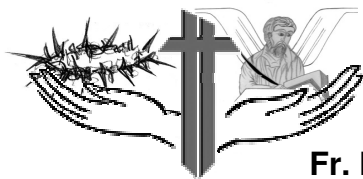


**HOLY CROSS, PATRICROFT
and
ST MATTHEW'S, WINTON**



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11th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
Psalter week 3

MASS AND SERVICE TIMES
16th – 22nd June 2008

		Holy Cross	St Matthew's
Monday	Weekday Mass	9.15am	
Tuesday	Weekday Mass		9.15am
Wednesday	Weekday Mass	9.15am	
Thursday	Weekday Mass	9.10am at Holy Cross School	
Friday	Rosary St. Alban	6.40pm 7.00pm	
Saturday	St. Aloysius Gonzaga First Holy Communion Mass		<u>10.30am</u>
Saturday (Vigil)	1 st Mass of Sunday 12 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30pm	
Sunday	Mass	11.30am	9am

Morning Prayer: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 9am

**Reconciliation: NONE SATURDAY MORNING AT ST. MATTHEW'S
Saturday 5.45pm – 6.10pm at Holy Cross**

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:
NONE THIS SATURDAY**

**Baptisms: By appointment
(2 months notice to be given)**

**Marriages: By appointment
(6 months notice to be given)**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **Narrow Boat trip on canal** – this Wednesday evening 18th June.
- **First Holy Communions St. Matthew's** – Saturday 21st June at 10.30am
- **Holy Cross School Summer Fayre** – Saturday 5th July.
- **Mass of Thanksgiving for all parishioners followed by cheese and wine** – Friday 11th July at 7pm at Holy Cross.
- **St. Gilbert's School Summer Fayre** – Saturday 12th July.
- **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Ladyewell** – Sat 6th Sept beginning at 2pm.
- **S.V.P. Charity Concert** – Friday 19th September – 7.30pm at Holy Cross
- **Quiz Night** – 3rd October.
- **Joint Parish Social** – 14th November at the Conservative Club.

MP's: A list of how MP's voted on the recent vote on embryology and abortion can be found on the notice board. There is also a letter from the All Party Parliamentary Pro-life Group. In the letter they say further quick action is needed before the final reading. In it they say "those MP's who supported the pro-life campaign should be thanked and those who voted against should be asked on what evidence they based their decisions."

ABC FAITH GROUP: The ABC faith group will begin again in September. If you wish to explore your Catholic faith or are thinking about becoming a Catholic or are just curious about the faith why not come along. See Fr. Michael over the coming months if you are interested.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

SICK: Bill Hand; Fred Johonnett; Stephen Curley; Louise Curley; Michael Duffy; Winifred Strenstrom; Maureen Lundy; Martin Fleming; Winnie Roddy; Josie Brennan; Edith Tyldesley; Joe Cawley; Winifred Johnson; Anne Curley; Frank Russell; Kevin Hesketh; baby Oliver Williams; Mary Smith; Mona Lindley; Anne Boyne; Gordon Ramsden; Pat Cooke; Joe Collins; Teresa Gavin; Deborah Hughes; Bill Morris and George Duncan. Please remember also the housebound, all in hospital, nursing and residential homes; Mgr. Michael Quinlan; Fr. Anthony Grimshaw; Fr Michael Hartley; Fr. Andrew Frazer OFM Conv; Fr. Alf Smith and Fr. Pat Keane.



ANNIVERSARIES: Margaret Dawson, Allan Craven, Ethel Johnson, Elizabeth Oates, Francis Hitchcock, Catherine Peek, Roy Lee, Bernard Garside.

LATELY DEAD:

Sr. Margaret Hegarty, Mary Hutley, Josephine Connor, Nora McSweeney, David Higson whose funeral is at Peel Green crematorium on Wednesday at 2.20 pm, Mary Pennington whose funeral is at Peel Green crematorium on Thursday at 1.40 pm.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION:

HOLY CROSS	ST MATTHEW'S
£504.60	£352.70

PARISH PASTORAL AND SOCIAL GROUPS: The next meeting is on Wednesday 25th June in the Parish Hall.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

This week is a special time in the life of our parish community. Today (Sunday) the children from Holy Cross will receive Our Lord in Holy Communion for the first time.

Then this Saturday at 10.30am the children from St. Matthew's will also celebrate their First Holy Communion. It would be good to see many parishioners joining with the children and their families on Saturday.

Please continue to keep the children and their parents in your prayers.

SCRIPTURE GROUP: Meets every Tuesday at 7pm at St. Matthew's Church. All are welcome.

PARISH SUMMER DAY TRIP: Only 2 places left on coach. £12 per adult and £7 per child. Altar servers free and accompanying adult goes at child's rate. See Fr Michael.

APF MISSION: St. Matthew's Red Mission boxes are due in this weekend.

NARROW BOAT TRIP

This Wednesday (18th June).

The trip begins at the Worsley Basin (opposite the Bridgewater Pub) at 6.30pm. We will return approx 9.30pm – 10.00pm. Last year we headed to the Barton Aqueduct – this year we are going in the opposite direction.

CHURCH GROUNDS: All help to keep the grounds of both churches tidy during the summer months will be greatly appreciated.

SVP: The next meeting is on Monday 24th June at Holy Cross at 7pm. New members always welcome.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

May God bless all fathers .

ST. MATTHEW'S CHILDRENS LITURGY: Only one CRB form has been returned so far to be checked by the parish child protection officer. It is important that the others are handed in as soon as possible. The children's liturgy at St. Matthew's can not begin till these forms have been sent to the diocese. If you are having difficulties filling them in please see Pat Jackson or Fr. Michael.

PLANT SALE: Many thanks to all who organised the plant sale last week at Holy Cross. There are some plants left over – these will be on sale Sunday at St. Matthew's. The final amount raised will be announced next weekend.

WELCOME

to Frankie Mulgrew, a student for the priesthood, who has joined our parish community for 3 weeks. I'm sure you will make him feel welcome.

BAPTISM: Congratulations to *Thomas and Emily Shaw-Coulson* who were baptized last Sunday. We welcome him to the family of the Church.

Next baptism course is on Thursday 26th June at Holy Cross Presbytery beginning at 7pm. Please see Fr. Michael if you wish to attend.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME – CATECHISTS Would you be prepared to be a catechist for the next Sacramental Programme starting in September? We need about 4 new catechists to build upon the team we already have. If interested or wish to know more please see Fr. Michael.

SVP LUNCH FOR SENIOR CITIZENS SVP lunch for senior citizens Tuesday 22nd July 12.30 – 4.00 pm. Roast lunch, entertainment by David James, free raffle, transport can be arranged, venue is the Brown Cow, Winton. Cost £5.00.

APF (RED BOXES) MASS at All Souls, Weaste, this Saturday 21st June at 3.00 pm. Everybody welcome.

SPIRITUAL WEEKEND RETREAT FOR MEN Harvesters Northern Residential Men's Weekend, Lancaster University Chaplaincy and Conference Centre, Saturday 5th (start 10.00 am) – Sunday 6th July (until 5pm) 2008. Theme – “You will find rest for your souls” (Mt 11.29) - All men are invited to the above event. Cost £97 including full board and en-suite room with keynote speaker. Further details:- Greg McCrave 01772 733338 or Dave Yates 01253 735061. See back of church for further details.

CATHOLIC RESCUE GARDEN PARTY – Saturday 21st June 1.30 pm – 4 pm onwards at Parris Wood Road, Didsbury.

NEW KITCHEN St. Matthew's Church now has a new kitchen. Over the coming months we shall look at how best to use this part of the Church.

FUNDAY Churches together in Eccles are holding a fun day on Eccles precinct next Saturday (21st June) 10 – 2pm. We are having a stall there – if possible please support.

MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART

*“For I, the Lord, your God,
I am holding you by the right hand;
I tell you, ‘Do not be afraid,
I will help you.’”* Isaiah 41:13