

# 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

June 28th 2026

Solemn Feast of SS Peter & Paul - Week 13 of Year A



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

**Please note**, Mass times may vary for good reasons. Please check further in the Newsletter for any possible changes this week.

MASS TIMES		
<b>Saturday</b>	6.00 pm	Our Lady's
<b>Sunday</b>	9.30 am	Our Lady's
	11.15 am	Holy Family
<b>Monday</b>	9.15 am	Our Lady's
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.15 am	Holy Family
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.15 am	Our Lady's
<b>Thursday</b>	9.15 am	Holy Family
<b>Friday</b>	9.15 am	Our Lady's
<b>Saturday</b>	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/ourladyschurchaspull/](https://www.facebook.com/ourladyschurchaspull/) live from 9.30am.

The recording is also available via the Parish WhatsApp group from about 10.30am.

### **Vigil Mass Saturday**

#### **Response to the Psalm:**

**Their sound goes forth through all the earth.**

#### **Gospel Acclamation:**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.**

**Alleluia.**

### **Mass During the Day Sunday**

#### **Response to the Psalm:**

**From all my terrors the Lord set me free.**

#### **Gospel Acclamation:**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

**You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church,  
and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.**

**Alleluia.**

## **CALENDAR - SAINTS OF THE WEEK**

**30<sup>th</sup> June – The First Martyrs of the Church of Rome:** these are the Christians who died (with St Peter) in the first great Roman persecution under the Emperor Nero in the year 67. The pagan writer Tacitus records their deaths.

**1<sup>st</sup> July – St Oliver Plunkett:** Oliver Plunkett was born in County Meath (Ireland) in 1625, and died at Tyburn in 1681. Ordained in Rome he was appointed Archbishop of Armagh in 1669. He held synods and visitations and promoted the reforms initiated by the Council of Trent. Imprisoned in Dublin in 1679, he was tried, condemned and executed in London, the first victim of the

“Popish Plot” and the last person to be executed for the faith in England.

**3<sup>rd</sup> July – St Thomas the Apostle:** remembered as “Doubting Thomas”, his profession of faith, “My Lord and my God” is a climax of the Easter story. Tradition has it that Thomas preached in India and was martyred there.

**4<sup>th</sup> July – St Elizabeth of Portugal:** born into the Aragonese Royal family in 1271, she is known for her care for the poor; after her husband's death she gave away her goods and joined the Third Order of St. Francis. She died in 1336.

## **THOUGHTS**

St Peter was the brother of St Andrew and a Galilean fisherman. He was called by the

Lord and, despite his obvious human weaknesses, was eventually chosen as the leader of the Twelve, the “Rock” on which the

Church was built. After Pentecost he became particularly associated with Antioch in Syria and then Rome. He was crucified in the reign of Emperor Nero and buried in a cemetery on the Vatican hill in Rome.

St Paul was a tentmaker and repairer from Tarsus, then capital of the Roman Province of Cilicia, now in Turkey, a Pharisee and a Roman citizen. A man of tremendous missionary energy and a powerful thinker. He was initially a persecutor of Christians but was converted by the Lord on his way to

Damascus. He became the Apostle of the Gentiles, preaching the Gospel to the uncircumcised, reaching Greece, Italy, Malta where he was shipwrecked and possibly even Spain. He was beheaded along the Via Ostiense, outside Rome, and buried where the Basilica bearing his name now stands.



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## PARISH NOTICES

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### MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED

Up to 24th June include: Patricia Moore (anniversary), Joan Duffy (anniversary), Bob Westmorland (90th birthday anniversary), Louise Ann Hawkrigg (birthday anniversary), a Mass in Thanksgiving for the life of Mary Josephine Unsworth (anniversary).

### EUCCHARISTIC PRAYERS

In the Roman Missal there are four main Eucharistic Prayers. The first is known as the Roman Canon and the second, the shortest, is perhaps the most ancient. We also have two Eucharistic Prayers for Reconciliation and for children and the new Missal includes four for various needs. It is proposed that we enrich our celebration of Mass to use these four special Eucharistic Prayers over the next weekends of July and perhaps also some weekdays as well.

The first of these special Eucharistic Prayers is The Church on the Path to Unity. The second is God Guides His Church along the Way of Salvation. Three is, Jesus The Way To The Father and the fourth is Jesus who went about doing good.

It is hoped that this variety will be appreciated.

### DIAMOND JUBILEE

On 19th July Monsignor Michael Quinlan, former Parish Priest of Our Lady's, will return to his final Parish where he served in Salford Diocese as a Parish Priest for a Mass to celebrate his sixty years in God's Service. It will be held at St. Winifred's Church, Heaton Mersey, SK4 3NB, 3pm Sunday July 19th. All are welcome. Ad multos annos!

### 200 CLUB - JUNE 2026 WINNERS

1st prize	£50	No 36	K. Duffy
2nd prize	£30	No 11	Taylor
3rd prize	£20	No 1	Chater

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### SALFORD CATHEDRAL

A Mass will be celebrated for the Consecration of a new altar in celebration of the conclusion of major restoration work on our Cathedral of St John the Evangelist that has taken several years to complete. It will be on Thursday 16th July 12 noon. Two tickets are available for each Parish. Post code for Cathedral M3 5LE.

### BLACKROD ANNUAL SCARECROW FESTIVAL

Takes place this Saturday/Sunday 27th/28th June 10am to 7pm.

### CONCERT

A Concert organised by the Knights of St Columba, a charitable fundraising concert at St Marie's, Standish, on Friday 17th July at 7.30pm with Wigan Community Choir and the soloist Neil Dunlop. Parking is available and light refreshments will be served in the church hall at the interval. Cash only on the door on the night. Reservations can be made through John Ashworth 07761 064161 or [ashworthltd@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:ashworthltd@hotmail.co.uk).

### THE BRICK

Please continue with your generous support of the Brick.

Every good wish and blessing.

*Fr Kenia*