



## **Parish of St Anne and St Joseph**

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## **3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**14th April 2024**



### **Monday 15th April**

9:30am Holy Mass - St Joseph's  
10.00am Requiem Mass - St Anne's

### **Tuesday 16th April**

9:00am Holy Mass - St Anne's  
7:00pm SVP Holy Mass - St Joseph's

### **Wednesday 17th April**

**No Mass at St Anne's**

9:30am Holy Mass - St Joseph's

### **Thursday 18th April**

6:30pm Holy Mass - St Anne's

**No Mass at St Joseph's**

### **Friday 19th April**

9:30am Holy Mass - St Anne's with School

9:30am Holy Mass - St Joseph's

3:00pm Wedding Service - St Anne's

### **Saturday 20th April**

10:00am Holy Mass - St Joseph's

11:00am Exposition of the Blessed  
Sacrament and Confessions - St Anne's

12:00noon Holy Mass - St Anne's

5:30pm Vigil Mass - St Anne's

### **Sunday 21st April**

9:00am Holy Mass - St Joseph's

11:00am Holy Mass - St Anne's

### **READERS' ROTA**

#### **In St Anne's**

#### **Saturday 20th April**

Anne Anderson & Marie Roberts

#### **Sunday 21st April**

Tony Yates & Andrew Szlaz

#### **In St Joseph's**

#### **Sunday 14th April**

Anne Bradshaw



#### **Confessions in St Anne's**

Saturdays: 11:00am - 11:45am  
4:45pm - 5:15pm

#### **Confessions in St Joseph's**

Saturdays: 10:30am - 11:30am

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR**

**Sick:** Helen Hyndman, Fred & Jenny Greer, Joan Gallagher, Steven Atkinson, Margaret Coyne, Stephanie Reid, Davy Lightbody, Sheila Young, Mark Frodsham, Martin Moxham.

**Lately Dead:** Joan Heaton, Paul Crook, Patrick Murphy, David Taylor.

**Anniversaries:** Joan Sarsfield, Christine Kelly, Thomas Kelly, Edward Warburton, Margaret & Jimmy Horan

**Wedding Anniversary:** Margaret and Clifford Starkie

## NO CASH? NO PROBLEM!



You can now make donations to the parish using our new card machine in St Anne's located near the collection baskets. There is also an option to Gift Aid your donation. Or, you can now make donations to the parish by scanning this QR Code on your mobile phone and it will direct you to a website where you can donate money to the parish.



## PATRICK MURPHY RIP



Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Patrick Murphy who has recently died. Also remember his family in your prayers at this sad time. Patrick's Requiem Mass will be on Monday 15th April at 10:00am in St Anne's. May he rest in peace.

## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

Our next meeting is on  
**Tuesday, 23rd April at 6:30pm**  
in St Anne's Church.



## PLEASE PRAY FOR



Kelly Marie Yates and John Alberts who are to be married at St Anne's on 19th April. We wish them well as they prepare for their marriage.

## WELCOME

to Faith Campbell who will be baptised at St Anne's this weekend. Remember her and her family in your prayers.



## KNIGHTS OF SAINT COLUMBA

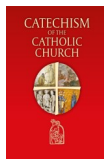
Our next meeting is

**Tuesday, 16th**

**April, at 7:30pm** in the Marian Room at St Anne's Church.



## CATECHISM REFLECTIONS



I'm hoping to start a group for people to explore the teachings and practices of the Church. I intend these sessions to be informal discussions, a chance to ask questions and learn more about our Faith. Our first gathering will be on **Monday 22nd April at 7pm** in the Marian Room at St Anne's. All welcome.

## MAUNDAY RELIEF

Food Growing Group

Every Thursday and Friday, 1-3pm.

Everyone welcome - lunch provided.

Meet at the Drop-In or at Oakhill Park. Call 01254 232328 to book a place.



## LIGHTING AT ST JOSEPH'S

Work on the lighting at St Joseph's will begin on Monday 22nd April. It will take one week to complete. This means there will be **NO WEEKDAY MASSES** at St

Joseph's during that week. I am very grateful to a parishioner for undertaking this work and for his very generous discounted quotation for the work.

'Let there be light!'

## SVP DISCTRICK COUNCIL MASS

Tuesday 14th April at 7:00pm

in St Joseph's Church.

Members of the SVP from various parishes in the area will be gathering for Mass to give thanks to God for all the wonderful work that they do.

All parishioners are welcome to attend the Mass.



## IN IT TO WIN IT!!! WEEK 2

Saturday Night's winning number was:

**33 - Sharon Gallagher**

Wednesday Night's

winning number was:

**55 - Rollover**



We now have some spare lottery numbers.

If you would like a number, please email:

siobhan.wood@dioceseofsalford.org.uk.

Or speak to parishioner, Anne Anderson

Many thanks to all those who support our weekly lottery.

## READERS

If any of our parishioners would like to volunteer to read at any of the Masses, please contact Siobhan so that she can add your name to the readers' rota.

We would really appreciate more readers to come forward.



## MASS ON FRIDAY

is at 9:30am in St Anne's with the school children. All welcome

## CONFIRMATION 2024

Parents with school children in Years 8, 9 and/or 10 should be on the lookout for details of the programme of preparation leading to Confirmation on **11<sup>th</sup> June**

**2024**. Details will be published

through the school and parish newsletter very soon.



Deaf Village

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When: Thu 25 April 10am - 12pm

Where: Deaf Village Northwest BB2 5EN

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Free Tea and coffee



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## ST JOSEPH'S LADIES

St Joseph's ladies meet every **Wednesday** in the church hall at **1:00pm** for chat, games, quizzes, tea/coffee, cake, occasional meals out and good company. All welcome!

Come and join us.



## Father's Musings

We continue to think about the Resurrection this week, from different perspectives: the Gospel gives another story of Jesus appearing to his disciples - this time the beautiful story of the meeting in Jerusalem, when Jesus proves he is alive and no ghost by eating some grilled fish: he reminds the disciples that all he suffered and rise was so the "repentance for the forgiveness of sins" could be preached to the whole world. The first reading shows us Saint Peter's doing just that, as he addresses the crowd in Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost: he takes them through recent events (fifty days earlier), highlighting the important point, that he and the disciples can witness to the raising of Jesus from the dead, and calling them to "repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out." The second reading brings this into our lives: the resurrection is not just a historical event, which we remember. By baptism (which we renewed at Easter) we become part of Jesus in his dying and his rising, as he 'becomes the sacrifice that takes our sins away'. So all that Saint John tells us about the commandments and avoiding sin is our way of living the Resurrection.

Its been a varied week this week. On Tuesday I was back in my old parish in Bury to preside at a funeral with the kind permission of the Parish Priest. It was nice to be back, even for a sad occasion as a funeral and meet up with former parishioners. From there it was a quick dash back up the M66 to Accy to preside at another funeral in the Crematorium Chapel. Do please remember the late Joan Heaton and David Taylor in your prayers. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

What do you do on a 'Wet Wednesday' and your day off? You don your pinny and head to the kitchen and bake!!! I find cooking relaxing and enjoyable. It's a bit different to the usual round of parish activities. I made some fruit scones - thanks to Dame Mary Berry for the recipe. Although I add more fruit



than she recommends. As an old parishioner used to say 'the shop bought ones are a bike ride from one currant to the next!' I also had a go at making for the first time a traditional Polish dish of pierogi z grzybami. I think they turned out well even if I say so myself. With the cooking complete it was time to take off the pinny head to Urmston for the monthly meeting of the Lourdes Nursing and Medical Team.

On Thursday I finally had my assessment to see what level my signing and BSL skills are up to. After about an half hour discussion via Zoom in BSL I can report that the assessor thinks I am at Level 2 and offered me a place on the next course beginning in October.



**B S L**

This week we welcome back all our children to school. It's been quiet without them! I'm covering the hospital bleep over the weekend for Fr Samson. Say a prayer for all those in hospital at the is time.

With my prayer and blessing for the coming week. Be good!

Fr Francis

