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**Saturday 1st  
Sunday 2nd**

**6.00pm. Vigil Mass The Presentation of the Lord  
9.30am. Sunday Mass**

Tuesday 4th

10.00am Mass

Wednesday 5th

10.00am Mass St Agatha V M

Thursday 6th

Exposition and Benediction 5.45pm - 6.25pm

6.30pm. Mass St Paul Miki and companions MM

Friday 7th

10.00am. Mass

12.00 noon Wedding Service for Melanie Cocker and Jack Cusham

Saturday 8th

11.00am - 11.30am Confessions

(while the church is so cold we will not have Exposition during Confessions)

St Josephine Bakhita V

**Saturday 8th  
Sunday 9th**

**6.00pm. Vigil Mass 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
9.30am. Sunday Mass**

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

**Feast of St Josephine Bakhita**

The feast day of St Josephine Bakhita, the patron saint of victims of human trafficking and modern slavery, takes place on 8th February. There are 50 million victims of human trafficking across the world and as many as 130,000 in the UK. Charities across the UK and our diocese are working hard to raise awareness and take action on what Pope Francis describes as “a crime against humanity”. Resources to help you find out more can be found at [santamartagroup.org/resources](http://santamartagroup.org/resources).

St Josephine Bakhita was the daughter of a chief in Sudan who was captured and sold many times as a slave before finding herself in the care of Religious Sisters. She chose to be Baptised and became a Sister herself. [https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint\\_id=5601](https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=5601)



**The phone number for the parish office is now 01282 942228. Frustratingly, we are still experiencing broadband problems with the live-streaming of services. We apologise for this and are working to remedy it.**

## CARITAS collection this weekend

In the geography covered by Caritas Salford's services- there are over 333,000 children living in poverty. In June 2024:- There were 419 people sleeping rough. In that month, 5805 households in temporary accommodation, including 8406 children.

Thousands more are at risk of losing their homes due to financial difficulties. Your support can make a big difference to those who are experiencing poverty, homelessness and disadvantage.

Please give as much as you can. There is a bucket at the back of the church for all donations. Thank you.

## Church Cleaning

There will be church cleaning on Tuesday 4th of February after Mass (approximately 10.30)

## Friendship and Bereavement group

The Friendship and Bereavement Group will meet on Wednesday 5th of February after Mass (approximately 10.30)

## CAFOD - A Year of hope: introduction to the Jubilee Year

Pope Francis has called upon us to be "tangible signs of hope" in this Jubilee Year. Find out how you can play your part by watching a **recording of CAFOD's Introduction to the Jubilee Year**.

This was a wonderful morning which included a video message from Cardinal Vincent Nichols, other guests and fabulous music. Find it and other Jubilee resources at [cafod.org.uk/jubilee](https://cafod.org.uk/jubilee) and scrolling down.

## CAFOD - Advance notice for Fundraising for the CAFOD Jubilee Year by Emily and David, our parish representatives on Sunday 16th March

There will be a cake bake sale after Mass in the Hall on **Sunday 16th of March**. If you would like to contribute by baking or buying a cake to sell, please email David on [david.burbridge088@gmail.com](mailto:david.burbridge088@gmail.com). Try and support David and Emily for their first fundraiser by having a cup of tea or coffee with a cake after Mass.

## Retreats at the Christian Heritage Centre

**The Search for Truth: Edith Stein, 14 - 16 March 2025** Fr Matthew Blake, OCD will offer a weekend exploring the life and teachings of Edith Stein, or St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, and her indomitable search for truth that led her to the Catholic faith. For more information and to book: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/the-search-for-truth-edith-stein/>

**Mens' Spiritual Exercises, 30 March - 4 April 2025** A 5-day version of the Ignatian Exercises offered specifically for men (whether lay or ordained), this retreat will be preached by the Benedictine Monks of St Joseph's Abbey, Flavigny (France). Founded in 1988, this community has retained its charism of a specific apostolate to men with a shortened version of the Ignatian Exercises. One-to-one direction will be offered alongside the talks. Priests are welcome to attend and concelebrate or celebrate their own Mass. For more information and to book: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/mens-spiritual-exercises/>