

# The Parish of the Good Samaritan

Churches of

- ◆ Christ the King
- ◆ St Mary of the Assumption
- ◆ St John the Baptist Burnley

## NEWSLETTER

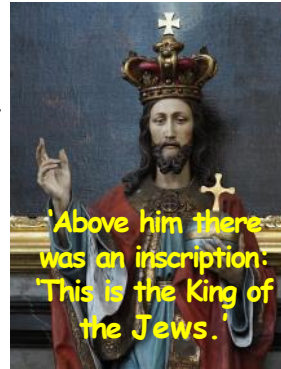
### CHRIST THE KING

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#### FR DAVID'S REFLECTION ON THE WEEKEND'S LITURGY

The readings at Mass today remind us of our mortality and that even magnificent buildings like the Temple will not endure old age or human destruction. Luke talks of the Parousia in close association with the destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple. The destruction of the Temple which Jesus predicted had already happened by the time Luke was writing his Gospel. This would have been interpreted by some as a sign of the beginning of the end of the world. Luke reminds them of the words of Jesus in which he warned his disciples not to be deceived by rumours and apparent signs that the end was near. Jesus calls upon us to show endurance and asks if our faith can be strong enough



to hold firm, even in the face of the danger of suffering and death. He means that we should keep the faith and continue to trust in the teachings and promises of Our Lord even through the traumatic ordeals and troubles of life, as this is vital for our eternal lives.

He asks us to take seriously his providential care of us; Every detail of lives is known and matters to the Lord, so he can rightly say: "not a hair of your head will be lost!". So let us thank the Lord for the blessing of each day, month and year that he gives to us and of course to pray for courage for our faith to be strong enough to face the trials that lie ahead for us so we do not lose heart or give up hope.

#### PATRONAL FEAST DAY OF CHRIST THE KING

*We pray today for and with the people of Christ the King community whose feast day we celebrate this weekend.*



#### DEANERY NIGHT FEVER ~ HOPE IN THE FUTURE

This involves opening the church and inviting those who are passing by to come in and light and candle. It includes Exposition and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This year, our parish will host this event at St Mary's church from 6pm to 8pm on Friday 2nd December. Refreshments will be available in the parish rooms. **We will need help** with a number of the required tasks so if interested please contact Fr David. At previous similar events we found many people very open to the invitation to sit and pray for a minute or two, most saying afterwards that they enjoyed the experience.



#### KEEP WELL KEEP WARM CARRY ON: SPECIAL EVENT ABOUT ALL THE HELP AVAILABLE

There will be a major event on Monday 28th November where there will be many organisations who will explain all of the help that is available as we all face the problems of dealing with the cost of living and fuel cost crisis. It will be at Gannow Community Centre where you can 'drop-in' from 9.30am to 3.30pm. It will cover 'all bases', from Foodbanks to healthy living; from budget cookery tips to avoiding scams; . The organisations below are available if you can't get to Gannow, and they will point you to other help if needed.

**The Foodbank:** call them on 01282 686402 to find out how they can help. **The Community Grocery:** The Grocery offers a 'shop' for £4 which covers most essentials. Phone 01282 901511

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Lately Dead:** Pat Unsworth, Sir Simon Towneley, John Daley, Joseph Scanlon, Brian McNulty, Kathleen Southwell.

**Anniversaries:** Ronnie Whittaker  
Thomas Langton,

**In Memoriam:** Holy Souls and deceased members of the family, Irene Moore, Kilday family, Sarah Langton,

**Birthday Memoriam:** Cyril Minihan

**Other Intentions:** William Dear



## OFFERTORY AND COLLECTION CHANGES

Each of the three churches of the parish has returned to the collection basket being passed around in church during the Preparation of the gifts. This will coincide with the return of the Offertory Procession.

## "WARM SPACES" INITIATIVE—PAUSE IN ACTIVITY



Due to there being no visitors at the drop-in for two weeks running it has been decided that St. John's parish hall will not be participating in the Warm Space initiative for the time being. We will reassess the situation when weather gets colder! Grateful thanks to all those who offered their help in various ways.

## AFTERNOON TEA AT ST MARY'S

Due to its popularity, there will be another Afternoon Tea in the Parish Rooms at St Mary's Parish Rooms on Wednesday 7th December starting at 1.00p. The cost is £7.00—so much less than commercial offerings, but it's been described as 'every bit as good' by satisfied customers. There's a list at the back of St Mary's, but you can call Elaine on 413127 to join the Party. Please arrange payment to Elaine by 22nd November—this Tuesday. Thank you.



## FOODBANK

The people of the parish have given donations and goods, through and in addition to the excellent work of Blessed Trinity College, who have raised over £13,000 since they started. You are asked to continue to put food into the collection point in many supermarkets, as well as using the Blessed Trinity site for financial donations at <https://tinyurl.com/BlessedTrinityJustGiving>. St John's will continue to accept money gifts, in an envelope clearly marked dropped into the presbytery letterbox. Last month they donated £50. Our parish SVP has also generously donated £50. **Enormous thanks to everyone for their generosity**



## ANNUAL MASS FOR DECEASED KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA

The Mass will be on Monday 21st November at 7.00pm at Christ the King church. Celebrant: Fr David Featherstone.  
Everyone welcome.



## GOOD SAMARITAN SVP HOUSEBOUND MASS—10TH DECEMBER



The first post-lockdown SVP Housebound Mass will be on held on Saturday 10th December, 12:00 noon in St John's Parish Hall. It will be a Mass for Advent and will be followed by our usual Christmas party luncheon.

We offer an open invitation across all of our three churches for any housebound or elderly person who would like to join us, especially any new people who now find themselves housebound and may be lonely. Transport can be provided both there and back if required.

If you would like to attend you can contact an SVP member on 07929256406 or email [mariaboys46@gmail.com](mailto:mariaboys46@gmail.com) leaving your name, address and telephone number.

## POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER 2022

### Children Who Suffer

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection. For a Church open to everyone



Stay with us Lord

on our journey



## HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME

Eucharistic Ministers are now once more able to visit people in their own home in order to give Holy Communion to anyone who is unable to come to church. If you know of anyone who would like to receive Holy Communion, please ask the person's permission and then give their name, address and phone number to either of our priests. We will then make contact by phone to arrange when we can visit.





### TEA DANCE AT ST JOHN'S—23RD NOVEMBER

The next T dance will be on Wednesday 23rd Nov in St John's parish rooms from 11.15pm to 3.15pm. They are super social get-togethers, and another step to more normal post-pandemic living. All welcome



### BRASS BAND CONCERT AT ST MARY'S

BMP Goodshaw Band (featuring St Mary's organist, Francis, on trombone!) will present a concert with a wide selection of musical pieces - from the shows to the more traditional. Something for everyone!. It will be at St Mary's church on Sunday 27th November 2022 starting at 2.00 until 4.00pm. They are an excellent band—recently Regional champions and national competition contestants. **Admission is free**, with a voluntary collection, and refreshments and a raffle. **Raffle Prizes:** if you can donate a prize, or make cakes for refreshments please call Barbara (424967) to arrange. Thank you.

### VOLUNTEERS AT CHRISTMAS REQUIRED

We are looking into the possibility of opening up the parish rooms at St Mary's on Christmas Day for maybe up to a dozen people who would otherwise be on their own this Christmas, but who would prefer a bit of company. Whether we can make this a possibility depends on whether we can get enough volunteers to help with the Christmas Dinner. Father David is prepared to cook the turkey (s) the night before.



If you may be available and willing help to out with the preparation, the cooking, serving, clearing or washing up for such a meal on Christmas Day, please contact Mike Morris on 07929 451 566 or email him on; website@goodsamaritanparish.org.uk

*"All good thoughts and ideas mean nothing without action"*



Great minds think alike



*"It is not enough to say we are Christians. We must live the faith, not only with our words, but with our actions."*

### KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA—CHRISTMAS CRACKER! - RAFFLE APPEAL

The Knights continue to raise money for charity. Their next is a Christmas Cracker Concert on Friday 2nd December at 8.00pm. With the proceeds will go to two local organisations. It will feature the top vocal entertainer, Andrew Knight, Tickets are just £6.00 which includes refreshments. Call Pat on 07947 151 931 or Bernard on 07800 867 554 for tickets or the Knights will welcome prizes for their raffle at this fun evening.



**KSC 110 Club Weekly Quiz Night:** Every Monday at 8.30pm. Bring a team, or join one on the night.

### CAFOD NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2022



**World Gifts** – It's that time of year again with Christmas fast approaching. Don't worry though as CAFOD have just the best unusual presents for your friends and family that can make a real difference to people living in poverty. World Gifts are CAFOD's range of gifts that help those families in most need across the world. For each gift you buy this Christmas, you will receive a beautiful gift card to pass on to your loved one. To see the latest selection visit the CAFOD website or pick up a brochure

at the back of church: <https://cafod.org.uk/News/UK-news/New-World-Gifts-Christmas-2022>

**November Remembrance** – During this month the CAFOD group wish to remember with gratitude and prayer all our deceased former members and supporters. It is only through their work and generosity that CAFOD has been able to support those in most need around the world. To pray with CAFOD and remember our deceased loved ones just follow the link: <https://cafod.org.uk/Pray/Prayers-of-remembrance>

### Daily Prayer for Peace in Ukraine

*It is clear that the need for peace in the world is great, and little sign that it will happen through worldly means. A parishioner has suggested that say the 'Our' Father at 9.00pm every evening. until the war ends. Please join in!*

### CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PARISH BY STANDING ORDER

You can make your contributions to the parish online by Standing Order; Please contact your bank and inform them that payment should now be made as follows:

Name: The Salford Diocesan Trust :The Good Samaritan Parish.

Sort Code: 205558

Account number: 50404640

Thank you.



## MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES: MONDAY 21ST NOVEMBER TO SUNDAY 27TH NOVEMBER 2022

Please note there is only one public Mass each day this week.

- Monday** *Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
7.00pm Christ the King: **Mass for Deceased Members of the Knights of St Columba**
- Tuesday** *St Cecilia*  
9.30am St Mary's
- Wednesday** *St Clement*  
9.30am Christ the King
- Thursday** *S Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions*  
**10.00am Funeral Mass at St Mary's for John Daley RIP**
- Friday** *St Catherine of Alexandria*  
**11.00am Funeral Mass at St Mary's for Sir Simon Towneley RIP**  
**Please note: No Reconciliation or Exposition at St Mary's today**
- Saturday** *Weekday*  
9.30am St Mary's  
10.30am to 11.30am — Reconciliation and Exposition at St Mary's  
5.15pm to 5.55pm — Reconciliation and Exposition at St John's  
**Vigil Masses:** 6.00pm St John's  
6.30pm St Mary's
- Sunday:** ***First Sunday of Advent***  
Christ the King: 9.15am and 5.00pm  
St Mary's: 10.00am (This Mass will be live-streamed on the parish website).  
St John's: 10.45am

### Exposition

There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament starting 30 minutes before each weekday Mass, Monday to Friday (except



### MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

Please put the names of your departed loved one in an envelope and place in a basket at the back of church which will be brought forward to the altar during Mass. Please do not place any money in the envelope.

Congratulations and best wishes Amy Bonsall and Ben Short who were married at St Mary's on Saturday, 19th November. We wish them a long, happy and blessed life together.



### ST TERESA: CONTEMPLATION ON THE EUCHARIST



*The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in Heaven, and will help bring about everlasting peace on earth*



### COVID GUIDANCE IN OUR CHURCHES

- ~ We continue to recommend we sanitize our hands before entering church.
- ~ Holy Communion can again be received in the hand or in the mouth.
- ~ Our stewards will continue to welcome us.
- ~ The Distribution of Holy Communion will revert to how it was pre-Pandemic
- ~ Please say 'Amen' when receiving Holy Communion.

### Clergy Team

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