

CAN YOU HELP US TO HELP OTHERS?

COVID19 is really affecting our region and the livelihoods of our population, bringing with it hardship and financial uncertainty for the most vulnerable members of our local society. In response, St Margaret Clitherow SVP is launching an appeal for the following items for infant/primary school age children. We need donations of warm winter coats and jackets, hats, scarves, gloves/mittens, shoes, boots and wellingtons in a clean and wearable condition. Donations of these clothes should be bagged and can be left at the back of each church during its open hours. If you would prefer, and are able to do so, we will also accept - very gratefully - financial donations in envelopes. Your past kindnesses and generosity have already enabled us to reach out and help a large number of local families and individuals over the past yearon their behalf,
THANK YOU

THE UNIVERSE NEWSPAPER

is available at the back of Sacred Heart church priced £1.90. We only have 5 copies so it is a first come first served basis.

Help With Your Computer

Ring Steve Raines 07775 598 661
For Printers, Toner & Office Stationery
ring Kleen Strike: 01706 658582

THE FUNERAL SERVICE

for the late Brenda Thomas will take place at Rochdale Crematorium on Friday 20th November at 11:50am. Our prayers and condolences go to her family and all who mourn her passing.

THE FLOWERS



by Our Lady are in memory of Anne Mawdsley on her anniversary. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

CHRISTMAS

As a founding member of the Advent Preservation Society I don't like to talk about Christmas until we are actually there but I think this year



we will have to make an exception so that we can plan how we might as a parish will celebrate that great Feast.

Given the restrictions on the number of people that can be present in church to allow for social distancing we will need to have some form of ticket system. An individual tick will admit one person and a family ticket will admit up to four people. If there are more than four in your family then you will need two tickets.

Tickets will be available to the regular Mass congregation and after that notification will be made via the Facebook page and website to give others a chance of obtaining a ticket. I am proposing that Masses will be offered as follows:

Christmas Eve

6:00pm at Holy Family
8:00pm and Midnight at Sacred Heart

Christmas Day

10:00am at Holy Family
11:30am at Sacred Heart

That's five Masses in total so there should be something for everyone. And remember you only have to go to one of them, I have to go to them all!!!



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8th November 2020

Thirty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

Masses & Services

**All Masses and Services are on
line at the following times**

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

11.00am Holy Mass

Monday 9th November

9.30am Holy Mass (SH)

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Tuesday 10th November

7:00pm Mass

St Leo the Great

Wednesday 11th November

9.30am Holy Mass

St Martin of Tours

Thursday 12th November

NO MASS

Friday 13th November

9.30am Holy Mass

Weekday

Saturday 14th November

12:00 Noon Holy Mass

In Honour of Our Lady

Sunday 15th November

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

11.00 am Holy Mass

**Confessions available by appointment
during Lockdown 2**



Watch early for wisdom: wise words, and ones that the foolish bridesmaids of the Gospel should have taken to heart. This is the ultimate in putting off till tomorrow..., since the reading is about the end of time, when the Son of Man will come again. Then there will be no tomorrow. If a thing is worth doing, its worth doing today. Quite often we contemplate the end of time with anxiety and fear: this is not what God wants. Look at the Psalm, where we hear of desperate longing, a thirst for the Lord, that cannot wait. We should not just wait for the Lord with patient endurance, but with impatient longing: what could we desire more than the coming of the Lord, the rising of the dead and an eternity of joy and glory?

SVP FOOD COLLECTION

will take place on Sunday afternoons in the car park at Sacred Heart from 2pm till 4pm. The church will be open for private prayer at this time too. If you would like to donate any items of non perishable food then please bring them along to help those from our parish who are struggling a little. Many thanks.

Please Pray For the Following

Sick: Louise Sherrington, Ken Hargreaves, Frank Mullarkey, Philomena Hill, Kathleen Payne, Doreen Boardman, Cindy Nuttall, Gemma Beeny, Lindsay Hillen, Jim & Helen Hyndman, Andrew Swaby, Marjorie Molloy.

Lately Dead: Brenda Thomas, Winifred Lynch, Marisa Dale, Patsy Boyle, Eleanor Melling, Dr Janak Asher, Fr James Doyle, Gordon English, Pat Nyland.

Anniversaries & B'days: Annie Taylor, Rita Swindells, Betsy Leach, Anne Mawdsley, Geoff Bentley, Mary Reid, Kevin Boardman, Annie Taylor, James Wadsworth, Doris & Harry O'Neill, Gerard Padgett.

Prayer for the Sick & Housebound

Father we thank you for the gift of your Son in this Eucharist.
We now place before you all the sick and housebound of our parish
As they share in his Eucharist with us, we pray that they may come to know the depth of your love for them and the joy, peace and healing of your presence, through Christ your Son, Our Lord.

Hospital Chaplains

Springhill Hospice: 649230
Royal Oldham : 0161 627 8796
Fairfield Fr. Starkie 07979351744
North M/c Hospital 0161 720 2293
The Christie 0161 446 3097

Newsletter by Email

To receive the newsletter by email please drop a note to the parish email: parish@sacredheartchurchrochdale.org.uk

**“The only thing we have to ask God for, in prayer, is the desire to be holy.”
Blessed Carlo Acutis**

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER

can be emailed to the parish office (parish@sacredheartrochdale.org.uk) or dropped through the door at Sacred Heart. Please make sure that they arrive no later than 12:00noon on Fridays. Many thanks

MAGNIFICAT BOOKS

The November edition has arrived. Please be sure to collect your copy. If you have not yet paid your subscription (£45) could you do so as soon as possible. Many thanks

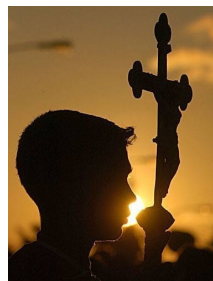
NEW WEBCAM

Many thanks to all who have contributed to this project **We have currently raised a wonderful £1,623 towards the total cost of £3,500.** If you would still like to make a donation drop your donation into the collection at Mass—marking your envelope ‘Webcam’ Many thanks.

THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

Due to the current second lockdown our meetings have been put on hold until further notice.

MEMORIAL SERVICE



Sunday 29th November I will preside at a Memorial Service at Sacred Heart. I will read out the names of all those I have conducted funerals for since last November and candles will be lit for them. If you would

like the names of your loved ones included in this service then please email them to me at:

parish@sacredheartrochdale.org.uk. Given the numbers of people who may wish to attend this service will be **live-streamed only** via the parish webcam.

CHURCH ON LINE AGAIN

with the decision of Her Majesty's Government to prohibit the gathering in our places of worship for church services we return to live streaming all our Masses and liturgies. The only exception to this are Funeral Masses and Services but even with these there is a maximum number of 30 people that may attend.

PLEASE NOTE DURING THE TIME OF CHURCH CLOSURE THERE WILL BE ONLY ONE SUNDAY MASS AT 11:00am

The church is allowed to be open for private, individual prayer as we did in the first lockdown. Beginning on Sunday the Sacred Heart Church will be open at the following times:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday

10:30am—12:30pm

Saturday and Sunday

2:00pm to 4:00pm

HOLY SOULS LISTS

can be dropped off through the door of the presbytery or handed in when you come for private prayer and I will place them at the Holy Souls Shrine in front of the altar.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

during the time of no public Mass your collection can be dropped through the door of the presbytery. Many thanks for your continued financial support of the parish.

HOPE IN THE FUTURE

This week we pray for the parish of Our Lady and St. Joseph, Heywood, and Fr. Paul Daly & Fr. Bob Hayes. We pray for the parish primary schools and for Holy Family RC and C of E College. May the parish strive always to live by God's wisdom that does not grow dim.

SANCTUARY LAMPS

We now have three lamps in the sanctuary at Sacred Heart. One burns by Our Lady, another by the Sacred Heart and one by the Tabernacle. These lamps can be purchased to burn for your intentions. If you would like to purchase a lamp (donation £5) then have a word with Fr Francis or alternatively place your offering in an envelope marking it ‘Sanctuary Lamp’ and where you would like the lamp to burn and for what Intention.

The lamps this week burn as follows:

Sacred Heart

Annie Taylor - Anniversary

Our Lady

Anne Mawdsley - Anniversary

Tabernacle

The Holy Souls

Please note that the lamps are burnt in the order that they are received. The names will appear in the newsletter when they are being burnt. It may mean you have to wait a little while before your lamp is burnt.

GIFT AID

Many thanks to all who support the parish financially and especially those who have contributed during these difficult times for us. I am very grateful for all that you contribute financially and in other ways. Those who support us via the Gift Aid Scheme will be interested to know that we received our claim the other week from the HMRC. We have been able to reclaim **£11,381.87** in tax from your contributions and it didn't cost you a penny more!! Many thanks for your continued support. If you are a tax payer and would like to join the Gift Aid Scheme then please have a word with Fr Francis.