



The Parishes of

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		St. Margaret Ward	All Saints		Our Lady of Lourdes
5th Sunday of Lent					
Sat 12th	5.30 pm	Martin Tarpey			
Sun 13th			9.30 am	Gordon Foster	11.00 am
Sun 13th			5.00 pm	Eamonn O'Donnell	
Mon 14th	9.15 am	Eucharistic Service		Eucharistic Service	No Service
Tues 15th	9.15 am	Robert Keenan (School Mass)		No Service	7:30 pm
Wed 16th	9.15 am	Eucharistic Service	7.30pm	Louis West	12.15pm
Thurs 17th	7.30pm	Kate Norris		No Service	No Service
Frid 18th	9.15 am	Eucharistic Service	9.15am	Fabian Gaughan (School Mass)	12.15pm
					Terry (RIP)
6th Sunday of Lent					
Sat 19th	5.30 pm	John O' Hara			
Sun 20th			9.30 am	Michelle Read	11.00 am
Sun 20th			5.00 pm	Nora Foy	

Newsletter 5th Sunday of Lent

First Reading	Isaiah	43:16-21
Psalm	Psalm	125.R.v3
Second Reading	St Paul	3:8-14
Gospel	John	8:1-11

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

In the whole of the New Testament, we see God, in the person of Jesus, calling his sinful people to be converted, to put the whole trust in the message he brings, and to follow his way, as the way of truth and life.

In today's gospel, we see a lonely, frightened woman caught in the act of adultery, then manipulated by cruel self – righteous men, for their own ends. Jesus refuses to condemn her. Rather, he gives her the opportunity to repent, to change her ways. Jesus came, not to condemn, but to save - to give new and enduring life.

The utter completeness of Christ's forgiveness is almost incredible. When he says to us, "Neither do I condemn you, the past is dead, snuffed out like a candle wick forgotten." That is what is meant when one says that God has such a poor memory, he only sees and know the person actually in front of him, at this moment. "No need to recall the past, no need to think about what was done before," Isaiah says in today's first reading.

We will find happiness and peace in our lives, if on the other hand, we can really grasp the attitude of God to the sinner, and if, on the other hand, we can make that attitude our own, in our relationships with others.

Psalm:

What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad.

Gospel Acclamation:

Praise to you, O Christ , king of eternal glory!
Seek good and not evil so that you may live,
and that the Lord God of hosts may really be with you.
Praise to you, O Christ , king of eternal glory!

Communion Antiphon :

Has no one condemned you, woman? No one, Lord.
Neither shall I condemn you. From now on, sin no more.

Next Week s Readings:

First Reading	Isaiah	50:4-7
Psalm	Psalm	21:8-9,17-20,23-24
Second Reading	Philippians	2:6-11
Gospel	Luke	19:28-40

OTHER NEWS

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ENTERING HOLY WEEK

18TH - 20TH MARCH

A Silent Weekend Retreat

With workshops that helps us prepare for the week that lies ahead

It begins

with an evening meal at 6pm on the Friday and ends with lunch on Sunday

Offerings £95—£105

For more information please contact

Retreat Secretary tel: 01492 878031 Email loretocentre@yahoo.co.uk

Website: www.loretocentre.org.uk

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, ECCLES M30 OLU

Divine Mercy Celebration

Sunday 3rd April 2016

Low Sunday

2 pm	† Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions † Chaplet of Divine Mercy (15mins)
3 pm	† Holy Mass

Refreshments will be available in the parish hall

ALL PARISHES

ST MARGARET WARD

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT BIG BREW

Thank you to everyone who came along and supported our Big Brew-Big Breakfast last Tuesday and your very generous donations raised a total of £168.65 for the Valley of the Moon Children's Centre. More information and some photos from the day can be found at www.stmargaretward.trafford.sch.uk/news/fair-trade. Thank again you for all your support .

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2016-17

For parishioners who use weekly envelopes, the boxes of envelopes for the year 2016-17, labelled with your name and address, are now ready for collection from the table in the entrance.

If you would like to start using weekly envelopes, kindly feel free to take a blank box. You are invited to complete your details on a card in the box, and enclose this in the first envelope you use. For details of how to Gift Aid your donations please contact St Margaret Ward Parish Gift Aid Organisers Maria and Peter Barker (Phone Number 973 1425). Many thanks.

RECYCLING FOR TRADCRAFT

If you have any old, broken or unwanted jewellery (snapped chains, broken watches and odd earrings are ideal!) or any old/foreign banknotes cluttering up your drawers - you can recycle them and you'll be making cash to go towards the **Traidcraft Exchange life-changing development projects in East Africa and Asia**. Their partners at Recycling for Good Causes will reuse and recycle the jewellery, giving proceeds to Traidcraft Exchange and saving precious raw materials at the same time! **Recycle envelopes will be in every class and we will also leave some in the Church entrance at St Margaret Ward.** Thank you.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION OF JOHN MAIN OSB

'Be still and know that I am God'

This group continues to meet every Tuesday evening 7.30 pm at St Margaret Ward. All welcome, contact Pat 962 8661

The Offertory Collection was £ 341.49 - **Thanks for all once again for your giving and generosity.**

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OUR LADY OF LOURDES

ST PATRICKS NIGHT

Partington Social Club, Saturday 19th March 2016, 7pm - 1pm
Tickets £5 — with refreshments, All proceeds go to Cornerstone.

The Offertory Collection was £330.94 **Thanks for all once again for your giving and generosity**

CONFIRMATION

This weekend we welcome the Confirmation candidates who will be enrolled this weekend at the parish Masses. Please keep the candidates in your prayers as they journey along their spiritual pathway to the Sacrament of Confirmation.

FIRST FORGIVENESS

May we congratulate all the children who made their First Forgiveness this week in all our three parishes. May we remember them in our prayers. Thank you to all the teachers involved and to the parents supporting the children.

REFUGEES - UPDATE

As you know St Peters Parish Hazel Grove are now working with 30 refugees a week in their parish, we asked a few weeks ago for donations of toiletries and you very kindly provided us with a car load full. St Peters are very grateful for your support.. Please do keep supporting them with toiletries and they are appealing for second hand holdalls (not suitcases) if you feel you can help please leave them in at All Saints Presbytery.

ANNUAL CAFOD AUCTION

We are pleased to announce the annual CAFOD auction is to be held at St. Margaret Ward on Friday 22nd April 2016 with viewing of items commencing from 7pm and the auction starting promptly at 7:30pm. The entrance fee will be £1 per person and all proceeds raised on the night will go to CAFOD projects. All are welcome, so come along, have some fun and see if you can "bag" a bargain.

We need you to search out and donate good quality items (**please no jumble**) and items can be left in the sacristy anytime from now.

SHAWSHANK REDEMPTION THEATRE TRIP - UPDATE

All tickets now booked and the coach is full. Tickets cost £28 and if you are writing a cheque please make it payable to All Saints. Money can be handed in from now, please put Cheque/money in an envelope with the names for the tickets on the front. Thank you to those who signed up and sorry to those who did not get a place. We will have a reserve list, should you wish to be put on it in case of any unforeseen cancellations.

EASTER SERVICE CARDS - UPDATE

There is an error in the printing, Easter Sunday should read 27th March , and Mass at St Margaret Ward Vigil Mass for Palm Sunday is at 5.30pm. Make sure as you leave church you pick up an Easter card which has all the Masses and Services over Easter inside. Please take some for family and friends .

RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE TODAY

We have two young Loreto girls Molly and Megan Brookbanks from St Margaret Wards Parish who have signed up to go to Krakow in Poland for the World Youth Day in July, this also includes volunteering for a week whilst over there. They need to raise money for part of their share of the cost of the Pilgrimage. They will be holding a raffle after all three Masses, prizes include Bottles, Chocolates and other treats. The raffle is a £1 a strip. It would be great if you could support them after Mass as you leave church today .

LENTEN TALK - THIS WEDNESDAY

The next talk with Sr Catherine or Margaret Lillis will take place this Wednesday 16th March 8pm , at All Saints after Mass. Do please pass the word around, all welcome.

MANDELA TRILOGY AT THE LOWRY FRI 23RD SEPTEMBER

The 24 places on this theatre trip are fully booked and payment is now due. Tickets are £31.00 each. If paying by cheque, please make cheques out to F Moley, and pay me or Fr Ned. An optional pre-show meal will be arranged - details later

SUMMER FAIRS

It is never too early to leave items in to any of the three parishes. Items such as, Bottles, Toiletries, Games, Chocolate, Perfume, Aftershaves etc. If people could volunteer items for our raffles this is very much appreciated too. Donations also very welcome. So please feel free to leave items in to any of our three parishes. Thank you.

MONDAY CLUB

This Monday (14th) we will celebrate the Club's First Birthday with a special Afternoon Tea and entertainment
All 'over 50s' are welcome as always

FAMILY MEMBERS IN HOSPITAL

If you , or one of your family , comes in to Hospital via A&E and then goes to a ward and would like to see a Chaplain for Sacrament of the Sick, Communion, Blessing or a listening ear, please can you inform the nurse who is looking after you that you want RC to be put on your notes to let the Chaplaincy know. If you are in on a Friday or Sunday and have not seen a Chaplaincy volunteer and wish to have Communion or a Blessing on Sunday please ask the nurse to contact the Chaplaincy or contact them yourself. The Chaplaincy number is 291 - 2297

CHURCHES TOGETHER

Please note the next Churches together gathering

All Saints Friday 18th March 7pm

Good Friday - Around The Cross at All Saints 25th March 7.30pm

ALL SAINTS

SUMMER FAIR MEETING - THIS WEEK

The first meeting will take place this Tuesday 15th March. All those who will be involved are asked to come along and we also welcome those who would like to get involved for the first time. The fair is so important this year as we need to fundraise for the church roof. So please come 8pm in the Parish Centre.

ALL SAINTS GOLDEN JUBILEE - BUFFET HELPERS

As you are aware we are to have a Mass for the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of All Saints Church on Friday 20th May at 7.30pm and following we will have a social gathering in the Parish Centre. We therefore appeal for anyone who can help in the preparations of the buffet, (similar to what we arranged for Fr Neds Silver Jubilee) we ask you to come along to a meeting after Mass on Wednesday 6th April to arrange the preparations. Thank you

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2016/2017

Boxes of envelopes for the year ahead are now available in the church porch. If you are currently a member of the Gift Aid Scheme but no longer pay income tax you must please let us know.

If you are not in the Gift Aid Scheme but do pay income tax and wish to join please contact David Bancroft on 282 0078. Thank you.

ALL SAINTS BIDDING PRAYERS

Many thanks to everyone who signed up to contribute bidding prayers some time ago. Here's a reminder of the rota for March.

13th Rumbi Marivenga

20th Angela Mannion

27th The Perkins family

Please submit your contribution by the Friday before the Sunday either directly to the parish office or via email at parishes3@yahoo.com. A full list of all contributors to the end of March 2016 can also be found on the noticeboard at the back of church and on the three parishes' website.

TRAIDCRAFT BIG BREW SUNDAY APRIL 3RD

We are holding our slightly delayed Traidcraft Big Brew after 9.30 mass on Sunday 3rd of April. There will be fairtrade fresh coffee, tea, biscuits and cake for you to sample and a wide range of Traidcraft products available to buy. Your support will help vulnerable farmers and communities to thrive. Take a look at our Spring catalogue available now at the back of church.

The Offertory Collection was £ 732.67- **Thanks for all once again for your giving and generosity.**

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