

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

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**21st Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
Psalter week 1**

**MASS AND SERVICE TIMES
24th – 30th August 2009**

		Holy Cross	St Matthew's
Monday	Feast of Bartholomew <i>Service of Word and Communion</i>	9.15am	
Tuesday	Weekday Mass		<u>9.15am at St Gilbert's</u>
Wednesday	Weekday Mass	9.15am	
Thursday	St. Monica <i>Service of Word and Communion</i>		9.15am
Friday	Rosary St. Augustine Divine Mercy Chaplet	6.40pm 7.00pm after Mass	
Saturday	Benediction The Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist <i>and devotions</i>		11.50am 12noon
Saturday (Vigil)	1 st Mass of Sunday <i>22nd 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: Sat 11am – 11.50am at St. Matthew's

Baptisms: By appointment - 2 months notice to be given

LADYWELL: The Diocesan Pilgrimage takes place on Saturday 5th Sept. Procession begins at 2pm from St Mary's Fernyhalgh Lane

SVP: The next meeting of the Holy Cross and St. Matthew's SVP is this Monday 7pm at St. Matthew's. All welcome.

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

MASS AT ST. GILBERT'S

This week Mass at St. Gilbert's is Tuesday. After Mass there will be a chance to get to know each other over tea and biscuits.
This is the last of the August weekday Masses.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2009/10: A meeting for all catechists from Holy Cross; St. Matthew's and St. Gilbert's, including any new volunteers, will take place on 8th September at the Presbytery at 7pm. This is to finalise details for the Sacramental Programme beginning in late September.

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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

SICK: Bill Hand; Fred Jonhonnott; 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; 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; Joan Wilson and Kathleen Kirwin. Please also remember the housebound, all in hospital, nursing and residential homes; Fr. Patrick Keane; Fr. John Reynolds and Fr. Terry McCann.



ANNIVERSARIES: Joseph Prendergast, Patrick Fitzpatrick and Mary Smith.

LATELY DEAD

Delia Royle – funeral on Tuesday, 1st September at 9.30am at Holy Cross.
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
£328.83	£392.04	See next week

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **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 Ladyewell** – Sat 5th September – begins 2pm.
- **Relics of St. Therese of Lisieux** – Friday 25th September till Sunday 27th September - Salford Cathedral.
- **Annual Holy Cross car-park clear up** – Sat morning 26th September.
- **Quiz Night** – 9th October – 7.30pm in Parish Hall.
- **Parish Social** – Friday Nov 13th – at Patricroft Conservative Club.
- **Mass with Filipino community** – Sunday 15th Nov - 3pm at Holy Cross.
- **Christmas Bingo and Grand Draw** – Sun 13th Dec - 6pm in Parish Hall.
- **United Service for Christian Unity Week** – Sun 24th Jan 2010 at St. Matthew's – 7pm.

AWAY FROM THE PULPIT: Articles are invited for the next (September) and successive editions of Away from the Pulpit. This is your magazine, and you may write about any subject at all which you find of interest. This is an opportunity to put forward views on a variety of topics, or just simply to tell us something about yourself, your experiences in left etc. The editor would welcome any contributions or suggestions on how the magazine could be improved. Boxes are provided at the back of both Holy Cross and St. Matthew's churches for your suggestions, or alternatively they can be handed in to Father Michael. **Dead-line for September edition is next weekend.**

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME

A meeting for the Rome pilgrimage takes place this Wednesday (26th August) – 7pm at Holy Cross Parish Hall.

N.B. PLEASE BRING PASSPORTS AS PASSPORT DETAILS NEED TO BE SENT TO AIRLINE BEFORE TICKETS ARE ISSUED.

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

“YEAR FOR PRIESTS”

“The priest is not a priest for himself; he does not give himself absolution; he does not administer the Sacraments to himself. He is not for himself, he is for you. After God, the priest is everything”.

Quote from St. John Vianney – Patron Saint of Parish Priests.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at the Hidden Gem in Manchester, which takes place every day, has been dedicated in this “*Year for Priests*” to prayer for vocations to the priesthood and a renewal of priestly life in our Salford Diocese.

If you are in the centre of Manchester why not call in to pray for these intentions.

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

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.

The meetings will be on Wednesday. We will begin on Wednesday 23rd September at the presbytery. All welcome. It is hoped we can meet at the same time every week during the school term until Easter.

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

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 (next Sunday)** if this applies to you. This information will then be sent to Wardley Hall.

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

BAPTISMS: Congratulations to *Vincent-Rey Godfrey-Jones* who was baptised last Sunday. We welcome him into the family of the Church. **The next baptism course is this Tuesday (25th August) – 7.00pm at Holy Cross.** See Fr. Michael beforehand if you wish to attend.

SUMMER BINGO

Our annual Summer Bingo will take place on
Bank Holiday Monday (31st August) at 6pm in the Parish Hall.

If anyone has any prizes for the Bingo or Tombola please hand them in at either Holy Cross or St. Matthew's.

REVIVE: This is a Catholic organization supporting refugees and people seeking asylum. It is a project of the Holy Ghost Congregation with the support of the diocese. It needs support in various ways – time to give as volunteer, spare gardening tools, dry and tinned foods, spare computers, financial support. If you can help in any way see notice-board for contact details or see Fr. Michael.

FOREST BANK PRISON: Forest Bank prison are looking urgently for volunteers. A list of the things they need volunteers for can be found on a poster on the notice-board.

SICK OR HOUSEBOUND: If you are sick or housebound and can't get to Mass on Sunday, you can listen to Mass every Sunday on the radio at 10.00am on RTE 252 longwave or you can watch Mass on Sky589 every day at 1.00pm.