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STAY WITH US LORD ON OUR JOURNEY

SUNDAY 20th JANUARY 2019

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

TIMETABLE THIS WEEK

MONDAY 21ST January

Saint Agnes

10.00 Word & Communion followed by SVP Meeting

TUESDAY 22nd January

Saint Vincent

10.00 Word & Communion followed by Coffee Morning

WEDNESDAY 23rd January

Weekday 10.00 No MASS this week 19.30 UCM Meeting

THURSDAY 24th January

Saint Francis de Sales 11.00 Pensioners Club

18.30 MASS

FRIDAY 25th January

The Conversion of Saint Paul 10.00 MASS

SATURDAY 26th January

Saint Timothy and Saint Titus

11.00 MASS

11.30 Confessions and Exposition

12.00 Benediction

18.00 Confessions

18.30 First MASS of Sunday

SUNDAY 27th January

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00 MASS

11.30 MASS



THE WORD THIS WEEK

The Gospel of this second Sunday of Ordinary Time continues the theme of the end of Christmas - revelation. Jesus is revealed to the world by his birth, by his baptism, and by his miracles - the "signs" as John calls them. The wedding in today's Gospel is interpreted in many ways: today, reading the Gospel with the First Reading in mind, we can see it as an image of the way in which God is so close to his people, it is as though he is married to them. Thus Jesus, the spouse of the people, shows God's closeness by revealing his glory in this miracle.

ADVENT APPEAL 2018

The final total raised in this year's appeal was £1,103.95! Many thanks to all for your generosity. For those people who donated £60 to twin their loo at home, we are sorting this out

with the toilet twinning organistaion they will print a personalised certificate for you to use at home.

Also, do you need a new, but onboxed toilet and cistern? If so, we have one to give away! It's the one we used for collecting in the Atrium, which was kindly donated by Kelsall's in Radcliffe for our apopeal. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to take it away!

CARITAS SUNDAY

Sunday 27th January is Caritas Sunday. This year Caritas is asking all parishioners to use their gifts and talents to #BeTheChange and to help: House the Homeless; Build Stronger Families and Communities; and Welcome Refugees. The second collection after Mass and ongoing parish support will allow Caritas Diocese of Salford to respond where the need is greatest in the year ahead.

BRASS BAND CONCERT

Radcliffe Brass Band are holding a concert on Friday 1st February at 7.30 p.m. in Saint Mary's School Hall. Tickets are priced at £5 and all proceeds go towards the building fund. There will be a bar, raffle etc. (If anyone is able

and willing to help set up the school hall for the concert, assistance is required from 3.00 p.m. on the day.) Please come and support the band and help raise much needed funds.

SAINT JOHN VIANNEY SCHOOL OPEN DAY

St John Vianney is the diocesan School for children and young people (ages 5-19) with SEND. If you would like to visit our unique School please contact our SENDCo Kirsten Nesbitt, email: k.nesbitt@stjohnvianneyschool.co.uk Our open day takes place on Thursday 7th Feb at 1.30 p.m.

WALSINGHAM

Every year a group from our parish make the pilgrimage to the Shrine of our Lady in Walsingham in Norfolk. It is a relaxing break, with time for walks, quiet, meals together and socialising, as well as Masses and guided reflections. Everyone is welcome. This year's pilgrimage will take place from 30th May -2nd June. Booking forms are now available from Marie Rawsthorne (0161 723 3634) or Leo Fawcett (07762 101544).

ENGAGED COUPLES

Once again this year Bishop John invites all couples getting married in our churches in 2019 (as well as any couples who are preparing for marriage outside the Diocese) to a Service of Blessing which will take place on Saturday 9th February at the Cathedral at 3 .00 p.m. The date is chosen for its proximity to the Feast of Saint Valentine. All engaged couples, family and friends are invited to attend.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

If you are celebrating the 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th anniversary of Catholic Marriage in 2019 and would like to receive a blessing in Church, please let the Parish Office know as soon as possible!

WORK OF CAFOD

Wednesday 6th February at 7.00 p.m. Bishop John will be speaking about his most recent trip to Sierra Leone and Liberia, visiting CAFOD partners and finding out about their work. Come along to find out about how CAFOD is "listening to the cry of the Earth and of the poor". Meet CAFOD volunteers and staff from the diocese. Venue; The Becket Suite at Saint Thomas of Canterbury Church in Heaton, Bolton. BL1 4PN. Doors open from 6.30 p.m. All welcome.

FLAME 2019

Coming up on Saturday 2nd March this year is the next National Catholic Youth Festival, being held in the Wembley Arena. If you are interested, have a word with Father James or contact the Salford Youth Coordinator directly on lorraine.leonard@dioceseof-salford.org.uk

DIOCESAN VACANCIES

Lead Teacher/Innovator for Primary Religious Education Lead Teacher/Innovator for Secondary Religious Education

(For September 2019 or earlier if possible)
The Diocese of Salford is seeking to recruit two individuals for roles as Lead
Teachers for Primary and Secondary
Religious Education. Working as part

of the Department for Education, we are seeking to recruit exceptional individuals who will model innovative and creative teaching pedagogy within an impact driven environment. The successful candidates will be permanent, full-time members of the Department for Education and will participate in the general responsibilities of this Department. Closing date for applications: 12.00 noon on Thursday, 31st January, 2019. More details can be found at: http://www.dioceseof-salford.org.uk/news/vacancies/

400 CLUB

The next draw is at 9.00 a.m. Mass on Sunday 3rd February. There are plenty of numbers available if you would like to join, please speak to one of our agents after Mass.

TUESDAY COFFEES

For many years now Dolores Scully has looked after the Tuesday Coffee Morning (for which we thank her hugely!) but now we need a bit of help. Would you be willing to be on a rota to help out on a Tuesday? Please have a word with the Parish Office if you can help.

POPE FRANCIS

From "Gaudete et Exsultate":

"The life of the Church can become a museum piece. This can occur when some groups of Christians give excessive importance to certain rules, customs or ways of acting. The Gospel then tends to be reduced and constricted, deprived of its simplicity, allure and savour. It can affect groups, movements and communities, and it explains why so often they begin with an intense life in the Spirit, only to end

up fossilized... or corrupt. To avoid this, we do well to seek what is essential. The primacy belongs to the theological virtues, which have God as their object and motive. At the centre is charity. Saint Paul says that what truly counts is "faith working through love" (Gal 5:6). We are called to make every effort to preserve charity: "The one who loves another has fulfilled the law... for love is the fulfilment of the law" (Rom 13:8.10). "For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself" (Gal 5:14). Jesus clears a way to seeing two faces, that of the Father and that of our brother, the face of God reflected in so many other faces. For in every one of our brothers and sisters, especially the least, the most vulnerable, the defenceless and those in need, God's very image is found. Indeed, with the scraps of this frail humanity, the Lord will shape his final work of art."

Points to ponder:

Are we a 'museum piece'? What are the signs of life that mark our lives and that of our parishes/Diocese? How can I better see the face of God in my sisters and brothers?

IN YOUR PRAYERS

HOPE IN THE FUTURE

We pray for the parishes of Saint Teresa of Avila, Irlam, with Father Clarke, and Saint Joseph the Worker, Irlam, with Father Devaney, and for the parish of Our Lady of Hope, Irlams o'th' Height and Pendleton with Canon Cooke, Canon Ryder and Father Paver. We pray for their parish primary

schools and for the chaplaincy to the Salford Royal Hospital.

OUR NATIONAL INTENTIONS: We pray especially for: Peace on Earth; Christian Unity, The Sick and Those Who Care For Them; Victims of Trafficking and Those Who Work to Combat It; The Unemployed.

OUR SICK: Angela Gaughran, Darrell Wild, Brenda Lynch, Philomena Brennan, Vincent Fox, Pat Fox, Monica Hart, Margaret Spencer, Anna Morrow, Rose Murray, Bernard Tonge, Philip Williams, Tony Riley, Michael Tonge, Mark White, Eileen Watmough, Dominic Reddington, Pauline Penswick, Sheila Delahunty, Joan Wardle, Joseph Roantree, Joseph Scully, Tia Tagget, Noel Moore, Brenda Johnston.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: James Fitton, Margaret Logan, Catherine Fleming, Mary Isabel Grimshaw, Ellen Worthington, Mary Davidson, Cyril Boardman, Albert Howard, Margaret Dyer, Jane Samuel, Patrick Power, Winifred Powell, Dorothy Prior, Kay Stack, Cath Bell, Annie Booth, Thomas Hornby, Harry Nuttall, Henryk Brzonkalik, Robert H. Gregory, Dawn Tracey Anderson, Joseph Rigby, Celia O'Beirne, William O'Donnell, Molly Carr, Doris McGuinness, Elizabeth Hayes, Mabel Ella Gregory, Elizabeth Andrews, Ann Mary Stapleton, Thomas Restall, Gladys Sidebottom, Albert Fleming, Joseph Keane, Brian McCadden, Winifred Halliday, Margaret Healey, Frank Sutton, Peter Gosling, Anthony Richard McGrail, Ann Slater, Catherine Agnes Bennett, Richard Fletcher, Eileen Falvey, Barbara Howe, John Robert Osborne, Thomas Flatley.

NEXT WEEK'S GOSPEL

Luke1:4; 4:14-21

Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received. Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, returned to Galilee; and his reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogues and everyone praised him. He came to Nazara, where he had been brought up, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day as he usually did. He stood up to read and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll he found the place where it is written: "The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me. He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives and to the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free, to proclaim the Lord's year of favour." He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to speak to them, 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.'

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WELCOME TO SAINT MARY'S: INFORMATION TO HELP YOU

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

At every Sunday Mass we offer the Children's Liturgy of the Word. This is for children of Primary School age (i.e. who have started in Reception): they start Mass with their families and friends, and then will be invited by the priest to go out with leaders into the Atrium, where they will listen to and reflect on the Bible readings before joining us again for the second half of Mass.

CHILDRENS' CHAPEL

Through the round window in Church you can see the Children's Chapel, a space specially designed for pre-school children, to allow them (and their families) to relax a little during Mass. The room is soundproof, so the odd bit of noise in there won't disturb anyone! When you take the children in, please help them to have an experience of being at church, using the books and toys provided, and following the Mass. Please ensure that children are not left unaccompanied in the Chapel, and please leave it tidy for the next Mass. To get into the Children's Chapel, go through the door in the corner of the Atrium.

THE SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS are by appointment: please collect one of the Information forms from the porch for details of what is required and the next steps in the process.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK please call the Presbytery to ask for this Sacrament. It should not be left until the last minute, but the sick should celebrate this sacrament to receive God's help, healing and comfort.

MARRIAGE is by appointment. Please take an information leaflet and return the tear off portion to arrange a pre-Nuptial interview. Please do not make bookings before this interview and note that six months' notice is required (exceptions cannot be made to this.)

PRACTICAL NOTES

HARD OF HEARING? There is an Induction Loop System installed in this Church: if you wear a hearing aid, please turn it to the 'T' setting. WHEELCHAIR spaces are available on the left side of church, near the back, near the statue of Our Lady and at the top end by the emergency exit.

REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS

Everyone is very welcome to stay behind after Mass and share a cuppa! Tea and Coffee are served in the Atrium straight after all Masses.

TOILETS

Ladies and Gents are located in the Atrium: we also have disabled facilities with a baby change unit. Please leave toilets clean and tidy after use. Thank you.

The PARISH OFFICE is open Tuesday & Thursday (8.00-12 Noon) Friday (08.00—11.00) but please check in advance if you intend to call in. Father James is not available on Mondays: in an emergency please contact a neighbouring Parish.

SVP CONFRATERNITY

The Parish Saint Vincent de Paul Confraternity exists to offer practical help to those in need, especially the sick and housebound. If you know of someone who needs such help, please contact the Parish Office.