

Parish of Corpus Christi, Bolton

18 November 2018

Thirty-Third Week of Ordinary Time



As always at this time of year, we begin to contemplate the end of the world - a theme that carries us over next Sunday's feast (Christ the King) and so into Advent. Such a

contemplation is not gloomy or morbid: throughout the ages (and especially in the early days) Christians have been utterly positive about the coming end of all things, because we know what will happen, and in fact we earnestly desire it to come: the phrase that gives this away is in the Gospel: "Then... he will send his angels to gather his chosen from the four winds." This gathering of God's children together will be a truly wonderful event, when we will all be completely enfolded in that love of God that we talk so much about.

Marriage Matters

We do not know the hour or the day: The world will not last forever, and marriage too will end when one spouse dies. This week, we married people are reminded to reflect on the treasures of love in our life: romance, warmth, tenderness, joyful celebrations, intimate moments and the fruitfulness of our love. Let's celebrate each other, reconcile past hurts and continually praise God for His blessings

Think Vocation

We all have a part to play in vocations. We can look for qualities and signs in someone we think would make a good priest. We should tell them about what we see in them and we should pray for them. Such involvement will help those who are discerning what the Lord is asking them to do with their lives.

<p><i>Sunday Cycle B; Weekday Cycle 2; Divine Office Week 1</i> <i>Sunday Missal: Page 504; Readings page 508 Preface: At priest's choice</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> <i>A Special Collection for the Retired Clergy</i></p>
<p>Monday 19 November - The Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter & Paul 9.30am Mass (SB) 7pm Needles (Harbour Room, SB) 7.45pm SVP (SJ)</p>
<p>Tuesday 20 November 2pm Christian Meditation (Harbour Room, SB) 7pm Mass (SJ) 7.30pm Becoming Catholic Course (SJ) 7.15pm SVP (SB)</p>
<p>Wednesday 21 November - The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 9.30am Mass (SJ)</p>
<p>Thursday 22 November - St Cecilia 10.30am Requiem Mass for Olga Haslam (SB) 7.15pm Christian Meditation (Harbour Room, SB)</p>
<p>Friday 23 November 9.30am Mass (SJ)</p>
<p>Saturday 24 November 2pm Baptism (SJ) 5pm Mass (SB) - <i>with Children's Liturgy</i></p>
<p>Sunday 25 November - Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King 9am Mass (SJ) - <i>with Children's Liturgy</i> 11am Mass (SB) - <i>with Children's Liturgy</i> <i>Day of Special Prayer for Young People</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: Gordon Russell, Martin Cunningham, James Arthurs, Mary Cassidy, Olga Haslam, Kate Carroll, Louise Hayes, Barbara Edmondson, Les Marks, Thomas McCarthy, Frank Tomlinson, Marjorie Greenhalgh, Michael Greenhalgh
Anniversaries: Josephine Knowles
Mass Intentions: Winifred Meagher, Nance Tabiner (90 th Birthday Remembrance), A Special Intention, Olga Haslam, Marjorie Greenhalgh, Gordon Russell, To the Rosa Mystica for a special intention, Martin Cunningham, James Arthurs
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
This week we are praying for the parish of Our Lady of the Valley, Clitheroe, Dunsop Bridge and Sabden, with Mgr Corcoran, their parish priest, and for the parish of Our Lady, Haigh, and Holy Family, New Springs, with Fr Foulkes, their parish priest. We pray for their parish primary schools. May our refuge and strength be in the Lord.
Facts and Figures
Mass Attendance 10/11 November: 5pm-114; 9am-186; 11am -157 Total - 457
Offertory Collection 10/11 November: £1,044.24 Standing Orders (9 - 15 November) - £387
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: Today we have a special collection for the Retired Priests' Fund, a fund which supports all our retired priests. We all know that the People of the Diocese hold great affection for all our priests so we invite you to be as generous as you can to this special collection. With your support we will be able to build up the fund to meet the current and future needs of our sick and retired priests. Thank you for your generosity and support.

Congratulations: To Magdalena Rachel Citarella who was Baptised at St John's last Saturday. And to Isobel Charlotte Mullin who was baptised at St John's last Sunday. We pray that they and their families may continue to grow in faith.

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.

World Day of the Poor: 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

Harbour Room Book Club. Early notice for the general run-up to the Christmas season. The next two meetings are on Wednesday 28 November to discuss *The Quality of Silence* by R Lupton and on Wednesday 12 December to discuss *Our Souls at Night* by Kent Haruf. All meetings start at 1pm and everyone is welcome.

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.

Fortalice Christmas Toy Collection: We have been asked if we would hold another collection of newly purchased toys in aid of Fortalice. Fortalice provides frontline services including a refuge and a support centre for women and children who are affected by or who are fleeing domestic abuse. Fortalice is always delighted to receive donations of toys and presents to ensure the residents in the refuge have a Christmas most of us would take for granted. It has always been supported by local Churches and the Bolton community, and without this generosity would not be able to survive or give parents and children a new experience of receiving individual presents. We will hold the toy collection at our Sunday Masses on the 8th and 9th December and a representative from Fort Alice will give a short talk. Fortalice have asked, this year, that as well as toys for younger children, any donations for teenage children would be most welcome; for example, high street vouchers, etc. Thank you as always for your support.

Quarant'ore at the Hidden Gem: 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 20th November with Morning Prayer at 10am and concludes on Saturday 24th November with Solemn Closing Mass at 5.15pm. During this time of prayer there will also be the opportunity each day for confessions. For Further details, and a programme, please see the diocesan website www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk

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. Wednesday 21 November at St Anne's Parish Hall, 1537 Ashton Old Road, Higher Openshaw, Manchester, M11 1GR (7.30pm to 9pm). All welcome. Refreshments available from 7pm. 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

Bringing Christ to our World Today: Join us at Lancashire Martyrs Church, Hallstead Avenue, Little Hulton M38 0DL for our Advent series:

30 November: Col. 1:15-20 Remembering Christ in the beauty of our common home

7 December: Rm.8:18-27: Identifying Christ in the suffering of our earth and God's people

14 December: Jn. 1:1-14: Bringing Christ's life and hope to our world

10.30am-12.30pm (Tea and coffee provided)

Format: Using the CaFE DVD "Global Healing", Laudato Si, Scripture and poetry, we will explore the reality of Christ's Incarnate Word today.

Presenters: Sister Joan Kerley, FMSJ and Maria Kidd

Contact: Sister Joan Kerley, FMSJ; 0161 971 7842; E: joankfmsj@gmail.com or

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Cathedral Director of Music/ Diocesan Music Advisor

The Diocese of Salford is seeking to recruit candidates of outstanding abilities for two specific posts to support liturgical music in the Diocese. The first is as the Director of Music (20 hours per week) for the Cathedral Church of St John the Evangelist, Salford and the second as the Diocesan Music Advisor (15 hours per week) across the Diocese. The two posts are initially proposed as separate roles but the Trustees retain the option to combine the posts into a single appointment, if a suitable candidate is found. The detail of these arrangements will be discussed and negotiated during the recruitment process with suitable candidates.

Appointment Type: 2 part time roles or 1 full time role, subject to candidate's skills, abilities and availability.

Salary: Competitive based on skills and experience

Closing date for Applications

Thursday, 12 December, 2018.

More details can be found at: <http://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies/>

For further information on the job description and eligibility criteria or to request an application pack or for more information on this post please contact:

The Director of Administration and Personnel Cathedral Centre, 3 Ford Street, Salford, M3 6DP. Tel: 0161-817-2203

Email: personnel@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

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 pa

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

**St Columba RCP School
Foundation Governor**

St Columba's School are looking for a Foundation Governor to start as soon as possible.

If you feel this position would be suitable for you, or you know someone in our parish who would fit the role of a school governor, please contact Fr David to have a chat about what the role entails.

Readers' Rota: The new Rota (December-February 2019) is now available for you to collect.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers for 24/25 November		
Mass	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers
5pm (SB)	M Maybury	TBA
9am (SJ)	M Parkinson	J Carroll, M Russell, S May, A Rawlinson, A Gracie, M Speed
11am (SB)	M Day	M Durkan, C Owen, P Brennan

St John's 200 Club

The November winners are:

£50 C Dustin (25)
£25 D Cummings (87)



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