

Parish of Corpus Christi, Bolton

St John, the Evangelist, Bromley Cross, St Columba's, Tonge Moor and St Brendan's, Harwood

3 July 2022 Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time



CORPUS CHRISTI, BOLTON

We are called today to be messengers of peace; the Peace of Christ has left a mark upon us, and we have a duty to be the heralds of peace to our families and communities in this time and in this place.

In the final chapter of Isaiah, he speaks to us of a great river of peace flowing from God into our lives. He contrasts this river of peace with the peace of a baby at her mother's breast. We are called to rejoice in this peace and to be comforted as a child is comforted by his mother. The psalm continues this theme; it is a song of thanksgiving for the glorious works of God. The psalmist calls us to come and listen, for the Lord has listened to his prayer and has not withheld His love from him. These two passages remind us that in the midst of turmoil we need to turn to God and pray for peace. War will not bring peace; when all the swords of war are broken only love can establish a true peace among ourselves, and among the nations of our world.

When we hear the letters of Paul and read of his journeys in the Book of Acts, we meet a man who sought peace but was continually the subject of humiliation and strife. Through all these troubles Paul took refuge in the consolation of a crucified Christ. Now at the end of Galatians he seeks peace "I want no more trouble from anybody after this". Paul's peace was very close to him, it came from knowing he had served the Lord faithfully. Whenever we act in the name of peace, when we seek to heal divisions or bandage broken relationships then we too act in God's peace, we follow Christ. in His Way of Love.

When Jesus sent out the seventy-two, he sent them to take his peace to the people of Israel. He gave them instructions about how to behave; they were to take nothing for the road, his peace was sufficient for them. When they found a home blessed with peace they were to stay there. If they were not welcomed, then they should pass by and wipe off the very dust of that place. We too are called to go out to our neighbourhoods and act as peacemakers in our communities. This is a sign of our faith. We are to act in justice and love. There are many problems in our world which need our care and attention. The seventy-two came back, rejoicing; that joy is yours also when you act as a messenger of peace. David Frank

Masses & Activities this Week

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Sunday 3 July

9.30am Mass (SJ)

11am Mass (SB)

2.30pm SVP Benediction & Afternoon Tea (SJ)

Monday 4 July

9.30am Forward in Faith Mass (SJ) - Whole School

6pm Mass (SJ)

Tuesday 5 July

9.30am Mass (SB)

7.30pm Christian Meditation (SJ)

Wednesday 6 July

9.30am Mass (SJ)

11.30am Funeral Service for Peter Muckalt (SJ)

Thursday 7 July

9.30am Forward in Faith Mass (SB) Whole School

Friday 8 July

No Mass Today

Saturday 9 July

11am Exposition & Adoration (SJ)

11.30am Mass (SJ)

5pm Mass (SB)

A Special Collection for

Sunday 10 July

Apostleship of the Sea

9.30am Mass (SJ)

11am Mass (SB)

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We pray for all the sick and housebound in our parish, and other relatives and friends: Jackie Harte, Moya Fau-Goodwin, Anne Killeen, Fred & Joyce Heywood, Emily Martin, Pat Margiotta, Frances Skemp, Kathleen Banks, Colin Markland, Joan & Edwin Rankin, Philip Anderson, Vincent Hopkinson, Irene Clappison, Dorothy Killoran, Frank & Pat McDowell, Richard Crichton, Josephine Ward, Wynn & Michael Latham

Lately Dead: Monica Coop, Philip Ivory, Peter Muckalt, Lily Joyce,

Anniversaries: Mark O'Brien, Geoffrey Bradshaw

May They Rest in Peace

Mass Intentions: Sr Margaret Quayle, Monica Coop, Mark O'Brien (4th Anniversary), Philip Ivory, Geoffrey Bradshaw (5th Anniversary), Vincent Heron

During Ordinary Time (Summer); we pray for: A deeper understanding between Christians and Jews; those who suffer persecution, oppression and the denial of human rights, Europe, Seafarers, Human Life.

We pray for peace and an end to the conflict in Ukraine

Hope In The Future: Let us pray for the people of the parish of St Robert of Newminster, Levenshulme and Longsight, and for Fr Michael Dever, their parish priest. We pray for their parish primary schools, St. Peter's High School, and for the Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions. May peace, like a river, flow in abundance.

Offertory: We are always extremely grateful for all you do to help us financially. Thank you

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

Prayer Resource - For those at home the best resource for Sunday worship at home is through the **Universalis website**

(https://universalis.com/mass.htm)

Congratulations: To Addison Luke Warriner & Bobby Michael Williams who were baptised last week. Let us pray for both children & their families that they continue to grow in their faith.

Congratulations: To all the children who have made and are due to make their First Holy Communion. We pray with them as they continue their journey of faith.

Congratulations: To those who received the sacrament of Confirmation at Thornleigh College las Thursday. Let us pray they will continue to be guided by the presence of the Holy Spirit.

Readers For (9/10 July 2022)		
5pm Vigil (SB)	9.30am (SJ)	11am (SB)
C Grundy	P Partington	C Bridge

St John's Church Flowers: If anyone enjoys floristry/flowers and would like to help with the displays at St John's church (on a rota basis) please contact the parish office for more information. Thank you.

Fair Trade Stall: Will be a selling fairly traded goods at St John's after the 9.30am Mass on Sunday 10 July. Thanks for your continuing support.

Charity Brass Band Concert: Team Eagley Bank are hosting a charity Concert on Saturday 9 July, 7.30pm at Dunscar Conservative Club, Bromley Cross. North West Brass will provide the music and tickets are £10 (including pastie & peas) which are available by phoning 07749 455902 or directly from Dunscar Conservative Club.

Caritas Salford News: Thank you for the incredible support we've already received for our Room Sponsorship Programme. Thanks to your generosity, single homeless men are benefitting from having their own room in a supported project. We would like to invite others to consider sponsoring a room at one of our Young Parents' Supported Accommodation settings in Bolton and Blackburn. For more information, please visit

https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/serviceview/caritas-young-parents-accommodationdonation-page/

Universal Synod Responses: 'Thank You' to all who engaged in the process of gathering diocesan responses to help Pope Francis and the Synod of Bishops in reflecting on the Church as Communion, Participation and Mission. Over 1500 individuals took part, and group submissions were received from families, organisations and parishes. The responses from our diocese will join those from the other dioceses in England and Wales, Europe, and the rest of the world. These will be discerned by the Synod of Bishops who will gather in Rome in 2023. You can read the full response and a summary at

www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/faith/synod.

Relic of St Bernadette Visits Salford: A relic of St Bernadette will travel from the Upper Basilica in Lourdes to begin a muchanticipated tour of the UK, visiting every Catholic cathedral in the country. Salford Cathedral will host the relic from the 20-22 September 2022. This is a fantastic opportunity to venerate the remains of this beloved saint, and will be particularly meaningful to those who cannot make it to Lourdes in person. Find out more about the visit at

www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/relic-of-stbernadette-visits-salford/. Once we know the timetable, we hope to arrange a parish visit.