

HOLY CROSS, PATRICROFT and ST MATTHEW'S, WINTON

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THE TRIUMPH OF THE CROSS

Psalter week 4

MASS AND SERVICE TIMES

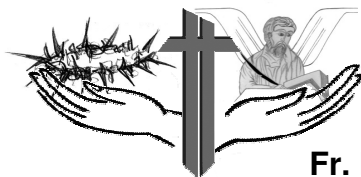
15th – 21st September 2008

		Holy Cross	St Matthew's
Monday	Our Lady of Sorrows <i>Service of Word and Communion</i>	9.15am	
Tuesday	Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian Funeral Mass for Martin Fleming	12noon	9.15am in St. Gilbert's School
Wednesday	Weekday Mass	9.15am	
Thursday	Weekday Mass		9.15am
Friday	Weekday Mass	<u>N.B.</u> 9.15am	
Saturday	<i>Benediction</i> Ss. Andrew Kim-Taegon; Paul Chong Hasang & companions <i>Devotions to the Perpetual Succour</i>		11.50am 12noon after Mass
Saturday (Vigil)	1 st Mass of Sunday (25 th Sunday in Ordinary Time)	6.30pm	
Sunday	SOLEMNITY OF ST. MATTHEW <i>Patronal Feast of St. Matthew's</i> Mass of 25 th Sunday (at Holy Cross)	11.30am	9am

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



ST. MATTHEW'S CHILDRENS LITURGY: Still waiting for clearance from the diocesan *Safeguarding Commission*.

SVP CONCERT

An SVP fundraising concert featuring the Greater Manchester & Paderborn Police Male Voice Choirs, takes place at Holy Cross Church this Friday (19th September). Starts 7.45pm. Tickets £5 adults; £3 concessions - on sale after Mass and you can also pay at the door.
Please note that Mass on Friday is at 9.15am.

BAPTISM COURSE: The next baptism course is on *Thursday 2nd October* at 7pm. See Fr. Michael if you wish to attend.

YOUNG AT HEART: Afternoon of childhood games for the 50+ in the Parish Hall on *Thurs 9th Oct* 1.30 pm – 4pm. 288-9389 for more information.

ST PATRICK'S HIGH SCHOOL: Well done to St. Patrick's High School. They achieved fantastic results this year - 100% achieved 5 or more higher grade passes.

PARISH SOCIAL AND PASTORAL GROUP: Good to see so many there. Next meeting is on 4th November 7pm at St. Matthew's Church. **The 29th November has been set as the date for St. Matthew's Christmas Fayre. A planning meeting will take place after the 9am Mass on October 5th. Now that the decision to have a fayre has been made it is important that as many people as possible offer their help and support.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

SICK: Bill Hand; Fred Johonnett; Stephen Curley; Louise Curley; Michael Duffy; Winifred Strenstrom; Maureen Lundy; Winnie Roddy; Joe Cawley; Winifred Johnson; baby Oliver Williams; baby Peter Mark Carey; Mona Lindley; Anne Boyne; Gordon Ramsden; Maureen Britton; Marie Thompson; Maura O'Sullivan; Catherine Ashton; Josephine Myles; Lily Prescott; Margaret Norton; Chris McHugh and Anne Rourke. Please remember also the housebound, all in hospital, nursing and residential homes; Canon Denis Clinch; Fr. Jack Rigby; Fr. Pat Keane; Fr. Richard O'Connor; Fr. Patrick McMahon; Fr. Joseph Corcoran and Fr Michael Hartley.



ANNIVERSARIES: Catherine Noonan, David Doherty, Cecilia Oates.

LATELY DEAD:

John Carroll and Maureen Howarth.
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
£463.75	£369.30

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **S.V.P. Charity Concert** – this Friday 19th Sept – 7.45pm at Holy Cross.
- **Fr. McIntyre Bring and Buy** – at Pat Dale's – 30th September.
- **Quiz Night** – 3rd October at Parish Hall – 7.30pm.
- **Young at Heart** – Thursday 9th Oct in the Parish Hall – 1.30pm – 4pm.
- **Pastoral and Social Meeting** – 4th November 7pm at St. Matthew's.
- **Mass with Anointing of the Sick** – Sat. 8th Nov -12noon St. Matthew's.
- **Filipino Community Mass** – Sun 9th November at 3pm at Holy Cross.
- **Joint Parish Social** – 14th November at the Conservative Club.
- **St. Matthew's Christmas Fayre** – 29th November at St. Gilbert's School.
- **Christmas Bingo and Grand Draw** – Sun 14th Dec - 6pm in Parish Hall.
- **Christmas Musical Evening** – Sunday 4th Jan at St. Matthew's Church.
- **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham** – Saturday 2nd May 2009.

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL: This year is the 150th 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 memorabilia to put on display. 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 at the school.

RECEPTION INTO CHURCH

Please keep Kathleen Clarke in your prayers who will be received into the Catholic Church today (Sunday) at the 11.30 am Mass.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME: If you have a child in Year 4 or above who has not yet be confirmed or celebrated their 1st Holy Communion or is at a non-catholic School and is entering Year 3 and you wish them to be enrolled onto the Sacramental Programme please see Fr Michael as soon as possible.

SEPTEMBER IS SVP AWARENESS MONTH.

Thank you to the SVP for the great work they do within our parish. If you wish to find out more about their work or wish to talk about joining our parish SVP please contact our parish SVP President Bob Hampton on 288 1498. Next parish SVP meeting is *this Monday (15th September)* at Holy Cross at 7pm.

PARISH FEAST DAY: Next Sunday we will be celebrating the *Solemnity of St. Matthew* at the 9am Mass at St. Matthew's. Holy Cross celebrates its feast day today. Fr. McIntyre sends greetings from himself and his parish of Holy Cross in Quito, Equador. Fr. Michael has sent our greetings to them. The email from Fr. McIntyre can be found both church noticeboards.

YEAR OF ST. PAUL

"We are fellow workers with God; you are God's farm, God's building".
1 Corinthians 3:9

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT: It is hoped a "Bereavement Support Drop-in" based at Holy Cross, Patricroft will begin in the New Year. Volunteers are needed to be part of the support team. If you can spare 2 or 3 hours a month why not think about volunteering. Please contact Fr. Michael Ryan on 789 4424. Once there are enough volunteers some training sessions will take place in the period up to Christmas.

VINCENTIAN VOLUNTEERS

Welcome to our 3 new Vincentian volunteers who have now moved into St. Matthew's presbytery. They are Regina from Zambia, Tania from Indonesia and Emily from Devon. Sadly, Sini, who was to be the 4th resident, has had to go back to India. We also welcome Sr. Barbara Quilty, who runs the scheme, as she joins us for our 9am Mass at St. Matthew's.

ABC FAITH GROUP: 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 to our ABC Faith Group. See Fr. Michael if you are interested. ***We will begin on Wednesday 24th September 7.15pm at the presbytery.*** We plan to meet at the same time every week during the school term until Easter.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Our final meeting is **this Wednesday September 17th** at 7pm at St Mary's Parish Hall. The cost of the coach to take us to the airport and back again is **£8.50 per person.** Could you please pay Fr Michael as soon as possible.

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

OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM: To celebrate the feast on Wed 24th September there will be rosary at the Cathedral at 7pm followed by Mass at 7.30pm. See notice board for details.

HOLY CROSS CHILDRENS LITURGY: Would you be prepared to help with the children's liturgy at the 11.30 Mass? If so see Fr Michael or Anne Marie Horrocks. The rota means that you would only do it every 4-5 weeks.

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY: Today the church celebrates *Racial Justice Sunday*. Let us remember in our prayers the "Catholic Association for Racial Justice" (CARJ).

A MATTER OF LIFE: A prayer service takes place at St Anne's Church. St Anne's Square, Manchester on Mon 22/9/2008 at 7.30-8.30pm. It is an opportunity to come together to pray about *The Human Embryology Fertilization Bill* and to pray for those in authority. The service takes place whilst the Labour Party Congress takes place in Manchester. See notice board. *There is a SPUC meeting at St Mary's Eccles this Thursday at 7.00pm.*

CAR PARK: Many thanks to all who helped. It was much appreciated.