



St Vincent de Paul Catholic Church
Altrincham



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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2nd July 2023



Pope Francis' Intention for July:

For a Eucharistic Life: We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter of God and all their brothers and sisters.

Pope Francis's Catechesis on the Mass

The response to the Word of God heard with faith is then expressed in the common petition, called the Universal Prayer, because it embraces the needs of the Church and of the world (cf. GIRM, 69-71; General Introduction to the Lectionary, 30-31).

The Fathers of the Second Vatican Council wished to restore this prayer after the Gospel and homily, especially on Sundays and feast days, so that, with the participation of the people, "intercession will be made for holy Church, for the civil authorities, for those oppressed by various needs, for all mankind, and for the salvation of the entire world (Constitution Sacrosanctum Concilium, 53; cf. 1 Tim 2:1-2). Therefore, under the guidance of the priest who introduces and concludes, the people, "exercising the office of their baptismal priesthood, offer prayers to God for the salvation of all" (GIRM, 69). And after the individual intentions, proposals by the deacon or a reader, the congregation joins its voice, invoking: "Hear us, Lord".

Indeed, let us remember what the Lord Jesus told us: "If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you will, and it shall be done for you" (Jn 15:7). "But we do not believe this, because we have little faith." But if we had faith — Jesus says — like the mustard seed, we would have received all. "Ask whatever you will, and it shall be done for you." And in this moment of universal prayer after the Creed, it is the time to ask the Lord for the most important things in the Mass, the things we need, what we want. "It shall be done for you;" in one way or another, but "it shall be done for you." "All things are possible to him who believes," the Lord said. What did that man respond, to whom the Lord had addressed these words — "all things are possible to him who believes"? The man said: "I believe, Lord. Help my little faith." We too can say: "Lord, I believe. But help my lack of faith." And we must pray with this spirit of faith: "I believe, Lord; help my lack of faith." Worldly demands, however, do not ascend toward heaven, just as self-referential requests remain unheard (cf. Jas 4:2-3). The intentions for which the faithful people are invited to pray must give voice to the concrete needs of the ecclesial community and of the world, avoiding recourse to conventional and short-sighted formulas. The "universal" prayer, which concludes the Liturgy of the Word, exhorts us to turn our gaze to God, who takes care of all his children."

ARE YOU OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

Are you someone or do you know someone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Perhaps you are thinking about what it means to be called to the Catholic way of life. In Autumn we will be offering you the chance to come and find out more about a programme called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) whereby adults can learn and discern whether to become Catholic Christians. If you would like to know more about this please speak to either Fr Jonathan or Fr Robert or email the parishoffice@stvincentsaltrincham.org.uk

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME FOR CATHOLIC CHILDREN WHO ATTEND A NON-CATHOLIC SCHOOL

On Monday 3rd July at 7:00pm we will be holding an information meeting in church for parents of children who will be in Year 3 or above in January 2024, attend a non-Catholic Primary school and are wishing to prepare for their First Holy Communion. This meeting is for parents only. If you would like to attend this meeting please confirm your attendance by emailing parishoffice@stvincentsaltrincham.org.uk

WEEK OF GUIDED PRAYER 18 TO 24 FEBRUARY 2024 – SAVE THE DATE

A team from the Jesuit Institute will be with us during the week of 18 to 24 February 2024, to offer a week of guided prayer/retreat to the parish, with one-to-one sessions and workshops open to everyone. This will be a wonderful opportunity to develop our prayer lives as individuals and as a community. More details to follow.

PARISH PASTORAL TEAM MINUTES AND PROPOSED PARISH EVENTS LIST

The [minutes](#) of the recent PPT meeting are on the Noticeboard section of our website and paper copies are at the back of church. You can also read about the [proposed Parish events](#) which are being organised.

JUSTICE AND PEACE - LOVE THE STRANGER

We had 25 people attend the meeting on the 19th June where Ben Gilchrist talked us through the document and this was followed by a discussion on what actions the Parish might take to apply some of the 24 principles stated by the document. [See the Parish website for more details.](#) The J&P group plan to discuss this at our next meeting that will take place in Westleigh on Tuesday 25th July 7.30pm. We suspect we have a lot of Parishioners who are already active in supporting Asylum Seekers and refugees. We need to know who you are and what you do because we don't want to re-invent the wheel! Please come along as to make a real difference we need numbers!

JOURNEY WITH JESUS IN MANDARIN - 4TH JULY

Journey with Jesus in Mandarin next meeting will be on Tuesday 4th July at 7.30pm. If you are interested please email Nati Chang (natiwenyuchang@gmail.com) or Sha Hu (annachrist999@yahoo.com) for the details.

"與耶穌同行信仰成長班"將在7月4日星期二聚會，有興趣的朋友請聯絡：

張玟鈺 (natiwenyuchang@gmail.com) 或是 胡沙 (annachrist999@yahoo.com)

WESTLEIGH IT

We are pleased to announce that our new screen, projector and speakers are now installed and in use in Westleigh. Thank you so much to all those who donated and helped in the researching and installing of the new equipment.

HELP US KEEP OUR RECORDS UP TO DATE

If you regularly attend St. Vincent's and have never given your address to the office, have changed your address, or have not provided your email address, we invite you to do so by filling in a "pink New to Parish form" (found in the porch) or submit details by email to parishoffice@stvincentsaltrincham.org.uk or complete the on line form at www.stvincentsaltrincham.org.uk and follow the link to 'keep in touch'. If you are not sure if the parish have your details, please verify at the parish office on 0161 928 1689 (am only). Many thanks.

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

- ◆ Children's Liturgy - Sunday 9th & 23rd July
- ◆ Tea and Coffee after 10am Mass every Sunday
- ◆ Bridge - Every Monday at 2.00pm in Westleigh
- ◆ Knit and Natter - 6th and 20th July at 10am in Westleigh
- ◆ Mothers Prayers - Every Thursday 11.15am in Westleigh
- ◆ Playgroup - Every Monday and Friday in term time from 9.30am - 11.30am in Westleigh
- ◆ Brownies— Tuesdays in term time at 5.45-7.15pm in Westleigh
- ◆ Rainbows— Wednesdays in term time at 6-7pm in Westleigh

Parish Safeguarding Representatives

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JULY'S LIVE SIMPLY MESSAGE: Walk, cycle, take the bus, tram or train instead of driving

WEDNESDAY WORD <http://www.wednesdayword.org/sunday-gospel.htm>

VATICAN II REFLECTIONS

The Diocese continues the reflections on Vatican II, in Part III On The Church. This time, we ask the question: 'Why is the Church?' Why does she exist...? The Council's answer is that her mission is to call all people of all times to holiness, which is why she must evangelise. What this means for us is given in Lumen Gentium Chaps 5 and 6, taken together. Podcast 9 and its handout are now available on the Diocesan website at dioceseofshrewsbury.org in the section on 'News and Events'. If you have any questions or reflections, please contact Barbara via E: barbara.davies@dioceseofshrewsbury.org or T: 07730 526821.

STELLA MARIS SEA SUNDAY

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. In the last year, more crews have been abandoned by their employers than ever before. Many are still being denied the right to leave their ships for even a short break away from the relentless noise and pressure onboard. Many are reporting more stress and poorer mental health. Sea Sunday is Sunday 9th July. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. Thank you.

SPUC

At the back of church you will find leaflets about the SPUC petition day. The petition calls for the Prime Minister to end the Government's funding of China's totalitarian state which pursues coercive abortion and sterilisation policies. For more information collect a leaflet or visit www.spuc.org.uk

March for Life UK - Saturday 2nd September in London

Join thousands of others at this family-friendly event to speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves. Full details can be found at marchforlife.co.uk The Didsbury branch of SPUC is organising a block booking for those wishing to travel by train to the event. Please email zdpgazdecki@btinternet.com if this is of interest.

AIG - VISIT TO JAIN TEMPLE - 4th JULY

The Altrincham Interfaith Group are visiting the Jain Temple in Longsight - 667/669 Stockport Road, Manchester M12 4QE on Tuesday 4th July from 7.00pm. There will be a guided tour of the Temple followed by light refreshments (see the flyer at the back of church). If you would like to attend, it is essential to book a place (it's free!) by contacting either Carolyn Jones 0161 445 6935 / cjpjones43@gmail.com, or Dominique mdodarcy@gmail.com.

OUR PARISH FAMILY

We welcome into God's Family Warnakulasuriya Fernando, Elise Zhang, Henry Westall and Edie & Oscar Heyes who were recently baptised here. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

Requiescant in Pace Please pray for those who have died recently including Mr Jim Butler, Terence Elliott, Michael Roylance, Joan Mahoney, Christine Duffy and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Congratulations to Previn Philipiah and Sreya Sam who were married here recently.

Please pray for the sick who include James Ainsworth, Michael Anderson, Robert Anderson, Margaret B, Antoni Baranowski, M Barnes, George Bell, Pat Bell, Helen Boardman, Jane Broadfoot, Jozef Broilo, Denise Brooks, Michael Byrne, Jo Carter, John Cawfield, Michael Cornwell, Peter Cresswell, Marjorie & Simon De Maria, Luke Dennett, David Michael Devine, Dermot Dunleavy, Max Dunn, Ken Dwyer, Ross Dwyer, Joyce Eaton, Lynda Edwards, Peter Elliott, Francis Flynn, Vicky Gosnold, Stella Gould, Rufus Hasler & family, Mary Heanue, Catherine Heraghty, Peter Heywood, Thomas Higginbotham, Hayley Hill, Joe Holleran, Katie Holmes, Lucy Hunter, Martin Jones, H & R Kelly, Thomas Kelly, Amelia Kennedy, Anne Killeen, Thomas Killeen, Elizabeth and Henry Kluck, Marcin and Teresa Kluck, Barbara Lamb, Neil Lancaster, David Lawley, Betty Leeson, Willy Leeson, Klaudia Linert, , Bob Lloyd, Laura MacGinn, Margaret, Erin Marks, Marianne Martin, Claire McAllister, Martin McConnell, Rupert McDermott, Mary McLoughlin, Luke Murphy, Mary Murphy, Elaine Neary, Oliver, Anne O'Neill, Andrea Ottley, Marjorie Owens, Michalis and Karen Papangelis, Krzysztof Pietrzak, Patricia Ravening, Paul Raybede, Claire Rayner, Reece, Glen Reed, Jackie Reed, Mark Reed, Keith Robertshaw, Rose, Margaret Russell, Adrian Ryan, David Ryan and Frank, Mary Ryan, Melinda Ryan, Donal Scally, Richard Sheryll, June Telfer, Anthony Tomlinson, Christopher Tomlinson, Leo Tomlinson, Philip Tomlinson, Christy Toye, Joe Traynor, Jocephon Tumpang, Jed Wainwright, Janina Wardzinska, Isabella Webb, Neil Wilkinson, Mason Williams, Maria Winthrop, Louise Withers and all in our hospitals and homes.

MONEY MATTERS

Offertory Collection 25th June £1853.20 plus standing orders.

The SVP is extremely grateful for donations totalling £395.62 in the recent retiring collection.

Thank you for your generosity.

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Mass Schedule this coming week

Sunday 2nd July 2023 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	08:30 10:00 11:30 18:30	Betty Kane Joseph Marshall (RIP) Susan McGowan (RIP) For the people of the parish
Monday 3rd July 2023 <i>St Thomas</i>	08:45 11:00 12:15 18:00	<i>Morning Prayer of the Church</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> John De Maria <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
Tuesday 4th July 2023 <i>Optional Memorial: St Elizabeth of Portugal</i>	08.45 10.00 BV 11.00 12.15	<i>Morning Prayer of the Church</i> Fr M Cupit (ann) <i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> Kitty and Joe Nolan (birthday memories)
Wednesday 5th July 2023 <i>St Anthony Mary Zaccaria</i>	08.45 11.00 12.15	<i>Morning Prayer of the Church</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> Requiem Mass for Barbara Joan Mahoney
Thursday 6th July 2023 <i>Optional Memorial: St Maria Goretti</i>	08.45 10:00 BV 11.00 12:15 18:00	<i>Morning Prayer of the Church</i> Thanksgiving intentions <i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> Jackson family intentions <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
Friday 7th July 2023 <i>Ferial</i>	08:45 11:00 12:15 18:30 19:00	<i>Morning Prayer of the Church</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> Peggy Cresham (RIP) <i>Holy Rosary for Peace</i> Freda Tanner
Saturday 8th July 2023 <i>Ferial</i>	11:00 11:00-12:00 12:15 13:30 16:30-17:15 17:30	<i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> <i>Confessions</i> Peter Coady (RIP) Wedding of Emma Worthington and Adam Sedgwick <i>Confessions</i> Dunkley family intentions
Sunday 9th July 2023 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	08:30 10:00 11:30 18:30	Donald and his family For the people of the parish Natalie Lowe Joan Mahoney (RIP)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - 10am Mass on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month

BOWDON VALE MASSES 10am Tuesday and Thursday

RETIRING COLLECTIONS IN JULY: 2nd - CAFOD; 16th - SVP

MASS READING CYCLE: Sundays year A, weekdays cycle 1; Psalter Week 1

PARISH CLERGY

Parish Priest: Canon Jonathan Brandon, **Assistant Priest:** Fr. Robert Dykes

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