

# ST MARY'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

# **NEWSLETTER**

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**ASCENSION OF THE LORD** 

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All Authority in Heaven and on Earth has been given to me.



**SERVICES** 

Sacraments Reconciliation Saturday 4.30 p.m.

BAPTISMS: By appointment with Fr. Clarke

WEDDINGS By appointment with Fr. Clarke

MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED AT 5PM ON SATURDAYS

SUNDAY MASS GREAT HARWOOD

9am at Our Lady & St. Hubert's 11am at St. Wulstan's

RISHTON 10am at St. Charles's

SERVICES THIS COMING WEEK Tuesday 11am Mass St. Mary's followed by the luncheon club.

For Weekday Services at St. Charles's Rishton Contact 07749821550

For Weekday Services at St Wulstan's & St. Hubert's Great Harwood Contact 01254 884211

# ST Mary's School Children

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

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#### 25th June @ 2p.m.

- The First Holy Communion for the children of St. Mary's School who are on the Sacramental Programme will take place on Sunday 25th June at 2p.m. PLEASE NOTE ALL CHILDREN TO BE AT CHURCH FOR 1.45pm. All Parishioners are welcome to attend
- Prayer for Our Children. Dear Lord, watch over these little ones in our Parish Family and help us to lead them to you,
   especially the children on the Sacramental Programme. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen

### The Word This Week

Ascension is not just a feast that happens to fall in Eastertide: it is an integral part of the Easter mystery. Remember the Lord's words at the Last Supper: I am going to prepare a place for, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me. The resurrection presumes the Lord's return to the Father. This is therefore a feast of hope: our hope in the Lord's return, as he went. Our hope that he will take us with him, when our bodies are raised as his was. Our hope that we will take our place in heaven, where he sits on the Father's right.

# **Message from Pope Francis**

Pope Francis has sent a telegram expressing condolences to the victims of Monday Night's bombing in Manchester in which at least 22 people have lost their lives and 59 people were injured, some of which are still in a critical condition. "His Holiness Pope Francis was deeply saddened to learn of the injury and tragic loss of life caused by the barbaric attack in Manchester, and he expresses his heartfelt solidarity with all those affected by this senseless act of violence. He commends the generous efforts of the emergency and security personnel and offers the assurance of his prayers for the injured, and for all who have died. Mindful in a particular way of those children and young people who have lost their lives, and of their grieving families. Pope Francis invokes God's blessings of peace healing and strength upon the nation".

Church Ministry Rota lists FOR JUNE2017 are available at the Back of Church. Also see list on the notice board in Church Porch. Newsletter items contact peterholden886@btinternet.com or 07983169189 by Wednesday Weekly.

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# **MASS INTENTIONS**

<u>Anniversaries</u>

**Audrey Fillipini** 

9th Anniversary

1st June (May she rest in peace)

Jason Spencer

4th Anniversary

22nd May

Pasquale Socci Fiorentina Scalera

Helen Smith Jimmy Smith John Malpass

12th May 15th May 21st May

**Birthday Anniversaries** 

**Mary Lockett** 

Eternal Rest grant to them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them through Christ Our Lord Amen.

<u>Sick</u>

**Eileen Reynolds** 

Please remember Eileen Reynolds and all the sick of our parish especially all those in our hospitals, nursing homes, and the housebound, and all who care for them. Remember also all those who have died and are still critically injured as a result of the bomb attack on Monday Evening at the Manchester Arena and their families and friends at this very difficult time.

Mass Offerings may be handed to Father Clarke or alternatively placed through the Presbytery letter box. Details should include the name of the person and the reason for the intention.

# An Appeal by Colin Yates on behalf of the volunteers of Our FOOD BANK

Good Evening—May I start by thanking all concerned for the generous donations of food to our food bank. Without these donations we would not be able to meet the needs of those who are struggling to feed themselves and their families. At present we are particularly short of the following items:- Coffee ,Tea Bags, biscuits Pasta Sauces, Margarine, butter or other spread, and would be grateful for your continued support and generosity to help boost our low stocks.

Thank you

Colin

#### **PARISH 200/500 Club**

The fifth weekly draw of £25-00 — The Winner Cynthia Threlfall No 47 (

No 47 ( Agent ) Gladys

The next Parish Event is "A Parish Walk" Sunday 11th June at 2pm.

Everyone is very welcome to take part. There will be two routes 1 Mile Easy Walk or a 3 mile walk which includes going across fields.

There will be a nominal charge of £2-00 per adult £1-00 per child, family entry of £5-00 or sponsorship. There will be light refreshments in the Church Hall afterwards. It will be a great opportunity for fellowship, as well as a good way to do a little exercise and also doing your little bit to support the parish.

<u>Churches Together Clayton-le-Moors</u> - See Notices in Church Porch for events this coming week.

All Saints Church

Open Day

Wednesday 31st May 2017

from 8am-4.30pm

and

A Community Prayer Walk Thursday 1st June 2017 at 7pm, commencing from All Saints Church at 7.15pm and close at the Baptist Church for Prayers & Refreshments 8.15pm.

<u>General Election</u> There is an opportunity for you to question all the local candidates on Wednesday 31st May at All Saints Church .Doors open 7.30pm and the session closes at 9.30pm For further details see Notice in the porch.

There are also Letters at back of Church from the Catholic Bishops Conference of England & Wales regarding the forthcoming General Election. Please take a copy.

### **FINANCE**

Parish Income for Week ending 20th May 2017 was £420-42 Numbers attending Vigil Mass 112