



ST MARY'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

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5TH SUNDAY IN LENT



If a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it yields a rich harvest"

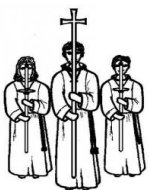
SERVICES

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'

Sunday Mass Great Harwood 9am at Our lady & St. Hubert's 11am at St. Wulstan's
Rishton 10am at St. Charles's

Masses at St. Mary's this coming week Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday 10am
Tuesday 11am followed by the luncheon club
Friday 1pm Funeral Mass Joan Harling



For Weekday Masses at Great Harwood & Rishton

Contact Gt. Harwood Tel No. 01254 884211
Rishton Tel No. 07749821550



Advance Notice Lent & Easter Services 2018

Easter Triduum:-
Friday 23rd March 7.00pm St. Mary's Penitential Service
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
*There is a list at the back of Church for people to sign if they are attending this service and are willing to participate in the washing of their feet. ***** *
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



Please note There will be Easter Sunday Mass at St. Mary's at 10am

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. For further details see Hilary / Sandra .

Flowers for Easter

Retiring collection as you leave Church this evening for Easter Flowers & Expenses.

Donations large or small will be greatly appreciated. Every little helps. Thank you

MASS INTENTIONS



Lately deceased

Joan Harling 9th March 2018

Birthday Anniversary

Harry Hurst 20th March 2018 93 years old.

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

SICK

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.

. **Condolences:-** We offer our condolences and prayers to the family of Joan Harling who has sadly passed away. Joan's Requiem Mass will be here at St. Mary's on Friday 23rd March 2018 at 1.00pm. Please keep Joan & her family in your prayers at this sad time.

The Word This Week

In the weeks of Lent so far we have followed God's work of salvation: we have seen the Covenants he established with Noah, Abraham, Moses and the people of Israel after the return from Babylon. Now we come to one of the most significant parts of the Old Testament: the promise of a brand new Covenant, which will be different from all those that went before. This Covenant will see God and Man living more closely together. For the ratification of a Covenant, something was always sacrificed as a sign of the new relationship – normally man would offer some animal offering to God. But the New Covenant will be ratified not with the death of sheep or bull, but by the death of Jesus Christ, God and Man. In this perfect sacrifice is the source of our eternal salvation.

Diocese of Salford John Vianney Deanery
will be held next Saturday 24th March 2018

Deanery Station Mass
11-00am Sacred Heart

The Last Deanery Station Mass in this Season of Lent
Queen Street Colne

Red Mission Boxes Please will Parishioners arrange to bring their boxes or the contents of their boxes with their names to church. There will be a large red box at the back of Church next Saturday 24th March, and for the next few Saturdays, or alternatively hand them to Dorothy E. Anyone unable to bring in their box please telephone Dorothy on 01254 237716. The total raised last year from the Red Mission Box Collections was £456-89. Well done everybody and thank you.



Happy St. Patrick's Day to all our Parishioners



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 10th March £ 423-67
Nos. Attending Vigil Mass 88

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