



Parish Bulletin

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King

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Divine Office: Week 2

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This Week's Divine Services and Other Events

Monday November 24  Wisdom 3:1-9; Ps 34(33):2-3. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9. R5; Ss Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs. **9:15AM Mass, Holy Family**

Tuesday November 25  Daniel 2:31-45; Dan 3:57. 58. 59. 60. 61. R59b; **Weekday in Ordinary** Luke 21:5-11. **9:15AM Mass, St Mary's**
2:00PM-4:00PM Cuppa Club—all welcome.

Wednesday Nov. 26  Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; **Weekday in Ordinary** Dan 3:62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. R59b; Luke 21:12-19. **9:15AM Mass, Holy Family**

Thursday November 27  Daniel 6:12-28; Dan 3:68. 69. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74. R 59b; **Weekday in Ordinary** Luke 21:20-28. **9:15AM Eucharistic service, Holy Family**

Friday November 28  Daniel 7:2-14; Dan 3:75. 76. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81. R59b; **Weekday in Ordinary** Luke 21:29-33. **8:55AM Rosary, St Mary's**
9:30AM Mass, St Mary's
11:45AM Funeral—Tracey Hartley, St Mary's.

Saturday November 29  Daniel 7:15-27; Dan 3:82. 83. 84. 85. 86. 87. R59b; **Weekday in Ordinary** Luke 21:34-36. **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 November 30  Isaiah 2:1-5; Ps 122(121):1-2. 3-4a. 8-9. R cf. 1; **1st Sunday of Advent** Romans 13:11-14a; Matthew 24:37-44. **9:00AM St Mary's Church open for private prayer.**
9:30AM Sung Mass, St Mary's
10:45AM Baptism Class, 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...

Wedding Anniversary

David and Margaret Worsley (60 years), Paul and Kath Broomhead.

Birthday

John Jillings.

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 Passenger, Karen Seinen, Geraldine Power, Kath Wilkinson, Michael Melody, Betty Brown, Joe Gallagher, Finola Bedford, Catherine Redikin, James McManus, Catherine Ardill, Cristopher McAuley, Austin Moran, Burny Maughny, Pat Snelling, John Moran, Michael Bray, Wendy Felstead, Caroline, Ann Burn, Donni Marie, Sarah O'Brien, Collette Hartwell and Lisa Leunig.

Recently Deceased

We pray for the souls of: Mary Hadfield, Stephen Ellis, Eileen Haslam, Joan Davies and Ian Barry McVety.

May they rest in perfect peace.

Anniversary

We pray for the souls of: Arthur Bell, Malcolm Clarke, James Scanlon, Jack Patterson and Angela Drury.

May they continue to rest in the Lord.

Sanctuary Candle at Holy Family

This week's sanctuary candle at Holy Family Church was donated in memory of Steve Jones.

Funeral

The funeral for the late **Tracey Hartley** is scheduled to take place at St Mary's Church this coming Friday, November 28, 11:45am.

Let us keep Tracey and her family in our prayers.

Baptism Class

Parents and guardians of children being presented for baptism in December are required to attend the baptism class taking place at St Mary's Church next Sunday, November 30, following the 9:30 Mass.

Bible Study Sessions

The weekly bible study sessions will take place in the meeting room at St. Mary's Church every Friday at 6:00pm, starting on **Friday, December 5**. Each month, one such session will be dedicated to promoting a deep knowledge of our Faith. If you are interested, please see either of our priests.

Christmas Fayre

Our 2025 Christmas Fayre is planned for next Saturday, November 29, 12 noon to 3:00pm, at St. Mary's School, Clive Road. Meanwhile, it isn't too late to donate raffle prizes; especially bottles, chocolates, gift sets, toys and games.

Please leave your prize donations in the baptistry at St Mary's Church, or

underneath the bookstall in the narthex at Holy Family Church. Unopened gifts only, and in new condition please.

Christmas Fayre Volunteers Please

We are critically low on volunteers to assist with next Saturday's Christmas Fayre—are you able to come to the rescue? If so, please find Margaret Clarke or Margaret Golden after Mass at St. Mary's Church.

Energy Advice from Caritas, Diocese of Salford

If you or someone you know in the wider parish community is in need of support due to rising energy bills, Caritas Salford, our diocesan charity, offer a free energy advice service. To arrange a free session with their energy advice team, telephone 0161 205 2754, or email:

energyadvice@caritassalford.org.uk

Or visit the website where you will find lots of useful information:

www.caritassalford.org.uk/energysupport

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Our diocesan Lourdes pilgrimage group invites you to a special Mass in preparation for the feast of the Immaculate Conception. The Mass, celebrated by Bishop John, will take place at 3:00pm on Sunday December 7 at St Patrick's Church, Collyhurst, M4 5HF.

Following Mass, information will be shared by the Salford Lourdes Pilgrimage group on plans for the 2026 pilgrimage.

Joint Meeting of Ashton-under-Lyne Circle No. 172 and the Failsworth Catenians Group

A Joint Meeting of Ashton-under-Lyne Circle No. 172 and the Failsworth Catenians Group will take place at the Canterbury Hall, Church of the Holy Family, 190 Lord Lane, Failsworth, Manchester, M35 0QS on Tuesday 25th November.

The guest speaker for the evening will be Monsignor John Allen, who will be available between 6:50pm and 7:20pm for signing copies of his two books: *Pilgrims of Hope: Out and about in the Diocese of Salford* and *A Popular History of the Salford Diocese*.

The meeting itself will begin at 7:30pm; this will be followed by a short talk by Monsignor John Allen.

All are welcome to attend. If you would like further information, please contact Iain O'Hare on 07977 720108.

Yoga Breaks

Yogis please note that there will be no Yoga classes during:

- Week beginning December 7;
- Week beginning December 21;
- Week beginning December 28.

There **will** be classes during the week beginning December 14.

Readings & Psalm for Sunday Mass

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

2 Samuel 5:1-3

'They anointed David king over Israel.'

In those days: All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and said, 'Behold, we are your bone and flesh. In times past, when Saul was king over us, it was you who led out and brought in Israel. And the LORD said to you, "You shall be shepherd of my people Israel, and you shall be prince over Israel."' So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before

the LORD, and they anointed David king over Israel.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 122(121):1-2. 3-4a. 4b-5. Rcf.1

Response: Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

- 1 I rejoiced when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD.' And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- 2 Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD.

- 3 As it is decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the LORD.

There were set the thrones for judgement, the thrones of the house of David.

Second Reading

Colossians 1:12-20

'He has transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son.'

Brothers and Sisters: Let us give thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in

whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities — all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the Church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be pre-eminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Gospel Reading

Luke 23:35-43

‘Lord, remember me when you come into your kingdom.’

At that time: The rulers scoffed at Jesus, saying, ‘He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!’ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, ‘If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!’ There was also an inscription over him, ‘This is the King of the Jews.’

One of the criminals who were hanged there railed at Jesus, saying, ‘Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!’ But the other rebuked him, saying, ‘Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are

receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.’ And he said, ‘Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.’ And he said to him, ‘Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise.’

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