

Parish Newsletter

**THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION,
HAIGH, ASPULL & BLACKROD
WITH THE PARISH OF HOLY FAMILY, NEW SPRINGS
S.R.C.D.T. REG. CHARITY No. 250037**

October 27th 2024

Thirtieth Sunday of Year B

Month of the Holy Rosary - Our Lady of the Rosary pray for us



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Sacrament of Reconciliation **Saturday** 11.30-12noon Our Lady's Church

MASS TIMES

Saturday	6.00 pm	Our Lady's
Sunday	9.30 am	Our Lady's
	11.15 am	Holy Family
Monday	9.15 am	Our Lady's
Tuesday	9.15 am	Holy Family
Wednesday	9.15 am	Our Lady's
Thursday	9.15 am	Holy Family
Friday	9.15 am	Our Lady's
Saturday	11.00 am	Our Lady's



SERVICES LIVE-STREAM & ONLINE

Sunday Masses from Our Lady's via the Parish Facebook page using this link www.facebook.com/ourladyschurchurchaspull/ live from 9.30am. It is also available via the Parish WhatsApp group.

Response to the Psalm: What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life.
Alleluia!

CALENDAR - SAINTS OF THE WEEK

28th Oct – SS Simon and Jude: the name of Simon is placed eleventh in the list of Apostles and nothing is known of him, except that he was born at Cana and was known as the Zealot. Jude, also known as Thaddaeus, was the apostle who, at the Last Supper, asked the Lord why he showed himself only to his disciples and not to the whole world (John 14.22).

St Jude is depicted in one of the stained-glass windows in Our Lady's Church, donated by the late Ted and Rita Handley to celebrate

their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Nov 1st - All Saints

MASSES FOR ALL SAINTS

Thursday 31st October Vigil 7.00pm in Our Lady's.

Friday 1st 9.30am in Holy Family Church with the children and staff of Holy Family School.

11.00am in Our Lady's School for the school community.

Nov 2nd – All Soul's Day

Mass for All Souls - Saturday in Our Lady's

THOUGHTS

Today's Gospel shows the prophet Isaiah's vision from our First Reading realised in the life and ministry of Jesus.

By healing the blind man, Jesus fulfilled the prophecy that the blind and lame will follow Jesus into Jerusalem where he will establish God's kingdom.

In last Sunday's Gospel the disciples' ambitions prevented them from seeing and understanding the life and mission of Jesus,

as a life and mission of service. They were spiritually blind.

Today's account of the blind beggar offers a contrasting picture of the qualities of true humble and honest discipleship after the model of Jesus. The two disciples see more clearly that appeals to Jesus for help places faith in him as the only source of light and life and is dedicated to follow him - do we?

Sourcebook for Sundays and Seasons

PARISH NOTICES

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for the sick in hospital, the hospices and at home. We pray especially for Christine Pearson and Frances Mack who are sick.

LATELY DEAD

Monica Dawson.

PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY

To Mandy Millard and family on the death of her mother Monica Dawson. R.I.P.

ANNIVERSARIES

Robert Hugh Unsworth, Eddie Livesey, Charles Dillon, Leo Patrick Riley, Andrew Hartley, Dan Hutton, May Southworth, Anne Foulkes, Mary Adams, James Greenwood, Maureen Burnett, Kay Johnston, Sue Edwards, Fred Clinch and priests of the Diocese Bernard Jackson, Joseph Mallon and Andrew O'Donaghue.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED

As of Tuesday 22nd October include: Robert Hugh Unsworth (anniversary), Dan Hutton (anniversary), Andrew Hartley (anniversary).

NOVEMBER DEAD/PIOUS LIST

In our parishes we compile the November Dead/Pious List of the names of family, friends, relatives, priests and parishioners who we would like to be remembered in Masses celebrated in our churches and abroad during the month of November, the Month of Remembrance. Please collect a special brown envelope from church this weekend and return it to church (kindly include any offering). Lists will be placed on the churches' Lady Altars. R.I.P.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 10th NOVEMBER

Poppies and Remembrance goods are available on sale in both of our churches to support the work of the Royal British Legion.

BAPTISM

This Sunday, 12.30pm we welcome Ava-Mae Maxine Holroyd. We wish her family well.

THE NEW CHURCH ENVELOPES

Come into commission next weekend, the beginning of November.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

To Teresa Jowett of Blackrod, one of our welcomers at the Saturday evening vigil Mass, who is celebrating a big birthday later this week. We wish her well!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

The Annual Parishes Dinner Dance, Friday 6th December at Hindley Hall Golf Club details to follow.

17th November – Holy Family Christmas Fair.

Volunteers and donations needed! - if you can help in any way either by running a stall or donating any unwanted gifts (good condition) please contact Margaret Adams (07927 903516) or Pat McKay (07804 138243).

1st December – Christmas Market Trip to Worcester. Tickets £24 each, please contact Margaret Adams to reserve a place.

4th January 2025 – Senior Citizens Party – more details to follow.

DEC MIDDLE EAST DISASTERS

EMERGENCY COMMITTEE

Of which CAFOD is a member, invite you to donate to help relieve the suffering of those caught up in war. (www.dec.org.uk)

NEW LECTIONARIES

The Lectionary, which is the book that contains the Scripture Readings for Mass and the celebration of the other Sacraments, is changing as part of the continuing process of revising the Liturgical Transitions. This process began with the new Revised Roman Missal in 2011 and has continued with other texts, including the Sacrament of Marriage. The new books have all been paid for by parishioners and will be on display in the churches this weekend. With the new translations it will take us some time to become familiar with the new presentation of the Scriptures.

The new Lectionary will come into use on the First Sunday of Advent. It is produced in four volumes: Volume 1 for Sundays and Feast Days, Volume 2 and 3 for weekdays, Volume 4 for other celebrations including marriages, funerals, anointing of the sick, etc. There is an extra Volume, the Book of the Gospels with a reduced size set of four Lectionaries for use in the presbytery for preparation and planning. Matching sets have been purchased for both parishes.

Many thanks to all who have contributed.

Every good wish and blessing.

M. Kenia.