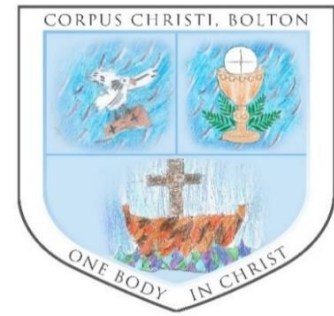


Parish of Corpus Christi, Bolton

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

1 May 2022
Third Sunday of Easter



*Oh, to be, by the sea of Galilee,
eating fish, as the morning sun warms the earth
with my friends and with my God
breaking our fast.
Rejoicing in our companionship.
Each time we come together
to break bread and pour wine
we are in that blessed place,
where love and forgiveness dwells
and all our misdeeds are washed away
by Our Lord, who loves us.*

Last week we heard the last words of John's Gospel "There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book". Today, however, the Gospel continues; it is as though John, as he sits and rests after finishing his work, suddenly remembers another story and realises the book is not complete until he has recorded this event, a simple meal on a quiet peaceful beach. How many times do we recall something, especially when we are among family and friends, and the story rolls around the room as others add to our memory of the event. Often it is when we gather to remember a loved one who has died, and the conversation lifts our hearts and dispels the gloom that follows tragedy.

Love conquers everything, Peter has about him the shame of that early Friday morning when he abandoned his dearest friend, he cannot forget that look that passed between them in the High Priest's courtyard. How often do we let guilt hang about our shoulders as we recall some shameful event? John, I believe, wanted to end his gospel, not after the story of Thomas coming to belief in the risen Christ, but in a passage which summarised the whole of the ministry of Jesus; Love and Forgiveness.

The call to Peter to "Follow me" is a call to each of us to believe that whatever we do we are always loved and forgiven by God. In today's first reading the Apostles are called before the Temple Officials and berated for their actions in preaching about the Risen Lord. They respond with Truth; the life and death of Jesus has changed the world, God has walked among His people, and the world is changed forever. Now that change needs to live within our hearts, we may not have the beach experience of Peter, but we too are called to "Feed my Lambs, look after my sheep" and today is a good time to begin. **David Frank**

Masses this Week

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Sunday 1 May

9.30am Mass (SJ)
11am Mass (SB)
12.30pm Baptism (SJ)

Monday 2 May - St Athanasius Bank holiday
No Mass Today (Due to Funeral on Friday)

Tuesday 3 May - Ss Philip & James
9.30am Mass (SB)

Wednesday 4 May - The English Martyrs
9am Exposition & Adoration (SJ)
9.30am Mass (SJ)

Thursday 5 May
9.30am Mass (SB)

Friday 6 May
10am Mass (SJ) This week only
2pm Funeral Service for Mary Bagg (Overdale)

Saturday 7 May - Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham
10am Mass (SJ) No Adoration Today as Fr Alf is celebrating a Wedding in Heywood)
5pm Mass (SB) *A Special Collection for the*

Sunday 8 May Ecclesiastical Education Fund
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, Mary Bagg, Frances Skemp, Kathleen Banks, Penelope Booth (poorly infant), Colin Markland, Joan & Edwin Rankin, Philip Anderson, Vincent Hopkinson, Irene Clappison, Dorothy Killoran, Frank & Pat McDowell, George Denton, Richard Crichton, Josephine Ward

Lately Dead: Mary Bagg, Harry Doloroso Gaela, Patricia Hamilton, Catherine Duffen, Gerry O'Malley, Margaret Radatz, Mark Strickleton, Baby May Yvonne Yolo

Anniversaries: Nina Gilmartin, Kevin Roberts
May They Rest in Peace

Mass Intentions: Mary Bagg, Kathleen Banks, John Cranshaw (Birthday Remembrance), Harry Doloroso Gaela, For successful surgery, Nina Gilmartin, Patricia Hamilton, For an operation, Kevin Roberts

During Easter; we pray for: New members of the Church, vocations, the right use of the media, the Church and human work

At this present time, we pray for peace and an end to the conflict in Ukraine *Holy Michael the Archangel, defend us in this day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil, and do thou prince of the Heavenly Host by the Power of God thrust down to Hell Satan and all wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of soul. Amen.*

Hope In The Future: We pray for the people of the parish of St Ambrose, Chorlton, for Fr Peter Tierney, and for their parish primary school. May they know God's Easter promise of 'renewed youthfulness of spirit.'

Offertory: We are always extremely grateful for all you do to help us financially. Donations can be made by posting through the presbytery letter box, by post or alternatively they can be made through Salford Diocese website, or by setting up a bank standing order. 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 Effie Ann Booth and Oscar William Green who were baptised last weekend. Let us pray that both they and their families continue to grow in faith.

Coffee Morning: Thank you to all who came along to our coffee morning at St John's on Wednesday. The amount raised was £105.30 which will be split between our Children's Liturgy groups for their resources.

Fair Trade Stall: Will be in the Patmos Room after the 9.30am Mass this Sunday. Money spent at the stall will help producers in the developing world many of whom have had a significant fall in income during the pandemic. The goods are from Justicia, a social enterprise in Bolton, who also have a selection of goods on-line at www.boltonjusticia.co.uk

Churches in Harwood

Invite you to a

Jubilee Garden Party

On Sunday 5 June, 3pm - 5pm

At

Christ's Church, Harwood

Tickets (£3 per adult and £1 per child) are on sale after Sunday Masses.

Afternoon Tea will be served and guests are free to bring their own wine and glasses if they wish. There will be games, music, tombola etc. Please come along and join us for this wonderful community event!

Please note, some catering will be required, please let us know if you are willing to help.

St John's Piety Stall: Is having a re-stock of cards and small liturgical items. If there is anything you think would be popular/may be of interest to our parishioners (and is possible for us to sell) please let us know by ringing or emailing the Parish Office and we can look into it.

CAFOD Walk Against Hunger: Thank you to all those who have brought in sponsor money so far. If any outstanding monies could be brought in as soon as possible, we can send it off to CAFOD and let you know the final amount raised.

Harbour Room Book Club: The next meetings are: 25 May- The Keeper of Lost Things by Ruth Hogan and 29 June- Circe by Madeleine Miller. Meetings begin at 1pm. Everybody is welcome.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham led by Bishop John Arnold Saturday 7 May. Coaches are leaving around 7am and arriving back around 10pm. The cost for the day trip is £20. Those wishing to make their own way are welcome to join the pilgrimage in Walsingham. To book your place please download and return the [Pilgrim Booking Form](#). Which can be found at www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/walsingham-pilgrimage-2022/. For more information about pick up times/locations, please contact the coach leader for Salford & Bolton: Helen - 0161 817 2214. Or contact: T: 07436 077 509
E: walsingham.pilgrimage@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

Christian Meditation 7.30pm: The Next dates are as follows:-

Tuesday 3 May at St John's

Tuesday 10 May at St John's

Thursday 19 May at St Brendan's

Tuesday 24 May at St John's

Tuesday 7 June at St John's

Thursday 16 June at St Brendan's

Tuesday 21 June at St John's

Thursday 30 June at St Brendan's

Tuesday 5 July at St John's

Thursday 14 July at St Brendan's

Tuesday 19 July at St John's

Thursday 28 July at St Brendan's. We will then have a break for August and resume in September

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: We are delighted to bring you the details for the 88th Salford Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2022. We have worked extremely hard to ensure that the pilgrimage will be a very safe and fulfilling experience for all who attend. The pilgrimage will be led by Rt Rev. John Arnold, Bishop of Salford. It leaves on 29 July and returns on 4 August. Booking via Joe Walsh Tours Ltd. www.joewalstours.co.uk with further enquiries to be forwarded to

lourdes.pilgrimage@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

Reminder: the deadline for Volunteer Application Forms is Saturday 30 April 2022 and the final date for submission of Medica Assessment Form 2022 is Saturday 7 May 2022. All details and forms can be found from the Salford Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage website :<https://www.salfordlourdes.co.uk/travel-accommodation>

Salford Cathedral Free Concert: Cathedral Choral Scholars with Catherine Hall Smith (pianist) on Saturday 7 May, 3pm at Salford Cathedral, Chapel Street, Salford, M3 5LL. Join Salford Cathedral's wonderful Choral Scholars for an uplifting and varied programme of vocal music, with solos, duets and choral items guaranteed to nourish the soul on a bright May afternoon! This one-hour, free concert will include music by Purcell, Dvorak, Paganini, Boulanger, Britten and Mendelssohn.

Date for your diary: On Friday 16 September 2022, Caritas Diocese of Salford will once again be holding its *Big Sleep Out* fundraising event. More details to follow.

The Caritas Bishop's Fund: Caritas (Diocese of Salford) would like to remind people that the Caritas Bishop's Fund is available to parishes and schools to help individuals and families in crisis. Please access further details and the application form at:

<https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/news/caritas-bishops-fund/>

Society of Jesus Young Adult Retreat 27 July - 1 August 2022. Online or at St Beuno's Jesuit Spirituality Centre in North Wales. Young adults are being invited to journey with the Jesuits this summer on a special retreat to help view life through new eyes. The "See All Things New" retreat celebrates the 500th Anniversary of the Conversion of St Ignatius of Loyola - founder of the Society of Jesus - and draws on the story of St Ignatius to help us look anew at our own lives. Please visit

<https://www.jesuit.org.uk/events/see-all-things-new-a-retreat-for-young-adults-in-their-20s-and-30s> to find out more.

Walk for Creation: Following on from its successful climate walk last October, the Diocese of Salford has decided to hold another reflective walk this year: The walk will take place on Sunday 2 October. Further details will be announced in due course.

Formation Series: Dr Jessie Rogers: Lessons from the First Synod in the Early Church - Acts 15. Wednesday 11 May, 7.30pm: This session will be exploring what we can learn for our Synod from the Council of Jerusalem. Jessie is the lay Dean of the Faculty of Theology at the Pontifical University Maynooth. She is a Scripture scholar specialising in the Old Testament and brings with her experience of facilitating several Diocesan Synods. **This event will take place on Zoom only.** To register, please visit www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/synod-lessons-early-church/

Date for the Diary: The first ever *Caritas Lancashire 3 Peaks Challenge* hiking fundraiser takes place on Saturday 25 June (8am-6pm) over 37km (23 miles) and 870m ascent. It will raise money for people across our Diocese who are facing crisis and disadvantage. Due to the challenging nature of this event, there will be a maximum of 50 adult-only participants. For more information and to register visit:


<https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/caritas-lancashire-3-peaks-challenge-fundraising-event/>

Gardening for Wildlife: The Laudato Si' Centre is launching a two-day foundation course in wildlife gardening at Wardley Hall (Saturday 21 May & Saturday 1 October). The course will include practical activities to encourage wildlife and create specific habitats for wildlife corridors. The full course fee is £60 but if you only want to attend one day this will be £45. To book or for more information please see

<https://northernschool.info/wildlife-gardening-laudato-si>

Caritas Diocese of Salford Jobs: We have a number of career opportunities available right now for excellent candidates with a passion for social justice. Please visit our website for more details <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/careers/>

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Readers For (7/8 May 2022)		
5pm Vigil (SB)	9.30am (SJ)	11am (SB)
A Grundy	A Gracie	F Evans

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