



St Vincent de Paul Catholic Church
Altrincham



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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9th 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.

During Ordinary Time we are asked pray for these intentions:

A deeper understanding between Christians and Jews: those who suffer persecution, oppression and denial of human rights; Europe; human life; seafarers.

Pope Francis's Catechesis on the Mass

Let us continue with the catechesis on the Holy Mass. The Liturgy of the Word — on which I focused in the last catechesis — is followed by the main part of the Mass which is the Liturgy of the Eucharist. In it, through its holy signs, the Sacrifice of the new covenant sealed by Jesus on the altar of the Cross is made continually present by the Church (cf. Second Vatican Ecumenical Council, Constitution Sacrosanctum Concilium, 47). The Cross was the first Christian altar, and when we approach the altar to celebrate Mass, our memory turns to the altar of the Cross where the first sacrifice was made.

The priest, who represents Christ in the Mass, does what Christ himself did and entrusted to the disciples at the Last Supper: he took the bread and the cup, gave thanks, gave it to his disciples and said: "Take, eat ... drink: this is my body.... This is the cup of my blood. Do this in memory of me."

Obedient to Jesus' commands, the Church organized the Eucharistic Liturgy into moments which correspond to the words and the actions performed by him on the eve of his Passion. Thus, in the preparation of the gifts, the bread, and the wine — that is, the elements which Christ took into his hands — are brought to the altar. In the Eucharistic Prayer, we give thanks to God for the whole work of redemption, and the offerings become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. This is followed by the breaking of the Bread and Communion, through which we relive the experience of the Apostles who received the Eucharistic gifts from Christ's own hands (cf. General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 72).

EAMONN KENNEDY

I am delighted to let you know that Bishop Mark has accepted Eamonn Kennedy to begin training for the priesthood at The Royal English College of St Alban in Valladolid, Spain. Eamonn is a parishioner here at St Vincent's and serves weekday Mass here. However, he has long standing connections with Holy Angels Parish and has led the altar servers as MC there for a number of years. This is an important step as Eamonn continues to discern his vocation to the priesthood. We thank him for his generosity in considering God's call and offering himself for formation. He goes with our full support, encouragement and most of all I ask you to keep Eamonn in your prayers.

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

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!

The latest [NW NJPN eBulletin](#) is available on the parish website. The bulletin includes a report on 'Love the Stranger' by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales in response to the government's hard-line stance towards migrants and refugees, and a link to the document itself. It is well worth reading.

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.

FR MARTIN ONUOHA'S LATEST BOOK

Fr Martin's latest book 'Life is Always Worth Living - Assisted Dying or Living?' is available to buy in from the Sacristy at Mass times for £10. *'Fr Martin makes a significant and accessible contribution to the euthanasia debate in these pages'* Bishop Mark Davies.

NO TEA AND COFFEE AFTER 10AM MASS IN AUGUST

Please note that during August there will be no tea or coffee after the 10am Mass due to the summer holidays. We look forward to welcoming you back to Tea and Coffee on Sunday 3rd September.

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

- ◆ Children's Liturgy - Sunday 9th & 23rd July
- ◆ Tea and Coffee after 10am Mass every Sunday (not on during August)
- ◆ 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

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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- 9 JULY

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.

VACANCY

The LCSB, a community of Lay Benedictines, wishes to recruit a Christian, who will be part of the community in a vocational and developmental role. The Discipleship and Digital Coordinator will be welcomed and formed in our Benedictine charism, through mentoring and personal accompaniment. The role offers the possibility of developing digital and organisational skills, being part of a praying Benedictine community, which is ecumenical, and growing the confidence to lead others, young and old. For more details please contact Mary Stocker maryestocker@gmail.com To apply for the role please send a CV, motivation letter and two references, including one from your current line manager of at least 2 years (if applicable) to anne.carroll5@yahoo.co.uk Closing Date 14th July <https://www.lcsb.uk/vacancy>

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

OUR PARISH FAMILY

We welcome into God's Family Jacob Backhouse who was recently baptised here. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

Requiescant in Pace Please pray for those who have died recently including Fr Russell Cooke, Mr Jim Butler, Terence Elliott, Christine Duffy, Frank Flynn and David Jones and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

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, Joseph 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 2nd July £1590.09 plus standing orders.

CAFOD Collection 1/2 July £531.07.

Thank you for your generosity.

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Mass Schedule this coming week

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)
Monday 10th July 2023 <i>Ferial</i>	08:45 11:00 12:15 18:00	<i>Morning Prayer of the Church</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> Jim, Ruth and Martin Yearsley (ann) <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
Tuesday 11th July 2023 <i>St Benedict</i>	08.45 10.00 BV 11.00 12.15	<i>Morning Prayer of the Church</i> John Walsh (RIP) <i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> Helena Cies'lak (20th anniversary)
Wednesday 12th July 2023 <i>Ferial</i>	08.45 11.00 12.15 19:00	<i>Morning Prayer of the Church</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> Requiem Mass for Christine (Una Christina) Duffy Vigil for the deceased (Frank Flynn)
Thursday 13th July 2023 <i>Optional Memorial: St Henry</i>	08.45 10:00 BV 11.00 12:15 18:00	<i>Morning Prayer of the Church</i> Sr Armelle Labouere (RIP) <i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> Requiem Mass for Frank Flynn <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
Friday 14th July 2023 <i>Optional Memorial: St Camillus de Lellis</i>	08:45 10:30 12:15 18:30 19:00	<i>Morning Prayer of the Church</i> Funeral Service for David Jones <i>NO Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> Pauline Zagazoli <i>Holy Rosary for Peace</i> Colm Litting (ann)
Saturday 15th July 2023 <i>St Bonaventure</i>	11:00 11:00-12:00 12:15 16:30-17:15 17:30	<i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> <i>Confessions</i> Dominic Timmons (ann) <i>Confessions</i> In thanksgiving on the occasion of 60 years marriage of Ned & Elizabeth Moriarty
Sunday 16th July 2023 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	08:30 10:00 11:30 18:30	John Walsh (RIP) Gerard Brown (ann) For the people of the parish Herbert Torkington

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 2

PARISH CLERGY

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