

MASSES AND SERVICES: Ordinary Time Week 9

Vigil	THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST	5 June	Thu	St Charles Lwanga	10 June
7.00	<i>Maurice Cookson & Leslie Parker</i>		9.30	<i>Richard Worden</i>	
Sun	THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST	6 June	2.00	Funeral Service for Sheila Hodson	
9.30	<i>John Thurston & Dorothy Sergeant</i>		4.30	Reception of Mary Noblett	
11.00	<i>The Parish</i>		Fri	SACRED HEART OF JESUS	11 June
1.00	Wedding: <i>Luis Devargas and Hollie Winstanley</i>		9.30	<i>Ian Woan</i>	
6.30	<i>Martha & Joseph Elliot</i>		11.00	Funeral Mass: Mary Noblett	
Mon		7 June	Sat	Immaculate Heart of Blessed Virgin Mary	12 June
9.30	<i>Sue Shields</i>		9.30	<i>Sr Mary Higney</i>	
Tues		8 June	Vigil	11th Sunday in OT	13 June
9.30	<i>Fell and Bamford Family & Friends</i>		7.00	<i>Elizabeth Prescott</i>	
Wed	St Ephrem	9 June	Sun	11th Sunday in OT	14 June
9.30	Mary Stead		9.30	<i>The Parish</i>	
			11.00	<i>Mary McCormack</i>	
			6.30	<i>Joseph Dolphin</i>	

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Tuesday & Thursday: 3pm to 4pm.

Online Holy Rosary: Each Day 8pm

Confession: Sat: 10-10-30 outside in the churchyard by the back door of the sacristy, (weather permitting) or by appointment.

Sanctuary Lamps : Week 9 : 1. Harry And Kathleen Hunt; 2. Francis And Josephine McCarthy; 3. (Benedict Chapel) Deceased Members Of The Kelly And Livesey Families

All Services can be viewed live or on playback at any time on www.stmarysbrownedge.org.uk or www.churchservices.tv

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Prayers for Salford Diocese: We pray for the parish of St John Paul II, Padiham, and for Fr Allan Swift, their parish priest. We pray for their three parish primary schools and St Joseph's Park Hill School, together with the Sisters of Mercy and those resident in McAuley Mount. We pray that the Eucharist may be the Source and Summit of their parish life.

Stay with us, Lord, on our journey!



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"With all the strength of my soul I urge young people to approach the Communion table as often as you can. Feed on this bread of angels whence you will draw all the energy you need to fight inner battles. Because true happiness, dear friends, does not consist in the pleasures of the world or in earthly things, but in peace of conscience, which we have only if we are pure in heart and mind."

--Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati



THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

6 JUNE 2021

Message from Sr Louise:

Dear Fr Mark, Fr Colin, Fr Joe and the Parishioners of St Mary's and Our Lady and St Gerard's



As we come to the end of May, it is difficult to believe that Sr Mary went home to God five weeks ago. In that time, there has been such an outpouring of grief and shock as we all tried to come to terms with the news of her sudden death. Before her final illness, Sr Mary was a vibrant and incredibly involved parish sister, known by everyone and loved by all. Each of us have our own special memories of Mary and we recognise only too well the gift and the blessing that she was to each of us. "The song may be ended but the melody lingers on in our hearts." (Irving Berlin)

This is especially so in my case, for Mary and I lived together and shared so much over the space of thirteen years. She was my friend and my confidant. We prayed together and went through the good and the difficult times as RNDM sisters. I couldn't have wished for a better or more supportive companion. She is and will be greatly missed.

However, I am also part of two larger parish communities and in the weeks since Mary's passing, I have experienced such kindness, love and concern from you good people around me for which I will be eternally grateful. I just could not have managed without that support. So, I say a very sincere "THANK YOU". Masses will be offered for your intentions as a token of my thanks. Wishing you God's richest blessings.

Sr Louise

TODAY: THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

The Feast of the Corpus Christi reminds us of the importance of the Mass; gathering to celebrate Mass is "the source and summit of our lives as Catholics". Today we try to make a deeper commitment to our understanding and appreciation of the Holy Eucharist.

Parish Sacramental Life:

Baptism: Welcome to Gracie Louise Taylor-Jackson who will be baptised into the Body of Christ this Sunday.

Reconciliation: Congratulations to those children who made their first reconciliation on Saturday. They will be celebrating their First Holy Communion at our Parish 9.30 Masses on Sunday 20 & 27 June and 11 July.

Marriage: Pray for Luis Devargas and Hollie Winstanley who will be married today.

Covid19 Restrictions: Some easing of Covid 19 restrictions have occurred but we are still asked to proceed with caution. There are one or two things which we can now do: the limit on numbers attending funerals is now the same as the same limit of the Church (160). It is no longer essential for stewards to be present during the week when numbers are lower. Sanitising is asked to be done once a day and the main focus is on all "touch points". We can reintroduce the procession of the gifts of bread and wine at the offertory—those doing this are asked to sanitise their hands just before they pick up the gifts; the intercessions at Sunday Mass can be reintroduced; the priest or minister of communion must continue to wear face coverings but can say "The Body of Christ" to each communicant and those receiving can reply "Amen".

The Sunday Mass obligation is dispensed, but, if you are not attending in person, do try to watch a Mass online or pray with the sheet "The Lord's Day at Home".

Blessing of the Shrine: Many thanks to all those who attended the blessing of the Shrine last week with Bishop Arnold. We were blessed with fine weather and about 150 people gathered around. Some photos are on the website and Facebook. The Bishop wrote to thank everyone for "A great parish occasion and a welcome tonic as we emerge from the lockdown" He was also very pleased to hear that we will, very soon, be welcoming a Refugee family through the community sponsorship scheme saying "such projects are proving very successful around the Diocese and cer-

tainly do great things in drawing Christian and Muslim communities together".

Donations for the Shrine: Many thanks for all the donations and prayer intentions for the shrine. Any further donations are welcome by placing a donation in an envelope marked "Our Lady's Shrine" and include the prayer intention which you wish to offer. **If you pay tax please write a note on the envelope that you wish this donation to be gift aided.** The intention might be an "In Memoriam" of a loved one or it may be a particular prayer which you wish to be included as we commemorate the shrine.

Mass Attendance: We have seen a welcome rise in the numbers attending church and we hope people have had the sense of being in a safe environment. Last weekend the numbers were: Vigil: 63; 9.30am: 78; 11am: 76 6.30pm: 27; Total: 244. The attendance at weekday Mass averages at about 40 people each day.

Altar Servers and Cantors: We have reintroduced into our liturgy the use of Altar Servers and a small group of singers to lead our singing. These ministries are still limited in what they can do but a welcome sign to enhance our liturgy; regulations do allow altar servers, following the usual Covid-safe norms and "a small group of singers", at a safe distance from each other and other members of the congregation. We are asked to continue to refrain from congregational singing for the time being. Any servers or singers who might like to resume their ministry, please contact Fr Mark.

Offertory Donations: We are not holding offertory collections during Mass but please do try to remember to put your offertory money in the bags on the way in or out of Church. You can also post your donations and any Mass intentions through the Letterbox of the Priory which is locked inside. Also, it is possible to make online donations. www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/supporting-

[your-parish-financially/](#) There is a link to this on our website and on the live stream.

There is an updated page about how we can support the finances of the parish on the website in the "Announcements" section.



Contactless Payments!

The machine for contactless payments is now working again. Please Gift Aid if you can: on the first use you be asked for your address to register as a gift aid donor. Subsequent payments with the same card will be recognised.

Facebook: Please "like" our parish Facebook Page. There are many photos, videos and event announcements which appear there. Also please share items to your own Facebook page so that we can reach out to more people. We now have 1000 followers; Tell your family and friends to like our page. It can be our part in the New Evangelisation.

CAFOD: We have been supporting 'Hands On', Magdalena Medio Project since April 2019. We have now sent a final cheque for £300, making our total donations £6,000. Thank you for your generosity, especially during this past year. Continue to pray for the peacemakers of Magdalena Medic and the challenges they still face in Columbia.

Monastery Garden: if anyone is interested in helping with the monastery garden, please let Fr Mark know.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, and those who care for them:

Fr Cassian Dickie, Jane Cooper, Amy Lloyd, Andre Jacobs, Lorna Bentley, Elsie Smith, Barbara Davis, Teddy Howes, Eddie Gough, June Gent, Margaret Roxburgh, Joyce Crook, Joe Lever, Brenda Towers, Margaret Riley, Ryan Womack, Tony Wilkinson, Mary Foster, Shelagh Mervyn, Emma Garth,

All Those who have Recently Died

Mary Noblett, Irene Turner, Sheila Hodson

Anniversaries: Marie Bateson