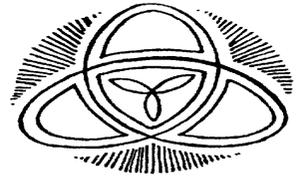


# The Parishes of St. Margaret Ward

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## All Saints

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		St. Margaret Ward			All Saints			Our Lady of Lourdes
<b>2nd Sunday of Lent</b>								
Sat 28th	5.30 pm	Ellen Morley						
Sun 1st			9.30 am	Pat Dwyer	11.00 am		Stanley & Angela Robe	
Sun 1st			5.00 pm	Jim Williams				
Mon 2nd	9.15 am	Eucharistic Service	7.30pm	Paul Roy			No Service	
Tues 3rd	9.15 am	Albert David Thomas		No Service	7.30 pm		Patsy Cassidy	
Wed 4th	9.15 am	Eucharistic Service	7.30pm	Mary Weston	12.15 pm		Eucharistic Service	
Thurs 5th	7.30 pm	Jadwiga Stawarczyk		No Service			No Service	
Frid 6th	9.15 am	Eucharistic Service	9.15 am	Karen Clayton	12.15pm		Patrick Rooney	
Frid 6th			7.30pm	Churches Together St Martins Church				
<b>3rd Sunday of Lent</b>								
Sat 7th	5.30 pm	Eileen McCann						
Sun 8th			9.30 am	Sean Lally	11.00 am		Molly Stonehewer	
Sun 8th			5.00 pm	Pat Langford				

### Fast Day prayer

**Creator God,**  
who made our beautiful world,  
appointed us as its guardians  
and gifted us with everything  
we need,  
**Forgive us**  
for the times we cause it harm;  
for the times our way of life  
affects our neighbours  
**Inspire us**  
to care for the environment;  
to help rebuild lives and communities;  
to share in the griefs and anxieties,  
joys and hopes of all your people,  
so that all your creation may flourish. Amen

**CAFOD**  
Just one world



### **2nd Sunday of Lent**

First Reading A reading from the book of Genesis 22:1- 2.9 -13.15 -18  
Psalm 115:10.15 -19R.Ps 114:9  
Second Reading A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 8:31-34  
Gospel Mark 9:2-10

**Parish Priest: Father Ned Wall.** The Presbytery, 164, Carrington Lane  
**Permanent Deacons: Anthony Caffrey and John Conway**  
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**REFLECTION:**

Jesus took the three Apostles up the mountain, first to show them the glory of his divinity, then to declare himself Israel's Redeemer, and thirdly, to prevent the apostles being scandalised at seeing him, soon afterwards, enduring those human sufferings, which he freely accepted for our sake. He wanted them to understand that it was not for any lack of power on his part that he allowed himself to be crucified by his enemies, but because he had freely chosen to suffer in that way for the world's salvation.

Jesus is transformed with the dazzling light of God's glory, and with him are Moses and Elijah. Peter is totally overcome by what he realises is a uniquely privileged experience. "Lord, it is wonderful for us to be here!" He suggests that three shrines be set up in honour of Jesus, Moses and Elijah, to commemorate the vision. The Gospel tells us that Peter did not know what he was talking about there never would be a shrine to Jesus, except in the hearts of his followers.

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**Psalm:**

I will walk in the presence of the Lord  
In the land of the living.

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Glory and praise to you O Christ!  
From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard:  
'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him!'  
Glory and praise to you O Christ!

**Communion Antiphon:**

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;  
Listen to him.

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**Next Week s Readings:**

- First Reading     A reading from the book of Exodus 20:1-3.7-8.12-17
- Psalm             18:8-11.Jn 6:68
- Second Reading   A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1:22-25
- Gospel             John 2:13-25

**ROC: CINEMA@THE FUSE**

Free Cinema for adults every Friday morning from 27th February at 9.30 am and Friday afternoon at 2.30 pm.  
Call 0161-393-4511 to enquire about current listings.

**ROTA'S**

New Rota's for Eucharistic Ministers, Readers and Welcomer's will be available in the Sacristy next weekend. Please remember to take your copy home.  
If you are unavailable on the dates given please contact Margaret Cornwall (Eucharistic Ministers) and Pat Fannon (Readers) who will try and arrange an alternative date for you. Many thanks.

**ST PATRICKS DANCE NIGHT**

St Patricks night come along and celebrate with us at Partington Social Club on Saturday 14th March from 7.30 till late. We have great music and a buffet, just for £5 pay on door. So dust off your dancing shoes. See Jeanette if anyone would like more information

The Offertory Collection was £ 380.17 - **Thanks for all once again for your giving and generosity.**

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**OTHER NEWS**

**A TIME TO LISTEN, A TIME TO BE HEARD**

Have you heard about the Synod on the Family? Would you like to share your thoughts, feelings and experiences of family life?

**St Peter's Parish Centre, Green Lane, Hazel Grove, Stockport, SK7 4EA on Saturdays: 7<sup>th</sup> March, 14<sup>th</sup> March and 21<sup>st</sup> March (2-4pm).**

These meetings will each have a different focus.

They are being arranged by members of ACTA (A Call To Action) - a group of Catholics who are seeking to improve dialogue within the church. See the website for more details: [www.acalltoaction.org.uk](http://www.acalltoaction.org.uk)

The meetings will also provide a chance to invite and hear the voices of those who for one reason or another find themselves 'on the edge' of our parishes (or who may have stopped attending).

**ATTENTION ALL GIFT AID DONORS**

The tax year 2014/15 will be coming to an end on 5th April and the Parish will then undertake the process of claiming back the Gift Aid refunds on donations made in the tax year. If your circumstances have changed and you no longer pay income tax (or if for any other reason you do not wish to remain in the Gift Aid Scheme) please contact St Margaret Ward Parish Gift Aid Organisers Maria and Peter Barker (Phone Number 973 1425) by 5th April, otherwise it will be assumed you have paid sufficient income tax for the Parish to reclaim Gift Aid on donations made in the tax year. Thank you

**ST MARGARET WARD CHARITY AUCTION**

The annual St. Margaret Ward Cafod auction will take place on Friday, 27th March, 2015 in the school hall. Viewing will take place between 7.00 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. With the auction commencing at 7.30 p.m., promptly - We hope!

If you have any unwanted gifts or any suitable, non electrical items, please leave them in any of the three parishes sacristies or alternatively 'phone 283 7507 for home collection. All proceeds are to be shared equally between Cafod and Christian Aid.

Please come and support us on the night and get one of the many bargains! It is a fun night, enjoy a drink (bring your own), nibbles and good humoured banter! Admission is £1 on the door.

**PARISH REPRESENTATIVES**

We do need a Parish Representative, for the LPA. Local Pastoral Area, working together with all the other parishes and it will be a commitment of about 4 meetings a year. If you can help or need more information, can you please have a word with one of the Deacons or Fr Ned. This is very important that we comply as a **PARISH**

**SACRISTAN**

We would like to thank Keith Jones for helping out in Paddy's absence, it is very much appreciated .

**THE CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP**

This mediation group meets on Tuesday evenings at St Margaret Ward. Please note the group will not be meeting for the next three weeks.

The next meeting will be Tuesday 24th March 7.30 pm.

The Offertory Collection was £ 408.11 - **Thanks for all once again for your giving and generosity.**

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**OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

**TIME FOR A CUPPA?**

There will be a Coffee Morning at St. Mary's Church, Partington on Saturday 7th March 10 am until 12 noon. All money raised will go to Dementia.UK towards helping people affected by dementia. Everyone very welcome.

**LENTEN PROGRAMME**

This year a few things are different during the time of Lent with some new Mass schedules and gatherings with other churches. So we now have put the following dates forward:

**LENTEN TALKS OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

Tuesday 3rd March 8.00 pm  
Tuesday 24th March 8.00pm

**FRIDAY MASSES & SERVICES**

Friday 6th March All Saints Mass 9.15am  
Friday 6th March (Churches together) St Martins Church 7.30pm  
Friday 13th March All Saints Mass 7.30pm  
Friday 20th March All Saints Mass 7.30pm  
Friday 27th March All Saints Mass 7.30pm

**HOLY WEEK**

Monday 30th March St Margaret Ward 7.30pm  
Tuesday 31st March Our Lady of Lourdes 7.30pm  
Wednesday 1st April All Saints 7.30pm

We will also be offering a Mass every Monday Evening during Lent at All Saints. This will hopefully give you all , other opportunities to try and attend more Masses during Lent.

**LPA RECONCILIATION SERVICE**

This lent , the Lenten Reconciliation will take place in All Saints at 7.00pm  
On Wednesday 25th March

We plan to have a group of priests celebrating with us on this night.

**PLEASE PUT ALL THESE DATES IN YOUR DAIRIES TO ENSURE YOU DON'T MISS OUT ON ANY OF OUR MASSES, SERVICES AND TALKS IN OUR LENTEN PROGRAMME.**

## ALL PARISHES

### FAMILY FAST DAY

Family Fast Day took place on Friday 27th February, could we please ask that you take an envelope or contribute to the retiring collection over this weekend on your way out of church. Remember this Lent, every pound you give will be matched by the UK Government up to the value of 3.5 million, so please give as much as you can.

### SYNOD ON MARRIAGE AND FAMILY

The next synod takes place in October and we all have been given a chance to express our views. We have had the questions printed and we would appreciate and ask that you take one home and respond to it. This is very important that we take this opportunity given to us to respond. Once completed we will forward all our responses on to Cardinal Nichols. It is vital that we express our opinions. We have been given a voice, let us use it to bring change. All replies need to be in by 17th May. Please take a questionnaire today.

### FOODBANK COLLECTION

Thank you once again for your generous contributions you have given this month. We have taken them to the Trussell Trust and again they were really grateful, especially for the donations of hygiene products which there remains a shortage of. We will continue to collect in March please leave your bags at any of the three sacristies and at the end of the month will deliver donated bags to Trafford Food Bank.

### CHURCHES TOGETHER

Thank you to all who attended and supported the Churches together service last Friday. Our next Churches Together will be next Friday evening 6th March. Fr Ned will be at St Martins and we ask as many of you as possible to join us to celebrate Churches Together.

### CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

The first meeting took place last Sunday, just to inform you the Confirmation Mass will take place on Tuesday 5th May.

### SHREWSBURY DIOCESE ANNUAL LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

A group of Parishioners from Our Lady of Lourdes are going on the above Pilgrimage to Lourdes, on Wednesday 29th July until Tuesday 4th August by air. (Overland Tuesday 28th July until Wednesday 5th August). If any parishioner from our three parishes is interested in joining the group, please contact Father Ned for more information.

### NORTH CHESHIRE SERRA CLUB

Meeting at 'Westleigh', Groby Road, Altrincham at 7.15pm: 23rd March: Fr Geoff O'Grady - Lenten Reflections. Everybody welcome. Please ring Gerry Lanigan on or before the Friday before the meeting (0161 428 9103) if you wish to come.

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## ALL SAINTS

### MONDAY CLUB

The Monday Club will meet on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 2.00pm in the Parish Centre. This will be an informal gathering to discuss all ideas and plans over a cup of tea/ coffee. Remember anyone over 50 are welcome. Please join us'

### ALL SAINTS CHURCH ROOF

We are now in the process of looking at repairs needed for our roof, they will be major and this leads to big expense. We will keep you posted over the next few weeks as soon as we get further news.

### BIDDING PRAYERS

Here is a reminder to those of you who volunteered to write bidding prayers during March. Many thanks for offering to do so.

1st Mary Williams  
8th Paul Mativenga  
15th Anita Hewitt  
22nd Joe Keaney  
29th Nina Chidgey

Please drop your contribution into the sacristy or email to: [parishes3@yahoo.com](mailto:parishes3@yahoo.com) by the Friday before. April is nearly full but we are missing a volunteer for the church's biggest day, Easter Sunday (5th April). See the noticeboard at the back of church and add your name there or have a word at the 9.30 mass with Joe Keaney. Many thanks.

### PIETY SHOP

We now have St Patricks day cards in, so please do take some time on your way out of Mass to have a look around. We do really appreciate the hard work it takes to run the shop and encourage you all to support it when you can.

The Offertory Collection was £ 824.21 - **Thanks for all once again for your giving and generosity.**

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## ST MARGARET WARD

### BIG BREW – THANK YOU !

We would like to say a huge 'Thank you' to everyone who supported our Fairtrade Fortnight Big Brew Coffee Morning at St Margaret Ward School. It was lovely to welcome so many parishioners, parents and family members and it was great that you came to join us.

Through your generous donations, raffle tickets and tea cosy sales, we raised £210 for the Valley of the Moon Children's Centre in Bolivia and the money has already been sent on to the Centro Infantil.

Thank you so much for all your support and we hope you enjoyed your Fair Trade cuppa! (Raffle winners have all been contacted).