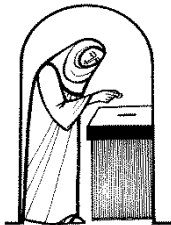


Parish of Corpus Christi, Bolton

11 November 2018

Thirty-Second Week of Ordinary Time




“God does not have favourites”, Saint Paul tells us, but God always makes a special place for the poor, and those whom society would push into second place. In the traditions of Israel, God invited the people to have special care for the “widows and orphans” - so the story we hear in today’s Gospel would have a particular resonance. The paradox of Christian faith is this: in giving, we receive. Christ gave everything, sacrificing his very life, and in return received a new and unending life. The widow in the first reading gave her last food for the prophet Elijah, and in return received an endless supply. This is a challenge to us in our turn: what are we invited or asked to give, and in what spirit will we do so, and what will be our reward?

Marriage Matters

Giving from what little we have: Considering the context of today’s readings, we see the ‘holiness’ inherent in the ‘sacrifices’ of all those involved. The reality of life’s experiences indicates that it is through giving that we receive. The small things we do each day produce wonderful and fruitful consequences in our marriage. Our graced daily ‘yes’ to one another is what ultimately ‘makes us holy’

Think Vocation

Jesus is impressed by the generosity of the Widow because she gave to God all she had to live on. We are also called to show complete faith and trust in God. In the Rite of Ordination the candidate prostrates himself on the floor of the Church while the people pray the Litany of Saints. This posture of vulnerability speaks of the trust we place in God.

<p><i>Sunday Cycle B; Weekday Cycle 2; Divine Office Week 4</i> Sunday Missal: Page 494; Readings page 497 Preface: <i>At priest’s choice</i></p>	
<p>Sunday 11 November - Remembrance Sunday - 100 Years</p> <p>9am Mass (SJ) - <i>with Children’s Liturgy</i> 11am Mass (SB) - <i>with Children’s Liturgy</i> 11am Remembrance Services at Dunscair War Memorial & Bolton Town Hall Square 2pm Baptism (SJ) <i>Please note there will not be coffee after the 9am Mass at St John’s today.</i></p>	
<p>Monday 12 November - St Josaphat 9.30am Mass (SB) 7pm Needles (Harbour Room, SB) 7.45pm SVP (SJ)</p>	
<p>Tuesday 13 November 11.30am Funeral Service for Thomas McCarthy (Overdale) 2pm Christian Meditation (Harbour Room, SB) 7pm Mass (SJ) 7.15pm SVP (SB)</p>	
<p>Wednesday 14 November 9.30am Mass (SJ)</p>	
<p>Thursday 15 November 9.15am Mass (SB) 7.15pm Christian Meditation (Harbour Room, SB)</p>	
<p>Friday 16 November 10am Requiem Mass for Joan Pearce (SJ) 12.30pm Requiem Mass for Marjorie Greenhalgh (SB) 7.30pm Parish Quiz Dunscair Conservative Club</p>	
<p>Saturday 17 November 2pm Baptism (SJ) 11am Annual Mass for the Deceased (SJ) 5pm Mass (SB) - <i>with Children’s Liturgy</i></p>	
<p>Sunday 18 November - World Day of the Poor 9am Mass (SJ) - <i>with Children’s Liturgy</i> 11am Mass (SB) - <i>with Children’s Liturgy</i></p>	

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Prayers Please

We pray for all the sick and housebound in our parish, and other relatives and friends.

Bernard Holder, Fr John Ashton (SB), Peter McGowan

Lately Dead: Olga Haslam, Kate Carroll, Louise Hayes, Barbara Edmondson, Les Marks, Thomas McCarthy, Frank Tomlinson, Cilene da Fonseca Rebelo, Kathleen Rostron, Joan Pearce, Marjorie Greenhalgh, Kathryn Hinks (née Ashworth), Mel McGarron, Denis Burke, Edith Brooks, Michael Greenhalgh

Anniversaries: Chris Dawson, Robert Neil Potter, Veronica Higgins, Maureen Smyth Taylor, Florence & Louis Hodgkinson, John Meagher, Thomas Rabbitt, Philip Southern, Victor Gill, Philip Marshall, Philip Hall

Mass Intentions: Kate Carroll, Chris Dawson, Robert Neil Potter, Veronica Higgins, Dr Bernard Higgins, Maureen Smyth Taylor, Louise Hayes, Michael Greenhalgh, Florence & Louis Hodgkinson, Barbara Edmondson, John Meagher, Thomas Rabbitt, Philip Southern, Les Marks, For all who helped Judith Martin in her final months, Fr Billy Molloy, Fr Francis McCauley, For the souls of the Mingay, Roche & McHale families, Eileen & Victor Gill, Philip Marshall, Philip Hall

Cycle of Prayer Part 6 (of 6): We pray especially for: the spread of the Gospel; the harvest; the fruits of human work & the reverent use of creation; justice and peace in the world; all victims of war; young people; prisoners & their families.

Hope in the Future

Let us pray for the parishes of St Mary, Radcliffe, and St Teresa, Little Lever, with Fr Manock, their parish priest, and for the parish of Our Lady of Lourdes and St Gregory the Great, Farnworth, with Fr Kelly, their parish priest.

We pray for the chaplaincy to the Bolton Royal Hospital, for the parishes' primary schools, and for Mount St Joseph's High School.

May all that we do give praise to the Lord.

Facts and Figures

Mass Attendance

27/28 October:

5pm-141; 9am-196; 11am -153

Total - 490

Offertory Collection

3/4 November: £1,261.15

Standing Orders (29 October-8 November) - £1,276.50

Cheques: Whilst we are awaiting our new bank account for the parish, please make all cheques payable to St John's. Thank you.

Retired Priests Fund: Next weekend (17/18) we have a special collection to help towards the cost of supporting the retired priests in our diocese. Thank you for your prayers and contributions.

Fr Parkinson: The envelopes, for donations for Fr Parkinson, will be available for another weekend at the back of St Brendan's and in the Patmos Room at St John's.



Salford Cathedral is proud to be part of *Battle's Over* - commemorating 100 years since the end of WWI. It is joining with the other Cathedrals of England and Wales for a nationwide Day of Commemorative Events marking the Centenary of the end of the First World War. The organisers of Battle's Over want to use the day to pay tribute to the millions killed or wounded in battle, and also remember those on the home front who endured loss. Battle's Over takes place on November 11 2018, with events throughout the United Kingdom, Channel Islands, the Isle of Man, and at locations overseas, including New Zealand, Ireland, Australia, Bermuda, France, Belgium, Canada, the United States and Germany. To mark this important event, there will be a number of special services taking place in the Cathedral throughout the day

It begins at 6am with a 'lone' Piper will play '*Battle's O'er*,' a traditional air played by pipers after a battle, providing a unique 'tribute' to the many millions that either died or returned home wounded during or after this dreadful War. This will be just one of 1,000 bagpipes filling the air in cities and towns throughout the land, before dawn has broken on the 11th November.

6.15am -Office of readings and Morning Prayer of the Church

11am - Solemn High Mass - beginning with a two-minute silence

6.30pm - Solemn Vespers

6.55pm—The Last Post, buglers will sound the Last Post at more than 1,000 locations, where at 7pm WW1 Beacons of Light will be lit in a tribute signifying the light of peace that emerged from the darkness of four years of war.

The day will end at **7.05pm** where the bell of Salford Cathedral will ring out for 15 minutes, along with bells in over 1,000 churches and cathedrals throughout the land, in celebration of the end of the First World War and in commemoration of the millions that either died or returned home dreadfully wounded, during or after the war ended on 11th November 1918.

Fair Trade Stall: The fair trade stall will be promoting the real advent calendar this weekend. This is a chocolate advent calendar which emphasizes the Christian message. It is a fun way for parents, grandparents and Godparents to share the Christmas story 24-page story-activity book designed to be used every day in Advent.

Urban Outreach: Once again, it's time for Urban Outreach to make up their Christmas Hampers for needy families. We depend on the generosity of Corpus Christi Parish, to provide 200 boxes of mints (regular sized boxes only as longer boxes will not fit in the hampers). Thank you for your support & God Bless. Churches in Harwood

World Day of the Poor: In his message for the second World Day of the Poor, celebrated on 18 November 2018, Pope Francis asks all of us, whatever our means or background, to rediscover and celebrate in a spirit of joy our capacity for togetherness, for example by sharing a meal after Sunday Mass. For more information, visit www.csan.org.uk/worlddayofthepoor

Christmas Flower Demonstration: Saturday 15 December (11am-1pm) at St Brendan's Church where Margaret Fazackerley will be creating some fantastic arrangements. Tickets are now on sale for this event priced at £6 per person (which includes a pastie lunch). Proceeds will go towards Urban Outreach and the Destitution Project.

Job Vacancy

Receptionist/Administrative Assistant (Manchester University Chaplaincy)

Job title: Receptionist/Administrative Assistant

Hours: 35 hours per week, 9.30am-12.30pm, 1pm-5pm.

Salary: £16,443 p.a.

For full details see: www.muscc.org/

Applications: Please send a CV and letter of application to: Peter Scally SJ, Manchester Universities' Catholic Chaplaincy, 337 Oxford Road, Manchester, M13 9PG, or email

to manunicathchap@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

For enquiries, phone 0161 273 1456.

Closing Date for applications: 30 November 2018.

Quarant'ore at the Hidden Gem: From Tuesday 20th to Saturday 24th November there will be a special time of prayer and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St Mary's, the Hidden Gem, in Manchester. Quarant'ore, Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, starts on Tuesday with Morning Prayer at 10am and concludes on Saturday with Solemn Closing Mass at 5.15pm. During this time of prayer there will also be the opportunity each day for confessions. Please see the diocesan website www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk for further details and a copy of the programme.

Luke - A companion on our journey: We will be hearing *The Gospel according to Luke* at Sunday Mass for much of the coming year, starting in Advent. Fr Chris Lough will lead an introduction to this beautiful Gospel and its companion volume, the Acts of the Apostles, outlining some of the main themes and ideas to look out for over the coming weeks and months. There will also be an opportunity to work in a relaxed way with some of the wonderful stories that St Luke sets before us. **Wednesday 21 November 2018 at St Anne's Parish Hall, 1537 Ashton Old Road, Higher Openshaw, Manchester, M11 1GR from (7.30pm to 9pm).** All welcome. Refreshments available from 7pm. There is no charge for the evening. Ample parking. Bus 219 stops at the door. Contact: Christopher.lough@dioceseofsalford.org.uk or 0161 370 1615

The Bolton Caritas Shop: Our Catholic outreach on the high street, is looking for volunteers. This November we celebrate ten years of providing care in the community, with a very warm welcome to all our beneficiaries; a café, piety store and great value recycled clothing, books and bric-a-brac. If you are interested to be part of the loving family of volunteers, please drop in. 130 Newport St, Bolton, BL3 6AB and speak to Bernie (01204 370927) volunteering@caritassalford.org.uk

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers for 17/18 November		
Mass	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers
5pm (SB)	C Holmes	TBA
9am (SJ)	H O'Donnell	T Armstrong, E Rothwell, A Grundy, P McArdle, M Cropper, A Rawlinson
11am (SB)	C Bridge	K Wilkinson, P Carolan, J Murphy,

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The Royal British Legion.



*Lord, make us instruments of your peace;
Where there is hatred, let us sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is discord, union;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
and where there is sadness, joy.
O Divine Master, grant that we may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen*

