# **Christus Surrexit Alleluia**

Masses and Liturgies				
Time, church		Liturgy		
Monday	0900 STM	Mass		
Tuesday	0900 STM	Mass		
Wednesday	0900 STM	Mass		
	1030 SP	Requiem Margaret Patrick		
Thursday	0900 SP	Mass		
Friday	12 noon SP	Mass		
	1230 STM	Requiem Peter Malone		
Saturday	1000 SP	Reconcilliation		
	1100 SP	Mass, then Novena		
	1830 STM	Mass		
Sunday	0930 SP	Mass		
	1100 STM	Mass		
	1830 SP	Mass		
Baptisms Registration takes place at STM after 1100				

**Baptisms** Registration takes place at STM after 1100 Mass on the first Sunday of each month. Parents are warmly invited to register their child after that Mass

#### Pray for those who are sick

Mary Welsby, Colette Ogden, Denis Bardsley, Roy Smethurst, Eileen Gill, Clare Hadlow, Jean O'Loughlin, Ellen (Nell) Orry, Austin Fagan, Anne Edge, Madeleine Sale, Fiona Jones, Paul Brierley, Margaret Murray, Danny Duignan, Irene Woolrich, Christine Cowen, Gordon Jackson, Mary Upton, John Kirby, Anna Beisty, Kathleen Mastin, Denis Fitzpatrick, Martin Brennan, Peggy Connarty, Jean Woolley, John Loran, Donald Adamson, Paul Tamburro, James Weinowski, Liane Clegg, Mary Jackson

#### **Masses received**

People of the Parish, Sick and Housebound, Sheila Welsby, Nora and Norman Brown, Special intention, Joan Hall, Imelda O'Hanlon, Debbie Edwards, Margaret Mary Kelly BA, Thomas Erland AV, Peter Larkin AV, Joan Needle AV, Jim Harvey LD11, Joan Grogan LD, Maureen Carey BA, Louise Ellis BA2, Brian Stocks AV, Canon David Ryder, Canon Tony McBride, Kathleen Hunt LD, Sean Hyland AV, John Hall BA, David Addison B, Jan, Elisabeth and John Pipka, Maureen Gilligan AV, Andrew Maguire, Mike Walker AV, Steven Latchford LD, Peter Malone LD, Michael Taylor LD, Family of Michael Taylor, Billy Thomson AV

#### This week's Gospel

Our Gospel today tells us about the disciples' discovery of the empty tomb. Mary Magdala observes that the stone that had sealed the tomb had been moved, and she runs to alert Simon Peter and the beloved disciple. Her statement to them is telling. She assumes that Jesus' body has been removed, perhaps stolen. She does not consider that Jesus has been raised from the dead. Simon Peter and the beloved disciple race to the tomb. The Gospel passage concludes that even having seen the empty tomb and the burial cloths, the disciples do not yet understand about the Resurrection. In the weeks ahead, the Gospel readings from our liturgy will show us how the disciples came to believe in Jesus' Resurrection through his appearances to them. Our Easter faith is based on their witness to both the empty tomb and their continuing relationship with Jesus - in his appearances and in his gift of the Holy Spirit.

#### Pope Francis Angelus, Palm Sunday

Pope Francis offered his assurance of his prayers for the victims of the terrorist attack in Moscow as he prayed the Angelus in St. Peter's Square at the conclusion of Mass on Palm Sunday. May the Lord welcome them in His peace and comfort their families, he added. The Pope also prayed that God might instil peace in the hearts of all people. May He convert the hearts of those who plan, organise, and carry out these inhumane actions, which offend God, who commanded: 'Thou shalt not kill', he said. At least 4 armed men entered the Crocus City concert hall in Moscow on Friday evening, opening fire and killing at least 139 people and injuring dozens of others. In his Angelus address, Pope Francis also prayed for everyone suffering due to war, especially in Ukraine and Gaza. So many people are without electricity due to intense attacks against infrastructure, which, besides causing death and suffering, raise the risk of an even greater humanitarian catastrophe, the Pope said. Please, he added, let us not forget martyred Ukraine, and let us also think of Gaza which is suffering greatly, along with other places of war. The Pope then invited Christians to enter Holy Week by entrusting our journey toward Easter to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Let us learn from her to draw near to Jesus in these days of Holy Week, so that we may arrive at the joy of the Resurrection.

#### Parish Finance

Last week £1605 was banked for the parish. Thank you.

Ministry of Lector					
	Mass	30-31	6-7 April	13-14 April	
		March			
Sat	1830	Vigil SP	M Wray	C Williams	
Sun	0930	F Coltas	M Perks	J Kelleher	
Sun	1100	P Martin	M Kelly	C Tennant	
Sun	1830	M Gifford	M Hopkins	D Walsh	
Extra-ordinary Miniters of The Eucharist					
Sun	0930	C Millward	M Smith	C Halliwell	

#### **Offertory envelopes**

Offertory envelopes for April 2024 onwards are available in church this weekend. STM envelopes are at the back of church. See Andy Logan for SP envelopes.

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## **Divine Mercy St Clare's**

A day of Divine Mercy will be celebrated at St Clare's RC Church, Blackley, on Sunday 7 April 2024, beginning at 2.30pm. Includes exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction, the Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet.



## Lost property STM church

Lots of things including children's socks, gloves and last week we had a child's quilted jacket. Please come and collect these items.

## **Coffee morning**

The next coffee morning will be on Sunday 7 April after 0930 Mass in St Peter's Hall and on Wednesday 10 April after Mass in STM.

## **Church flowers**

Thank you very much for the kind donations we have received towards the Easter flowers.

### Talks on the Four Constitutions of Vatican II

In response to Pope Francis' invitation to revisit the Four Constitutions of the Second Vatican Council, the Diocese of Salford is holding a series of four evening talks after Easter. The first talk takes place on Wednesday 10 April when Bishop John will explore a little more about *Lumen Gentium*. The talk begins at 7pm at Cathedral Centre, 3 Ford Street, Salford, M3 6DP.

## 'Pilgrims of Hope' Jubilee 2025

To find out more about the Jubilee and this preparatory Year of Prayer, please visit: www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/jubilee-2025/

## Young Adults Mass

St Augustine's, Manchester on Sunday 14 April at 5.30pm with opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 4.45pm.

# Job Vacancies at the Diocese

More information and to apply, visit our website: www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies/

- Education Administrator The Diocese of Salford
- Chef Salford Cathedral House
- Parish Finance Business Partner
- Head of Human Resources

### Launch Mass for Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

At 7pm on Tuesday 16 April at St Patrick's, Livesey Street. For more information on this year's pilgrimage, visit www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/booking-lourdes-2024/

#### **Youth Pilgrimage to Walsingham aimed at Years 7-9** This pilgrimage runs alongside the main diocesan pilgrimage and will leave on Friday 3 May and return on Saturday 4 May. Further details, contact: youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk



"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."

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