

**HOLY CROSS, PATRICROFT
ST MATTHEW'S, WINTON
ST. GILBERT'S, BROOKHOUSE**

Holy Cross Presbytery, 370 Liverpool Rd, Patricroft,
Eccles, Manchester M30 8QD
Tel & Fax: 0161 789 4424

Website: www.ourparishcommunity.co.uk

Parish Priest: Fr. Michael Ryan
Fr. Michael's Email (confidential): hcsmeccles@yahoo.co.uk

Parish Secretary: Paul Boardman Email: secretary@ourparishcommunity.co.uk

Holy Cross and All Saints RC Primary School: 0161 789 4386

St Gilberts RC Primary School: 0161 789 5035



**18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
Psalter week 2**

**MASS AND SERVICE TIMES
3rd – 9th August 2009**

| | | Holy Cross | St Matthew's |
|------------------|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Monday | <i>Service of Word and Communion</i> | 9.15am | |
| Tuesday | St. John Vianney Benediction | 9.15am 7.30pm | |
| Wednesday | Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major | <u>9.15am at St Gilbert's</u> | |
| Thursday | Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord | <u>8.20am</u> | |
| Friday | Weekday Mass Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet | <u>9.15am 7.00pm</u> | |
| Saturday | Benediction St. Dominic Devotions to the Perpetual Succour | | 11.50am 12noon after Mass |
| Saturday (Vigil) | 1 st Mass of Sunday <i>19th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> | 6.30pm | |
| Sunday | Mass | 11.30am | 9.00am |

Morning Prayer: Monday; Tuesday and Friday 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:
Tuesday - from after 9.15am Mass till 7.30pm at Holy Cross
Saturday 11am – 11.50am at St. Matthew's**

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

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME: A meeting for all those going on the Rome pilgrimage will take place on Wednesday 26th August – 7pm at Holy Cross Parish Hall.

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

ST. GILBERT'S NEEDLEWORK: The annual needlework subscription is now due. Please pay your subscriptions to May Prendergast.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: On Friday pilgrims from all over the diocese led by the Bishop left for the annual pilgrimage to Lourdes. Please keep them in your prayers – they will be keeping us in theirs.

SICK LIST: Please inform Fr. Michael if any names on the sick list below need to be taken off or if you wish to have a name added.

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

CHRISTOPHER ROBERTSON: Christopher has sent a thank you card to us all. The card can be found at the back of Holy Cross

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; John Bosco Whitehead; Cecilia McFarlane; Kath Goring; Nora Barlow; Delia Royle; Ann Murphy; Kitty Smith; Joe Fitzpatrick; Paula McLernon; Lily O'Reilly; Peter Corcoran; Mary Land; Eileen Rogers; Tom Ward; Cecilia Bunting; Pat and Dot Jordan; a special friend; John O'Brien; Patrick Ellington and Joan Wilson. Please also remember the housebound, all in hospital, nursing and residential homes; Fr. Patrick Keane; Fr. John Reynolds and Fr. Terry McCann.



ANNIVERSARIES: David Collinge, Michael Power, Des Wills, Edward Utratny, Ellen Jones, Christopher Murray, Agnes Murray, Bridie Barlow

LATELY DEAD

James Fox, Hilda Philpott, Lily Ryan, Peter Medwid, Maureen Astwick
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 | ST. GILBERT'S |
|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 278.65 | 322.17 | £119.10 |

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **Parish Summer Trip to Conway and Llandudno** – Thursday 6th August.
- **August Bank Holiday Bingo** – Monday 31st August – 6pm in Parish Hall.
- **Pastoral & Social Group meeting** – Wed 2nd Sept – 7pm in Parish Hall.
- **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Ladywell** – 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.
- **United Service for Christian Unity Week** – Sun 24th Jan 2010 at St. Matthew's – 7pm.

HOLY CROSS AND ST. MATTHEW'S SVP: The next meeting is Monday 10th August 7pm at Holy Cross. The monthly retiring collection takes place this weekend.

“YEAR FOR PRIESTS”

This Tuesday is the Feast of St. John Vianney – also known as the Cure of Ars. He is the Patron Saint of Parish Priests and during this “*Year for Priests*” the Holy Father will declare him Patron Saint of all Priests. He was born the son of a peasant farmer near Lyons in France in 1786. He struggled with his studies at seminary and he was eventually ordained in 1815 more on account of his devoutness and goodwill than for any other qualifications. In 1818 he was sent as Parish Priest to Ars – a lonely and neglected village – his bishop thought he could do no harm there. He remained there for 40 years. He became known as a great preacher and confessor and gradually the village became a place of pilgrimage. Thousands of people would flock to Ars from all over Europe and John Vianney would spend up to 18 a day in the confessional. He died 1859 and this year marks the 150th anniversary of his death. He was canonised in 1925 by Pope Pius XI.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.

To mark the “*Year for Priests*” and to celebrate the Feast of St. John Vianney there will be all day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday at Holy Cross. The special intention on this day is to pray especially for our priests and vocations to the priesthood. Why not spend pop in and spend some time praying before the Blessed Sacrament? Confessions will be available.

9.15am Mass followed by Exposition; 10am Litany; 11am Rosary; 12noon Angelus; 1pm Rosary; 2pm Litany; 3pm Rosary; 4pm Litany; 5pm Rosary; 6pm Angelus; 7pm Rosary and at 7.30pm Benediction. Confessions 11.05am – 11.55am and 6.05pm – 6.55pm – or at any other time – just see Fr. Michael.

A plenary indulgence may be obtained on this day (Feast of St. John Vianney) when meeting the following conditions:
if you attend Mass, offer prayers to Jesus Christ the Eternal High Priest for the priests of the Church, go to sacramental Confession and pray for the intentions of the Pope.

PARISH SUMMER TRIP

Coach leaves Holy Cross at **9am prompt** this Thursday.

We will be travelling to Conway and Llandudno

Depart from Llandudno at 6pm

Mass on Thursday is at 8.20am at Holy Cross - good way to start our day.

1 place has become available - see Fr. Michael.

ROSARY CRUSADE: The 35th Annual Rosary Crusade is on Saturday 12th September at Platt Fields Park 2.30 – 4.30pm. See notice board.

MASS AT ST. GILBERT'S: From today there will be no more Eucharistic Services during the week at St. Gilbert's. For the month of August only there will be one weekday Mass at St. Gilbert's. This week the Mass will be on Wednesday. Due to all sorts of reasons the day will vary each week. Please check the newsletter.

MESSAGE FOR ST. GILBERT'S PARISHIONERS

Could all those from St. Gilbert's please put their name, address and telephone number on the sheet at the back of Church. These details will be added to the parish census and will be a great help to Fr. Michael.

DAY TRIP: Over the years St. Gilbert's have had an annual day trip out with St. Michael's Anglican Church on Liverpool Road. From now on this trip is open to everyone. It takes place on Saturday 5th September. Coach leaves St. Michael's at 9.15am. Itinerary is Selby and Beverley. Arrive home approx 9pm. Price is Adults £9 and Children £5. Ring Veronica Evans on 707-1300.

ST. MARY'S SUMMER OUTING: On Thursday 20th August. Destination York and includes Mass at the Bar Convent in the city centre. Departs 9.00am. £12 per person. Ring Fr. Livesey if you would like to go – 789-3236.

THANK YOU - for an anonymous donation of £45 that was made to SPUC.

IRISH NIGHT: Our recent Irish Night raised approx £415.20 for parish funds – excluding bar profits.

AN INVITATION FROM HIS LORDSHIP BISHOP BRAIN

This invite is for couples from within the Diocese, who are close to their Golden Wedding, to a Mass of Thanksgiving at Salford Cathedral on Saturday 31st October at 12noon – to be followed by refreshments.

This invitation is to include those who have celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary over the last 18 months as well as those who will be doing so over the next 18 months.

Please contact the parish office or see Fr. Michael **by 30th August** if this applies to you. This information will then be sent to Wardley Hall.

200 CLUB JULY DRAW: £100 119 A Preston, £30 188 M Pennington, £20 199 M Clarke, £10 120 N Smith