

# ST MARY'S MULBERRY STREET THE HIDDEN GEM



A SANCTUARY OF SILENCE AND PRAYER AT THE HEART OF THE CITY

Mon 20 March SAINT JOSEPH SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	Tues 21 March Lent Feria	Wed 22 March Lent Feria	Thurs 23 March Lent Feria	Fri 24 March Lent Feria	Sat 25 March THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD	Sun 26 March FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT PASSIONTIDE BEGINS
9.30am Church opens	9.30am Church opens	9.30am Church opens	9.30am Church opens	9.30am Church opens	9.30am Church opens	8.30am Church opens
10.30am - 12.25pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	10.30am - 12.25pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	10.30am - 12.25pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	10.30am - 12.25pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	10.30am - 12.25pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	10.30am - 11.55pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	09.00am - 09.45am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions
11.00am - 11.55am Confessions	11.00am - 11.55am Confessions	11.00am - 11.55am Confessions	11.00am - 11.55am Confessions	11.00am - 11.55am Confessions	10.30am - 11.15am Confessions	10.00am HOLY MASS
12 noon Holy Rosary & Benediction	12 noon Holy Rosary & Benediction	12 noon Holy Rosary & Benediction	12 noon Holy Rosary & Benediction	12 noon Holy Rosary & Benediction	11.30am Holy Rosary & Benediction	
12.30pm HOLY MASS	12.30pm HOLY MASS	12.30pm HOLY MASS	12.30pm HOLY MASS	12.30pm HOLY MASS	12 noon HOLY MASS	12 noon HOLY MASS
1.00pm Stations of the Cross	1.00pm Stations of the Cross	1.00pm Stations of the Cross	1.00pm Stations of the Cross	1.00pm Stations of the Cross	12.30pm Stations of the Cross	
		1.30pm Church cleaning			After Stations Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church closes after Mass
		4.00pm - 5.10pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & 4.00pm - 5.00pm Confessions			2.30pm - 2.55pm Confessions	
	6.00pm HOLY MASS	5.15pm HOLY MASS			3.00pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy & Benediction	
4.00pm Church closes	6.30pm - 6.50pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction	6.00pm LENTEN MEDITATIONS	4.00pm Church closes	4.00pm Church closes	4.00pm - 5.00pm Confessions	
	7.00pm Church closes	7.00pm Church closes	6.00pm - 7.00pm SVP Conference		5.15pm VIGIL MASS of SUNDAY	
	7.00pm - 8.00pm Legion of Mary	7.00pm - 8.00pm Young Catholic Adults Group			Church closes after Mass	



Welcome home  
**The Light is On For You**

## DAILY CONFESSIOINS AT SAINT MARY'S

The Sacrament of Penance (Confession) is available each day:

<b>Monday</b>	11.00am - 11.55am
<b>Tuesday</b>	11.00am - 11.55am
<b>Wednesday</b>	11.00am - 11.55am & 4pm - 5pm
<b>Thursday</b>	11.00am - 11.55am
<b>Friday</b>	11.00am - 11.55am & 2.30pm - 2.55pm
<b>Saturday</b>	10.30am - 11.15am & 4pm - 5pm
<b>Sunday</b>	9.00am - 9.45am

To help you make a good confession, a leaflet is available at the back of the church - **The Light is ON for YOU.**

This year's **Lenten programme** also includes:

- A short **Stations of the Cross** after lunchtime weekday Mass, Monday to Friday, and after the lunchtime Mass on Saturdays.
- A 6.00pm **Lenten Mass on Tuesdays evenings** and a 5.15pm **Lenten Mass on Wednesday evenings**, particularly for those who wish to attend an early evening Mass after work.
- **A series of Lenten meditations, LORD, THAT I MAY SEE - STEPS TO HOLINESS**, given by Fr Ian Kelly, a priest of the diocese, on the seven Wednesday evenings of Lent, from 6pm - 7pm, beginning on Ash Wednesday. For Lent, this will be part of the Wednesday evenings we have for our newly formed Young Catholic Adults, with a discussion following the meditation.

## Holy Week AT SAINT MARY'S

PALM SUNDAY		1st APRIL	10.00am & 12 noon
HOLY THURSDAY		6th APRIL	6.00pm
GOOD FRIDAY		7th APRIL	3.00pm
HOLY SATURDAY		8th APRIL	7.30pm
EASTER SUNDAY		9th APRIL	10.00am & 12 noon

## HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

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

**Lately Deceased:** Sister Magdalen; Theresa O'Shaughnessy; Charles McDaid; Janet Moores; Michael Rechevez; Mrs Kevins; Blacne Yates; Ann Nolan **Anniversaries:** Canon Anthony Dorran (22/03); Fr James Rawson (23/03); Dr Peter O'Connor (30/03); Bogdan Chadala **In remembrance:** The Holy Souls; **Special Intentions:** Kate Wynn; Patrick & Vera Medupin; Ephraim & family; Roy Adamson; Ester Healey; Margaret; Marion & family; Anne Burton; Special Intention; In thanksgiving for successful surgery; Peter Wareing; Betty Aherne; Fr Michael Holland; Anthonia Medupin **Easter Masses:** Wesley, Jacqueline & Esme; Jean & John Webb RIP; Barney McNamee; Janet Weibel

## PARISH NEWS

### BILL BURGESS RIP

Of your charity, please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Bill Burgess, one of our parishioners who has died recently. A service of committal will be held at Altrincham Crematorium on Thursday at 3.15pm. I will offer Holy Mass for him here at St Mary's on Friday. May he rest in peace.

### CARITAS LENTEN APPEAL

We can continue to remember the work of Caritas during this season of Lent through our donations to the Poor Box and the Food Bank Collection box at the back of church. **Thank you for your generosity and support.**

### PRAYING TOGETHER

Please try to be conscious of the rhythm of congregational prayers at Holy Mass or the Holy Rosary, and try to tune yourself into the congregation gathered and to pray with one voice. It is important that when we gather to celebrate Holy Mass or the Holy Rosary, that we try to say congregational prayers with the same rhythm and pace as everyone else and not constantly to be one or two words ahead of everyone else.

### THREE NEW PARISH GROUPS

Recently, we have established three new parish groups - A praesidium of **The Legion of Mary**, a **Young Catholic Adults** Group, and a conference of the **Saint Vincent de Paul Society**. Any parishioners are welcome to join these groups, which are meeting on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings this week.

### SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS

If any adult parishioners have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation and would like to prepare to receive it in the near future, please have a word with me. It is hoped that we will have a short course of catechesis after Easter to help prepare to receive the Sacrament.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION FOR CHILDREN

If any parents of children in the parish (year 3 and above) would like their children to prepare to receive Holy Communion for the first time on the Feast of Corpus Christi, please have a word with me. It is hoped that we will have a short course of catechesis after Easter to help the children to prepare to receive the Sacrament of Penance and Holy Communion for the first time

## SANCTUARY CANDLES

### The Pietà Altar:

- [1] Peter Waering (Special Intention)
- [2] Sonny Collins (Special Intention)
- [3] John Collins (Special Intention)
- [4] David Collins (Special Intention)
- [5] Wordsworth & Prince family
- [6] Mike (Special Intention)

### Sacred Heart of Jesus:

- [1] Anna J.
- [2] Mary V.
- [3] Shantha J.
- [4] Rebecca Johnson (Special Int.)
- [5] Philip Hanna

### Our Lady of Grace:

- [1] Peter Umapathy (Special Int.)
- [2] The Gooder family, Judy & Dawn
- [3] Mullins & Halvey families
- [4] Catherine (Special Int)

### Tabernacle [Our Lady]:

- [1] Kate Wynn (SI)
- [2] Carol Basti (Special Intention)
- [3] A Special Intention

### Tabernacle [St Joseph]:

- [1] Marcin (Special Intention)
- [2] Michal (Special Intention)
- [3] Joseph & Gabrielle (Special Int.)
- [4] Holy Souls

### Our Lady of Manchester:

- [1] Ann Brady (Special Intention)
- [2] Nelly McAtamney
- [3] Daniel McAtamney
- [4] Catherine Ward
- [5] Magdalena (Special Intention)
- [6] Halina (Special Intention)
- [7] Carmelite Community, Dunbarton
- [8] Scott family
- [9] Roy Adamson

If you would like to have a 7-day candle lit for a loved one or for a special intention, please put the name of the intention on an envelope. A suggested minimum donation of £5.

## RESTORATION OF SAINT MARY'S



The Catholic Church of St Mary's, Mulberry Street, is a Grade-II\* listed building, with the Old Presbytery being separately listed as a Grade-II listed building. Recent surveys on the church and presbytery have revealed that there is work to do on restoring the fabric of the church, and so, as a parish, we are starting a programme of restoration works in order to preserve this well-loved church for future generations.

### PHASE ONE - URGENT WORKS AT HIGH LEVEL

Our architect has put together a package of works classified as **urgent works** which primarily focus on preventing water ingress to the building. These proposed works are vital to the long-term future of the building, carried out in a manner in order to enhance and conserve the church building and ensure it remains a viable place of worship and a heritage asset of national importance. Phase One Restoration works will begin after Easter, on **Monday 17th April**. It is estimated, at this stage, that the works could take 3 to 4 months to complete. The anticipated

costs for Phase One of the works is in the region of **£250,000**. Although we are trying to apply for as many grants as we can it is likely that, as a parish, we will have to raise the funds for a substantial amount of works to our buildings.

The Government's **GIFT AID SCHEME** is a great way for charities to raise funds. If you don't do so already, then **please consider Gift Aiding your donations to St Mary's**. It will not cost you any more than you already give. If you pay income tax and give a donation to the parish by an offertory envelope or by standing order, then the Government will give us a further 25p for every pound you give. This will go a long way to help us to raise the necessary funds to undertake phase one of the restoration works and to start to plan for further phases of works. To Gift Aid your donations, please ask Fr Anthony for a Gift Aid Declaration Form, and please make your donations by offertory envelopes, which are available, or set up a monthly standing order.

**MANY THANKS FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY TO ST MARY'S**

## TO MAKE A DONATION TO THE PARISH OR CHURCH RESTORATION FUND

**PARISH BANK ACCOUNT**  
(to make a donation by BACS  
or to set up a Standing Order)

TSDT St Mary Manchester  
Sort Code: 20 55 34  
Account number: 00915025

Cheques Payable to:  
St Mary's, Manchester

**SCAN THE QR CODE**  
(to make a donation)



**USE THE NEWLY INSTALLED  
CARD MACHINE  
AT THE ENTRANCE  
TO THE CHURCH**  
(to make a contactless  
or PIN donation)

**THANK YOU**

