

Parish Newsletter

**THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION,
HAIGH, ASPULL & BLACKROD
WITH THE PARISH OF HOLY FAMILY, NEW SPRINGS
S.R.C.D.T. REG. CHARITY No. 250037**

June 23rd 2024

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)



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Sacrament of Reconciliation

MASS TIMES	
Saturday	6.00 pm Our Lady's
Sunday	9.30 am Our Lady's
	11.15 am Holy Family
Monday	9.15 am Our Lady's
Tuesday	9.15 am Holy Family
Wednesday	9.15 am Our Lady's
Thursday	9.15 am Holy Family
Friday	9.15 am Our Lady's
Saturday	11.00 am Our Lady's
Saturday	11.30-12noon Our Lady's Church



SERVICES LIVE-STREAM & ONLINE

Sunday Masses from Our Lady's via the Parish Facebook page using this link www.facebook.com/ourladyschurchurchaspull/ live from 9.30am. It is also available via the Parish WhatsApp group.

Response to the Psalm: O give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures for ever.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.

Alleluia!

CALENDAR - SAINTS OF THE WEEK

24th June – The Solemn Feast of the Nativity of St John the Baptist: Matthew's Gospel chapter 11, verse 11, Jesus said of John the Baptist, "I tell you solemnly, of all the children born of women, a greater than John the Baptist has never been seen; yet the least in the Kingdom of Heaven is greater than he is."

27th June - St Cyril of Alexandria: born in Alexandria in 370, Cyril became Patriarch of the city in 412; he fought against heresies (notably Nestorianism), and presided over the Council of Ephesus in 431. He is thus primarily remembered in the West for

defending Our Lady's divine motherhood, expressed in the title "Theotokus". Cyril died in 444.

28th June - St Irenaeus: born around 130, he became bishop of Lyons (France); his writing and preaching were mainly directed against Gnosticism, emphasising that God wished all to be saved and is freely revealed in Jesus his Son. Tradition has it that he was martyred around the year 200.

Next weekend Masses - The Feast Day of Saints Peter and Paul.

Readings and Prayers Proper to the Feast Day.

Readers please note.

THOUGHTS

In the Liturgy of the Word for this Sunday we will hear God's power over storms.

The Lord addresses Job out of a storm (First Reading). Jesus is in a boat with his disciples during a storm (Gospel) and in Psalm 106 sailors "cried to the Lord in their need."

The Word of God hushes the storm and stills the sea. In the midst of the storm Job, the sailors and the disciples all receive, at least, a glimpse of who God is and experience God's kindness and wondrous deeds.

This is indeed a message for us as we encounter the storm of our own lives. What

may appear chaos and threatening is but the setting in which the power of God can be revealed. He will not let us perish for the

power of his Word can still our storms as well.
From - Society of St Gregory - Music and Liturgy

PARISH NOTICES

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for the sick in hospital, the hospices and at home, Patrick Jennings, Frances Mack, Julie Saunders and Fr Bernard Wilson.

LATELY DEAD

Winnie Dennis, Kathryn Salmon, Peggy Lowe, Sylvia Thomas and Diane O'Dea.

PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY

1. To Kevin Salmon and family of Rivington Hall, Horwich on the death of his wife Kathryn. Her Funeral Mass was celebrated in St Joseph's, Anderton on Friday 21st June at 10.00am.
2. To the family of the late (Marie) Sylvia Thomas, widow of Wilfred, formerly of Ashbourne Avenue, New Springs who died in Standish on 7th June. Her Funeral Service will be celebrated in Holy Family Church on Friday 28th June at 11.00am prior to committal at Wigan Crematorium at 12 noon.

R.I.P.

FUNERAL MASS

At Holy Family 10.00am Thursday 27th for the late Margaret (Peggy) Lowe. No 9.15am Mass.

ANNIVERSARIES

Christine Leigh-Baker, Pauline Melling, Joan Duffy, Val Bennett and priests of the Diocese Patrick Desmond, Richard O'Connor and James Aspinall.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED

As of Wednesday 19th June include: Ronnie Griffin, Margaret (Peggy) Lowe (lately dead), Frances Mack and Julie Saunders (undergoing surgery), Kathryn Salmon (lately dead).

BAPTISM

This Sunday at Our Lady's 12.30pm we will welcome Alfie Ryan Hough.

SOCIAL SUNDAY

This Sunday 23rd June after the 9.30am Mass at Our Lady's. Tea, coffee, cakes, biscuits and a time to chat.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME THIS WEEKEND

First Holy Communion Masses

Holy Family, 12 noon, Saturday 22nd June (no 11.00am Mass at Our Lady's.)

Our Lady's, 3.00pm, Sunday 23rd June

Please remember the children and their families in your prayers.

Many thanks to all who have been involved in their preparation in our schools and the great team of Catechists who have been so generous with their time and talents.

LECTIONARIES

Thanks to all who have been so generous in making donations towards the purchase of the new Lectionaries etc for both Parishes, that will come into use on the First Sunday of Advent 2024.

CONGRATULATIONS

To the Reverend Carol McCabe who will be celebrating the 20th anniversary of her Ordination as an Anglican Priest in the Diocese of Manchester at the 11.00am Service in St Katharine's, Blackrod, this Sunday. We wish her many more years of service.

CAFOD/SVP - A YEAR OF ENCOUNTER & THE GENERAL ELECTION

Several emails have been received from Wigan and Bolton West candidates in which they respond to questions about some of the urgent issues affecting our local communities. If you would like to read them or see a list of candidates and their contact details, please contact either Cecilia Kitts on 07984827373 or ceciliakitts@hotmail.com or Margaret Riley on 7801650356 or margie.mriley@outlook.com. Printed copies can be provided if necessary. Thank you.

Every good wish and blessing.

