

## MASSES AND SERVICES: Ordinary Time Week 24

<b>Vigil</b> 7.00	<b>24th Sunday in OT</b> <i>Denis Hopwood</i>	<b>11 Sept</b>	<b>Thu</b> 9.30	<b>SS Cornelius &amp; Cyprian</b> <i>John Grealis</i>	<b>16 Sept</b>
<b>Sun</b> 9.30	<b>24th Sunday in OT</b> <i>Simon Fender</i>	<b>12 Sept</b>	<b>Fri</b> 9.30	<b>St Robert Bellarmine</b> <i>Joseph Longton</i>	<b>17 Sept</b>
<b>11.00</b> 6.30	<i>Dennis &amp; Michael Bibby &amp; Susan Cole</i> <i>The Parish</i>		<b>Sat</b> 9.30	<i>Margaret Ratzinger</i>	<b>18 Sept</b>
<b>Mon</b> 9.30	<b>St John Chrysostom</b> <i>Fr Denis Blackledge SJ on his 50th Anniversary of Jesuit Profession</i>	<b>13 Sept</b>	<b>Vigil</b> 7.00	<b>25th Sunday in OT</b> <i>Elizabeth Prescott</i>	<b>18 Sept</b>
<b>Tues</b> 9.30	<b>Exaltation of the Holy Cross</b> <i>Michael Heary</i>	<b>14 Sept</b>	<b>Sun</b> 9.30	<b>25th Sunday in OT</b> <i>The Parish</i>	<b>19 Sept</b>
<b>Wed</b> 9.30	<b>Our Lady of Sorrows</b> <i>Richard Worden</i>	<b>15 Sept</b>	<b>11.00</b> 6.30	<i>Mary T Porter &amp; Family</i> <i>Christine Shaw</i>	

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Tuesday & Thursday: 3pm to 4pm;  
Saturday 10-10.30am**  
**Confession: Sat: 10-10-30am or by request to a priest.**

**Sanctuary Lamps : Week 39 :** 1. Special Intention  
2. Special Prayer Intention For a Successful Job Application

All Services can be viewed live or on playback at any time on  
[www.stmarysbrownedge.org.uk](http://www.stmarysbrownedge.org.uk) or [www.churchservices.tv](http://www.churchservices.tv)

### Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

**Prayers for Salford Diocese:** Let us pray for the people of the parish of The Sacred Heart of Jesus, Westhoughton, and for the Parish Priest, Fr. Barry Lomax., and for their parish primary school. May they profess, by their lives, that Jesus is the Christ.

*Stay with us, Lord, on our journey!*



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### Sonnet for St Peter

Impulsive master of misunderstanding  
You comfort me with all your big mistakes;  
Jumping the ship  
before you make the landing,  
Placing the bet before you know the stakes.  
I love the way you step out without knowing,  
The way you sometimes speak  
before you think,  
The way your broken faith is always growing,  
The way he holds you even when you sink.  
Born to a world  
that always tried to shame you,  
Your shaky ego vulnerable to shame,  
I love the way that Jesus chose to name you,  
Before you knew how to deserve that name.  
And in the end your Saviour let you prove  
That each denial is undone by love.

*Malcolm Guite*



**24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**12 SEPTEMBER 2021**

## TODAY: 24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In today's Gospel, we hear Mark's version of Peter's profession of faith. One of the great themes of Mark's gospel is this journey of discovery about who Jesus is; He asks "who do people say I am? Peter replies, "You are the Christ". Where are you on your journey of faith in understanding who Jesus is? Contemplate Him as we celebrate Mass this weekend.

### Offertory Processions:

**19 September 9.30am:** Children

Volunteers are needed for bringing up the offertory gifts at all the Masses.

**SVP Collection** after all Masses next weekend, 18/19 September. Envelopes for SVP donations at any time will be available from the church exits.

**Mothers' Prayers:** On **Wed, 15 Sept** at 1pm the *Mothers Prayers Group* will resume in the Priory Dining Room. We look forward to seeing our old friends and welcoming new ones. Come along and pray for our families.

**Covid19 Restrictions:** The Bishops of England & Wales have issued a document about how the relaxing of Covid restrictions affects churches. This is available on the parish website. We are encouraged to remain careful and the Bishop of Salford has asked each parish to consider their own context as to how far they are willing to ease restrictions. We are enacting the following changes:

- **Stewards are no longer essential but we will ask them to act as "welcomers";**
- **There is no need for sanitising of benches after services;**
- **We recommend that people continue to wear face coverings;**
- **People can now join in with congregational singing (with face coverings);**
- **We will re-introduce the practice of kneeling for those who are able;**
- **The side door by the office will be unbolted during the day to allow access via the push button pad for private prayer.**

**Mass Obligation:** The Sunday Mass obligation is still dispensed, but, if you are not attending in person, do try to watch a Mass online or pray with the sheet "The Lord's Day at Home". The Bishops have indicated that they would like to re-introduce the obligation on the 1st Sunday of Advent.

**Stewards:** We all owe a huge debt of gratitude to the many people who have acted as stewards and church cleaners for over 12 months. We have been very fortunate to have a team of more than 30 people. Initially, we expected it may be for a few weeks that we would have to sanitise the church after each service; little did we imagine that it would be more than a year. We would not have been allowed to celebrate public Mass without their wonderful commitment. We hope to hold a thank you party for all those involved in the near future.

**Saturday Reconciliation: & Exposition:** We have now resumed celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the confessional and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Saturday mornings from 10-10.30am.

**Holy Rosary:** for 18 months we have prayed the rosary online each evening. Now that we are able to resume other commitments, both in Church and elsewhere, it seems the right moment to stop the online rosary. There have been many blessings from it both in the parish and much further afield; We will however broadcast a recording of the rosary on a loop between 8 and 9pm each evening. There are also recordings of each of the 4 sets of Mysteries under the "Featured Videos" tab on our streaming page. These will also be available on our YouTube channel. Please try to maintain the personal practice of praying the rosary.

Moving forward, perhaps someone would like to organise a group who could come together to pray the rosary at a suitable time in church so that people can join in online. Please speak with Fr Mark if you might be able to do this.

**Tues & Thurs Exposition 3-4pm:** We will continue this for the time being, however, as with the rosary, the commitment of leading

this will, at times, need to be taken on by some Eucharistic Ministers.

**Mass Attendance** Last weekend: Vigil: 70; 9.30am: 84; 11am: 55, 6.30pm: 42; Total: 251. The attendance at weekday Mass is about 40 people each day.

**Offertory Donations:** We are not holding offertory collections during Mass but please do try to remember to put your offertory money in the bags on the way in or out of Church. You can also post your donations and any Mass intentions through the Letterbox of the Priory which is locked inside. Also, it is possible to make online donations: [www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/supporting-your-parish-financially/](http://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/supporting-your-parish-financially/) There is a link to this on our website and on the live stream.

There is a page about how we can support the finances of the parish on the website in the "Announcements" section.



### Contactless Payments!

Make use of our machine for contactless payments. Please Gift Aid if you can: on the first use you be asked for your address to register as a gift aid donor. Subsequent payments with the same card will be recognised.

**Facebook:** Please "like" our parish Facebook Page. There are many photos and event announcements which appear there. Also please share items to your own Facebook page so that we can reach out to more people. We now have over 1000 followers; Tell your family and friends to like our page. It can be our part in the New Evangelisation.

**Visits to the sick and housebound:** we are now able to take Holy Communion to people at home once again. If you, or anyone you know, would like communion at home please let us know.

**Sister Mary:** Various items which belonged to Sr Mary are on a table in the narthex. **Please feel free to take anything** which you would like. There is a donation box either for CAFOD or the SVP.

**Holy Land Pilgrimage:** Unfortunately, due to the fact that Israel is currently not admitting groups from the UK because of Covid 19, we have to postpone our pilgrimage to the Holy Land once again. The new dates are 25th April to 2nd May 2022.

Enquires: [info@northernstartravel.com](mailto:info@northernstartravel.com) or 0161 773 2115.

**Volunteers needed:** The Sacramental Programme will be starting soon and we need volunteers to become Catechists. This involves working with a small group of four children for one hour every six weeks. If you feel you can help, please get in touch with Fr Mark or the parish office, tel 335168 or Mrs Livesey, tel 336049

**CAFOD Coffee Morning:** Last week, for the first time in 18 months, we were able to hold our "First Friday Coffee Morning". Thanks to all who attended and helped to make it such a success. The next one will be on Friday 1st October at 10am.

### 200 Club Winners for August:

1st Prize £200: No 92, Mike Bailey;  
2nd Prize £100: No 59, Stella Barton;  
3rd Prize £50: No 38, Bernadette Ryles.

**Sponsored Run:** Russell Ashton and Tina O'Connor will be taking part in the **Great North Run in aid of Breast Cancer Now**. Sponsor Forms are at the church exits. Please hand sponsor money in at the parish office marked Great North Run/Breast Cancer Now. Thank you.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR

#### The sick, and those who care for them:

Fr Cassian Dickie, Jane Cooper, Amy Lloyd  
Andre Jacobs, Elsie Smith, Barbara Davis,  
Teddy Howes, Eddie Gough, Emma Garth,  
Margaret Roxburgh, Joyce Crook, Joe Lever,  
Brenda Towers, Margaret Riley, June Gent,  
Ryan Womack, Tony Wilkinson, Kath Kelly  
Margaret Peacock, Mary Foster, June Wrigley,  
Joan Melling, Mary Aston.

#### All Those who have Recently Died

David Topping.