



THE GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH WORSHIPPING AT SACRED HEART CHURCH.

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Saturday 26th	6.00pm Vigil Mass	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 27th	9.30am Mass	
Monday 28th	10.00am Mass	St Wenceslaus M
Tuesday 29th	10.00am Mass	Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael Archangels
Thursday 1st October	5.45pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6.15pm Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 6.30pm Mass	St Therese of the Child Jesus V D
Friday 2nd	10.00am	The Holy Guardian Angels
Saturday 3rd	11.00am - 11.30am	Confessions during Exposition Ss Cosmas M and Damian M
Saturday 3rd	6.00pm Vigil Mass	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 4th	9.30am Mass	

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

Collection for Sick and Retired Clergy Fund this weekend

This Salford Diocesan Fund ensures that retired priests can begin the next chapter of their vocation with confidence, knowing that the Church they have served will continue to accompany them as they age. Every gift to the fund helps to provide the care, dignity, and practical support our priests deserve after years of dedicated service. Please remember them in your prayers and make a gift to the appeal.

Parish Community Support Group- two more volunteers needed for a Wednesday morning for about an hour

We are rightly very proud of all that is done in our local community to alleviate poverty and suffering in so many ways. However, the number of people who are doing this great work on our behalf has reduced for several reasons over the months and if someone is sick or unavailable it makes a big difference to the Parish Community Support Group's ability to achieve its aims. Have you got an hour or so to spare on a Wednesday morning? We have had two volunteers, could we have two more volunteers to help with the food bank. For more information, please ring Ann Marie Broughton on 07498 288380.

Fundraising for the church roof -

Christmas lunch at Colne Golf Club - Saturday 5th of December 2026 - The Roof Fundraising committee has organised a Christmas lunch to celebrate the birth of Christ and raise money for our roof project. The lunch will be held at Colne Golf Club on Saturday 5th December starting at 12:30 pm. There will be a substantial raffle and donations of raffle prizes would be greatly appreciated. You will be able to buy your ticket and choose your meal after the weekend masses this weekend.

Refreshments after Sunday Mass

An astonishing amount of **£573.15** has been contributed so far this year from those who have been to the hall for refreshments after Sunday Mass. We thank all of you and also the volunteers who provide the refreshments each week.

Collection for Nepal Flash Flood Emergency

Thank you to all those who gave money for this appeal over the last two weekends.

You raised £225.30.

CAFOD Family Fast Day Friday 2nd of October

Put your faith into action and share the Lord's love by supporting our global neighbours experiencing shortages of food and safe water. Your gift can support children in Zimbabwe to stay in school by helping communities and schools provide nourishing meals, improve access to safe water and grow food in school gardens. Envelopes will be available from this weekend to donate or you can donate online at cafod.or.uk/envelope or call **0303 303 3030**.

The collection will stay open until after Mass on Sunday 11th of October.

Big Sleep Out Saturday 10th October 7pm to Sunday 11th October 6am

Caritas Salford invites you to join people from across the diocese in "The Big Sleep Out" to raise funds for hundreds of people in our area currently experiencing homelessness. So dust off your sleeping bag and get ready to wrap up warm whilst we spend the night in the great outdoors for a great cause. For more information and to register please click the following link www.caritassalford.org.uk/BSO



Retired Priests Fund

Please click this QR code to make a donation to the Sick and Retired Clergy Appeal.

You will have noticed that our clergy are an aging group and the number reduces each year through sickness, retirement or death. This means more work for those who are left and the expectations on their availability and service are increasing at a significant rate. 75 is the current age for priests to retire from running parishes (being parish priests) but as long as their health lasts they still offer their services when they are able. **Once a priest, always a priest.**

We do not retire from being a priest, we only retire from the responsibility of running a parish.

The priests who have reached 75 or who have had to withdraw from parish duties on health grounds is now the same as the number who are still fully active. In reality, for every priest you support in a parish there is another one who is either sick or retired and relying on you to provide for his needs.

Please be generous.