

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Faithfulness, faith and trust. These most invisible and difficult things are what God asks of us – just as we, in our own way, ask them of those who love us. “Trust me”, we say, “all will be well.” And if someone does trust us, the reward is simply that trust was well-placed. We have done our duty. Sometimes when we talk about “faith” we put the emphasis on “believe and accept”. Today’s readings (especially the passage from Habakkuk) invite us to think in terms of “trust”. The request of the Apostles is interesting: “Increase our faith” could also mean “Make it easier for us,” or “Prove that you are who you say you are.” Jesus replies that he can’t do that – you can’t make someone trust you. It has to be a gift, freely given.

PARISH NOTICES & EVENTS

PARISH OF DIVINE MERCY PRAYER

1. 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: Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4 - How long Lord am I to cry for help .. the Lord answered "Write the vision down ... see how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights, but the upright man will live by his faithfulness".

Psalms: 95 - O that today you would listen to his voice, harden not your hearts / Come ring out our joy to the Lord / Come let us bow and bend low.

Second: II Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 - I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift [of the spirit] that God gave you ... you have been trusted to look after something precious.

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10 - If you had faith the size of this mustard seed, you could move a mulberry tree. Do what you have been told to do and say "We are merely servants, we have done no more than our duty".

3. CORPUS CHRISTI COFFEE MORNING: Come and join us for our Monthly Coffee Morning. This Sunday 5th October 2025 after the 9.30am Mass. There will be a selection of Home Made Cakes, Teas Coffee and fruit drinks. Everyone is Welcome!

4. ST. HERBERT'S COFFEE MORNING: Please come and support us on Sunday 12th October following 11am mass when we will be holding our Annual Coffee Morning in support of 'MacMillan Cancer Support'.

5. HARVEST THANKSGIVING MASS: The parish Harvest Thanksgiving will take place next weekend, 11th/12th October. Parishioners are kindly asked to bring along gifts of non-perishable foods, to either church, and to place them in front of the altar before Mass commences. They will later be given to the parish Food Bank for distribution.

6. MASS FOR CATECHISTS: In celebration of our Jubilee for Catechists this October, we are holding a special Mass to pray for the catechists of our diocese. The Mass will take place at 7pm on Wednesday 15 October at St Patrick's Church, Collyhurst. To help with planning, please email formation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk if you would like to attend.

7. DIVINE MERCY CHRISTMAS MEAL 2025: Will be held at the San Rocco again this year, on Tuesday 2nd December at 12.00pm. Anyone interested in coming please put your Name and contact number on the list that is put at the back of both Churches. See details below:

- On Tuesday 2nd December 2025: This Will be £26. Names and £10 deposit to be given Weekend of 1st /2nd of November.
- Weekend of 15th/ 16th November: Balance of £16 and Menu Choice

8. CORPUS CHRISTI CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: Corpus Christi Church will not be having a Christmas Fair this year. Instead there will be a Grand Raffle which will be held on Sunday 30th November 2025 in the Presbytery after the 9.30am Mass.

There will be a selection of Cakes, Teas Coffee and Soft drinks. There will be Raffle Tickets on Sale before the draw. We hope to see you all there.

As Corpus Christi are only having a Grand Raffle this year and to make it a success we are appealing for, Quality items ! Bottles of Spirits, Bottles of wine, Boxes of biscuits, Boxes of Chocolates, Toiletries, Store Gift Vouchers and any other Suitable Gifts.

9. INTRODUCTION OF CWO IN OUR PARISH BY THE SALFORD DIOCESE CWO: This is to bring to the notice of all women in the church about the establishment of Catholic Women Organisation (CWO) in our parish. This talk will be on 18th/19th of October 2025.

10. PRAYER OF THE ROSARY: During the month of October the prayer of the Rosary will be said before weekday masses.

11. WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES (4-5 OCTOBER): As we mark the World Day of Migrants and Refugees (4-5 October), Bishop John has written to remind us that migrants and refugees are messengers of hope, bringing resilience, faith, and cultural richness to our communities. In the face of rising hostility, we are called to respond with compassion, truth, and practical support, affirming the dignity of every person. You can read Bishop John's full statement at: <https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/migrants-and-refugees-25/>

HYMNS

CORPUS CHRISTI: Entrance: 256 ; Offertory: 639 , 641; Communion: 165 ; Recessional: 307 .

ST HERBERT'S: Entrance: 557 ; Offertory: 349 ; Communion: 419 , 397; Recessional: 353 .

12. THE LEGION OF MARY: would like to invite you all to a special Jubilee Mass for the Holy Year 2025 on the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. This will take place on Tuesday 7th of October at Corpus Christi Church. 6:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Rosary, prayers and reconciliation. 7:pm Mass at the usual time. Refreshments will be provided in the house afterwards. All are encouraged to attend this special event. Please place your name on the form at the back of the church if you wish to attend (this will help with catering).

13. SCHOOL NEWS

Corpus Christi: We are halfway through the first half term and have had another busy week here at Corpus Christi. This week, we saw our new Mini Vinnies be commissioned. They were officially commissioned the day before the feast day of St Vincent de Paul. They are very excited to begin their journey as a Mini Vinnie and begin their work. Their first job has already started in preparing for our Harvest assembly on Friday 3rd October which is a very important event for us in helping to support the foodbank. We look forward to seeing all the work our Pupil Chaplains and Mini Vinnies do this year. They have many exciting projects planned.

St Herbert's: Last week we held our annual Macmillan Coffee morning and the event raised £732.00. We were overwhelmed by the generosity of the people that attended. It was a wonderful morning. This week was Little Way week, inspired by St Therese of Liseux who believed that through small loving actions we can deliver God's love to the world. The Pupil chaplains presented certificates to children who they saw doing just that - a little small loving action. On Friday the reception class parents were invited to a stay and learn session. It was very well attended. This session offered parents a chance to spend time in the class with their child to experience the activities the children do on a day in reception.

The children were really excited to show their family members just what they could do.

14. SUNDAY SMILE: There was another crash on Broadway during the week, when a lorry carrying boxes of Scrabble tiles overturned, scattering its contents. Police said it wasn't very serious, but sometimes similar accidents can spell disaster.

WEEKDAY CALENDAR

MONDAY:	Both churches closed
TUESDAY:	Corpus Christi: Prayer of the Rosary at 6.30 pm; Mass at 7.00 pm
WEDNESDAY:	St Herbert's: Prayer of the Rosary at 9.30 am; Mass at 10.00 am
THURSDAY:	Corpus Christi: Prayer of the Rosary at 9.00 am; Mass at 9.30 am
FRIDAY:	St Herbert's: Prayer of the Rosary 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

Wedding Anniversary: Golden Wedding Anniversary of Patricia and Budding.

R.I.P: Owen Robert, Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Lately Dead: Angela Sannen.

Special Intention: In memory of Colin Wood.

PRAYER FOR SICK & HOUSEBOUND

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

Noreen Butterworth, Margaret Lawless, Sheila Cavey, Stuart Williams, Peter Stone, Luke Burke, Mary Gowran, Angela Delph, Nancy Pinto, Mrs H Fallas, Anthony McDermott, Jean Winterbottom, Maxine Bennett, Dominic Boardman, Angela Fairgrieve, Peter Wooldridge, Pauline Powell, Phillip Lees, Andrew Lees, Mary O'Connor, Louise Knotman, Heather Matson, Christopher Ward.



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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.