



St Vincent de Paul Catholic Church  
Altrincham



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## Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**22nd September 2024**

We live in a time when we are very much aware of the scourge of war. The war in Ukraine means that war has returned to our continent of Europe for the first time in decades, and of course the conflict continues in the Middle East, not to mention the thirty- two wars and conflicts throughout the world, many of which go unreported. Faced with these realities, even though we are not directly involved, we can become war weary and resigned. The Second Reading that we hear at Mass this Sunday from the Letter of St James reminds us that we Christians are called to be peacemakers. Peacemakers, St James tells us, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness. Each one of us through our baptism has a vocation to holiness. How often do we reflect that part of our call to holiness is to be a peacemaker? The task may seem too big for us. Most of us are not powerful or influential. What can we do in a world that seems so committed to violence? The letter of St James reminds us that war begins in the human heart, not on the battlefield, and equally peace begins in the human heart not at the conference table. Who can change human hearts? God alone. However, he calls us to collaborate with him to change human hearts by our prayer and witness. When we pray for peace, we are praying for the transformation of hearts away from violence to the way of justice and peace. We can be certain that the prayer for peace is a prayer pleasing to God and always heard. We should constantly pray for peace in our world, in our country, our homes, and our workplaces. We also need to witness to peace by being peacemakers wherever God has placed us. Peace begins in the human heart; it begins in our hearts turned towards God.

### **Pope Francis' Intention for September**

For the Cry of the Earth: We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climatic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

### **During Ordinary Time we are asked to pray for these intentions:**

Students & Teachers; The Spread of the Gospel; The Harvest; The Fruits of Human Work; and the Reverent Use of Creation; Justice & Peace in the World; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and their Families.

## **WELCOME SUNDAY - 21/22 SEPTEMBER**

This weekend we will celebrate our annual Welcome Sunday at the 5.30pm Mass on Saturday 21st and at all Masses on Sunday 22nd September. This is an opportunity to come together as a parish community. After Mass there will be a chance to stay and chat with other parishioners whilst enjoying light refreshments. Please encourage other parishioners to come along.

## **PRAY AND REFLECT SERVICE 20th SEPTEMBER - PEACE & RECONCILIATION IN PALESTINE & ISRAEL**

The World Council of Churches invites faith-based communities around the world to join in a Week of Prayer for Peace in Palestine and Israel from 16 to 22 September. As our parish response, there will be a short service of prayer, reflection and music to pray for peace and reconciliation in the Holy Land, following the 7pm Mass on Friday 20 September. All are welcome. If you don't plan to attend the Mass, please arrive at 7.30pm.

## **PARISH PILGRIMAGES 2025**

In 2025 we will be arranging two parish pilgrimages:

**York Pilgrimage:** Monday 24th to Wednesday 26th March 2025. A pilgrimage to York following in the footsteps of St Margaret Clitherow which will include a visit to Harrogate, celebrating Mass at the Bar Convent and a visit to Thirsk. The cost for two nights half board will be £225 per person for a twin or double room and £270 for a single room (limited availability). If you are interested in attending this pilgrimage please email or call the parish office.

**Fatima Pilgrimage:** Monday 9th to Friday 13th June 2025. We still have places available for our pilgrimage to Fatima. The cost per person in a twin/double room is £650 and for a single room is £700. The pilgrimage is organised by Ann Tipper with Northern Star Travel and we will fly as a group from Manchester Airport. Please contact the parish office by email or phone to request a booking form.

## **RED MISSIO BOXES**

The Missio boxes will be collected during the next few weeks. Last year, St Vincent's gave over £9000 to this mission. Thank you to all our box holders and those who give directly to Missio.

## **VISIT TO THE RELICS OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS**

The Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis will be visiting St Anthony's, Wythenshawe, between 20th and 23rd September 2024. This remarkable teenager was a gamer and computer programmer who loved football, with a gift for empathy, a great devotion to Our Lady and a deep love of the Holy Eucharist which he described as his 'highway to heaven'. The visit to the Diocese is a very special opportunity to spend time in prayer venerating the Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis. Confessions will be available, and Mass will be celebrated on each of the days. There will also be inspirational talks on Saturday and Sunday from Monsignor Anthony Figueiredo, STD, who has followed the life of the soon to be Saint Carlo Acutis.

The full timetable of events is available to view on the poster at the back of church.

Registration for veneration is now open and can be found at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/relic-of-blessed-carlo-acutis-tickets-1010291297467?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

Please be aware that the Youth Vigil for the visit of the relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis, on the evening of Saturday 21st September at Sacred Heart Church is open to ages 18 – 35 only. Anyone wishing to attend this vigil must register in advance by emailing [youth@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:youth@dioceseofshrewsbury.org)

## **LIBRARY OPEN MORNING**

Our parish library began in 2000, so, if you haven't visited it yet, do come along on Sat. 28th September between 10.00 am and 12.00 noon, upstairs in Westleigh. Borrowing from our wide range of Christian books is free as are coffee/tea and home-made cake.

**SEPTEMBER LIVE SIMPLY MESSAGE:** Share cars and offer lifts to others where possible.

## **REGULAR ACTIVITIES**

- ◆ Children's Liturgy - 22nd September at the 10am Mass.
- ◆ Tea and Coffee after 10am Mass every Sunday, with video games (FIFA, tennis, etc), table tennis and other games, all for parents and children.
- ◆ Emmaus Prayer Group - 7-8pm Mondays in Westleigh
- ◆ Bridge - Every Monday at 2.00pm in Westleigh
- ◆ Knit and Natter - 10am in Westleigh— 26th September
- ◆ 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

## ROMULUS SINGERS CONCERT

On Saturday 5 October 7.45pm. Romulus Singers invite you to their autumn concert, "Goodnight Moon", in Holy Angels Church, Hale Barns. Tickets cost £12 (Adult), £5 (Child/Student) and can be purchased in advance using our online ticketing system or on the door. Visit [www.romulus-singers.co.uk/goodnightmoon](http://www.romulus-singers.co.uk/goodnightmoon) for full details and to buy tickets.

## MARIPOSA COFFEE MORNINGS

As part of the Mariposa Connections Loneliness Prevention Action, the Lady of the Vale Nursing Home invites anyone over 65 who requires companionships for a regular get together on alternate Thursdays starting on 12th September. These will take place at the Lady of the Vale Nursing Home, Grange Road, Bowdon, WA14 3HA from 11-12pm and will include a chance to meet other people and also a hot drink and a biscuit or two!

## MANCHESTER GRACE MISSION, 25-27 OCTOBER 3-DAY HEALING & DELIVERANCE RETREAT

This 3 day retreat taking place at St Hilda's, Northenden, Our Lady's, Moss Side and St Ambrose, Manchester will be led by international preacher, Br Sajith Joseph, Grace Community Global, a protestant pastor, along with Fr Pat Deegan, Fr Joel Yeboah and Jesus' Meals UK. Please follow this link to view the full [agenda](#). For details & registration email: [mission2024@jsmeals.co.uk](mailto:mission2024@jsmeals.co.uk) text: 07783715773 / 07540989617/ 07950651115.

## ST. VINCENT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN MORNING

St Vincent's Catholic Primary School open morning is on Thursday 17 October. St Vincent's welcomes prospective parents to see the school and nursery in action. There will be a presentation about St Vincent's giving information about the school and the application process. This will be followed by a tour.

Please let your family and friends know about the open morning. St Vincent's is an inclusive community which values and celebrates diversity. All are very welcome to come along and apply for a place.

If you would like to come along, please see their website to register for one of their tours on the admission webpage. St Vincent's Catholic Primary School Trafford: Admissions ([stvincents.trafford.sch.uk](http://stvincents.trafford.sch.uk))

## PRAYERS

Please pray for the young people of our Parish who have begun their preparation for First Holy Communion, Confirmation and RCIC. We ask that you keep the young people and their families in your prayers.

## PLAYSTATION ASSISTANCE

Are you a PlayStation enthusiast? We are looking for someone who is able to assist in setting up the PlayStation after 10am Mass on Sundays in Westleigh.

## OUR PARISH FAMILY

**We welcome into God's Family** Alora Martin, Eloise and Hugo Nixon-Waterworth who were recently baptised here. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

**Congratulations to** Eimear Donnelly & James Torr who were married here recently.

**Requiescant in Pace** Please pray for those who have died recently including Keith Robertshaw and all those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

**Please pray for the sick** who include James Ainsworth, Helen Altson, Michael Anderson, Robert Anderson, Margaret B, Antoni Baranowski, M Barnes, George Bell, Pat Bell, Stephen Birchall, Helen Boardman, John Breen, Susan Brennan, Jane Broadfoot, Jozef Broilo, Denise Brooks, Michael Byrne, Jo Carter, Olivia Cashmore, John Cawfield, Margaret Chisnall, Michael Cornwell, Peter Cresswell, Marjorie De Maria, Luke Dennett, David Michael Devine, Max Dunn, Ken Dwyer, Ross Dwyer, Joyce Eaton, Lynda Edwards, Peter Elliott, Freddie Fenton, Vicky Gosnold, Stella Gould, Jane Grimshaw, Niel Halsall, Rufus Hasler & family, Mary Heanue, Catherine Heraghty, Thomas Higginbotham, Hayley Hill, Katie Holmes, Lucy Hunter, James Ireland, Martin Jones, H Khan, H & R Kelly, Nancy Kelly, Amelia Kennedy, Anne Killeen, Thomas Killeen, Elizabeth and Henry Kluck, Marcin and Teresa Kluck, Neil Lancaster, David Lawley, Barbara Lee, Betty Leeson, Willy Leeson, Klaudia Linert, Bob Lloyd, Chloe Logan, Laura MacGinn, Margaret, Erin Marks, Claire McAllister, Martin McConnell, Rupert McDermott, Scott McEvoy, Maria, Mary McLoughlin, Luke Murphy, Mary Murphy, Charles Musumali, Elaine Neary, Oliver, Anne O'Neill, Andrea Ottley, Marjorie Owens, Michalis and Karen Papangelis, Krzysztof Pietrzak, Paul Raybede, Reece, Glen Reed, Jackie Reed, Mark Reed, Rose, Margaret Russell, Adrian Ryan, David Ryan and Frank, Mary Ryan, Melinda Ryan, David Scaife, Richard Sheryll, John Shuttleworth, 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.

### Parish Safeguarding Representatives

Helen Norwood: 07800 656966  
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### MONEY MATTERS

Offertory Collection 15th September £2081.67 plus standing orders.  
Thank you for your generosity.

The SVP is extremely grateful for last week's donations totalling £702.70.  
More information about the SVP is in the Church porch.

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# Mass Schedule

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| Sunday<br>22nd September<br><i>Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>                              | 8:30<br>10:00<br>11:30<br>18:30                       | S. Jose (Special Intentions)<br>Susan McGowan (Birthday Remembrance)<br>For the People of The Parish<br>Margaret Moran (RIP)                              |
| Monday<br>23rd September<br><i>St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)</i>                                | 11:00<br>12:15<br>18:00                               | <i>Eucharistic Adoration &amp; Benediction</i><br>Eileen Deerey (RIP)<br><i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>                                                     |
| Tuesday<br>24th September<br><i>Our Lady of Walsingham</i>                                           | 10:00 BV<br>11.00<br>12.15                            | Fr Godlove (Special Intention)<br><i>Eucharistic Adoration &amp; Benediction</i><br>Peter Maybury (Speedy Recovery)                                       |
| Wednesday<br>25th September<br><i>Ferial</i>                                                         | 11.00<br>12.15                                        | <i>Eucharistic Adoration &amp; Benediction</i><br>Michelle Healey (Birthday Memories)                                                                     |
| Thursday<br>26th September<br><i>Optional Memorial:<br/>Ss Cosmas &amp; Damian</i>                   | 10:00 BV<br>11:00<br>12:15<br>18:00 -19:00            | Fr Michael Cupit (ann)<br><i>Eucharistic Adoration &amp; Benediction</i><br>Mark McAllister (ann)<br><i>Eucharistic Adoration (Confessions available)</i> |
| Friday<br>27th September<br><i>St Vincent De Paul</i>                                                | 11:00<br>12:15<br><br>18:30<br>19:00                  | <i>Eucharistic Adoration &amp; Benediction</i><br>Jim Doyle (ann)<br>Confessions after Mass<br><i>Rosary</i><br>John Curran (RIP)                         |
| Saturday<br>28th September<br><i>Optional memorial:<br/>Ss Wenceslaus, Lawrence &amp; Companions</i> | 11:00<br>11:00-12:00<br>12:15<br>16:30-17:15<br>17:30 | <i>Eucharistic Adoration &amp; Benediction</i><br><i>Confessions</i><br>John Burke (ann / Birthday Memories)<br><i>Confessions</i><br>John Proctor        |
| Sunday<br>29th September<br><i>Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>                              | 8:30<br>10:00<br>11:30<br>18:30                       | Sheila Sands (ann)<br>For the People of the Parish<br>Angela Prior<br>Susan McGowan (Birthday Memories)                                                   |

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

**BOWDON VALE MASSES** 10am Tuesday and Thursday **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** - as above & by request

**MASS READING CYCLE:** Sundays Year B, Weekdays Cycle 2; Psalter Week 1

**PARISH CLERGY - Parish Priest:** Canon Jonathan Brandon **Assistant Priest:** Fr. Godlove Amungwa

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