

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

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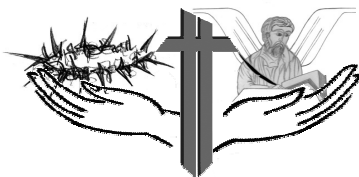
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**15th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
Psalter week 3**

**MASS AND SERVICE TIMES
13th - 19th July 2009**

		Holy Cross	St Matthew's
Monday	Weekday Mass	<u>N.B.</u> 7.15pm	
Tuesday	Year 6 Leaver's Mass		9.15am at St. Gilbert's School
Wednesday	St. Bonaventure	9.15am	
Thursday	SOLEMNITY OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL <i>Principal Patron of the Diocese</i>		9.15am
Friday	Year 6 Leaver's Mass Rosary Weekday Mass Divine Mercy Chaplet	9.15am at Holy Cross School 6.40pm 7.00pm after Mass	
Saturday	Benediction Weekday Mass and devotions		11.50am 12noon
Saturday (Vigil)	1 st Mass of Sunday <i>16th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	6.30pm	
Sunday	Mass	11.30am	9.00am

Morning Prayer: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday at 9am

**Reconciliation: Saturday 11.15am – 11.45am at St. Matthew's
Saturday 5.45pm – 6.10pm at Holy Cross**

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:
Saturday 11am – 11.50am at St. Matthew's**

SCRIPTURE GROUP: Every Tuesday at 7pm at St. Matthew's Church.

SVP - A THANK YOU: The parish SVP would like to thank all who helped to make the recent lunch and social at the Brown Cow a great success. Next SVP meeting is this Monday 13th July **6.30pm at Holy Cross Presbytery.**

IRISH NIGHT

**Can you help get the Parish Hall ready for the Irish night on Friday?
The Hall will be open from 1.30pm for all who can help set up.
Any help greatly appreciated.**

FINANCE COMMITTEE

meeting this Wednesday 15th July at 7.30pm in the Presbytery.

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

PILGRIMAGES TO ROME AND OBERAMMERGAU

The final payment for this year's Rome Pilgrimage needs to be made by this Friday (17th July). The Oberammergau payment needs to be made by 31st July – which is £350 per person. Pay direct to Mancunia or via Fr. Michael

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL FAYRE: Amount raised was approx £1,800. We will have St. Gilbert's amount next week. Thank you to everyone who supported both school fayres.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

SICK: Bill Hand; Fred Johonnett; Stephen Curley; Louise Curley; Michael Duffy; Winifred Strenstrom; Maureen Lundy; Winnie Roddy; Joe Cawley; Oliver Williams; Mona Lindley; Anne Boyne; Marie Thompson; Lily Prescott; Chris McHugh; Josie Brennan; Chris Baines; John Bosco Whitehead; Cecilia McFarlane; Kath Goring; Nora Barlow; Frank Gilligan; Delia Royle; Ann Murphy; Tony Barlow and Joan Barlow. Please also remember the housebound, all in hospital, nursing and residential homes; Fr. Peter Gooden; Fr. Patrick Keane; Fr. John Reynolds and Fr. Terry McCann.



ANNIVERSARIES: John Martin

LATELY DEAD

David Speakman

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
£300.80	£375.63

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **Irish Night** – this Friday 17th July in Parish Hall – 7.30pm – 11.00pm.
- **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** – Friday 31st July – Friday 7th August.
- **Parish Summer Trip to Conway and Llandudno** – Thursday 6th August.
- **Pastoral & Social Group meeting** – Wed 2nd Sept – 7pm in Parish Hall.
- **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Ladyewell** – Sat 5th September – begins 2pm.
- **Annual Holy Cross car-park clear up** – Saturday 26th September.
- **Quiz Night** – 9th October – 7.30pm in Parish Hall.
- **Local history Talk by Bernard Crowley** – Friday 23rd October – 7.30pm.
- **Parish Social** – Friday Nov 13th – at Patricroft Conservative Club.

SOCIAL AND PASTORAL GROUP: Next meeting is on Wednesday 2nd September – 7pm in the Parish Hall. Minutes of last meeting on notice board.

“YEAR FOR PRIESTS”

An ordination to the Priesthood is a very special occasion. We have been blessed with the ordination of two of our own over the years. From St. Matthew’s Mgr. John Dale who was ordained on 5th June 1976 and from Holy Cross Fr. Michael Johonnett who was ordained on 6th July 1996.

As with marriages – ordinations, because they are such landmarks in someone’s life, are marked each year with an anniversary.

I will be celebrating the 18th anniversary of my ordination to the Priesthood this Monday (13th July) and in this “Year for Priest” I would like to you to share in the joy of my anniversary. Mass, therefore, on Monday will be at 7.15pm and then I would like to invite you into the presbytery afterwards for a drink, biscuit and a chat. *Fr. Michael*

STARS COME OUT FOR FRANCIS HOUSE: In aid of the Children’s Hospice. Wednesday 30th September at the Oldham Coliseum Theatre. Tickets £15 and £10 - available from Pat Jackson on 707 2257.

BENEMERENTI MEDAL AND MASS OF THANKSGIVING

Once again congratulations to Marie Mackie on receiving the Benemerenti Medal from the Holy Father. It was a fantastic night and it was so good to see so many parishioners from both communities present. A big thank you to all who helped in any way and especially to everyone who brought food for the buffet - we had enough to feed the 5000!! This was indeed a special night in the life of our parish.

BAPTISM: The next baptism course is on Thursday 23rd July – 7pm at Holy Cross Presbytery. Please see Fr. Michael first if you would like to attend.

PETER’S PENCE: £39.41 was raised for Peter’s Pence this year.

PARISH SUMMER DAY TRIP: Only 1 place left.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

The final celebration of this year’s Sacramental Programme for Holy Cross takes place today (Sunday) at the 11.30am Mass.

The children will also receive their certificates for Confirmation and Holy Communion.

RELICS OF ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

The relics of St. Therese of Lisieux will be visiting England and Wales from 16th September - 15th October. During this month they will be visiting numerous churches and cathedrals a list of which can be found on the notice board.

The relics will be at Salford Cathedral from Friday evening 25th September until Sunday evening 27th September.

The Cathedral is looking for people to help during the days of the visit as the Cathedral will be open for the entire time of the visit, day and night. If you wish to be a welcomer, a guide, a prayer leader, a helper with hospitality, a helper with security etc., please see

Fr, Michael or the poster on the notice board as to who to contact. There will be a special meeting for helpers THIS SATURDAY 18th July from 2pm till 4pm at Salford Cathedral.

LEAVER'S MASSES: Our two Year 6 Leaver's Masses take place this week. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please keep the Year 6 children in your prayers during this time of great change for them. Refreshments will be provided after the Mass at St. Gilbert's School on Tuesday.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT: Next meeting is on Tuesday 1st September.

SUMMERTIME: During the school summer holidays Fr. Michael will hopefully have a bit more time to do some home visiting. If you would like him to visit then please sign the form found at the back of the Church. He will do his best to visit as many as possible.

FUNDRAISING EVENING: Larry Keenan's Sister Teresa is here on a visit and the *Talbot Catholic Club* is holding a fund raising night for her and the Assumption Sisters **next Saturday 18th July** at the Talbot Club. Sister Teresa will be there. The money raised will help to rebuild her community Church, St. Peter Claver's, Grahamstown, South Africa. Donation is £4.

BAPTISM: Congratulations to *Scarlett Bryce* who was baptised last Sunday. We welcome her into the family of the Church.

LETTERS OF THANKS: Fr. Michael has received a letter of thanks from Fr Mullin thanking us for the gift money we sent him for his 50th anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood. Maureen Favill has also sent a letter of thanks to all at Holy Cross for the flowers and cake we gave her when she left for pastures new last month.

SEA SUNDAY

Today is Sea Sunday, when the Church remembers all those who live and work at sea.

Many people have never stopped to consider how important seafarers are to our standard of living. Without them we would not have most of the items we use in our everyday lives. Many of these seafarers do not have the quality of life on board that every human has the right to.

Apostleship of the Sea (AOS) is the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church in Great Britain. The Apostleship of the Sea reaches out to seafarers that visit our ports each year, offering pastoral and practical support and care.

Please keep the AOS in your prayers.