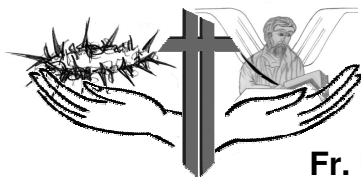


**HOLY CROSS, PATRICROFT
and
ST MATTHEW'S, WINTON**



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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Psalter week 1

MASS AND SERVICE TIMES
17th – 23rd November 2008

		Holy Cross	St Matthew's
Monday	St. Hugh of Lincoln <i>Service of Word and Communion</i>	9.15am	
Tuesday	Weekday Mass		9.15am
Wednesday	Weekday Mass	9.15am	
Thursday	Mass to celebrate 150 years of Holy Cross and All Saints School	<u>9.30am</u>	
Friday	<i>Rosary</i> The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	6.40pm 7.00pm	
Saturday	<i>Benediction</i> St. Cecilia Devotions to the Perpetual Succour		11.50am 12noon after Mass
Saturday (Vigil)	1 st Mass of Sunday CHRIST THE KING	6.30pm	
Sunday	CHRIST THE KING	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**

SOCIAL & PASTORAL GROUP: Next meeting is Thursday 8th January 2009 at 7pm in our Parish Hall. See notice board for minutes of last meeting.

PARISH CHRISTMAS MUSICAL EVENING: Sunday 4th January is the date for the *Parish Christmas Musical Evening*. If you would like to take part in the evening please contact David Glynn-Whitehead on 794 1006. Music, singing and poetry are all welcome.

ABC FAITH GROUP: Next meeting this Wednesday at 7.15pm at Holy Cross presbytery. All welcome.

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

November is the month of the Holy Souls – a special time to pray for our dead.
Place the names of the dead who you wish to be remembered at all our
November Masses in the basket at the foot of each Church altar.

BAPTISM: The next baptism course is *this Tuesday* (18th November) – 7pm at the Presbytery. Please see Fr. Michael if you would like to attend.

MASS WITH FILIPINO COMMUNITY: Lovely to see so many of you at the Mass with the Filipino community last Sunday. The singing led by a Filipino choir was especially impressive. A beautiful buffet was laid on after Mass. Sr. Ruth on behalf of the Filipino community sends you her thanks.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

SICK: Bill Hand; Fred Johonnett; Stephen Curley; Louise Curley; Michael Duffy; Winifred Strenstrom; Maureen Lundy; Winnie Roddy; Joe Cawley; baby Oliver Williams; baby Peter Mark Carey; Mona Lindley; Anne Boyne; Marie Thompson; Catherine Ashton; Josephine Myles; Lily Prescott; Margaret Norton; Chris McHugh; Anne Rourke; Josie Brennan; Chris Baines; Dorothy Pirie; Philomena Noone; Margaret Ward and John Bosco Whitehead. Please also remember the housebound, all in hospital, nursing and residential homes; Fr. Stephen Parkinson; Mgr. Paul Smith; Canon Denis Clinch; Fr. Jack Rigby; Fr. Pat Keane; Fr. Richard O'Connor; Fr. Francis Frost; Fr. John Reynolds; Fr. Stewart Ansbro; Fr. Aidan O'Reilly; Fr. Joseph Corcoran and Fr Michael Hartley.



ANNIVERSARIES: Dennis Willcock; Vincent Oates; Tess Kaye; Thomas McKie and Winifred Martin.

LATELY DEAD:

Fr. Michael Walsh; Teresa Gavin and Elizabeth Worrall.
*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
£454.47	£296.14

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **St. Matthew's day of prayer for vocations** – today (Sun 16th Nov).
- **Open evening to celebrate 150 years of Holy Cross School** – this Thursday November 20th at the Holy Cross School 5 -7pm.
- **St. Matthew's Christmas Fayre** – Sat 29th Nov at St. Gilbert's School.
- **Holy Cross School Christmas Fayre** – Sat 6th December.
- **Advent Scripture Reflection (Lectio Divina) (Cluster event)** – Wed 3rd Dec at 7.15pm in the Parish hall.
- **Christmas Bingo and Grand Draw** – Sun 14th Dec - 6pm in Parish Hall.
- **Advent Reconciliation Service (Cluster event)** – Thurs 18th Dec at 7.30pm at St. Mary's, Eccles.
- **Christmas Musical Evening** – Sunday 4th Jan at St. Matthew's Church.
- **Parish Social and Pastoral Group** – Thurs 8th Jan in Parish Hall.
- **Churches together in Eccles "United Service for Christian Unity Week** – Sunday 18th January – 7.00pm at Holy Cross.
- **Quiz Night** – Friday 6th February – 7.30pm in Parish Hall.
- **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham** – Saturday 2nd May.

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

YEAR OF ST. PAUL

"Thanks be to God who, wherever He goes, makes us, in Christ, partners of His triumph and through us is spreading the knowledge of Himself, like a sweet smell, everywhere." **2 Corinthians 2:14.**

SVP: Next SVP meeting is 7pm Mon 24th Nov at St. Matthew's Presbytery.

HOLY HOUR

For Readers and Ministers of Holy Communion
next Sunday (23rd November) 3pm-4pm at Holy Cross Church.
If you are unable to come please let Fr. Michael know.

150th ANNIVERSARY OF HOLY CROSS AND ALL SAINTS SCHOOL

To celebrate its 150th anniversary Holy Cross and All Saint's Primary School invites you all to an open evening at the school **this Thursday (20th November) 5-7pm.**
The Bishop, the Mayor plus many other guests including Fr. Austin will be coming. It would be good to see many of you there.

That morning there will be a special Mass at 9.30am at Holy Cross Church to which the key stage 2 children will be attending.

A display of R.E work from year 4 is in Holy Cross Church porch.

PRISONER'S SUNDAY

Today is a special day of prayer for prisoners and their dependents. Let us keep them in our prayers. We are also asked to pray for those who work for PACT (The Prison Advice and Care Trust).

ST. MATTHEW'S CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Saturday 29th November at St. Gilbert's Primary School 1pm – 4pm

Now only 2 weeks away.

Donations are needed for the following stalls: gift tombola; gift stall; good quality toys for the toy tombola; books and DVD's; bottle tombola and cake stall.

Donations can be left at St. Matthew's or brought to St. Gilbert's School. We also need help on the day – if you would like to help please add your name to the list at the back of St. Matthew's Church.

N.B. Meeting for final arrangements after 9.00am Mass next Sunday.

CATECHISTS MEETING: The next meeting for the catechists on the Sacramental Programme is *Tuesday 25th November* in the Presbytery at 7pm.

GRAND CHRISTMAS DRAW

TICKETS NOW ON SALE. PLEASE SELL AS MANY AS YOU CAN.
TAKES PLACE AT THE CHRISTMAS BINGO ON 14TH DECEMBER.
THIS IS OUR MAJOR FUNDRAISING EVENT.

If you would like to donate a prize for the Grand Draw please sign your name at the back of Church against a prize you are prepared to give.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME: Today the children from St. Matthew's are with us at the 9am Mass for the next Sacramental Programme celebration. We will be reminding ourselves that as followers of Christ we need to be people of prayer. Please continue to keep all the children from both parishes and their families in your prayers.

TODAY IS ST. MATTHEW'S DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Today's (Sunday) 9.00am Mass will be offered up especially for an increase of vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

TALKS BY FR. DAVID QUILGOTTI: The 2nd of two talks on the new Mass texts, to be introduced in a few years time, takes place at Our Lady of the Rosary, Davyhulme this Thurs (20th Nov) at 7.30 pm. See notice board.

FR. McINTYRE: A retiring collection to buy chocolates for the children of Fr. McIntyre's parish in Equador will take place next weekend at Holy Cross.

MASS WITH ANOINTING FOR THE SICK: Many thanks to the SVP for arranging the Mass last Saturday. It was a powerful sign of the healing presence of God in our world. The SVP would like to thank all who helped.

MONIES: *The Mission Sunday* collection came to £144.07 plus £91.86 raised at the St. Matthew's cake sale. *The knitwear sale* raised £151.00 – many thanks to the knitting group – proceeds to parish funds.

BETREAVEMENT SUPPORT: Sorry for the delay. Death and family sickness have delayed the setting up of training sessions. Hope to have more information soon.