



Parish Bulletin

7th Sunday of Easter

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Divine Office: Week 3

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This Week's Divine Services and Other Events

Monday June 2
Weekday of Easter

Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68(67):2-3. 4-5ac. 6-7b. R33a; John 16:29-33;

9:15AM Mass, Holy Family

Tuesday June 3
Ss Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs (memorial)

2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 7a, 9-14; Ps 124(123):2-3. 4-5. 7c-8. R7ab; Matthew 5:1-12.

9:15AM Mass, St Mary's

2:00PM - 4:00PM Cuppa Club, Parish Room at Holy Family Church. All welcome.

Wednesday June 4
Weekday of Easter

Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68(67):29-30. 33-35a. 35b-36c. R33a; 9:15AM Mass, Holy Family

7:00PM Confirmation Service, St Mary's

Thursday June 5
St Boniface, Bishop, Martyr (memorial)

Acts 26:19-23; Ps 117(116):1. 2. R Mark 16:15; John 10:11-16.

9:15AM Eucharistic Service, Holy Family

7:00PM Receptio Corporis—Eileen Maguire, St Mary's

Friday June 6
Weekday of Easter

Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103(102):1-2. 11-12. 19-20b. R19a; John 21:15-19.

(No 9:15 Mass)

10:00AM Funeral—Eileen Maguire, St Mary's.

Saturday June 7
Weekday of Easter

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11(10):4. 5, 7. R cf. 7b; John 21:20-25.

11:00 - 11:45AM: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession), St Mary's.

12:00 noon: Mass, St Mary's

Sunday June 8
Pentecost (solemnity)

Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104(103):1ab, 24ac. 29b-30. 31, 34. R cf. 30; Romans 8:8-17; John 14:15-16, 23b-26.

9:00AM St Mary's Church open for private prayer.

9:30AM Sung Mass, St Mary's

10:45AM Holy Family Church open for private prayer.

11:15AM Sung Mass, Holy Family

Light refreshments will be served after both Sunday morning Masses.

6:00PM Mass, St Mary's

Confession

Saturdays (see above); or otherwise on request.

Baptisms and Marriages

If you would like to arrange a baptism or a wedding, please speak to a priest or to Sr. Benedicta after Mass.

Please note, we require six months' notice for a wedding.

We Pray For...

Birthday

Monica Reed (95 years).

Sick

We pray for all who are currently awaiting results, undergoing treatment or battling illnesses. In particular: Paul Vincent Rostern, Gregory Francis Rostern, Padraig Rafferty, Joe & Anne Appleton, Teddy Holt, Monica Reed, Maria-Thérèse, Karen Seinen, Geraldine Power, Kath Wilkinson, Michael Melody, Betty Brown, Joe Gallagher, Finola Bedford, Eileen Clare, Catherine Redikin, James McManus, Catherine Ardill, Cristopher McAuley, Glennis Evans, John Farrell, Gabriel Smith and Joan Smith.

Recently Deceased

We pray for the souls of: Eileen Maguire, Gerry Clarke, Tom Ferrie, Wade Stephens and Marie Johnson.

May they rest in perfect peace.

Anniversary

We pray for the souls of: Bernard & Peter Holt, Christopher Madden and Trevor Wright.

May they continue to rest in the Lord.

Sanctuary Candle at Holy Family

This week's sanctuary candle at Holy Family Church was donated by Iain O'Hare, in memory of Mary Kathleen O'Hare.

Deaths & Funerals

We recently announced the death of **Eileen Maguire**. Eileen's funeral will take place at St Mary's Church this coming Friday, June 6 at 10:00am. The evening reception (Receptio Corporis) will take place at the same location this coming Thursday, June 5 at 7:00pm.

Let us keep Eileen's family and friends in our prayers.

Change to Mass Schedule

There will be no 9:15 Mass this coming Friday, due to the funeral Mass beginning at 10:00am.

Retiring Collection for World Communications Day

The theme of this year's World Communications Day is: *Share with gentleness the hope that is in your hearts* (cf. 1 Pet 3:15-16).

If you can, please support the vital communications work of the England and Wales Bishops' Conference by donating via the retiring collections at this weekend's Masses.

Or you can securely donate online at:

cbcew.org.uk/donate-world-communications-day/

Newsletter from Diocesan Vocations Team

To celebrate the Jubilee for Vocations, our diocesan vocations team is delighted to share its latest newsletter, including case studies from diocesan clergy and updates regarding vocations to the priesthood and permanent diaconate. Read now at:

dioceseofsalford.org.uk/faith/vocations/

Diocesan Mass for Young Adults

Young adults across the diocese are once again invited to join our next Diocesan Mass for Young Adults. The Mass will take place at 5:30pm next Sunday, June 8 at St Augustine's Church, Grosvenor Square, All Saints, Manchester, M15 6BW. Confessions will be heard between 4:45pm and 5:15pm. Please join us after Mass for a short talk exploring more about our Catholic faith.

Summer Draw Tickets (Holy Family)

Tickets for the Summer Draw are on Sale in the narthex at Holy Family Church after 11:15am Sunday Mass.

St Mary's Readers' Rota

Copies of the readers' rota for St Mary's are available for collection from the sacristy.

Bonus Ball St Mary's Bonus Ball: Previous draw April 26. Winning no. 21. Prize: £150. To church fund: £140 *minus* £5 admin *plus* £10 March late donation = £145. Next draw: Saturday, May 31. Prize: £150. To church fund: £145 est. Price £5 per number. Pay by Friday May 30. **Charity Bonus Ball**: Previous draw: April 26. Charity: British Heart Foundation. Winning no. 21. Winner: Hayley Rafferty. Prize: £150. To charity: £145. Next draw: Saturday, May 31. Charity: British Heart Foundation. Prize: £150. To charity: £145 est. Price: £5 per number. Pay by Friday May 30. **Late payments will not be accepted.**

Readings and Psalm for Sunday Mass

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Acts 7:55-60

'I see the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.'

In those days: Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. And he said, 'Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.' But they cried out with a loud voice and stopped their ears and rushed together at him. Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. And as they were stoning Stephen, he called out, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 97(96):1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9. R1a, 9b

R: The Lord is king, most high above all the earth.

- 1 The LORD is king, let earth rejoice; let the many islands be glad. Justice and right are the foundation of his throne.
- 2 The skies proclaim his justice; all peoples see his glory. All you angels, worship him.
- 3 For you indeed are the LORD, most high above all the earth, exalted far above all gods.

Second Reading

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20

'Come, Lord Jesus!'

I, John, heard a voice saying to me, 'Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay each one for what he has done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.' Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the

tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates.

'I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.'

The Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come.' And let the one who hears say, 'Come.' And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

He who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.' Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

Gospel Reading

John 17:20-26

'May they become perfectly one.'

At that time: Jesus lifted up his eyes to heaven, and praying said, '[Holy Father,] I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so

that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the

foundation of the world. O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.’

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