Mass</i>	The Cheung Family & Friends (<i>In Mem</i>)
Sunday 22nd December 4th Sunday of Advent	8.00am	People of the Parish
	9.15am	Hamilton Family (<i>Christmas Blessings</i>)
	11.00am	Matthews Family (<i>Christmas Blessings</i>)
	2.00pm <i>Eritrean Mass</i>	Priest's Intention
	5.30pm	Fleury Family (<i>Christmas Blessings</i>)



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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.

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.'



Offertory collection

8th December 2024—£ 1164.53
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.

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Mass intentions received this week

Clare Muscat, Eden and All Holy Souls
David & Mary Green, Bullard Family, Green Family,
Anne Higgins, Rose, Trevor Evans, Kathleen Butler,
Doreen Matthews, Harry Hamilton, Frank Hamilton,
Betty & Rita Mills,

Please pray for all those who are sick,
especially Eugene Gibbs and for those who have
died recently, especially

Clare Muscat.

Wednesday Club—Over 60's

The Wednesday Club will be taking a short Christmas break but why not join us in the New Year on the 8th January from 1.00pm in the Cloisters for a couple of hours of fun, good company and light refreshments.

Requiem Mass for the late Clare Muscat (RIP)

Clare's body will be received in to Church on Tuesday 17th December at 7.30pm.

Clare's Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday 18th December at 10.00am.

Please keep Clare and her family in your prayers.

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.

Parish Service of Reconciliation

On Thursday 19th 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.

Christmas Mass Times

Nativity Cards with the details of the Christmas Mass times are now Available at the back of Church.



Cathedral Choir Sing for BBC Radio 4

Last Saturday, our Cathedral Choir joined with other choral ensembles in the area in MediaCityUK to record the BBC Radio 4 Extra Daily Service Carol Concert. You can hear excerpts from the recording on Daily Service at 9.45am on 23-27 December.

BBC Radio Manchester will also broadcast an hour of the concert at 9am on 22 December and 1pm on Christmas Day.



Opening Mass for the Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee

Pope Francis has invited dioceses across the world to unite in prayer as we begin the 2025 "Pilgrims of Hope" Jubilee. Our diocese will be marking the start of the Jubilee with a Mass, celebrated by Bishop John, on Sunday 29th December at 2pm at Salford Cathedral's Temporary Church.

All are welcome to join us as we mark the start of this special year of grace.

3rd Sunday of Advent

Gaudete



SALFORD SCHOOLS SINGING PROGRAMME

CAROL 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



Caritas driver

Caritas Salford, our diocesan charity that supports people across Greater Manchester and Lancashire, is in urgent need of the support of a volunteer van driver. Van drivers are vital to Caritas services and are essential to their day-to-day running. If you can drive, have a few hours to spare each week, and want to help Caritas to support people across the diocese, then please contact their

volunteer coordinator Matt on m.yates@caritassalford.org.uk

or visit www.caritassalford.org.uk/volunteer

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