

**THE GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH
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Saturday 8th 6.00pm. Vigil Mass 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 9th 9.30am. Sunday Mass

Tuesday 11th 10.00am Mass St Barnabas Ap

Wednesday 12th 10.00am Mass

Thursday 13th 5.45pm Exposition and Benediction
6.30pm Mass St Antony P D

Friday 7th 10.00am Mass

Saturday 8th 11.00-11.30 Confessions during Exposition

Saturday 15th 6.00pm. Vigil Mass 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 16th 9.30am. Sunday Mass

Key:	Ap.	Apostle
	Ab	Abbott
	Bp	Bishop
	D	Doctor
	M	Martyr
	P	Priest
	R	Religious
	V	Virgin

Prayer and Discussion Group Tuesday 18th June The Rosary - Why?

There will be a discussion and prayers at 7pm to 8 pm in the St. Peter and Paul's Room in the Presbytery.

How did the Rosary start? What developed it as a popular devotion? Is there only one type of Rosary in use? Have there been changes in its content? How recent was the last change? What should you think about during the Rosary? Is it a meditation or a mantra, or both? Is there a connection between the words of the prayers and the Mysteries to be celebrated? Do you have to say it slowly and think about every word? Is it wrong to say it quickly and 'day dream' through it? What questions do you have? How does it work for you? Come along and share your thoughts and experiences or listen to those of others.

Day for Life collection 15 and 16 June

There will be a collection next weekend.

The theme for this year is:

The Lord is my Shepherd – Compassion and Hope at the End of Life.

June is the month of the Sacred Heart.

During the month of June we are invited to consider the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The 'modern' devotion to the Sacred Heart goes back to a French nun named Sister Margaret Mary Alacoque who began experiencing visions of the Sacred Heart in 1673. Those visions continued for 18 months. During her visions, Sister Margaret Mary learned ways to venerate the Sacred Heart of Christ. These devotions included the concept of a Holy Hour on Thursdays, the creation of the feast of the Sacred Heart after Corpus Christi, and the reception of the Eucharist on the first Friday of every month.



We commemorate these visions with the mosaic in the Sacred Heart chapel next to the sacristy door in Sacred Heart church. Perhaps you might want to consider spending a moment looking at that mosaic, or at the stained glass window in the sanctuary and consider the Love of Jesus which the image portrays. We see a heart, burning with love, but a heart which is pierced and which has bled for us, a heart which is wrapped in a crown of thorns, which has suffered for us and a heart which is surmounted by a cross, a heart that has died for us.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us.

Notices from the diocese

Mercy Brothers SVP Fundraiser

Clergy-based band The Mercy Brothers are holding a fundraising concert to help support development of the Young Vincentian programmes in Salford and Shrewsbury dioceses. The concert will take place on Friday 21st June at Our Lady's Parish Centre, Flint Street, Stockport SK3 8GE at 7.30pm. Tickets are £15 per person and can be purchased on the day or online at <https://tinyurl.com/mercybrothersconcert>

Information and Guidance on Upcoming Elections

In light of the upcoming general elections on July 4, the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has shared very useful resources that offer information and guidance on key topics of interest to Catholic voters.

The resources can be viewed online at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/election24/>

Reminders

Support for people who were in Ireland's Mother and Baby and County Homes

The Irish Government Mother and Baby and County Home payment scheme is open for applications to people who spent time in one of 44 institutions that existed across the Republic of Ireland from 1922 to 1998. If you were in one of these homes and would like free and confidential support to apply for a payment or to access counselling, obtain Early Life Records, try to trace a family member, or even for just a chat please contact Patrick Rodgers at Fréa - Renewing Roots on 07432138682.

Four Key Themes Announced from Diocesan Synod

The Diocese of Salford has recently shared the four key themes to have emerged from the Big Listen stage of our diocesan synod, which drew to a close in January. The four themes are:

- Nurturing Faith in Tomorrow's World
- Building Connections
- Enabling Access
- Fostering Christ-like Care.

To find out more about the latest updates, what's next for our diocesan synod, or how you can get involved, please visit <https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/synod-gathering-1/>