

ST MARY'S MULBERRY ST THE HIDDEN GEM

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MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS	SATURDAYS	SUNDAYS
10.00am Church opens	10.00am Church opens	10.00am Church opens	10.00am Church opens	10.00am Church opens	10.00am Church opens	9.00am Church opens
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		1.30pm - 3.30pm Church Cleaning		After Mass Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & 2.30pm Confessions		Church closes after Mass
		4.00pm - 5.10pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & 4.00pm - 5.00pm Confessions		3.00pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy		
4.00pm Church closes	4.00pm Church closes	5.15pm HOLY MASS	4.00pm Church closes	4.00pm Church closes	4.00pm - 5.00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & 4.00pm - 5.00pm Confessions	
		Church closes after Mass			5.15pm VIGIL MASS of Sunday	
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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT -

WAITING *I waited, waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry Ps 39:1*

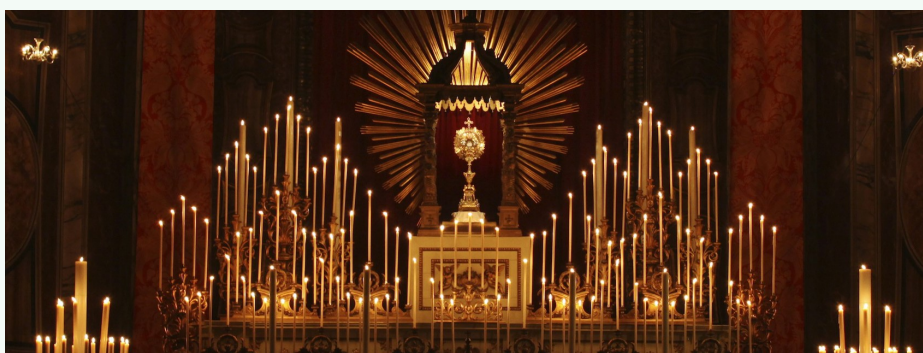
Waiting

Many of us come to spend time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament because we are waiting. It may be as simple as having time to wait for the bus — or to pick the children up from school. We have a bit of time to wait and we use it to spend a few minutes in quiet prayer with Jesus.

Some of us come with a very different kind of waiting. We might be waiting for results — medical or exams. We might be waiting for people to make an important decision that will affect us. We might be waiting for an important letter or meeting to take place.

This kind of waiting has a very different feel from using the odd few minutes. We bring a lot of other feelings with us. There may be impatience — why can't they just get on and decide. There may be anxiety — 'what will happen if...?' There may be fear — or even dread.

Our waiting in these circumstances may well be fidgety and we will find it hard to concentrate. We may worry about what other people think of us as we feel the need to get up and walk around — or pick up and put down books or rosaries. Try not to worry about this! Every person in the church has times like this. And, at the end of the day, the main person to be concerned about it Jesus



— and he would much rather you were there as you are rather than staying away until you are able to wait patiently for whatever you are dealing with.

Jesus and Waiting

Jesus knew about waiting. He spent thirty years preparing for his public ministry

— waiting until the time was right. He may have waited at the bedside of his foster father, Joseph, as he died — supporting his mother and dealing with all the feelings around the end of the life of a loved one. He spent time in prayer — in a way waiting on his Father for insight and wisdom. On the last day of his life, he waited in the Garden of Gethsemane — waiting for those who were going to arrest him and take him to torture and death. Whatever you bring to your waiting, Jesus can empathise. We can also see his presence in the Blessed Sacrament as more waiting... his willingness to wait for people to come to spend time with him. Waiting for you — to wait with him — and together to prepare for whatever it is that lies ahead for you.

Welcome to St Mary's, the Hidden Gem

A place of silence and prayer at the heart of our city

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

To help sustain us on our journey through life and to grow in our relationship with God, the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Holy Eucharist are essential. As we begin to come through this pandemic and return to regular times of prayer in church, the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is currently available at the times below. It is wonderful to have the opportunity to encounter our loving and merciful Saviour in the Sacraments again, especially when we think back to last year when our churches were closed.

Mondays	11.00am – 11.55am
Tuesdays	11.00am – 11.55am
Wednesdays	11.00am – 11.55am and 4.00pm - 5.00pm
Thursdays	11.00am – 11.55am
Fridays	11.00am – 11.55am and 2.30pm - 2.55pm
Saturdays	10.30am – 11.15am and 4.00pm - 5.00pm

Please let others know that there is this daily opportunity to go to confession here at St Mary's.

HOLY MASS AND PRAYER INTENTIONS



The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be celebrated for the following intentions, received at St Mary's this week:

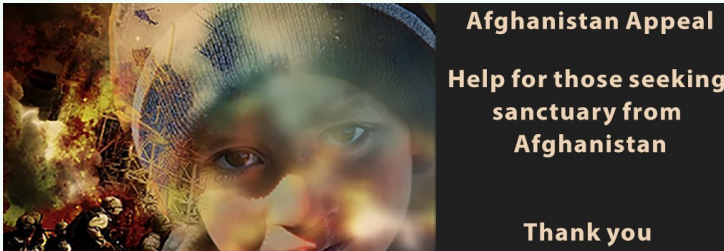
- Lately Dead:** Gerard Devlin; Teresa Redmon; Vincent Quayle; Carol Travis
- Anniversaries:** Bernard Gruber (08/09); Winefride Darby (13/08)
- In remembrance:** The Holy Souls; Michael and Kathleen Campbell;
- Special Intentions:** Fr Michael Cunningham SDB; Fr Francis Mageean SDB; Kate Wynn; Susan Furey; Special Intention; Special Intention to Our Lady untier of knots; Private Intentions; Renata; Michael and Mary Coyle (50th Wedding Anniversary)

PLEASE NOTE that **Holy Mass intentions** and requests for **Sanctuary Candles** received at St Mary's after Friday 11th September will be mentioned in the next Parish Newsletter of Sunday 10th October.



BAPTISMS

Welcome to **Daniela and Olivia Paul** who were baptised at St Mary's on Sunday 12th September and congratulations to Stefania and Cosmin on the birth and baptism of their children.



AFGAHANISTAN APPEAL

Caritas is absolutely delighted and so grateful for every single item collected by you, your parish and local community.

The local authorities hosting evacuated people in quarantine are now regularly assessing the specific needs of individuals and their families, and then requesting only particular items from us. Caritas' dedicated members of staff, assisted by wonderful volunteers in each of the drop-off centres, are currently sorting through items and arranging deliveries based on these requested needs. For this reason, Caritas are still able to accept the donated items you have already collected in your area with sincere gratitude, and politely ask us that no more appeals for further items are made just at this time please.

The medium to long-term needs of those who have arrived in Manchester will be ascertained in due course and communicated to all, for those still wishing to help in any way. Or, you may prefer to make a financial gift, and can do so on the Caritas website or through our poor box at the back of the church.

Caritas ask us to thank you for your continued support and your prayers at this time.

VISITING PRIESTS DURING THESE WEEKS

I am deeply grateful to Fr Laurence Gambella, Fr Tom Connolly, and Fr Paul Daly for covering the parish while I take a break. It has been a long and tiring few months for everyone, and I am grateful for assistance in enabling me to get a break away for a short while. Please, as always, do make them welcome to St Mary's.

I am also deeply grateful to all those parishioners who have accepted to be responsible for various aspects of the life of the parish and church at this time. Many thanks to you all.

SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS THIS WEEK - burning from Saturday morning onwards

THE PIETÀ ALTAR	OUR BLESSED LADY	ST JOSEPH	OUR LADY OF MANCHESTER
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Janeth Flores RIP Jean and John Webb RIP (A) Graham John Hall RIP (A) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Katherine Donna & Marco Delima 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sister Ruth FMSJ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bernard Gruber RIP For Peace in the world Rev Derek Pamer Nora Hickey (S)
SACRED HEART OF JESUS	TABERNACLE - OUR LADY	TABERNACLE - ST JOSEPH	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joanne Fraser 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kate Wynn [Special Intention] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scott family 	



If you would like to have a 7-day candle lit for a particular intention, for a loved one or for a special intention, put the name of the intention on an envelope and indicate which Sanctuary Candle you wish to have lit. A donation of £5 is suggested to cover the cost of the candle. Pass the envelope to the Parish Priest or place it through the presbytery letter box. The candles will be lit on Friday afternoon, and will burn throughout the following week, with the names appearing in the parish newsletter each week, so we know the intention that the candle is burning for.

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