

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

May 31st 2026

Trinity Sunday - Year A

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit...



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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
		Our Lady's Church



There will be no on-line Sunday Mass this weekend.

You can access an on-line live Mass from the National Shrine, Walsingham at 12 noon on www.facebook.com/WalsinghamBlog or their YouTube channel www.youtube.com/WalsinghamCatholicTV.

Response to the Psalm:

To be praised and highly exalted for ever.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, the God who is and who was and who is to come.
Alleluia.

CALENDAR - SAINTS OF THE WEEK

1st June – St Justin: in an age when Christianity sought to keep itself to itself, Justin stands out as one brave enough to speak the truth to pagans, boldly and uncompromisingly.

2nd June – SS. Marcellinus and Peter: in the persecution of Diocletian (around the year

300) these two men were martyred.

3rd June – St Charles Lwanga and the late 19th Century Martyrs of Uganda.

5th June – St Boniface: born in Devon about 675, Boniface was killed in the Netherlands in 754. After years as monk and teacher, he went to evangelise the Germanic peoples.

THOUGHTS

From the Source Book for Sundays and Seasons.

The Spirit of Easter echoes down two more Sundays, this weekend's celebration of the Trinity and next weekend's Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, although we are now in Ordinary Time until the Feast of Christ the King in November.

Because of this we retain a strong sense of celebration. The purpose of this day is to celebrate our belief in the revelation of God's very nature in the Holy and Blessed Trinity.

Now that we have witnessed the full activity of God in the Death and Resurrection of Jesus and the sending of the Holy Spirit, the first

Christian Pentecost, fifty days after Passover, we look back over the previous season and celebrate now the feast of God's Unity, Trinity, Creation, Redemption and Love.

The interplay of Father, Son and Holy Spirit are evident in the Scripture Readings for today. Moses in the First Reading from the Book of Exodus affirms his belief in a merciful God. Jesus explains in John's Gospel God's saving will by sending the Son into the world.

In the Second Reading from St Paul's Second Epistle to the Christians in Corinth, the conclusion includes a Trinitarian Formula known in Christian tradition as The Grace..."The Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ..."

PARISH NOTICES

NEXT WEEKEND

We celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi).

ONLINE MASS

There will be no live stream or online Mass this Sunday 31st May.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED

Up to 27th May include: Harmony van Rosse (lately dead).

PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY

1. To the family of the late Gordon Finnerty of Blackrod. His wife, Irene, died in May 2004.
2. To Teresa and family of Chorley Road, Blackrod, on the death of her husband Noel Ryan in care in Horwich. He was on Fr Kevin's Communion round for over two years.

R.I.P.

BAPTISM

This Sunday at Holy Family we will welcome Raya Paige Clarke, second child of Kieran and Leah and sister of Arla Hope who was baptised in December 2023. We wish them well.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

1. To Lillian Webber, of Blackrod, on her 80th birthday, and to
2. Sheila Curran, of Aspull, on her 90th.

WALKING DAY

Sunday 7th June. Meet 1:30pm for a 2:00pm start. Short service and free refreshments at the Methodist Chapel afterwards. A wonderful opportunity to support our ecumenical community and uphold a tradition that's been going for over 100 years.

CAFOD

Many of the world's poorest countries are in a deepening debt crisis, forced to pay ever higher interest rates to wealthy lenders. Money that should be spent on healthcare, education and coping with climate crisis is flowing out of countries that can least afford it.

Cafod is calling for urgent action from the UK Government. Follow this link to read more about this and sign a petition.

cafod.org.uk/cancelthedebt

THANK YOU FROM CAFOD

For donations and prayers at the Lent Fast Day Appeal. They have helped communities to become more self sufficient with improved food quality in the face of the impact of climate change.

GOOD WISHES

To the Rev. Canon Roger Cooper, former Vicar of St Katharine's, Blackrod who has lived in Adlington since he retired. He is now residing in Residential Care in Egerton, Bolton. Fr Kevin visited recently and was pleased to see him looking so well.

SPUC

Recent White Flower Appeal total £1041. Many thanks for your great generosity. Eileen Hawkins.

200 CLUB - MAY 2026 WINNERS

1st prize	£50	No 41	McElchare
2nd prize	£30	No 29	Byrne
3rd prize	£20	No 15	Massingham

Many thanks to all our supporters

MAY 31st

Is the anniversary of the Papal Visit of the now Saint John Paul II to Manchester in 1982 during his Pastoral Visit Great Britain in May/June of that year, during which he celebrated several of the Sacraments of the Church, Baptism, Confirmation, First Holy Communion, Anointing of the Sick, the Ordination of Priests, the Renewal of Marriage Vows and Reconciliation. His successor, Pope Benedict made a State Visit here in 2010 when he Beatified the now Canonised John Henry Newman.

THE BRICK

Please continue with your generous support of the Brick.

The Brick always needs the following food items: breakfast cereals, pasta, rice, pasta sauces, tea, biscuits and tinned meats.

In addition, the Brick do take items of fresh produce, but any donations of fresh produce should be taken directly to the food donation centre at St. George's Church, Water Street, Wigan WN1 1DN and **NOT** be left in church.

Every good wish and blessing.

