



St John Southworth's RC Parish
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newsletter electronically, then
please email the parish.**

3rd Sunday of Easter

Alleluia
He is

Risen

4th May 2025



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secure online donation to the parish!

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The older part of the roof at Holy Saviour's is more than one hundred and twenty five years old, and, not surprisingly, after more than a century of exposure to Nelson weather, it is in need of some repair work. When it is raining, and the wind is blowing in a particular direction, a large puddle appears at the front of the church just in front of the statue of Our Lady. More importantly, at least two slates have fallen from the roof and have come crashing

down on to the public pavement where they could possibly kill an unfortunate passerby.

Because all the nails which fix the tiles to the roof are of the same age, none of them are really trustworthy. The idea of spending eighty to one hundred thousand pounds on a new roof would seem to be out of the question for a building which has an uncertain future. The more simple option has been to secure about sixty loose tiles with copper straps. As a precaution against further falling tiles, a mesh has been fixed inside the troughing (gutter) to prevent any slipping tiles from reaching the pavement below.

Any job which involves scaffolding immediately takes the bill into the thousands of pounds and is a timely reminder to us that having responsibility for a building is an expensive business. Although in my five years as parish priest I have never mentioned money, I think it my duty to politely remind you that standing orders are by far the most effective and convenient ways of giving. Furthermore, may I remind you of what you already know, that standing order donations need to be periodically reviewed as inflation eats away at their value as the years go by. Our connection to the Offertory at Mass is one of sacrificial giving which not only supports the church but expresses our commitment to the sacrificial love that the Lord has for us.

Just to say a big thank you to Ewa Zycinska for refurbishing the statue of the Sacred Heart which stands above Holy Saviour's doorway. The statue was in rather a sorry state standing in a very clouded perspex case which was half full of water, but now looks well-cared for under the new l.e.d. light fitting!

May the Risen Lord be our joy as we continue to celebrate the Easter Season!

Fr Gerard




Mass schedule for week beginning Monday 5th May

Monday 5th May	Tuesday 6th May	Wednesday 7th May	Thursday 8th May	Friday 9th May	Saturday 10th May	Sunday 11th May
Rosary H.S. 7.00pm	Mass C.C. 10.00am	Mass H.S. 7.00pm	Mass & Exposition C.C. 10.00am	Mass C.C. 10.00am	NO MASS	C.C. 9.30am H.S. 11.15am

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2
This Sunday: 4th May	Jeremiah Javed	Zechariah Javed
Next Sunday: 11th May	George Winkley	Luke Mendoza

Children's Church: C.C. - Khuram & Amanda H.S. - David A, Venus G. Suzanne /Doreen/Sammy

Eucharistic Ministry 1st Sunday (C.C. and H.S.)	
Francis Ryan	Sarah Kelly
Ewa Zycinska	Joanne Thompson
Khuram Javed	Sheila Cooper
Siobhan James	Venus Ghulam
Margaret Morgan	Dawid Zycinski



May is the Month of Mary!

On Monday evenings during May, the Rosary will be recited at Holy Saviour's at 7.00pm.

Is this something the Lord is calling you to?

MASS INTENTIONS

Margaret Beaver, died recently
 Kathleen Brown, died recently
 Zeke Parks, died recently
 Seamus McGahon, RIP
 Mary Anne Jennings, b'day anniv, 2nd May


Catholic and Methodist Time of Prayer

This coming Wednesday, the first Wednesday of the month, there will be a time of shared prayer at Christ Church. The prayer time will begin at 11.30am and will be for just half an hour. Is this something the Lord is calling you to?

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

May 3rd Chad Gildea (2015)
 May 6th Jane Hindle (1971)
 Elaine Cartmel
 May 7th Alphonsus Mc Guinness (1988)
 Patrick Moran (1938)
 Monica Mc Grail (2020)
 May 9th Rosa Pomponi (2010)


May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
 AMEN



POUND DRAW WINNERS

£10.00 Joyce Shea
 £10.00 Eileen Spillane
 £10.00 Sheila Birchall
 £10.00 Barbara Broadley

£95.00 raised for parish funds. Many thanks!



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

The Sacramental Programme meetings resume this coming Tuesday at 6.00pm at Christ Church.

CHURCH COLLECTION

27th April: £400.10
 Standing Orders: approx: £624 p/w
 Many thanks!

JOINT COUNCIL

The next Joint Council meeting will be at Christ Church on Monday 12th May at 7.00pm

