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Divine Mercy Sunday

(2nd Sunday of Easter)

Saturday Vigil Mass 26th: 6.00pm

Sunday 27th: 9.30am Mass.

Monday 28th Feast of St. George

Tuesday 29th 10.00am Eucharistic Service

Wednesday 30th 10.00am Eucharistic Service

Thursday 1st May 5.45pm Exposition

6.30pm Eucharistic Service

St. Joseph the Worker

Friday 2nd 10.00am Eucharistic Service

Saturday 3rd (no services before the Vigil)

Saints Philip and James Apostles

**Saturday 3rd May 6.00pm Vigil Mass
(3rd Sunday of Easter)**

4th May 9.30am Sunday Mass



Prayer for Francis.

O God, faithful rewarder of souls, grant that your departed servant Pope Francis, whom you made successor of Peter and shepherd of your Church, may happily enjoy for ever in your presence in heaven the mysteries of your grace and compassion, which he faithfully ministered on earth.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Eternal rest, grant unto him O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon him.

May he rest in peace.

Amen.

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in Peace. Amen.



Prayer for the election of the next Pope.

O God, who through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit will choose for us your next servant to follow in succession to the Apostle Peter as shepherd of the whole flock, look favourably on the supplications of your people and grant that, as Vicar of Christ on earth, he may confirm his brethren and that the whole Church may be in communion with him in the bond of unity, love and peace, so that in you, the shepherd of souls, all may know the truth and attain life eternal.

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Amen.



Final account for our donation through Red Box for 2024.

Our parish total including individual giving directly amounts to **£1824.94**. This is a significant amount of money that will go a long way to support the mission. Salford dioceses donated £160,000. England and Wales together donated £2M through the Red Box. We would like to take the opportunity to thank you all for your generosity and help collecting and opening the boxes. If anyone has a box at home that has not been opened, please bring it along and hand it over to Jummy or Pius. If you would like a box, please ask either of us.

Thank you again and God bless you all.

Pius & Jummy Adefuye

Diocesan Pilgrimages to Lourdes - for youth and everyone.

For youth - Wednesday 30th July to Thursday 7th August 2025

Are you a young person looking to take part in a pilgrimage this year? Do you want to make new friends, build community, and grow in your faith together as a pilgrim of hope? Why not join the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes between 30th July to 7th August?

Cost per person is £669, including travel by coach, hotel accommodation, and all meals. Young people can join one of three age groups made up of young pilgrims from across the diocese: 13-15 (aspiring volunteers), 16-17, and 18+. For more information or to register, please email youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

Lourdes for all - Thursday 31st July to Wednesday 6th August 2025

Our 2025 pilgrimage coincides with the Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee and will mark the end of our centenary year celebrations. Full details, including travel and accommodation pricing, insurance details and volunteer application forms are now available. Find out more or book online at the website at www.salfordlourdes.co.uk or by calling 0161 817 2209.

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From the Diocese.

Some of this may be useful to people you know who will not have access to this page of the newsletter. If you think it would be useful to pass it on, please do so.

Mass to Celebrate Jubilee Wedding Anniversaries

Are you celebrating a special anniversary this year? Join us on Tuesday 3 June at 7pm at St Bernadette's in Whitefield. Couples celebrating a Jubilee Wedding Anniversary during this Holy Year of Jubilee are invited to join us for this special celebration and to acknowledge this wonderful Sacrament. Friends and family are welcome and everyone is invited to join for refreshments after Mass.

For more information please email: formation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

Two-Child Benefit Cap Survey

Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN) has recently launched a lived experience survey to better understand the impact of the two-child benefit cap on Catholic families in England and Wales and to explore how parishes are supporting families in need. Your responses will contribute to a short report/briefing, and insights gathered will inform further advocacy work to support families affected by the cap, as well as other financial hardship.

You can find the survey here: <https://www.csan.org.uk/news/familysurvey/>

Jubilee Year - Free Accessibility Resource for Parishes

Caritas Salford has created a special Jubilee year resource packed full of information, ideas, links and ways to take action in your parish community when it comes to improving accessibility. There are lots of ways you can do so, and hopefully the resource will inspire you as you work alongside people in your local community. The resource is available here: www.caritassalford.org.uk/JubileeAccessibility