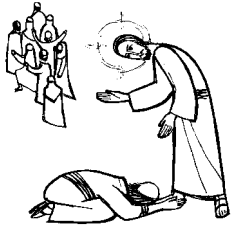


# Parish of Corpus Christi, Bolton

13 October 2019



## Twenty-Eighth Week of Ordinary Time



There are many messages in today's Gospel: the power of God to heal, the compassion of Jesus for those in need, the fact that a despised foreigner (the Samaritan) is the only one who recognises what has been done, the role of faith and the importance of thanking God for gifts received. But because this Gospel is twinned with part of the story of Naaman the leper, the idea that the Church brings out most clearly is that of thanksgiving, or acknowledging what has been given to us. From an early age we are taught to say "Thank You" - to recognise that someone has gone out of their way to give us something or do something for us. Our thanks strengthens the relationship that binds us together, and it is the same with God. As we recognise the good things that come from God, so our faith is deepened and the bond of the Covenant in Christ Jesus is strengthened.

### Marriage Matters

**Healing miracles in our marriage...He is there!** God knows we need healing! Daily He performs, through the Holy Spirit, large and small healing 'miracles'. When we look carefully and sensitively at what happens in our marriages, we can detect God alive and active within us. As we learn to choose to co-operate with His grace and mercy, He becomes evident in our lives. Let's always thank Him.

### Think Vocation

"The man threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him." Western society breeds a forgetfulness of God. As Catholics, we have the great gift of the Eucharist. The word Eucharist means thanksgiving. Each time we come to Mass, we remember to thank God. The Spirit helps us to remember to say thank you to the Father through Our Lord Jesus Christ. In this Year of Faith may we show greater appreciation for the gift of the Eucharist and never take for granted the gift of the sacred priesthood.

<p><i>Sunday Cycle C; Weekday Cycle 1; Divine Office Week 4</i></p> <p><b>Sunday Missal:</b> Page 455; Readings page 461; <i>Preface: At priest's choice</i></p>
<p><b>Sunday 13 October</b> 9am Mass (SJ) - With Children's Liturgy 11am Mass (SB) - With Children's Liturgy 2pm Baptism (SB) <i>A Special day of Prayer for Prisoners and their Families</i></p>
<p><b>Monday 14 October</b> 9.30am Mass (SB) 7pm Needles (Harbour Room, SB) 7.45pm SVP (SJ)</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 15 October - St Teresa of Jesus</b> 2pm Christian Meditation (Harbour Room, SB) 6.30pm Exposition &amp; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (SJ) 7pm Mass (SJ) 7.15pm SVP (SB)</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 16 October</b> 9.15am SC Harvest Mass (SC School) 9.30am SJ School Seeds &amp; Gardener's Mass (SJ) 7pm Parish Forum Meeting at St John's Church <i>[Please see overleaf].</i></p>
<p><b>Thursday 17 October - St Ignatius of Antioch</b> 10am Requiem Mass for Curt Vosper (SB) 7.15pm Christian Meditation (Harbour Room, SB)</p>
<p><b>Friday 18 October - St Luke</b> 9.30am Mass (SJ)</p>
<p><b>Saturday 19 October</b> 5pm Mass (SB) - With Children's Liturgy <i>A Special Collection will be taken</i></p>
<p><b>Sunday 20 October for Missio this Weekend</b> 9am Mass (SJ)- With Children's Liturgy 11am Mass (SB) - With Children's Liturgy 2pm Baptism (SB) <i>World Mission Sunday - A Day of Special Prayer for the Spread of the Gospel</i></p>

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<b>Prayers Please</b>
<b>We pray for all the sick and household in our parish, and other relatives and friends.</b> Bernard Holder, Jackie Harte, Moya Fau-Goodwin, Margaret Broadhead, Matthew Harvey, Margaret Russell, Sister Mary Doyle of the Sisters of Evron, Anne Hurst, Kenneth Martin, John Murphy
<b>Lately Dead:</b> Maureen Hill, Curt Vosper, Paul Schofield, Michael Haworth, Margaret Settle, Vincent Wilson
<b>Anniversaries:</b> Judith Martin, Margaret Holt, Mary & Walter Cranshaw, Barbara Grimes, Mark Shorrock
<b>Mass Intentions:</b> Maureen Hill, Judith Martin, Margaret Holt, Mary & Walter Cranshaw, Two people who are sick, Curt Vosper, Mary Thomas (80 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Remembrance), A special intention, Barbara Grimes, A sick friend
<b>Cycle of Prayer Part 6 (of 6):</b> 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
<b>Hope in the Future</b>
For the people of the parish of Our Lady of the Valley, Clitheroe, Sabden and Dunsop Bridge, and Canon Paul Brindle, their parish priest. We pray for their parish primary schools and for Clitheroe Hospital
<b>Facts and Figures for 5/6 October</b>
<b>Offertory Collection: £938.19</b> <b>Standing Orders (4-10 Oct): £1,187.75</b> <b>Mass Attendance</b> <b>5pm-140; 9am-182; 11am-127; Total-449</b> <b>Cheques: Please make all cheques payable to <i>Corpus Christi</i>. Thank you.</b>

**Congratulations:** To Poppy Gill and Bobby James Battersby who were Baptised at St Brendan's last weekend. We pray that they and their families may continue to grow in faith.

**Baptism Preparation:** If you are seeking Baptism for your child, please contact the Parish Office Tel: 01204 301927 or email [office@sbsj.org.uk](mailto:office@sbsj.org.uk)

<b>Parish Social Events</b>
<b>Parish Quiz:</b> Will be held on Friday 8 November at Dunsar Conservative Club (7.30pm). Tickets Cost £8 per person (including pastie supper). Teams should be a maximum of six people. <b>Tickets are now on sale.</b>
<b>Request from the Parish Social Committee:</b> We need your help! Please could you provide a 'bottle' for the tombola at the <i>Family Bonanza</i> on Friday 22 November (further details and tickets available soon). Donations greatly appreciated over the coming weeks. Please deposit at the back of either church. Thank you!

<b>Financial Summary for August 2019</b>	
<b>Income</b>	
Gift-Aided Envelopes	1,665
Non Gift-Aided Offertory	2,617
Standing Orders	2,605
Piety Stalls, Votives & Almanacs	197
Baptisms/Funerals/Weddings	345
Fundraising (inc. 200 Club subs)	88
Harbour/Patmos Room Rental	88
Legacy	5,000
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>12,605</b>
<b>Restricted Income (Specific Use)</b>	<b>358</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>	
Church Expenses	6,394
Presbytery Expenses	1,327
Clergy Allowances	1,749
Wages (though not recharged yet)	2,000
Diocesan Levy	2,060
<b>Total Monthly Expenditure</b>	<b>13,530</b>
<b>Balance of Income/Expenditure</b>	<b>-925</b>
<b>Gift Aid Tax Refund 2018/19:</b> A refund totaling £15,683 was recently received from HMRC, equating to 25% of your generous donations. This is a massive boost to our parish income. Many thanks to all parishioners who are signed up to Gift Aid, it really does make a difference. If you are currently a tax payer and wish to join the scheme, or simply have a query, please contact the parish office.	
<b>Gift Aid Donation Statements:</b> Are available to collect for tax year ending 5 April 2019. If any details are incorrect, please let the Parish Office know so that we can inform the Diocese. Thank you for your continued support.	

<b>Parish Forum Meeting</b>
<b>Wednesday 16 October (7pm)</b> <b>at St John's Church</b>
All parishioners are invited to attend this forum to discuss the life of Corpus Christi and future parish priorities. Please do come along to this meeting as it is important that everyone is included.

**Meet the Author Event:** Reminder for those who have booked a place for the chance to attend the interview with Marnie Riches, Manchester based crime writer. It will take place at Bolton Library on Wednesday 16 October at 1pm-2.30pm. All places are free. If anyone else would like a place please ring me. Madeleine 303505. Thank you.

**Harbour Room Book Club.** The next meeting is 1pm on Wednesday 30 October, discussing *Force of Nature* by Jane Harper. All welcome.

**Musician Needed:** A musician is needed to accompany the choir at the 9am Mass on Sundays when Martin is not available. A guitarist or an organist would be the most obvious replacement but we are open to other offers. Please contact Martin after the 9am Mass, email [martincroe@ntlworld.com](mailto:martincroe@ntlworld.com) or ring 01204 591653. Additionally, any singers or instrumentalists wishing to join the group would be most welcome.

**Hymns at St John's:** Starting next week, there will be a small supplement of hymns numbered from 900 to 906 on a separate sheet in a tray next to the hymn books. Please collect and return the sheets with your hymn book.

**Fair Trade Stall:** The Fair Trade stall will be at all Masses this weekend. At St Brendan's, the stall will be set up in the Harbour Room. We will have chocolate advent calendars with the full Christmas story and we can make up Christmas food hampers to order which make a lovely gift. Please let us know if you are interested.

**St Brendan's Piety Stall:** Christmas cards are now on sale. Please take a look and support us. Thank you.

**Aldi - Team GB Stickers:** St John's and St Brendan's Schools are collecting the *Team GB* stickers for sports equipment. If you shop at Aldi and would like to donate your stickers to the schools, there will be a box available in each church to put them in. Thank you.

## Northern Philharmonic Orchestra at Salford Cathedral

7.30pm on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October

The concert will feature beautiful music by Debussy, Ravel, Daniel Hogan and Rimsky-Korsakov, performed by some of the UK's most promising young musicians. From Debussy's "Prélude à l'après-midi d'un faune" to the enchanting Arabian nights of Rimsky-Korsakov's "Scheherazade", the orchestra will be led by British conductor Joshua Quinlan, leader James Warburton and violist Alinka Rowe.

Parishioners from the Diocese of Salford can receive £2 off their tickets by entering the code **DIOCESE** at the checkout

For tickets, visit

[www.Northern-Philharmonic.com](http://www.Northern-Philharmonic.com),

phone the box office on

+44 (0) 20 3627 6295

or email

[boxoffice@northern-philharmonic.com](mailto:boxoffice@northern-philharmonic.com).

**Parish Trip to Wardley Hall:** Sunday 27 October 2019 (1.30pm). There is a list at the back of each church for those wishing to attend, and a separate list for those who can offer transport.

**Recruitment of Magistrates:** There is currently a drive to recruit 200 new magistrates aged between 18-70 from across Greater Manchester. Full training is provided with travel and subsistence paid. If you can offer 14 or more days each year, visit [Gov.uk/become-magistrate](http://Gov.uk/become-magistrate)

**PINT Young Adult Event:** Monday 21 October 6.30pm - 9.30pm at the Old Pint Pot, M3 6NE All young adults are invited to this event run by Salford University Catholic Chaplaincy. There will be live music, food, drink and a guest speaker.

**Retreat - Reflections on Christ's Teaching in the Gospel of Matthew:** At the Christian Heritage Centre, Stonyhurst College, Clitheroe, BB7 9PT on Friday 1 November 2019 (5pm). A weekend retreat including four talks by Fr Mark Paver, prayer, Adoration and Mass. There is also the opportunity for spiritual direction. Cost: £150 full board and single room; £110 full board and shared room. To book or for more information please contact the Christian Heritage Centre by emailing:

[bookings@christianheritagecentre.com](mailto:bookings@christianheritagecentre.com)

**Holy Hour for Vocations:** (7pm-8pm). All are welcome. The next one is at Our Lady of Grace, Prestwich, M25 1AS. Tuesday 22 October.

**St Joseph's Deanery Dinner Dance:** In aid of Bolton Hospice Friday on 18 October (7pm for 7.30pm until midnight). At Holiday Inn, Higher Bridge St, Bolton, BL1 2EW. Tickets are £29.50 per head.

**Hope in the Future:** The Launch of Stage Three took place at Salford Cathedral at a Mass last Friday. Stage Three asks us to focus on the liturgy and how prayerful and active we can make it. Bishop John wants us to also think about how we can make more of the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in our churches. Over the coming year we will be examining Sunday Mass under four headings; Our Welcome, Our Listening, Our Offering and Our Mission. Each theme will focus on a personal encounter with Jesus and how every part of the Mass must be seen in these terms, if it is to nourish and strengthen us as disciples. Every member of the congregation, ministers and faithful, have a responsibility to help make the celebration this personal encounter, both for themselves and for each other. There will also be a talk given by Sr Brenda Matterson DC on "A *Welcoming Parish*" on Wednesday 16 October at St Gabriel's RCHS, Bury, BL9 0TZ Tea & Coffee from 7pm - Donation of £5 on door


**Prisoners' Sunday:** Today marks Prisoners' Sunday and is the National Day of Prayer and action for prisoners and their dependants as marked by the Catholic Church and across the Christian denominations. It is a day to direct our thoughts and prayers to prisoners, their families and children. Prisoners' Sunday is the time to reflect on how we as individuals, as a Church and as a community are serving those affected by imprisonment.

Prisoners' families, prisoners and people with previous convictions often find themselves on the margins of society due to the social stigma associated with imprisonment. They are often forgotten or come lower down on the list of causes to 'hold a hand out to'. But the gospel reminds us of our duties towards them, 'I was naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me; (Matthew 25:36). Pact's work embodies the Christian value of mercy and belief in the innate dignity of every human being. Through this campaign we ask you to engage with a core element of Catholic social teaching and put our faith into action.

The theme this year, 'Go Beyond', reflects on the impact we have when, as a community, we work to build a platform from which those confined to the margins of society can have their voices heard. As we 'go beyond' in our dedication, our belief, our common love, we offer fresh hope to those affected by imprisonment.

**World Mission Sunday 13 October 2019:** Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday, when the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for Missio, his charity for world mission. Please support Missio in helping missionaries to work alongside communities throughout the world that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. Join in on this special day, that unites Catholics all over the world in prayer and celebration of our Church's mission to share God's love with all creation - 'Together we are Mission'. You will be able to Gift Aid your donations by using envelopes provided by Missio. For more information, visit [missio.org.uk](http://missio.org.uk) Thank you.

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Readers & Eucharistic Ministers 19/20 October 2019		
Mass	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers
5pm (SB)	J O'Connor	TBA
9am (SJ)	C Grundy	P McArdle, A Rawlinson, M Speed, F Smith, M Cropper, A Grundy
11am (SB)	F Evans	P Brennan, C Owen

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