

OUR PARISHES NEWSLETTER

3rd March 2019 8th Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading

Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7

Psalm

Ps. 91:2-3,13-16.R.Cf.v2

Second Reading

Corinthians 15:54-58

Gospel

Luke 6:39-45

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NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading
Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Psalms
Ps. 90:1-2.10-15.R.v15

Second Reading
Romans 10:8-13

Gospel
Luke 4:1-13

REFLECTION

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus calls his listeners to candid self-examination and authentic efforts to improve self, before attempting to help others improve themselves. Jesus spoke of teachers and guides with flawed vision. He noted the heart's potential for producing good and evil. He urged people to develop proper vision and insight and a good heart. It is clear to Jesus that a person cultivates a good heart that will produce good fruit "for it is out of the abundance of the heart that the mouth speaks words that others will hear, remember and act upon".

What Jesus warns against is the danger of judging, not actions but the human heart. What we can be sure of is that we are all sinners, left to ourselves we cannot change! Perhaps this is why St. Peter, who we think may have heard these words, would never give up hope in Jesus' patience and forgiveness, no matter how weighty and catastrophic, his moral failure and cowardice, lies, even betrayal, were. Jesus addresses his teaching, "to you who hear," meaning those poor enough to be responsive to his words. He then proceeds to urge love of enemies, nonviolence, selfless giving and a compassion that imitates God's own mercy. The heart that the mouth reveals is to be that kind of heart and the gift of the Spirit given in prayer, enables us to become those who listen to Jesus' words and act upon them.

PSALM

It is good to give you thanks O Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Open our hearts, O Lord, to accept the words of
your Son.
Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me, sing psalms to the name of the Lord Most High.

ALL PARISHES

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS WYTHENSHAWE HOSPITAL

Thank you to Peter Booth for talking to us last weekend to explain the work of the Eucharistic Ministers who volunteer at Wythenshawe Hospital. He asked for more Volunteers and if you are interested please do call **Wythenshawe Hospital Chaplaincy: 0161 291 2297**. Thank you to all the current Eucharistic Ministers for their continuing support, and hopefully more people will come forward to be part of this very needed and important work for the Hospital Chaplaincy.

CONGRATULATIONS

Best wishes to all those who recently celebrated their First Forgiveness or who will be in the coming week, and to all our teenagers who have just begun their journey to celebrate Confirmation on 21st May. Let us keep all these young people in our prayers.

FR BERNARD UPDATE

All being well, Fr Bernard is hoping to be with us this weekend, we look forward to seeing him.

MONDAY CLUB

For those who have booked we have this week our first outing of the year. The Coach will leave All Saints Car Park at 10.30 am to travel to the Antiques Emporium at Pear Mill, Bredbury, we will leave the Mill at 1.00 pm and proceed to The Vinery in Bruntwood Park, Cheadle where we will enjoy their splendid Afternoon Tea. We will leave The Vinery at 4.00 pm returning to All Saints at approximately 4.30 pm

GLUTEN FREE

Please do come forward if you need to receive Gluten Free Host. Have a word with Fr Ned or Deacons Anthony and John.

THE KING AND I THEATRE TRIP

We have now filled all the seats for The King and I. The date is Thursday 9th May at 7.30pm and the tickets are £48 including the coach. We ask that you pay as soon as you can, cheques made payable to All Saints Church, please put in an envelope with your name on the front and the amount of tickets you are paying for. The deadline for payment is 31st March. Thank you to all those who have already paid.

FAMILY FAST DAY

This years Family Fast Day is Friday 15th March 2019. We will be having a retiring collection for family fast on the weekend of 16th/17th March. So please let us help those less fortunate than ourselves.

LORETO PREP SCHOOL

Loreto Prep School are holding an Open Morning on Saturday 9th March 10am to 12.30pm. All are invited to join us and see why our pupils love coming to school every day.

Further information can be found on the school website or by contacting the school office on 0161 928 8310.

GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATIONS 2018

In our parishes, we do hold Personal Data for example from the census recently taken, any rotas we might have, Marriage details, Baptism details, all these details are kept locked in the safe or locked in the office. We also shred documents/forms after use. **If you do not wish for us to have this data please come forward and speak to Fr Ned.**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Community Masses

St Margaret Ward :	Saturday 29th June 2019
Our Lady of Lourdes	Sunday 7th April 2019
	Sunday 30th June 2019
All Saints	Sunday 16th June 2019

Please note the dates above, readers and planning of the Offertory as you will not be needed on those dates.

Readers Day - 23rd March 10am - 1pm

Retreat Day - 25th May 10.30am - 3pm

First Holy Communion 2019

All Saints Saturday	Saturday 27th April 2019
Our Lady of Lourdes	Saturday 11th May 2019
St Margaret Ward	Saturday 18th May 2019

Spring Concert (Change of date) Friday 10th May at All Saints.

ALL SAINTS

COMMUNITY MASS

Today we have our first community Mass with the school, a new venture with schools taking more involvement with the Parish, by leading the Mass three times a year.

ALL SAINTS PARISH COUNCIL - RESCHEDULE

We had to reschedule the meeting and so I would ask all members to put Wednesday 27th March in your diaries after 7.30pm Mass. Thank you.

FLOWERS IN CHURCH

Many thanks to those ladies who have offered their help with this service. We now have enough people to form 3 teams of 3 and 1 team of 2. This means we are on call now once a month. It is greatly appreciated. The new revised rotas are in the Sacristy ready for collection. If there any others who would like to help you would be most welcome, just let Anita Hewitt know. Once again MANY, MANY THANKS!

The Offertory Collection was £ 941.24 **Thanks all once again for your giving and generosity.**

ST MARGARET WARD

ATTENTION ALL GIFT AID DONORS

The tax year 2018/19 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 & Peter Barker (Phone number 0161 973 1425) by 5th April, otherwise it will be assumed that you have paid sufficient income tax for the Parish to reclaim Gift Aid on donations made in the tax year. Please also contact Maria & Peter if you have changed your home address in the past year.

Many thanks.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2019/20

For parishioners who use weekly envelopes, the boxes of envelopes for the year 2019/20, labelled with your name, are now ready for collection from the stage at the back of the church.

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

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Many thanks.

RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE - ROOF FUND

A parishioner gave a £200 voucher from the Trafford Centre and we will be holding a raffle for the voucher on Easter Sunday morning at All Saints. So as you leave St Margaret Ward this evening, there will be people outside selling tickets. So please support if you can.

ST MARGARET WARD SCHOOL

The Offertory Collection was £ 275.90 **Thanks all once again for your giving and generosity.**

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

50/50 CLUB MAIN DRAW

Today the 50/50 Club Draw is due to take place. To make it fair for everyone if you have not paid by the 3rd March your number cannot be entered.

It would be great if more parishioners, family and friends could join the next 10-week session. It is only £2 per week with 2 - £10 prizes drawn each week. At the end of this 10-week session a total of £600 can be won. This is a great fundraiser for the parish as half the proceeds go to the parish or a chosen charity and half is paid out in prize money.

If you are interested in joining the 50/50 Club, please see Margaret Cornwall

PARKING

We would ask you please not to park in the area outside of the church on the main road. Some of our neighbours across have had their cars scratched. Please use the side roads nearby or further down to park. We do want to live in peace with our neighbours. So please no double parking outside the Church.

HELP – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO SERVE TEA AND COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASS

We are asking for anyone to help with the Tea and Coffee which we serve each week after the 11 am Sunday Mass. At the moment due to sickness and holidays we are relying on just one or two parishioners to help. You do not

have to do it every week, and it would be ideal if we could manage to have a Rota. We do not want to lose this opportunity for you to catch up for a chat and (gossip) with your fellow parishioners, as we know that some of you may only see each other on a Sunday morning. Please think about helping and this includes our young people too.

NURSERY SCHOOL PLACES

Our Lady of Lourdes School still have a few nursery places left, full time and part time. For an application or further information please contact the school on 775 2847.

The Offertory Collection was £271.03 **Thanks all once again for your giving and generosity.**

OTHER NEWS

JOB VACANCY

Two important opportunities have arisen for a Deputy Director of Schools and a Diocesan Religious Coordinator to implement sector leading support and advice within the Diocese of Shrewsbury.

The roles will require individuals who demonstrate absolute commitment to delivering the highest standards of support to schools.

The individuals will demonstrate a significant track record in education across geographically dispersed schools. Working in partnership with the Director of Schools, these are key roles ensuring the highest standards are upheld and will require a practising Catholic.

Working in the office of the Diocese of Shrewsbury, 2 Park Road South, Birkenhead, Wirral CH43 4UX the successful candidates will join a committed professional team.

Further details of the role including an application form can be found at <http://dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies>

Please send completed applications to recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

Closing date Friday 16 March 2019

		St. Margaret Ward		All Saints		Our Lady of Lourdes
8th Sunday of Ordinary Time						
Sat 2nd	5.30pm	Franz Poisson				
Sun 3rd			9.30am	Jack & Joyce Smith	11.00 am	Paddy Higgins
Sun 3rd			5.00pm	Kathleen Lowe		
Mon 4th		No Service	9.15am	Eucharistic Service		
Tues 5th		No Service		No Service	7.30pm	Joe Stapleton
Wed 6th	9.15am	Eucharistic Service	7.30pm	Ken Smith		No Service
Thurs 7th	7.30pm	Eileen McCann		No Service		No Service
Frid 8th		No Service	9.15am	Eucharistic Service	12.15pm	Pat Gorman
1st Sunday of Lent						
Sat 9th	5.30pm	Mary & James Costello				
Sun 10th			9.30am	Sean Wally	11.00 am	Janice Ryan
Sun 10th			5.00pm	Deidre Fitzpatrick		