

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

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**ASSUMPTION OF THE  
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

**Psalter week 4**

**MASS AND SERVICE TIMES**

**17<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2009**

		Holy Cross	St Matthew's
Monday	Weekday Mass	<u>9.15am at St Gilbert's</u>	
Tuesday	<i>Service of Word and Communion</i>		9.15am
Wednesday	<i>Service of Word and Communion</i>	9.15am	
Thursday	St. Bernard <i>Service of Word and Communion</i>		9.15am
Friday	Rosary St. Pius X Divine Mercy Chaplet	6.40pm 7.00pm after Mass	
Saturday	Benediction The Queenship of Mary and devotions		11.50am 12noon
Saturday (Vigil)	1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday <i>21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	6.30pm	
Sunday	Mass	11.30am	9.00am

**Morning Prayer: 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: Sat 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)**

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

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

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT:** Next meeting is on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September.

**MASS AT ST. GILBERT'S**

This week Mass at St. Gilbert's is on Monday. After Mass there will be a chance to get to know each other over tea and biscuits.

Hope you can stay for a while and have a chat.

**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 8<sup>th</sup> 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 16<sup>th</sup> September – 15<sup>th</sup> 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 25<sup>th</sup> September until Sunday evening 27<sup>th</sup> September.

**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; 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:** Rose Grime

**LATELY DEAD**

Fr. John Neville (former Parish Priest of Holy Cross whose funeral was last Monday)

*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>ST. GILBERT'S</b>
<b>£317.51</b>	<b>£340.94</b>	<b>£118.20 (2 weeks) envelopes only</b>

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **August Bank Holiday Bingo** – Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August – 6pm in Parish Hall.
- **Pastoral & Social Group meeting** – Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept – 7pm in Parish Hall.
- **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Ladyewell** – Sat 5<sup>th</sup> September – begins 2pm.
- **Relics of St. Therese of Lisieux** – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September till Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September - Salford Cathedral.
- **Annual Holy Cross car-park clear up** – Sat morning 26<sup>th</sup> September.
- **Quiz Night** – 9<sup>th</sup> October – 7.30pm in Parish Hall.
- **Local history talk by Bernard Crowley** – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – 7.30pm.
- **Parish Social** – Friday Nov 13<sup>th</sup> – at Patricroft Conservative Club.
- **Mass with Filipino community** – Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Nov - 3pm at Holy Cross.
- **United Service for Christian Unity Week** – Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Jan 2010 at St. Matthew's – 7pm.

**PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME:** A meeting for the Rome pilgrimage takes place on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August – 7pm at Holy Cross Parish Hall.

**SVP:** The next meeting of the Holy Cross and St. Matthew's SVP is Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August 7pm at St. Matthew's. All welcome. St. Gilbert's SVP will continue, for the time being, to meet on a Sunday morning. This month's retiring collection came to £115.41.

### "YEAR FOR PRIESTS"

"Oh, how great is a priest! The priest will not understand the greatness of his office till he is in Heaven. If he understood it on earth, he would die, not of fear but of love. The other benefits of God would be of no avail to us without the priest. What would be the use of a house full of gold, if you had nobody to open the door! The priest has the key of the heavenly treasures; it is he who opens the door, he is the steward of the good God, the distributors of His wealth".

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

**BAPTISM COURSE:** Next baptism course is on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> August at 7pm in the presbytery. See Fr Michael first if you wish to attend.

**ST. GILBERT'S DAY TRIP:** It takes place on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> 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. If you would like to go ring Veronica Evans on 707-1300.

**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.

### **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 31<sup>st</sup> October at 12noon – to be followed by refreshments.

This invitation is to include those who have celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> 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 30<sup>th</sup> August if this applies to you. This information will then be sent to Wardley Hall.

**KNITTING GROUP:** Every other Monday the knitting group meets in Holy Cross Presbytery at 7pm. Next one is this Monday (17<sup>th</sup> August). All welcome.

**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 23<sup>rd</sup> September at the presbytery. All welcome.*** It is hoped we can meet at the same time every week during the school term until Easter.

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

### **SUMMER BINGO**

Our annual Summer Bingo will take place on Bank Holiday Monday (31<sup>st</sup> 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.

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

### **MESSAGE FROM FR. MICHAEL**

Thank you for your concern over my health last weekend. I came down with a very high fever and found myself in hospital. I was much better within a couple of days. For those of you who came into contact with me you will be glad to know it was not swine flu!!!!

With the addition of St. Gilbert's my work load has increased. Therefore, I have decided that it is no longer possible for me to visit all the sick and housebound over a 2 month period. I now need to make it once every 3 months. This will make it a little easier for me. All those who are sick and housebound may if they wish receive Holy Communion every week from a Minister of Holy Communion. Most of them do so already. The seriously sick will, of course, continue to have more regular visits and I will continue to visit the nursing homes once a month.

**Finally I will be away from Monday till Friday afternoon on retreat. If you need a priest during this time please contact Fr. Livesey at St. Mary's on 789-3236.**

