

ST MARY'S MULBERRY STREET THE HIDDEN GEM



SUNDAY 21st MAY 2023
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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THE 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 in order to preserve this well-loved church for future generations.

PHASE ONE - URGENT WORKS AT HIGH LEVEL

Phase One Restoration works began 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**. We have been successful in obtaining four grants and, through your ongoing generosity to St Mary's, we have been able to commence the works on schedule.

THE GIFT AID SCHEME CAN HELP US RAISE FUNDS

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



| Mon 22 May Easter Feria | Tues 23 May Easter Feria | Wed 24 May Easter Feria | Thurs 25 May SAINT BEDE THE VENERABLE Priest and Doctor | Fri 26 May SAINT PHILIP NERI Priest | Sat 27 May SAINT AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY Bishop | Sun 28 May PENTECOST |
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| 9.30am Church opens | 9.30am Church opens | 9.30am Church opens | 9.30am Church opens | 9.30am Church opens | 8.30am Church opens | 8.30am Church opens |
| 11.00am - 12.25pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament | 11.00am - 12.25pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament | 11.00am - 12.25pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament | 11.00am - 12.25pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament | 11.00am - 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 and 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 | 11.00am CATECHESIS for FIRST HOLY COMMUNION |
| 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 |
| 1.30pm REQUIEM MASS for Peter Dalton | | 1.30pm Church cleaning | | After Mass Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament | | |
| | 5.15pm - 5.45pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & 5.15pm - 5.45pm Confessions | 5.15pm - 5.45pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & 5.15pm - 5.45pm Confessions | | 2.30pm - 2.55pm Confessions 3.00pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy & Benediction | | Church closes After Mass |
| 4.00pm Church closes | 6.00pm HOLY MASS 6.30pm - 7.00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction | 6.00pm HOLY MASS 6.30pm - 7.00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction | 4.00pm Church closes | 4.00pm Church closes | 4.00pm - 5.00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 4.00pm - 5.00pm Confessions | |
| | 7.00pm Church closes | 7.00pm Church closes | | | 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 | |

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

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

Lately deceased: Austin McKenna; Pat Flynn; George Mason; Roisin Doherty-McElhinney; Phil Ashton; Nathan's dad; Georgina Bergin; Dr Vincent Nathan; Marian O'Connell **Anniversaries:** Daniel Joseph O'Neill (21/05); Fr Bernard McGarry (24/05); Fr Peter Sheahan (25/05); Abel Stone (27/05); Ellen Desmond; James Rory Moore; James McBride **In remembrance:** The Holy Souls; Tom Desmond; Rosalind Stringfellow; Michael O'Connell **Special Intentions:** Kate Wynn; The Geurtjen's family intentions - Emelia's First Communion; Doreen Walker; Gabreil Skordilis; George & Rayan; Amanda & Francis Medupin; Cecilia Medupin; Walker Family; Ann Smith & Family; Irene Mackowiak & family; Kramp family; Hand family; Marsh family; Rita Garrigan; Fr Michael Holland; Fr Colin Mary; Br. Joe; Betty Aherne; Sonny Collins; John & Kathleen Collins; Ian Frier; For success in exam; Evelyn O'Hara; Pat Brooks; Christopher, Rita & Dina; James Patrick Connolly; Nicki; Deidra; Ann; Daniel; Thomas Donaher; In thanksgiving to St Expedite and St Jude for favours received.

PARISH NEWS

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Of your charity, please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Peter Dalton**, one of our parishioners who died recently. Requiem Mass will be celebrated for the happy repose of his soul on Monday, 22nd May, at 1.30pm. May he rest in peace.

Of your charity, please also pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Bill Wright**, one of our parishioners who died peacefully at home recently. We are still awaiting details of his Requiem Mass. May he rest in peace.

SLIGHT CHANGES TO THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Because of the works on the church roof **we have introduced** some very slight changes to the daily schedule at St Mary's:

1. Weekday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 11am (except for as noted in the right hand column 'Restoration Works')
2. Wednesday evening Mass will be at 6pm, with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions before Mass at 5.15pm

Further slight adaptations may have to be made as the works progress, and further details will be given in due course.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS

If any adult parishioners have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation and would like to prepare to do so in the near future, please have a word with me. We will have a short course of catechesis after Easter to help prepare to receive the Sacrament.



INTERNAL WORKS TO THE CHURCH DOME

On Monday 29th May until Friday 2nd June a lifting machine will be inside the church in order to gain access to the dome for essential repairs. During these five days the central aisle and benches will be inaccessible in order to keep everyone safe. During this week of internal works, there will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the mornings, Monday to Friday, or on Friday afternoon, to allow the workmen to continue to work at high level in the church. The Holy Rosary will continue at 12 noon and Holy Mass at 12.30pm will be celebrated on the Pieta altar (left side of the church), with the workmen stopping for lunch during this time. They will return immediately after Holy Mass to continue the works. During this time, please follow the guidance of the Guardians of the church, with thanks for your patience during this time.

SWITCHING OFF MOBILE PHONES IN CHURCH

Please try your best to remember to switch off your mobile phone as you enter the church. If we get into the habit of checking our phones as we enter the church, it is less likely that we will leave our phones on and thus risk disturbing everyone in church when our phone rings. Thank you.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

The Pietà Altar:

- [1] Abel Stone RIP (A 27/05)
- [2] Anna J.
- [3] The Varkeys
- [4] For a safe & fruitful journey
- [5] Meera and Deepa
- [6] Colette Maria Parnell RIP (LD)
- [7] Thomas Parnell (SI)
- [8] Kate Wynn (Special Intention)

Sacred Heart of Jesus:

- [1] Roy & Mary Adamson (SI)
- [2] Sheila & Derek Lees RIP (A)
- [3] Rebecca

Tabernacle [Our Lady]:

- [1] Sr Catherine ODC

Tabernacle [Left side]:

- [1] Kate Fay (S)

Tabernacle [Right side]:

- [1] Rose (SI)

Tabernacle [St Joseph]:

- [1] Scott family

Our Lady of Grace:

- [1] Kathleen & Michael Campbell
- [2] Lincoln Daniel-Walcott
- [3] Ellie (Special Intention)

Our Lady of Manchester:

- [1] Mark Latham RIP (A)
- [2] Kieran McGuire
- [3] Magdalena (SI)
- [4] The Arndt family
- [5] Irene & John Neston
- [6] Dymna & Val Mullins
- [7] Linda (SI)
- [8] Nelly McAtamney
- [9] Daniel Marx McAtamney
- [10] Dorz McAtamney
- [11] Elizabeth & family

- PARISH FUNDRAISING UPDATE -



SUCCESSFUL GRANT APPLICATIONS

We are pleased to say that we have been successful with four Grant Applications towards the costs of the **Phase One Works** on the church:

1. **National Churches Trust** has awarded a grant of **£30,000**
2. **The Wolfson Foundation** has awarded a grant of **£6,000**
3. **The Sir Harold Hood Charitable Trust** has awarded a grant of **£2,000**
4. **The Benefact Trust** has awarded a grant of **£6,725**

SPECIFIC DONATIONS FROM PARISHIONERS

We are grateful for a donation of **£100** from a parishioner received this week to help towards the fundraising for the costs of the roof. This brings our individual donations to **£55,420** (of which £50,000 was a individual donation from a very generous parishioner)

ONGOING GENEROSITY TO FUNDRAISING

The ongoing weekly generosity of parishioners to St Mary's is enabling us to undertake the Phase One Works immediately and have them finished by mid-summer, when we can begin to think about Phase Two of the restoration of St Mary's. **Thank you for your generosity.**

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

