

THE WORD THIS WEEK

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

10 July 2022

Both first reading and Gospel today invite us to be “down to earth” about the Law of God. It’s very easy to become an “expert in religion” - knowing all the right answers, remembering all the right quotes, and so on. But for Moses and for Jesus, if God’s Law is to be kept anywhere, it must be in our hearts and in our everyday lives. We are not to be concerned with keeping our eyes fixed on heaven, if it means that we cannot see the poor man at our feet.

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: Deuteronomy 30:10-14 - Moses tells the people to obey the voice of God, keeping the commandments and laws that are in the Book, and he reassures them that this is possible for them, because God's word is very near.

Psalms: 68 - Seek the Lord, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive / This is my prayer / As for me in my poverty and pain / The poor when they see it will be glad / For God will bring help to Zion.

Second: Colossians 1:15-20 - Christ is the image of God - in him, all were created ... the Church is his body, he is the head, first in every way ... he made peace by his death on the cross.

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37 - Love the Lord your God with all your heart soul and mind, and love your neighbour as yourself ... the [parable of the Good Samaritan](#).

3. HOPE IN THE FUTURE PRAYER CYCLE: We pray for the people of the parish of St. Joseph and St. Edward, Longsight and Rusholme, and for Fr. Rob Morland. We pray for the parish primary schools and Xaverian Sixth Form College. We pray also for the Little Sisters of the Poor, the priests of the Opus Dei Prelature, the Xaverian Missionaries and the Society of African Missions and the Portuguese Language Chaplaincy. May they be Good Samaritans to those who fall by the wayside.

4. SEA SUNDAY – 9/10 JULY 2022

Today is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea.

Today's collection is for Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea), the Catholic Church's official maritime welfare agency. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually.

An appeal talk will be read out at each Mass this weekend Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th July. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work which is dependent on voluntary donations, please give generously. Thank you. Baskets and envelopes will be available at the back of both churches.

6. COFFEE MORNING AT ST HERBERT'S: There will be coffee, tea and biscuits available in the Parish Centre at St Herbert's after the 11.00 Mass on Sunday 17th July 2022.

7. RESTORATION WORK AT CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH: Restoration work will begin this week and will be ongoing for a number of weeks. It will entail removing the water damaged plaster on a number of the inside walls and Choir Loft. The work is necessary to maintain the appearance and upkeep of the Church. We apologise for any inconvenience. The builders have assured us they will keep any disruption to a minimum.

8. CORPUS CHRISTI COFFEE MORNING: The Coffee morning this month will be this Sunday, 10th July. This is so we can celebrate with Hilda and Brian Madden, who have been in Corpus Christi Parish for 65 years. They are also celebrating their 67th Wedding Anniversary. Everyone is welcome to come and join them.

9. THE OLDHAM CHOIR: The Oldham Choir presents **Music for a Summer Evening** with guests The Oldham Music Centre Adult Community Wind Band at St Edward's RC Church, Spring Lane, Lees, OL4 5JA, Saturday, 16 July 2022 at 7.30 pm. Tickets £8 adults available on the door. Children under 16 free.

10. YOGA/CHAIR YOGA: Yoga/chair yoga classes start again this Thursday, 14 July in the Parish Centre from 6.15pm – 7.15pm. Cost: £5.00 per session.

11. JOB VACANCIES

Diocese of Salford - Human Resources Advisor (replacement role)

Appointment Type: Full time, permanent; **Working hours:** 35 hours per week worked Mon-Fri. Some flexible working required; **Location:** Cathedral Centre, 3 Ford Street, Salford, M3 6DP; **Salary, pension, and benefits:** £26,780 – £32,919 depending on skills & experience, 25 days holiday plus bank holidays and 5 Diocesan closure days, employers pension scheme if applicable. For more information and to apply, please visit <https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies/>

HYMNS

CORPUS CHRISTI: Entrance: 462; Offertory: 730; Communion: 133, 630; Recessional: 453.

ST HERBERT'S: Entrance: 243; Offertory: 523; Communion: 307, 511; Recessional: 309.

Heritage Volunteer Activity Coordinator (St John the Baptist RC Church, Rochdale)

Appointment Type: Part-time, fixed-term contract until 30/12/2023; **Working hours:** 21 hours per week, to be worked on a flexible basis including evenings and weekends; **Location:** St John the Baptist RC Church, Rochdale with travel in the local area. Some work will be conducted remotely. **Salary, pension, and benefits:** £23,000 per annum subject to pro-rata. For more information and to apply, please visit <https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies/>

12. SCHOOL NEWS

Corpus Christi: This week we held our well-being Wednesday for this half term. The children all enjoyed an inflatable assault course. The weather didn't start off too well, but that didn't stop us. All the children had an amazing time and loved every second. It was great fun! We are currently in the process of interviewing and appointing our new Pupil Chaplains and Mini Vinnies for the next academic year. We look forward to welcoming them and working with them to promote the faith life here at Corpus Christi.

St Herbert's: Lots of activities this week in school. Firstly, we would like to congratulate Year 3 who made their First Holy Communion last Sunday followed by a party this week. Please keep them and their families in your prayers. Year 6 went to Robinwood on Wednesday where they took part in lots of activities. We will let you into a secret- apparently Mr Russell fell into the water when raft building-of course the children found it hilarious!!!! Year 3 and 4 took part in a dodge ball competition against other Catholic schools in Oldham and we are proud to say they won! Thank you to Corpus Christi for organising it. Finally on Wednesday we had a visit from Simon Smith Director of Education. He said he had a lovely visit and was very complimentary about the school. Friday was "Food Bank Friday." Again the response was wonderful. Thank you to everyone at school and in the Parish.

13. SUNDAY SMILE: A young boy arrived late at Sunday School. Knowing he was usually very prompt, his Sunday School Teacher asked, "David, is there anything wrong?" "No, Miss, not really," he said. "I was going to go fishing, but my dad told me that I needed to get up and go to church." The teacher was very impressed and asked David if his father had explained to him, why it was more important to go to church than to go fishing. "Yes, Miss, he did," David replied. "My daddy said he didn't have enough bait for both of us."

WEEKDAY CALENDAR

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

Special Intention: Leo and Doreen Mazza
Thanksgiving: Matthew Apostol
Lately Dead: Paul Maihon, Kenneth Barry, Trevor Maguire, Bernice Kalafatich (nee Baxendale)
Anniversary: Jimmy Flood, Jean Ankers
Birthday Anniversary: Fred Ankers

PRAYER FOR SICK & HOUSEBOUND

Father, we place before you all the sick and housebound of the parish:
 Janina Grobelnik, 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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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.