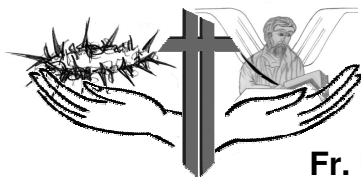


**HOLY CROSS, PATRICROFT  
and  
ST MATTHEW'S, WINTON**

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**20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)**  
**Psalter week 4**

**MASS AND SERVICE TIMES**  
**18<sup>th</sup> –24<sup>th</sup> August 2008**

		Holy Cross	St Matthew's
Monday	<i>Service of Word and Communion</i>	9.15am	
Tuesday	Weekday Mass		9.15am
Wednesday	St. Bernard	9.15am	
Thursday	St. Pius the Tenth		9.15am
Friday	Rosary Queenship of Mary	6.40pm 7.00pm	
Saturday	Benediction Weekday Mass Devotions to the Perpetual Succour		11.50am 12noon after Mass
Saturday (Vigil)	1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday (21 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time)	6.30pm	
Sunday	Mass	11.30am	9am

**Morning Prayer: Monday, Tuesday, 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**

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

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

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **Summer Bingo** – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August 6pm at the Parish Hall.
- **Annual Holy Cross car park and garden tidy up** – Saturday – 6<sup>th</sup> Sept.
- **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Ladyewell** – Sat 6<sup>th</sup> Sept beginning at 2pm.
- **Parish Social & Pastoral meeting** – Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Sept 7pm at Parish Hall.
- **Young at Heart** – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Sept in the Parish Hall – 1.30pm – 4pm.
- **S.V.P. Charity Concert** – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September – 7.30pm at Holy Cross
- **Quiz Night** – 3<sup>rd</sup> October at Parish Hall
- **Fr. McIntyre Bring and Buy** – at Pat Dale's – 7<sup>th</sup> October.
- **Joint Parish Social** – 14<sup>th</sup> November at the Conservative Club.
- **Christmas Bingo and Grand Draw** – Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December 6pm in Hall

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2008/9:** A meeting for all catechists from Holy Cross and St. Mathew's including our new volunteers will take place on 4<sup>th</sup> September in the Presbytery at 7pm. This is to finalise details for the Sacramental Programme beginning in late September.

**PARISH SOCIAL AND PASTORAL GROUP:** Our next meeting is on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm in the Parish Hall.

**ST. MATTHEW'S CHILDRENS LITURGY:** Could all CRB forms be returned as soon as possible to be checked by Pat Jackson our Parish Safeguard Rep. Any difficulties in filling them in please see Pat Jackson or Fr. Michael. Hopefully by September we will be in a position to start.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**SICK:** Bill Hand; Fred Johonnett; Stephen Curley; Louise Curley; Michael Duffy; Winifred Strenstrom; Maureen Lundy; Martin Fleming; Winnie Roddy; Josie Brennan; Joe Cawley; Winifred Johnson; Frank Russell; baby Oliver Williams; baby Peter Mark Carey; Mary Smith; Mona Lindley; Anne Boyne; Gordon Ramsden; Joe Collins; Teresa Gavin; Maureen Britton; Marie Thompson; Maura O'Sullivan; Catherine Ashton and Josephine Myles. Please remember also the housebound, all in hospital, nursing and residential homes; Canon Denis Clinch; Fr. Jack Rigby; Fr. Simon Firth; Fr. Pat Keane; Fr. Richard O'Connor; Fr. Patrick McMahon; Fr. Joseph Corcoran and Fr Michael Hartley.



**ANNIVERSARIES:** Kathleen Fleming

### LATELY DEAD:

Michael Power, whose funeral is on Tuesday at Peel Green Crematorium at 2pm; John Regan and Sr. Bernadette Mooney  
***Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.***

### **OFFERTORY COLLECTION:**

<b>HOLY CROSS</b>	<b>ST MATTHEW'S</b>
<b>£318.98</b>	<b>£312.44</b>

**SVP:** Next SVP meeting is *this Monday* (18<sup>th</sup> August) at Holy Cross at 7pm. New members welcome. This month's retiring collection came to £137.22.

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

**HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE:** A final meeting has been arranged for *Wednesday September 17<sup>th</sup>* at 7pm at St Mary's Parish Hall.

#### GIFT AID

If you pay income tax and have not yet signed a Gift Aid form please do so. It costs you nothing but the parish benefits greatly with money back from the government, roughly 28% on what you give in offerings. For Gift Aid Forms please see Fr. Michael, Sue Woodcock or contact Parish Secretary.

**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 if you are interested. ***The meetings will be on Wednesday. We will begin on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 7.15pm at the presbytery. All welcome.*** It is hoped we can meet at the same time every week during the school term until Easter.

#### SUMMER BINGO

Our annual Summer Bingo will take place on Bank Holiday Monday (25<sup>th</sup> August) at 6pm in the Parish Hall.

**SVP CONCERT:** A charity concert featuring The Greater Manchester & Paderborn Police Male Voice Choir will take place at Holy Cross Church on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September. Starting at 7.45pm tickets £5 adults £3 concessions. Pay on the door or ring 281 6558. See notice board for details.

**ADOPT A FLOWER BED!** Would you or your family like to adopt a flower bed to look after at St. Matthew's or Holy Cross? The flower beds at both churches are starting to look grubby. We really can't afford to pay a gardener. We already pay quite a bit to have the grass cut. See Fr Michael if you are interested in helping.

**ROSARY CRUSADE:** The 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Rosary Crusade is on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September at Platt Fields Park 2.30 – 4.30pm. See notice board.

**BAPTISM COURSE:** Next baptism course is on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August at 7pm in the presbytery. See Fr Michael first if you wish to attend.

**GCSE RESULTS:** Please keep in your prayers all those waiting to receive their GCSE results on Thursday. We wish them well.

**CAR PARK & GARDEN CLEAN UP:** This annual event takes place at Holy Cross on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September at 9.30am. It is important to keep these areas as clean and tidy as we can. The more volunteers the better.

### YEAR OF ST. PAUL

To mark 2000 years since the birth of St. Paul the Pope has declared 29<sup>th</sup> June 2008 – 29<sup>th</sup> June 2009 as the Year of St Paul.

**“How rich are the depths of God – how deep his wisdom and knowledge – and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever!” Romans 11:33-36**

**HOLY CROSS SCHOOL:** This year is the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Holy Cross (All Saints) School. In Oct/Nov the school is going to have a “history week”. The school would like the parish to be involved. They are hoping to have an open afternoon/evening when parishioners and ex pupils can visit. The school would be delighted to receive any of the following **e.g.** photos, old uniforms, other memorabilia, books or personal accounts they would like to share for this special week. The school promises to take care of anything lent to it. Please see Fr Michael if you think you may have anything useful or see Miss Claire Euston when the schoolreopens.

**LADYEWELL:** The Diocesan Pilgrimage takes place on Sat 6th Sept. Procession begins at 2pm from St Mary’s Fernyhalgh Lane.

**YOUNG AT HEART** An afternoon of childhood games for the 50+ in the Parish Hall on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September 1.30 pm – 4pm. Phone 288 9389 for more information.

**PHOTOGRAPHS** Photos taken at the recent SVP lunch and social are displayed at the back of the Church. If anyone wants to order a copy of any of these please enter your name and reference number of print. Cost 20p each.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Maureen and Mike Denton who celebrated their 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding anniversary last Sunday.

**RECEPTION INTO CHURCH** Please keep Kathleen Clarke in your prayers. She will be received into the Catholic Church on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September (Feast of the Holy Cross) at the 11.30 am mass.

**A LEVEL RESULTS** If you are disappointed with your A – level results, don’t let it get you down! Loreto College Manchester will see you through. Ring 226 5156 between 9 – 9.30 pm Monday to Friday and find out what it takes to retake.

