

# ST MARY'S ROMAN **CATHOLIC CHURCH**

# **NEWSLETTER**

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God sent his Son, so that through him the world might be saved"



## **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 Saturday'

Great Harwood 9am at Our lady & St. Hubert's 11am at St. Wulstan's **Sunday Mass** Rishton

10am at St. Charles's

Masses at St. Mary's this coming week

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, 10am

Tuesday 11am followed by the luncheon club

For Weekday Masses at Great Harwood & Rishton

Contact Gt. Harwood Tel No. 01254 884211 Rishton Tel No.

07749821550

# Stations of the Cross

# **Advance Notice Lent & Easter Services 2018** Fridays in Lent at 7p.m.

16th March St. Hubert's Traditional Stations led by Father

23rd March **Penitential Service** St. Mary's

**Easter Triduum:** Holy Thursday 29th March 7.00pm St. Wulstan's Mass of the Lord's Supper with watching at the Altar of Repose until 9.00pm

> **Good Friday** 30th March 3.00pm St. Hubert's.

**Holy Saturday** 31st March 8.00pm Easter Vigil Mass at St. Mary's.

Easter Sunday 1st April Masses 9.00am St. Hubert's 10.00am St. Mary's 11.00am St. Wulstan's

For any of our parishioners who would like to attend the Holy Thursday & Good Friday Services at Great Harwood and require Transport please put your name on the list at the back of Church or alternatively see Sandra, Ivy, Cynthia, or Susan for further details. We are also doing a parish walk (weather permitting) to St. Hubert' for the Good Friday service at 3pm starting from the Church Hall at 2pm and collecting Parishioners on the way down.







## **MASS INTENTIONS**

**Anniversary** Joseph Makin 24th Anniversary 26th February

Birthday Memories Timothy Nolan 24th February



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

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Please pray for Sharon Lord, Patrick Connolly, Mrs Sheila O'Connor, and all the sick of our parish especially all those in our hospitals, nursing homes, and the housebound, and all who care for them.

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.

# **The Word This Week**

There were two remarkable moments in the story of the Old Testament where God saved his people; one was in the escape from Egypt – we'll keep that for the Easter Vigil. The other was the end of their second exile, this time in Babylon, which we hear of today. Of course there was an even greater moment when God saved his people: the work of Jesus Christ, the Son of God – and we hear Jesus tell Nicodemus about that today. So today's theme is "salvation": but to understand "being saved", we must ask "What from?" Saved from slavery, from exile, from human enemies – these are all clear. But the last and greatest salvation brought by Jesus is harder to understand: saved from sin and death. These threaten us as much as any other enemy, and our salvation in Jesus is as real as any other.

<u>Diocese of Salford</u> <u>St. John Vianney Deanery</u> <u>Deanery Station Masses</u>

Saturday 17th March 2018 11.00am St. Mary's Catlow Hall Street Oswaldtwistle.

Saturday 24th March 2018 11-00am Sacred Heart Queen Street Colne

#### **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY**

Wishing God's Blessing on all our mothers and grandmothers on this their special day.



## **URGENT REQUEST**

# **Parish Food Bank**

Over the last few weeks, the demand for food has been unprecedented and Anne from the food bank has urgently requested donations of Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Cereal and tinned food in addition to other items which are always needed – Long Life Milk, Spread, Butter/Margarine. They are so grateful for your continued support & generosity. Thank you

#### **Parish Social Events**

#### Parish 200 Club

In view of the success of the 200 Club Gladys has volunteered her services once again, and will be in the Church Porch tonight and for the next few Saturday Evenings recruiting members and agents. It is a great source of income for the Parish so please give Gladys your support. The cost is £1-00 a week for 10 weeks, the first weekly draw commencing 28th April with the final £200 draw along with subsidiary prizes to take place on the 30th June 2018.

### **GIFT AID** Tax Year 2018/2019

Envelopes for the tax year 2018/2019 are now available for collection in the Church Porch for use from the week ending 8th April 2018. If you do not currently use envelopes and are a Tax Payer and would like to do so, please speak to Sandra Holden in Church or contact her on 01254 237808. Again this is a great source of income for the Parish.

Parish Income week ending 24th February 2018 was £361-22 3rd March 2018 was £296-14

Nos. attending Vigil Mass 90

CHURCH NEWS Any items for inclusion in forth - coming Newsletters please contact/notify Peter Holden on 01254 237808 or peterholden886@btinternet.com by Wednesday weekly

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