

# Parish of Corpus Christi, Bolton

21 April 2019 - **Easter Sunday**



When the Word is proclaimed, it is real and active - the Lord is present, and what is described is, in a sense, happening now. On certain days this is made more obvious by the selection of scripture that refers to a particular time or day. Such a selection occurs this morning, when we go with Mary Magdalene to visit the tomb, only to make - with her - a momentous discovery: the tomb is empty, he is risen!

### Think Vocation

It is the Risen Lord Jesus who calls men to follow him and prepare for the sacred priesthood. On Maundy Thursday all the priests were invited to renew their priestly promises made on their ordination day. Therefore, they are able to celebrate the Easter Sunday Mass today with renewed joy and commitment. As we renew our baptismal promises may we all truly celebrate our belief in the new life that comes through the Risen Lord Jesus.

### Marriage Matters

**Giving each other new life:** Today's theme is new life. It reminds us of our promise to be a source of life to each other every day in tenderness, understanding, encouragement and praise, yet also by forgiving our spouse particularly when he/she is vulnerable and full of self-doubt. Today is a good day to thank God for all the life we have received.

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Week 1*

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### Sunday 21 April

9am Mass (SJ) - *with Children's Liturgy*  
11am Mass (SB) - *with Children's Liturgy*  
1pm Baptism (SJ)

### Monday 22 April

12noon Mass (SB)

### Tuesday 23 April

7pm Mass (SJ)  
7.30pm Praying with Scripture (SJ)  
7.15pm SVP (SB)

### Wednesday 24 April

9.30am Mass (SJ)  
1pm Harbour Room Book Club (SB)  
6pm Preparation Meeting for First Holy  
Communion (SJ School)  
7pm PET Meeting (Patmos Room)

### Thursday 25 April

9.15am Mass (SB)

### Friday 26 April

9.30am Mass (SJ)  
7.30pm Parish Variety Show (Astley Bridge  
Conservative Club)

### Saturday 27 April - *Divine Mercy*

2pm Baptism (SJ)  
5pm Mass (SB) - *with Children's Liturgy*

### Sunday 28 April

9am Mass (SJ) - *with Children's Liturgy*  
11am Mass (SB) - *with Children's Liturgy*

**Father David and Father Alfred wish you all  
a very Happy and Holy Easter.**

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<b>Prayers Please</b>
<b>We pray for all the sick and housebound in our parish, and other relatives and friends.</b> Bernard Holder, Fr John Ashton (SDB), Jackie Harte, Moya Fau-Goodwin, Margaret Broadhead
<b>Lately Dead:</b> Margaret Edwards, Lynne Reid, Charlie Abrazado, Margaret Gibson, Peg Morrison
<b>Easter Remembrances:</b> James Hargreaves, Colette & Philippe Autuam
<b>Mass Intentions:</b> Lynne Reid, Charlie Abrazado, Margaret Gibson, James Hargreaves, Colette & Philippe Autuam, Safe arrival of Matilda Jayne Garside
<b>Cycle of Prayer Part 4 (of 6):</b> We pray especially for: new members of the Church; vocations; the right use of the media; the Church; human work.
<b>Hope in the Future</b>
We pray for the people of the parishes of St Mary, St Mark and St Charles, Swinton, with Mgr Paul Smith, for the Franciscan Missionaries of St Joseph, for their three parish primary schools and St Ambrose Barlow High School. Let us pray that our parishes may walk ever more closely together in the joy of the Risen Lord.
<b>Facts and Figures for 13/14 April</b>
<b>Offertory Collection: £1,077.14</b> <b>Standing Orders (12 April - 18 April): £202</b> <b>Mass Attendance</b> <b>5pm-149; 9am-191; 11am-152; Total 492</b> <b>Cheques: Please make all cheques payable to <i>Corpus Christi</i>. Thank you.</b>

**Baptism Preparation:** Our next preparation session will take place on Saturday 11 May (10.30am-12noon) in the Patmos Room at St John's. This is for parents from our parish who wish to have a child baptised in the coming months. Please contact the Parish Office (01204 301927) or email [office@sbsj.org.uk](mailto:office@sbsj.org.uk) for more information.

**Harbour Room Book Club:** The next meeting is Wednesday 24 April at 1pm. The book under discussion is *A Year of Marvellous Ways* by Sarah Winman. All welcome.

**Fire Warden Training (SB):** A training session will take place at SB on Monday 29 April at 7pm. Please contact Tony Proctor if you require further information.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham Saturday (4 May 2019):** If you would like to take part in this year's pilgrimage, please contact John Griffin - T:0161 817 2214 or E: [John.Griffin@dioceseofsalford.org.uk](mailto:John.Griffin@dioceseofsalford.org.uk)

**“Love one another....as I have loved you!” (John 15:12):** This request by Jesus is the theme of a wonderful weekend in Liverpool at the Northern Catholic Conference 7-9 June 2019 at Liverpool HOPE University. There will be daily Holy Mass, Adoration and Devotions, an amazing healing service led by the Cor et Lumen Christi Community on Friday as well as great inspiring speakers, good food and fellowship. Join us and celebrate our wonderful Catholic Faith. Ring Denise on 07543 800812 or write to NCC ‘Regina Coeli’ 6, Warner Drive, Liverpool L4 8US or e-mail [northerncatholic@outlook.com](mailto:northerncatholic@outlook.com)

**Variety Show Car Parking -** Please be aware that car parking at Astley Bridge Conservative Club and the small car park on the corner of Blackburn Rd is fairly limited to around 20 cars each. Street parking at the rear is available but beware of the double yellow sections. The police are regularly alerted by the local residents when these areas are misused. There is also a small car park, just on the right, at the start of Belmont Rd. Please also be aware that the show is completely sold out and, in order to comply with fire regulations, admission will be by ticket only.

**Hope in The Future - Gifts & Talents**  
Training days are taking place throughout the year for people who are, or would like to be, involved in various areas of parish life. Details of the training taking place in April and May are shown below. If you would like to attend, you can find out more and book your place via the diocesan website.


**Parish Catechesis:** Saturday 27 April (10am-3pm).

**Parish Management:** Saturday 18 May (10am-3pm).

Both courses will be held at Salford Cathedral Centre

**St John's 200 Club**

The April winners are:

£50	M Armstrong (100)	
£30	C Shechter (130)	

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers 27/28 April 2019		
Mass	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers
8pm (SB)	L Lamoury	TBA
9am (SJ)	L Rule	J Carroll, M Russell, S May, A Rawlinson, A Gracie, M Speed
11am (SB)	C Bridge	T Smith, M Meagher, T Proctor,