

Parish of Corpus Christi, Bolton

12 May 2019 – Fourth Week of Easter Good Shepherd Sunday





This is traditionally known as "Good Shepherd" Sunday, and is part of the continuing journey of Easter - remember that Jesus is the Good Shepherd who both gives his life for his

sheep and takes it up again. His relationship with us, after the resurrection, is closer than we can imagine: through his dying and rising, Jesus fulfils the promise he makes in today's Gospel: "I give them eternal life, and they will never be lost." This Sunday is another opportunity for us to consider the consequences of the Resurrection - how we live the Easter Story.

A Day of Special Prayer for Vocations

Today, the Fourth Sunday of Easter, Good Shepherd Sunday, is chosen as the World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life. Please pray for all people who are discerning a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, those who are preparing for ordination or religious profession and for all priests and consecrated men and women.

Ecclesiastical Education Fund

At our Masses this weekend, we will have a special collection for the fund that is used to train future priests. This fund stays open for four weeks for your donations.

Vocation Enquiries

Have you ever thought about being a priest or joining a religious order? Why not have a word with a priest you know or make contact with the Diocesan Vocations Promoter (Fr Featherstone on 01282 422007) or the National Office for Vocations (0207 901 4809)

Think Vocation

May we put our trust in Jesus the Good Shepherd to provide dedicated and loyal men to serve the Church of today in the sacred priesthood.

Sunday Cycle C; Weekday Cycle 1; Divine Office Week 4

Sunday Missal: Page 752; Readings page 758; Preface: At Priest's Choice

Sunday 12 May

9am Mass (SJ) - with Children's Liturgy 11am Mass (SB) - with Children's Liturgy World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Monday 13 May

9.30am Mass (SB) 7pm Needles (Harbour Room, SB) 7.45pm SVP (SJ)

Tuesday 14 May - St Matthias

2pm Christian Meditation (Harbour Room, SB) 7pm Mass (SJ) 7.15pm SVP (SB)

Wednesday 15 May

9.15am Yr3 Mass (SC) 9.30am Mass (SJ)

Thursday 16 May

9.15am Mass (SB)

7.15pm Christian Meditation (SB)

Friday 17 May

9.30am Mass (SJ)

Saturday 18 May

5pm Mass (SB) - with Children's Liturgy

Sunday 19 May

9am Mass (SJ) - with Children's Liturgy 11am Mass (SB) - with Children's Liturgy 2pm Baptism (SB)

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Prayers Please

We pray for all the sick and housebound in our parish, and other relatives and friends. Bernard Holder, Jackie Harte, Moya Fau-Goodwin, Margaret Broadhead, Matthew Harvey

Lately Dead: Fr John Ashton (SDB), Paul Sinnott, Trevor Paul Farmer, Bernadette Foster, Lenard Kay, Christine Saunders, Tony Wright, Rose Heron, William Cranshaw, Alan Davidson, Peg Morrison, Edna O'Hare

Anniversaries: Patrick Kelly, Alexander Banerjee, Tom Sheridan Snr, Tom Sheridan Jnr, Mark Shepherd, Dennis O'Hara

Mass Intentions: Paul Sinnott, Gerard Lamoury (Birthday Remembrance), James Wheeler (Birthday Remembrance), F John Ashton SDB, Patrick Kelly, William Cranshaw, Leonard Ainscough (Birthday Remembrance), Safe recovery of Ian Woods, Alexander Banerjee (1st Anniversary), Tom Sheridan Snr, Tom Sheridan Jnr, Mark Shepherd, Dennis O'Hara

Cycle of Prayer Part 4 (of 6): We pray especially for: new members of the Church; vocations; the right use of the media; the Church; human work.

Exam Prayers: We pray for all our young people taking exams and tests at this time. We ask the Lord to give them strength and perseverance during the coming weeks, and that they achieve the results they have worked for.

Hope In The Future

Let us pray for the parish of the Three Martyrs, Broughton, with Father David MacFarlane, the Spiritans and Sisters of the Cross and Passion, and their parish primary schools. We pray that the life of the parish may witness to the Risen Lord.

Facts and Figures for 4/5 May
Offertory Collection: £1,076.41
Standing Orders (3-9 May): £1,178.75

Mass Attendance 5pm-125; 9am-188; 11am-136; Total- 449

Cheques: Please make all cheques payable to *Corpus Christi*. Thank you.

SVP Sponsored Walk: Takes place on Sunday 9 June. This annual event helps to raise funds to provide support to individuals and families in need. This year, we are also going to donate some funds to the Mozambique Cyclone Disaster Appeal which devasted the lives of so many families and individuals recently. There are two ways to help with this event: you could either sponsor someone taking part in the walk or, even better, why not pick up a sponsor form, and come and join us around the beautiful route of our local reservoirs? Please speak to Arthur Rawlinson for more information (418204). Thank you

Corpus Christi Social Committee Date for your diaries!

Friday 14 June 7.30pm at Dunscar Conservative Club

With Music from

The Hard Times Kapelye

A Manchester-based six-piece Klezmer group playing a mixture of traditional Klezmer tunes and original numbers inspired by the music of the Balkans. http://www.hardtimeskapelye.co.uk/

Tickets priced at £5 with a raffle. Please come along and support this event! Tickets on sale at the back of church (after Mass) or contact Maureen via email (mo.speed@aol.com).

We look forward to seeing you there! Corpus Christi Social Committee

The Harbour Room Book Club Spring Outing: Wednesday 15 May with a "backstage" guided tour of the library, the museum, exhibitions and art gallery. Please meet inside the library entrance (10am). At 12noon we will walk round to the Olympus for lunch. Those requiring transport please meet outside St Brendan' at 9.30am.

Caritas Shop & Café - Fantastic Family Fayre: Come and visit the Caritas Charity Shop and Community Drop-In in Bolton (throughout May) for our Fantastic Family Fayre. All profits throughout the month will go to Caritas' Bolton Young Parents Unit; supported accommodation for ten young mums and their babies. Special offers on confirmation dresses and suits. children's and babies' clothes, baby items & toys. 9am-4pm Tues-Fri, 10am-4pm Saturday. 130 Newport Street, Bolton, BL3 6AB or call 01204 information. 370927 for more

Northern Catholic Conference: Friday 7th, Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th June 2019 at Liverpool Hope University. Booking through: "Regina Coeli" 6 Warner Drive, Liverpool L4 8US. Tel: 07543 800812. More information can be found at: www.northerncatholic.co.uk

The Alpha Course: Wednesday evenings 6.30pm at St Joseph's Church House, 71 Horace St, Halliwell. If you would like to take part please contact: Bridget Galaska bcgalaska@gmail.com Tel: 07588 457254, or

Neil Kerrigan neil_kerrigan@yahoo.co.uk We look forward to seeing you!

Fostering Fortnight: Fostering Changes Lives. To celebrate fostering fortnight, parishioners are invited to Caritas' annual Coffee Morning Event on Friday 17 May 12noon-2pm. Join us if you are interested in fostering, or to learn how to better support foster families in your parishes. Cathedral Centre, 3 Ford Street, Salford, M3 6DP. Tel: 0161 2250.www.caritasfostering.org.uk

Take Part in the Fifth Big Sleep Out: This year Cornerstone will be hosting its 5th Big Sleep Out on 17 May. The sleep out is held in support of the thousands of people who have to endure sleeping rough on our streets. Sleep out for just one night and help those who are forced to sleep out every night. Follow the link to the JustGiving page and click "Fundraise for Campaign" JustGiving Cornerstone Big Sleep-out.

The funds previously raised by the Cornerstone Big Sleep-out have enabled Cornerstone to create the Safe Haven Project. This allows us to offer temporary accommodation for some of the homeless men and women in Manchester. With your continued support they hope to expand the project and continue to serve the homeless in Manchester.

World Youth Day @ Home: If 2022 is too long to wait for the next World Youth Day, why not join us at World Youth Day @ Home? Pentecost Weekend 7-9th June 2019 at Alton Castle. To book your place with the diocesan youth team contact Lorraine Leonard on 0161 817 2205 or lorriane.leonard@dioceseofsalford.org.uk. A coach is being provided free of charge for the Saturday only, book your place quickly!

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2019 Manchester Newman Lecture - Laudato Si and Samuel Taylor Coleridge: At Friends Meeting House, Mount Street, Manchester M2 5NS on Wednesday 15 May 2019 (6.30pm for a 7pm start).

Speaker: The Rev Dr Malcolm Guite. Malcolm is an Anglican priest, a poet, theologian and songwriter. He is Chaplain of Girton College, Cambridge where he also teaches in the Divinity Faculty. His most recent book The Mariner: A Voyage with Samuel Taylor Coleridge was described in The Tablet as a book that may become a classic of Christian spirituality. To book: Chris Quirke contact email dcg@mac.com or phone 07764 946074. There is no admission charge but if you would like to help us cover the cost a donation of £5 on the day will be very welcome.

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(Working with people in drug and alcohol recovery)

Currently has a vacancy for a
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Greater Manchester & Lancashire
Linking into parishes and the wider
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15-month post

Closing Date 20 May 2019
Further details www.
http://thomasonline.org.uk/work-with-us/
Or contact
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Marriage Matters

We are a light to the world: Most people, when they get married, think their married life is a private affair but Jesus calls us to be a light to the world as a couple. Through our gentleness and tenderness, our readiness to forgive each other, people we meet can experience some qualities of God's love for them. Living in this way is the vocation of marriage.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers 18/19 May 2019									
Mass	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers							
5pm (SB)	J O'Connor	TBA							
9am (SJ)	J Carroll	P McArdle, L Rule, M Speed, A Grundy, T Armstrong, F Smith							
11am (SB)	F Doloroso	J Murphy, K Wilkinson, P Carolan							

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May - The Month of Our Lady

The Memorare, below, invites us to ask the Blessed Mother for her assistance and her grace, especially when we feel most troubled in our daily lives.



Remember, O most loving Virgin Mary, that it is a thing unheard of that anyone ever had recourse to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession and was left forsaken. Filled therefore with confidence in your goodness, I fly to you O Mother, Virgin of virgins. To you I come, before you I stand, a sorrowful sinner. Despise not my poor words O Mother of the Word of God, but graciously hear and grant my prayer. *Amen*.