

WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday 25th January 2026

Sunday cycle A

Third Week of Ordinary Time

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Psalter week 3

Opening Times of the Church this week

Sunday: 8.30am—6.30pm

Monday to Friday: 7.30am—4.30pm

Saturday: 9.00am—6.30pm

Times of Holy Mass

Sunday: 9.15am, 11.00am and 5.30pm

Monday to Friday: 8.00am and 12.10pm

Saturday: 10.00am & 5.30pm (Vigil Mass for Sunday)

Holy Days of Obligation

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

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www.salfordcathedral.co.uk

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MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday 25th Jan Third Sunday in Ordinary time Caritas Sunday	9.15am 11.00am 2.00pm Eritrean Mass 5.30pm	Eugene Traynor (A) People of the Parish Priest's Intention Special Intention
Monday 26th Jan Weekday	8.00am 12.10pm	Emmanuel Odiete Christina Lee
Tuesday 27th Jan St Angela Merici	8.00am 12.10pm	The Nixon Family The Mitton Family
Wednesday 28th Jan St Thomas Aquinas	8.00am 12.10pm	Jean Wadeson Doreen Matthews
Thursday 29th Jan Weekday	8.00am 12.10pm	Margaret Cassidy Patrick Feehan & Family
Friday 30th Jan Weekday	8.00am 12.10pm	Karen & Neil Boland Rory & Grace Mitton-Boland
Saturday 31st Jan St John Bosco	10.00am 5.30pm Vigil Mass	Retired Clergy Clair Muscat
Sunday 1st Feb Fourth Sunday in Ordinary time	9.15am 11.00am 5.30pm	People of the Parish Betty Thomas Pat & Luke Matthews



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Welcome to our parish!

Please register with us via the website:
www.salfordcathedral.co.uk
 or collect a form from the back of the cathedral.



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

18th January 2026 £ 1076.20

Thank you for your continued generosity

Donating Online

If you would like to make your offertory donation online, you may scan the QR code below.

You may 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
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Mass Intentions received this week

Fr Francis Austin, Christina Lee, The Nixon Family, The Mitton Family, Jean Wadeson, Doreen Matthews, Margaret Cassidy, Patrick Feehan & Family, Clair Muscat David Burslem, Karen & Neil Boland, Retired clergy. Rory & Grace Mitton-Boland, All who are suffering, Betty Thomas, Pat & Luke Matthews, Martina Collins, The sick of the parish & Helen McNamara

Please pray for all those who are sick and for those who have died recently, especially
Fr Francis Austin

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.



CATHEDRAL 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

Caritas Sunday

Today is Caritas Sunday and it is an important date in the annual calendar.

It's an opportunity for all of us to reflect on the social action work which has taken place in the local communities over the last year. It's also a chance to put together plans for the coming year, as well as taking a moment to find out more about Caritas Salford and their work.

There are a number of Parishes, community groups and individuals that hold collections and make donations in support of that work across Greater Manchester and Lancashire. Demand for the services of Caritas is continuing to increase as the continued high costs of living continue to hit families and individuals hard.

However you choose to mark Caritas Sunday this year, your support and donations mean they can continue to work alongside thousands of local people every year, at a time when they need them most.

A second collection will be taken at all the masses this weekend.

Thank you

First Holy Communion programme.

The next meeting for Children registered on the First Holy Communion programme will take place be on **Saturday the 31st January** starting at 11.00am in the Assembly Room, Cathedral House.

We look forward to seeing you.

Session 3: Reflection

From the heart of God, the call of Love



The RCIA Course Our Journey in Faith

The next RCIA session will take place next

Thursday 29th January from

7.30pm-8.50pm

Meeting in the Assembly Room, Cathedral House.

**Parking is available at Cathedral Centre,
 3 Ford Street, M3 6DP.**

PARISH NOTICES



Parish Cake Bake Sale Sunday 8th February after the 9.15am & 11.00am Masses

Once again we will be offering a great variety of cakes to tempt our Parish Community.

If you would like to help make our cake stall look even better with a donation of home baking or bought confectionery, please speak to either

Pat, Traycie or Karen
after Sunday Morning Mass



All proceeds will go towards Fresh Flowers for our Temporary Cathedral for Easter 2026.



Come and volunteer with us!
areas you can help:

Welcomers
Tour Guides
Hospitality
Gardeners



For more information please contact our
Volunteer coordinator Maura at
volunteering@salfordcathedral.co.uk or
0161 817 2215

PARISH NOTICES

Safeguarding training for Parish Volunteers

21st February 2026 at 11.00am—12.30pm
Assembly Room, Cathedral House.

For those requiring Safeguarding training, volunteers will be contacted directly by the Parish safeguarding representatives with further information.

Thank you

DIOCESAN NOTICES

Relics of St Carlo Acutis to Visit Diocese of Salford



In January, the relics of St Carlo Acutis will be hosted at two of our churches over five days, during which time the Diocese will welcome schools, parishioners and people from all over for veneration.

Carlo is the first millennial saint, and is celebrated for his profound faith and his use of the internet to log Eucharistic miracles from around the world. He was passionate about spreading the teachings of the Catholic Church up until his death from leukaemia at the age of 15.

The relics will be presented at St Mary's Church, Burnley from 28-29 January 2026 before they travel to St Patrick's Church, Collyhurst from 30 January to 1 February 2026.

More information will be shared soon with parishes and on the Diocesan website and social media channels.

Mass for Engaged Couples to be celebrated by Bishop John Arnold

Bishop John will be celebrating a special Mass for engaged couples across the diocese.

The Mass provides couples with an opportunity to seek God's blessing to guide and strengthen them during this time of preparation.

Newly-married couples are also invited to receive a blessing in their first year of marriage.

The Mass will take place at St Patrick's Church in Collyhurst on

**Saturday 14 February
at 1:30pm.**



Exploring God's Creation within Catholic Theology

Dr Finlay Malcolm from the University of Manchester will be delivering an interactive teaching session exploring how creation and the environment are integral to Catholic faith and theology.

The session will involve theological and environmental teaching, spiritual reflection, and discussion of how we can be part of God's work, through the Church, in redeeming God's creation.

The event will take place on 25 February 2026, 7-9pm, at Guardian Angels Roman Catholic Church in Bury. Refreshments will be provided. For more information and to sign up for the event, please use the following link:

[Exploring God's Creation within Catholic Theology - Roman Catholic Diocese of Salford](https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/exploring-gods-creation-within-catholic-theology/)

'Neurodiversity and Our Faith' Research

The Catholic Bishops' Conference of England & Wales and Birmingham Newman University are conducting research into neurodiversity and our faith. If you are an adult neurodivergent Catholic or a caregiver of a neurodivergent Catholic, they would like to hear from you. Your experiences will help them to become more inclusive and responsive to your needs.

To find out more and to complete the short surveys,

please visit: www.godwhospeaks.uk/neurodivergent-catholic-surveys/

Racial Justice Sunday—8th February 2026

What is Racial Justice Sunday?

Racial Justice Sunday is an annual event observed across Christian churches in the UK to promote awareness of racial inequality and celebrate the dignity of all people.

Racial Justice Sunday was initiated originally by the Methodist Church following the tragic racially motivated murder of Stephen Lawrence in 1993. The Lawrence family, members of a local Methodist Church, received support from the Church in their campaign for justice. Later, the Churches' Commission for Racial Justice (CCRJ), a programme of Churches Together in Britain and Ireland, expanded Racial Justice Sunday for wider Christian engagement and it is now widely valued as a collaborative ecumenical effort to promote racial justice.

Racial justice is not an optional concern but flows directly from Catholic Social Teaching – particularly the principles of human dignity, solidarity, and the common good. Racism undermines each of these, distorting relationships and denying the truth that every person is made in the image of God.

For more information, please visit
[Racial-Justice-Sunday-resource-2026.pdf.pagespeed.ce.dCns4cfhgC.pdf](https://www.churchestogether.org.uk/resource-centre/racial-justice-sunday/)

Lenten Talks: School of Prayer

During Lent, a series of talks and prayerful reflections will be taking place every Tuesday from 10:30AM to 12:30PM, led by Mgr Paul Smith, Sr Joan Kerley and Maria Kidd.

These will be held at Our Lady and Lancashire Martyrs Church, Little Hulton, from 17 February to 24 March, and light refreshments will be served.

For more information on how to book your place please visit the diocesan website by clicking the following link: <https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/lenten-talks-school-of-prayer/>

Early Career Teachers Primary Pool Applications

The Diocese of Salford Education Team are inviting applications from ECTs to be added to their Primary Pool for 2026. The Primary Pool will identify and recommend high quality candidates who will gain Qualified Teacher Status in summer 2026 for interview to Catholic schools with vacancies for September 2026.

The Application Form, Person Specification and Job Description can be found in Vacancies on the Diocesan website by following this link: <https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/education/vacancies/>

If you require further information, please contact the Education Team by emailing education@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

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