

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

8 September 2024

What shows us the presence of God? In the Biblical world it was miracles - signs, which pointed towards the emergence of a new Kingdom, the Kingdom of God. This had been prophesied from of old: it was said that One would come, and also that certain things would be associated with this Messiah which would display the perfection of the Kingdom God wanted to establish. Jesus, in both his preaching and his miracles, proclaims that the Kingdom of God is at hand, in his own person. He fulfils the prophecies of the past, as he displays to the people of his own time, and to us, the nature of Gods Kingdom: in it all diseases and afflictions are abolished: so opening the man's ears and eyes tells us two things: first that Jesus is God, present in our midst, and secondly that he calls us into a Kingdom where all is perfect.

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: Isaiah 35:4-7 - Do not be afraid, your God is coming: eyes will be opened, water gushes in the desert

Psalms: 145 - My soul, give praise to the Lord / It is the Lord who keeps faith forever

Second: James 2:1-5: rich vs poor man comes into the synagogue - the worldly poor are chosen by God

Gospel: Mark 7:31-37 - Jesus healed the deaf man with the command "be opened" - people admired him.

3. Altar Server Training: For ALL Altar Servers, and anyone who would like to be one, there will be a training session on Sat 21 Sept, 10am, in St Herbert's Church. See you there.
Patrick and Trish.

4. St Herbert's COFFEE MORNING: Everyone is welcome to join us for Tea/Coffee Cakes/Biscuits and chat this Sunday 8th September 2024. following Mass at 11am.

5. PARISH INTERNATIONAL CELEBRATION – CORPUS CHRISTI: You are invited by Young@Church (Youths at our Parish) to our 'Parish International Celebration' on **Sunday, 15 September from 2:30 pm.** We're children of One Father in Heaven, yet are native from different countries and different cultures but Christ has called us together into this Parish to celebrate as children of The Living God. So together let's reveal the glory and value of the Father in our cultural styles: by bringing your food, music, dance, etc... to share. **RSVP!** Tickets are on sale from this Sunday after Holy Mass: Adult - £5.00; Child - £2.50; children under school age free of charge. Contact: Patrick 07591214756. Please support our young

people in this event.

6. UP AND COMING EVENTS AT PARISH OF DIVINE MERCY

4th October - Family Night (St Herbert's) more details later.

24th November - Christmas Fayre (St Herbert's)

1st December - Christmas Fayre (Corpus Christi)

Parish Christmas Meal @ San Rocco date to be arranged.

15th December - Brass Band 2pm-4pm (Corpus Christi)

7. PARISH SVP FOOD PANTRY: Our next food pantry will be held at Corpus Christi Presbytery on **Friday, 13 September from 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm.** Please spread the word to anyone who may benefit from it. Thank you.

8. PARISH SVP MEETING: The next meeting of the SVP will be held after 11.00 am Mass in St Herbert's Parish Centre on Sunday, 13 October.

9. Diocesan Synod Update: We are now entering into the Exploration Stage of our diocesan synod. Over the next four months, we will closely explore the four key themes to have emerged from our Big Listen responses. The themes are: Nurturing Faith for Tomorrow's World, Building Connections, Enabling Access, and Fostering Christ-like Care. To find out more the first of our themes and how to get involved, please visit <https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/synod-theme-1>

10. Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lindisfarne: Discover the fascinating history of our Northern Saints with this one-off pilgrimage to Lindisfarne, Ripon, and Durham in celebration of our 2025 Year of Jubilee. Led by Bishop John, the pilgrimage will take place between 15th-17th May 2025. Find out more about this and all of our pilgrimages during our Jubilee year at <https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/jubilee-2025/pilgrimages/>

HYMNS

CORPUS CHRISTI: Entrance: 576; Offertory: 122, 516; Communion: 447; Recessional: 267.

ST HERBERT'S: Entrance: 110; Offertory: 334; Communion: 681, 462; Recessional: 353.

11. World Youth Day Rome 2025: Are you aged 16-35? Are you looking for an unforgettable opportunity to share your faith with other young Catholics? Pope Francis has announced a special World Youth Day in Rome next summer to celebrate the Church's Year of Jubilee and our diocesan Youth Ministry team invites you to be part of this once-in-a-25-year event! The pilgrimage will take place between 28 July and 3 August. For more information and to register your interest, please email youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

12. Caritas Salford Sponsored Walk: Caritas Salford is organising a sponsored walk around beautiful Whalley, Lancashire, on Saturday 14 September. The walk will cover a moderately challenging route of 14km, with a shorter option available for those who prefer. Every step you take will also help local people experiencing homelessness, poverty and discrimination. To sign up to join the walk, visit: www.caritassalford.org.uk/lancswalk

13. Family Night: The tickets are now on sale for the Family Night in St Herbert's Parish Centre on the 4th of October. Tickets are priced at £5.00 per adult, £3.00 per child -this includes sunner.

Come along and enjoy a night of games and dancing.

14. SCHOOL NEWS

St Herbert's: We are back ! We began our new school year celebrating Mass -asking God to guide us in al we do this academic year. It was wonderful to hear the children singing again. The children all look fresh and ready to learn. There was lots of laughter in and around school which was lovely to hear. Thank you to everyone who continued to leave food for our vulnerable families we really are grateful. Thank you. Stay with us Lord on our journey.

15 . SAINT OF THE WEEK

St Peter Claver – 9 September: born in Spain in 1580, studied at Barcelona before becoming a Jesuit; he joined the Jesuit mission in Colombia, where he spent his life in ministering to the slaves arriving from Africa in the most dreadful conditions. He referred to himself as 'servant of the slaves', and continued until his death in 1654.

St John Chrysostom – 13 September: 'golden mouthed', was born in Antioch in 349. He became Bishop of Constantinople in397 but, because of his steadfast preaching faced opposition from the Empress. He died in exile in 407.

WEEKDAY CALENDAR

- MONDAY:** Both churches closed
- TUESDAY:** **Corpus Christi:** Private Prayer at 6.30 pm; Mass at 7.00 pm
- WEDNESDAY:** **St Herbert's:** Divine Mercy Chaplet 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 AVAILABLE BEFORE OR AFTER MASS ON REQUEST

MASS REQUESTS

Missa pro populo

- Lately Dead:** John Beaucock.
- R.I.P:** Gary Melling, Saji K. Simon, James Stott.
- Anniversary:** Margaret Kalthoeber, Annie Ankers, Jane Loisa Santus.
- Diamond Jubilee:** Sister Mary Francis.
- Special Intention:** Jim Healy.

PRAYER FOR SICK & HOUSEBOUND

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

- Noreen Butterworth, Darren Gallier, Margaret Lawless, Sheila Cavey, Stuart Williams, Peter Stone, Wade Stevens, Luke Burke, John McCarthy, Mary Gowran, David Roberts, Mrs Monica Anne Turner, Angela Delph, Nora Hickey, Nancy Pinto, Mrs H Fallas, Jean Winterbottom, Maxine Bennett, Dominic Boardman, Angela Fairgrieve, Peter Wooldridge, Pauline Powell, Phillip Lees, Andrew Lees, 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.