

THE WORD THIS WEEK

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR C

1 May 2022

The rest of the world has settled 'back to normal' after Easter holidays now, but we continue to dwell on the resurrection of Jesus and the growth of the Church. Today's Gospel, which many people consider the most beautiful of the resurrection stories, has many themes: the failed fishing trip, the inability of Peter to recognise the risen Jesus, the miracle of the 153 fish and the simple, powerful reassuring words of Jesus to his confused disciples: 'Come and have breakfast.' We can all find ourselves a place in this Gospel story, as we continue to wonder at the resurrection.

PARISH NOTICES & EVENTS

PARISH OF DIVINE MERCY PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, help us never to abandon your ways. As you have loved and shown us your mercy, may we sincerely express our love for God by loving our neighbour and being merciful to them. Jesus, King of Divine Mercy, we trust in you.

2. READINGS

First: Acts 5:27-32, 40-41 - The Sanhedrin warn the apostles not to preach in Jesus name - the apostles affirm that it was God who raised Jesus up, and that they are witnesses to this along with the Holy Spirit.

Psalms: 29 - will praise you Lord, you have rescued me / Sing psalms to the Lord you who love him / The Lord listened and had pity.

Second: Apocalypse 5:11-14 - John has a vision of thousands of living creatures saying "The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing".

Gospel: John 21:1-19 - Jesus appears to the disciples again - the miraculous catch of fish - "Do you really love me" - If you love me, feed my lambs.

3. MAY DEVOTIONS

During May, the month of Mary, the Rosary will be said before each of the weekday Masses. Please see the Weekday Calendar for details.

4. CORPUS CHRISTI MONTHLY COFFEE MORNING!

This Sunday 2nd May after the 9.30am Mass. Teas, Coffees, Soft drinks Cakes etc. All are welcome for a chat!

5. NEWS FROM THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Parish Dinner Dance – Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration

Time to come and celebrate at the Parish Dinner Dance on the 20 May at 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm.

Three-course dinner and entertainment by the Singing Pilot (Stuart Beech see Michael McIntyre Star of the Show on YouTube). Tickets are on sale now at the back of church or email divinemercuryoldham@gmail.com to reserve your tickets. The tickets are priced at £35.00 per person. We know you will have a fantastic night!!!

On 12 June: Garden Party / Barbecue, 2.00 pm – 5.00 pm in Corpus Christi Church Gardens. Tickets £3 will be on sale from weekend 30th April/ 1st May. For further details, see the posters at the back of either Church.

6. RELAXING YOGA DATE CHANGE

The start date for Relaxing Yoga sessions has been changed to Thursday, 5 May and this six-week block will run until 16 June (no yoga on 2 June because of the Bank Holiday). Classes are every Thursday and start at 6.15 pm for an hour. The cost of the six-week block is £25.00 or you may pay as you go for £5.00 per session. The price includes use of a mat. Beginners welcome. If you are interested in joining us, please email Deborah on the Parish email address: divinemercuryoldham@gmail.com.

7. HOPE IN THE FUTURE PRAYER CYCLE

We pray for the people of the parish of St. Ambrose, Chorlton, for Fr. Peter Tierney, and for their parish primary school. May they know God's Easter promise of 'renewed youthfulness of spirit.'

8. DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

We are delighted to bring you the details for the 88th Salford Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2022. We have worked extremely hard to ensure that the pilgrimage will be a very safe and fulfilling experience for all who attend. The pilgrimage will be led by Rt Rev. John Arnold, Bishop of Salford. It leaves on 29th July and returns on 4th August 2022. Booking via Joe Walsh Tours Ltd. www.joewalshstours.co.uk with further enquiries to be forwarded to lourdes.pilgrimage@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

Reminder: the deadline for Volunteer Application Forms is Saturday 30th April 2022 and the final date for submission of Medica Assessment Form 2022 is Saturday 7th May 2022. All details and forms can be found from the Salford Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage website <https://www.salfordlourdes.co.uk/travel-accommodation>

HYMNS

CORPUS CHRISTI: Entrance: 105; Offertory: 362; Communion: 641, 759; Recessional: 469.
ST HERBERT'S: Entrance: 184; Offertory: 583; Communion: 498, 560; Recessional: 389.

9. CORPUS CHRISTI CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Corpus Christi Children's Liturgy resumes this Sunday for the next 3 weeks until the half term break. See dates on the notice board. Children meet in the presbytery before Mass and return after the Homily. Thanks for your support.

10. SCHOOL NEWS

Corpus Christi

After a well-deserved Easter break, the staff and children returned and have been as busy as ever. All the classes are ready for the short and busy half term ahead.

Our sacramental children took part in their next sacramental session on Thursday all about reconciliation. As always they demonstrated maturity throughout the session and were very reflective about their actions. They look forward to making their first reconciliation on the 7th May.

We thank the parish for joining us during Holy Week for our Easter passion play and our stations of the cross. It is so lovely to have your continued support.

11. FULL-TIME NURSERY PLACES AT CORPUS CHRISTI

We have some full-time only places available in our school nursery for our September 2022 intake. Please contact our business manager at school for an application. We are also taking names for September 2023 intake. Please don't hesitate to get in touch with our school office.

12. SUNDAY SMILE

One Easter a priest and a taxi driver died and both went to heaven. "Come with me," said St. Peter to the taxi driver. He showed him a mansion which had everything you could imagine from a bowling alley to an Olympic size pool.

"Oh my word, thank you, it's wonderful", said the taxi driver.

Next, St. Peter leads the priest to a run-down old cottage, with a scruffy bunk bed, and a little old television set.

"Just a minute," says the priest, "I think you've got things a little mixed up. Shouldn't I be the one who gets the mansion? After all I was a priest, went to church every day, and preached the Word of God."

"Yes, that's true enough," St Peter responded. "But during your Easter sermons people slept. When the taxi driver drove, everyone prayed."

WEEKDAY CALENDAR

- MONDAY:** Both churches closed.
- TUESDAY:** **Corpus Christi:** Rosary at 6.30 pm; Mass at 7.00 pm.
- WEDNESDAY:** **St Herbert's:** Rosary at 9.30 am; Mass at 10.00 am
- THURSDAY:** **Corpus Christi:** Rosary at 9.00 am; Mass at 9.30 am
- FRIDAY:** **St Herbert's:** Rosary at 9.30 am; Mass at 10.00 am
- SATURDAY:** **Corpus Christi:** Private Prayer at 5.00 pm; Mass at 5.30 pm
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- St Herbert's:** Private Prayer 10.30 am; Mass at 11.00 am

CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE BEFORE MASS ON REQUEST

MASS REQUESTS

- Missa pro populo**
- Lately Dead:** Kathleen Kelly, Rose Millward
- RIP:** Holy Souls in Purgatory
- Anniversary:** Dawn Cookson-Martinez & baby Robbie, Hilda Wolstenholme, Jack Huntington, Ellie McDermott
- Birthday Anniversary:** Mary Cathrine Nangle, Frances Elwell

PRAYER FOR SICK & HOUSEBOUND

Father, we place before you all the sick and housebound of the parish:
 Edith Hamilton, David Roberts, Agnes Conroy, Mrs Monica Anne Turner, Angela Delph, Jean Allen, Dorothy Buckley, Tony Mulherin, Nora Hickey, Sheila Cavey, Nancy Pinto, Mrs H Fallas, Anthony McDermott, Beryl Henderson, Jean Winterbottom, Maxine Bennett, Dominic Boardman, Angela Fairgrieve, Jack Hulme, Peter Wooldridge, Nikki Winnard, Pauline Powell, Phillip Lees, Andrew Lees, Mrs Lewandowski, Mary O'Connor.



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ARE YOU...

- New to the Parish?
- Know someone who is sick or in hospital?
- Can you help the parish or us you?
- Like a visit from the priest?

Please speak to Fr Lawrence after mass or at any convenient time.