



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF SAINT MARY AND SAINT PHILIP NERI

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DIocese of  SALFORD

SUNDAY 26th MAY

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)

ANNIVERSARY COLLECTION

As you will remember, once a year we take a retiring collection specifically for the Building Fund. We have to pay £20,000.00 of our debt every year, and thanks to your generosity we have managed to do this every year we have been in our new Church! Please be generous in the Anniversary Collection, which will be taken after all Masses this weekend, Sunday 26th May.

PATRONAL FEAST OF SAINT PHILIP NERI

Every year the Feast of our Patron Saint Philip Neri is on 26th May: since this year that day is superseded by the Easter Sunday, the Feast is transferred to the next available day. We will therefore be celebrating Saint Philip on Monday 27th May, with Holy Mass at 10.00 a.m. All welcome—come and use the Bank Holiday to celebrate our saint!

HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION

This Thursday 30th May is a Holy Day of Obligation, the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. Masses will be at 19.00 on Wednesday 29th and 09.30 on the Thursday. *(Please also note that because of the Solemnity there will be no Masses on Wednesday morning or Thursday evening this week.)*

WALSINGHAM TRIP

The coach will depart from Church at 9.30 a.m. this Thursday morning.

SAVE THE DATE

This Wednesday 29th May we celebrate ten years in our new Church building. To commemorate this we will be having a "Musical Afternoon Tea" (with sandwiches, cakes and cuppas) on Sunday 2nd June starting at 2.30 p.m.

Entertainment will be provided by **Ordsall Acapella Singers**, who have performed here twice before, and are a real treat to hear. This will be a **free event** so I encourage you all to attend and bring friends and family. *We will need volunteers to set up before the concert and serve tea and coffee and*

clear away afterwards. If you are able to help, please let the Parish Office know. If you are able to help please be at Church for 1.30 p.m. We intend to hold a raffle on the day so any donations for raffle prizes (bottles, chocolates etc.) would be very gratefully received.

400 CLUB

The next draw will take place at 11.30 Mass on Sunday 2nd June. £1 to be in the draw, £100 prize every month! There are plenty of numbers available if you wish to join, please see one of the agents after Mass.

MONEY MATTERS

If you were away last week, please pick up the green sheet which has some important information about Parish finances!

U.C.M. OUTING

A slight change to the trip to the Bar Convent in York on Saturday 15th June. We will be leaving Church at 10.00 a.m., and arriving in York about 12.00 noon. There will be a talk about the Convent by Sister Anne followed by 'Vintage Cream Tea' at 1.00 p.m. There is an optional tour around the Convent, then we leave the convent at 3.30 p.m, with a stop at Castleford Retail Outlet before arriving back between 7.00 and 8.00 p.m. Total cost £30.00, with £6.00 extra for the optional tour of the convent. A few places are left, please ring Iris Turner on 0161 796 0181.

INTERNATIONAL MASS

Cathedral of Saint John, Chapel Street, Salford, M3 5LL, Saturday 22nd June at 2.00 p.m. The International Mass is now in its third year and we look forward to another celebration of the diversity and vibrancy that can be found across our diocese. This year we have chosen the theme 'No one left behind' and as well as celebrating our many different communities we will also be reflecting on the importance of solidarity both in our faith and in our communities. All Welcome! Light Refreshments will be served following the Mass.

PARISH OFFICE

Please note the Parish Office will be closed next week.

TIMETABLE THIS WEEK

MONDAY 27th May *Saint Philip Neri, priest*

10.00 MASS for the Solemnity

TUESDAY 28th May *Easter Weekday*

10.00 MASS followed by Coffee Morning

WEDNESDAY 29th May *Easter Weekday*

19.00 **Vigil MASS for the Holyday of Obligation**

19.45 UCM Meeting

THURSDAY 30th May *THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD*

09.30 MASS

11.00 Pensioners' Club

FRIDAY 31st May *The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

10.00 MASS

SATURDAY 1st June *Saint Justin, Martyr*

11.00 MASS at Saint Teresa's

18.00 Confessions

18.30 First MASS of Sunday

SUNDAY 2nd June *SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)*

9.00 MASS

11.30 MASS

14.30 **Musical Afternoon Tea**

MANY THANKS FOR ...

Sunday Collection (19.05) £469.30

Standing Orders £160.00

TOTAL £629.30

STAY WITH US, LORD, ON OUR JOURNEY

THOUGHTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

THE WORD THIS WEEK



As Eastertide unfolds, we feel the power and influence of the Spirit growing. This is the Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead, and the Spirit who brings the Church to birth at Pentecost. As we journey towards Pentecost - the climax of the Easter Season - we should be considering the presence of the Spirit in the Church today: the reconciler of disputes, the solver of problems, true inspiration for the family of God on our journey to the New Jerusalem! From this side, Pentecost is about promise: the Lord at the Last Supper promises that He and the Father will be "at home" with all who keep his words - and it is the Advocate, the Holy Spirit who will remind us of these and all his words. We believe that all Scripture is "inspired" - the word of the Spirit - so as we listen or proclaim this Sunday let us look for the fulfilment of the promise made by the Lord.

GAUDETE ET EXSULTATE

Inner strength, as the work of grace, prevents us from becoming carried away by the violence that is so much a part of life today, because grace defuses vanity and makes possible meekness of heart. The saints do not waste energy complaining about the failings of others; they can hold their tongue before the faults of their brothers and sisters, and avoid the verbal violence that demeans and mistreats others. Saints hesitate to treat others harshly; they consider others better than them-

selves. It is not good when we look down on others like heartless judges, lording it over them and always trying to teach them lessons. St John of the Cross proposed a different path: "Always prefer to be taught by all, rather than to desire teaching even the least of all". And he added advice on how to keep the devil at bay: "Rejoice in the good of others as if it were your own, and desire that they be given precedence over you in all things; this you should do wholeheartedly. You will thereby overcome evil with good, banish the devil, and possess a happy heart. Try to practise this all the more with those who least attract you. Realize that if you do not train yourself in this way, you will not attain real charity or make any progress in it".

To ponder: how do I use words to build up rather than to knock down?

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NEXT SUNDAY

John 17:20-26

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said: 'Holy Father, I pray not only for these, but for those also who through their words will believe in me .May they all be one. Father, may they be one in us, as you are in me and I am in you, so that the world may believe it was you who sent me. I have given them the glory you gave to me, that they may be one as we are one. With me in them and you in me, may they be so completely one that the world will realise that it was you who sent me and that I have loved them as much as you loved me. Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, so that they may always see the glory you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. Father, Righteous One, the world has not known you, but I have known you, and these have known that you have sent me. I have made your name known to them and will continue to make it known, so that the love with which you loved me may be in them, and so that I may be in them.'

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OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

HOPE IN THE FUTURE

This weekend we pray for the people of the parish of Our Lady of Mount Carmel with Saint John Bosco, Blackley and for Father Philip Brady, their Parish Priest. We pray for their parish primary schools.

OUR NATIONAL INTENTIONS

During Easter we are asked to pray for these intention: New Members of the Church; Vocations; the Right Use of the Media; the Church; Human Work.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Father A. S. Wetherall, Elizabeth Donohoe, Frederick Birmingham, Emily McIntosh, Mary Brady, Cecilia Anderson, Brendan Greenhalgh, Nicholas Greenhalgh, Gladys Whiteley, Annie Collins, Laura Varey, Pat Roper, James Anthony Roscoe, Maureen Catherine Murphy, Helen Power, Winifred Crolla, Anne Marie Walsh, John Howard, Ed-

ward Norton, Jennifer Wall, Dennis John Sugg, Marie Lowe, Father George Griffin, Moira Boyle, Margaret Beverley May, Alice McKay, David Lee, Anthony Toye, Eilish Keown, Mary Larkin, Vincent White, Vincent Joseph Goohar, Irene Bowden, Tony Cunningham.

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 Roan-tree, Joseph Scully, Noel Moore, David Spencer, Gordon Harris.

FLOWERS IN CHURCH

If you would like to make a donation

towards flowers in Church in memory of a loved one, please place in an envelope with the details and hand into the Parish Office.

HOLY HUMOUR

Real notices from Church bulletins:

- "Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands."
- Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.



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