

CATHEDRAL

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

# WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday 30th March 2025

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#### **Opening Times of the Church this week**

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: 10.30.am—11.30am

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**

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#### MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

<b>Sunday 30th March</b> Fourth Sunday of Lent	8.00am	Sheila Keavney
Laetare Sunday	9.15am	Maria & Bernard Jones (LD)
	11.00am	Mario Voto (A)
	5.30pm	Priest's Intention
Monday 31st March Lent Weekday	8.00am	Priest's Intention
Lent weekday	12.10pm	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday 1st April Lent Weekday	8.00am	Priest's Intention
Lent weekday	12.10pm	Michael Fitzgerald (LD)
<b>Wednesday 2nd April</b> St Francis of Paola	8.00am	Priest's Intention
	12.10pm	Maureen Wellock (LD)
<b>Thursday 3rd April</b> Lent Weekday	8.00am	Priest's Intention
	12.10pm	Michael Fitzgerald (LD)
Friday 4th April St Isidore	8.00am	Priest's Intention
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Saturday 5th April St Vincent Ferrer	10.00am	Priest's Intention
	2.00pm Jubilee Mass for the sick & carers	Bishop's Intention
	5.30pm Vigil Mass	Priest's Intention
Sunday 6th April Fifth Sunday of Lent	8.00am	People of the Parish
	9.15am	Priest's Intention
	11.00am	Priest's Intention
	2.00pm African Mass	Priest's Intention
	5.30pm	Priest's Intention
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#### 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

### 23rd March 2025 £ 897.91 Thank you for your continued generosity

#### **Donating Online**

If you would like to make your offertory donation online, you can either use the contactless device at the back of Church or scan the QR code below.

You can also download a standing order form from the QR code if you would prefer to make your donation that way going forward.

Salford Roman Catholic Diocesan Trustees A Registered Charity No. 250037

#### Mass Intentions received this week

Holy souls in Purgatory, Michael Fitzgerald and the People of the Parish

Please pray for all those who are sick, especially Finnian Garbutt, Alan Hodgkinson & Eugene Gibbs

and for Maureen Wellock & Michael Fitzgerald who have died recently.

Arranging a Mass to be celebrated for your intentions

If you would like a Mass to be offered for your intentions or for those you love, please complete the Mass Intention envelope at the back of

Church and place your donation within.

Alternatively, you can arrange a Mass to be celebrated online by scanning the QR code.



#### 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

## SALFORD CATHEDRAL Designated Jubilee Year Church Obtaining a Plenary Indulgence

The Year of Jubilee 2025 offers the opportunity to obtain a Plenary Indulgence - a special grace that strengthens our wounded souls in the fight against sin. Plenary Indulgences can also be obtained on behalf of our loved ones who have died, with the possibility of obtaining two plenary indulgences in one day, when one is on behalf of someone who has died.

#### Conditions to obtain an indulgence are:

- 1) Be resolved to avoid sin and live in a spirit of charity
- 2) Go to confession
- 3) Receive the Holy Eucharist
- 4) Pray for the intentions of the Pope

The Indulgence can be obtained by undertaking a pilgrimage here to the Cathedral temporary church or any designated Jubilee site in the Diocese and beyond, observing the conditions listed above. Those unable to attend here - including people who are sick, have accessibility needs, or are in prison - can also receive an Indulgence wherever they are by reciting the Our Father, the Profession of Faith in any approved form, and other prayers associated with the Holy Year.

#### 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 Holy Communion, to come up for a blessing and indicate this by placing your arms across your chest.



First Holy Communion Programme
Children's Meeting
Session 4—'Stillness'

In the stillness of our hearts God speaks his Word

The next meeting for Children registered on the First Holy Communion Programme will take place on Saturday 5th April at 11.00am in the Assembly Room.

#### **PARISH NOTICES**

#### **Eucharistic Healing Service**

There will be a Eucharistic healing service in the Cathedral's Temporary Church on Friday 11th April at 7.30pm, led by Gary Stephens, Daniella Stephens (New Dawn) and Fr Frankie Mulgrew.

Fr Frankie, Gary and Daniella last worked together at a healing service in Walsingham where they received Beautiful testimonies of people receiving spiritual and physical healings through the power of Jesus in the Eucharist

All are welcome

#### **Lenten Devotions**

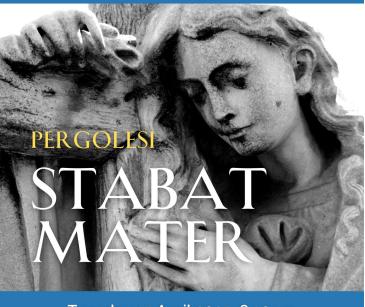
Throughout the season of Lent, Stations of the Cross will take place in Church on Wednesday after the 12.10pm Mass, Saturday morning at 9.30am and Sunday afternoon at 4.45pm

#### 'The Chosen'

Our Lenten Reflection is on 'The Chosen'
These Gospel based videos on the life of Christ will be shown in the Assembly Room accompanied with a light lunch each Thursday during Lent immediately after the 12.10pm Mass.

'The Chosen'
Thursday evening Lenten Reflection in the Assembly Room at 7.30pm.
All are welcome

Salford Cathedral Choir & Girls' Choir
Directed by Kathryn Bradley



Tuesday 15 April 2025, 6.30pm

St Mary's RC Church - The Hidden Gem

Mulberry St, Manchester M2 6LN

FREE ADMISSION - Retiring Collection towards the Cathedral Music Foundatio
This performance will last approximately 40 mins.

www.salfordcathedral.co.uk/music

#### **Volition Programme**

If you are working toward **building confidence** and **finding a job**, then the Cathedral offers a wonderful opportunity for you. Volition is an informal 10-week programme, which is a collaboration between Salford and Manchester Cathedrals. It combines the ability to develop job seeking skills with volunteering experiences at the Cathedral.

#### TAKE THE FIRST STEP ON YOUR JOURNEY!

For more information about the programme please contact our Volition and volunteering co-ordinator, Maura Pasini, at volunteering@salfordcathedral.co.uk or 0161 8172215



Eligibility Criteria: 19+, Job Seekers Allowance, Universal Credit, Employment and Support Allowance, other state benefits

#### **Parish Lent Food Hamper Appeal**

Following on from our Christmas appeal, where our Parish Community were able to fill over 40 bags of food for struggling families and in the knowledge that some family's financial difficulties are not getting any better, our SVP Conference is once again organising our Parish Lent Food Hamper Appeal.

We need: rice, pasta, tinned meat, pasta sauces, tinned vegetables, tinned fish, savoury pies, breakfast cereal, savoury and sweet biscuits, fruit drinks, tea, coffee, sugar, powdered or uht milk etc.

And of course, Easter Eggs.

Unfortunately, we cannot take fresh food as we have nowhere to store it.

There is a box at the back of the Cathedral temporary church to place your donations in, until Palm Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April, please ask one of the Welcomers to direct you to it.

We are seeing are greater need for assistance and your help is very much needed.

This is our chance to fulfil part of our Lenten obligation to 'Pray, Fast and exercise works of Charity'

#### **Running for Cathedral Music**

Following the success of our running fundraising campaign in 2024 (which raised over £3,000 towards our Cathedral Song School), we are launching our 2025 'Running for Cathedral Music' appeal, to raise funds to support our young singers.

This year, we're inviting runners of all abilities to take up the challenge of running a 5k or 10k as part of another Media City run, taking place on Thursday 24 April 2025, at 7pm, together with our Director of Music, Alex, and our Cathedral Volunteer Programme Co-ordinator, Maura.

As part of our training, some of our runners will be doing the weekly 9am 5k parkrun at Peel Park, starting on 15 March - do join us! Whether you are an experienced runner, or reluctant couch-5k, we need you! To join our Cathedral Runners, please email <a href="mailto:alex.patterson@dioceseofsalford.org.uk">alex.patterson@dioceseofsalford.org.uk</a> before Friday 28 March to secure your subsidised place in the Media City run.

#### **DIOCESAN NOTICES**

### Mass for People who are Sick and People with Caring Responsibilities

A special Mass to mark the Jubilee for People who are Sick and People with Caring Responsibilities will be taking place on Saturday 5 April. The Mass, celebrated by Bishop John, will also include an opportunity for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Mass begins at 2pm at Salford Cathedral's Temporary Church.

All are welcome to attend.

#### **Diocesan Youth Ministry Pilgrimages**

Our diocesan youth ministry team is organising two fantastic pilgrimage opportunities, led by Bishop John, for young people in Years 7, 8, and 9. The first pilgrimage will take place on Saturday 3 May with a pilgrimage to Walsingham, in conjunction with our main diocesan pilgrimage. The second is a pilgrimage to The Holy Island of Lindisfarne, taking place between 20-22 June.

To find out more and register at <a href="https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/youth/ministry/prayer-and-pilgrimage">https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/youth/ministry/prayer-and-pilgrimage</a>

#### Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham 2025

Our diocesan pilgrimage office is now taking bookings for its next annual pilgrimage to Walsingham. Our pilgrimage in this Holy Year of Jubilee will take place on Saturday 3 May 2025. For more information, prices, and details on how to book, please visit

https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/walsingham-pilgrimage-2025 or call 0161 817 2209

#### **Lourdes Diocesan Youth Group**

Are you a young person looking to take part in a pilgrimage this year? Do you want to make new friends, build community, and grow in your faith together as a pilgrim of hope? Why not join the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes between 30th July to 7th August? Cost per person is £669, including travel by coach, hotel accommodation, and all meals. Young people can join one of three age groups made up of young pilgrims from across the diocese: 13-15 (aspiring volunteers), 16-17, and 18+. For more information or to register, please email youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk.

#### **Holy Week Retreat at Stonyhurst**

A prayerful retreat focusing on the true meaning of Easter is taking place at Stonyhurst College this Holy Week. The retreat will run from Holy Thursday to Easter Sunday and provides a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the resurrection of faith and foster a sense of community and spiritual renewal. A special Children and Young People's programme has also been developed for our young parishioners.

To find out more, please visit

https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/stonyhurst-holy-weekretreat/

#### **Laudato Si' Centre E-News**

The Diocese of Salford's Laudato Si' Centre has created a new E-Newsletter to help you stay up to date on the latest events and activities at the Centre. Sign up now at <a href="https://laudatosicentre.org.uk">https://laudatosicentre.org.uk</a>

Join us in celebrating our Journey through Lent

Wednesday 2nd April
St Sebastian's, Pendleton
With Bishop John
Wednesday 9th April
St Teresa's Irlam

Salford Deanery of St John

#### **Jubilee for Communications**

Confessions available from 7.00pm Stay with us, Lord, on our Journey

All Masses begin at 7.30pm

In celebration of the Holy Year, we are having a Jubilee of Jubilees to shine a light on a number of different themes represented in our diocese.

We begin with our Jubilee for Communications, in which we explore this month's Gospels to reflect on how we can share the Good News in our world today.

Access the resources now at <a href="https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/jubilee-2025/calendar/">https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/jubilee-2025/calendar/</a>

#### Stations of the Cross at Laudato Si' Centre

Experience a reflective journey through the Stations of the Cross, contemplating the Passion of Christ in the midst of nature. Providing a serene setting for prayer and meditation, each station will have an ecological reflection and quotes from Pope Francis' Laudato Si' encyclical.

All are welcome to join one of two sessions on Friday 11 April. Find out more and register at <a href="https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/lsc-stations-apr-25">https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/lsc-stations-apr-25</a>

#### Thank you from Caritas Salford

Thank you to everyone who has already supported our diocesan charity, Caritas Diocese of Salford, during this year's Lent campaign. Services have continued to increase, and all of your prayers, kindness and generosity make a huge difference to the lives of people in our parish communities. To find out more about ways Caritas helps local people or to make a donation or support in another ways this Lent or beyond, visit <a href="https://www.caritassalford.org.uk">www.caritassalford.org.uk</a>