

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

Nov 9th 2025

**Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (32nd Sunday - Year C)
Remembrance Sunday**



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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/ourladyschurchaspull/ live from 9.30am.

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

Response to the Psalm:

The waters of the river give joy to God's city, the holy place, the abode of the Most High.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

I have chosen and consecrated this house, says the Lord, that my name may be there for ever.

Alleluia!

CALENDAR - SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Nov 10th – St Leo the Great: he became Pope in 440 and was a true father and shepherd of his people. He strove to protect the integrity of the faith, defended the unity of the Church and repelled or alleviated the incursions of the Huns and Vandals. He died in 461.

Nov 11th – St Martin of Tours: born in 316, Martin began as a soldier, but then received baptism and founded a monastery in France under the direction of St Hilary. He was later chosen as Bishop of Tours; here he worked

hard to visit his flock and preach against paganism. He died in 397 and was declared a saint – one of the first non-martyrs so to be honoured.

Nov 12th – St Josaphat: a saint of the Ukraine, honoured for his work for the unity of the Church; born in 1580, he became a priest and established a reputation for holiness, becoming archbishop of Polotsk. He worked strenuously to end disturbances between the Latin and Byzantine Rites in his diocese but was killed in a religious riot in 1623.

THOUGHTS

From the Society of St Gregory

Today's Gospel

This comes immediately after the Wedding at Cana, in Galilee.

Early in his ministry, Jesus goes up to Jerusalem for Passover. Finding the Temple full of sellers and money changers and sacrificial animals for sale, he goes through the place like a whirlwind cleaning them out.

When the authorities want to know what is going on, he gives them an answer they don't understand.

Later his disciples remember and wonder and believe.

But in these early days Jesus is barely known; not until later will he become clearer what he is about, who he is and why this happened.

PARISH NOTICES

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED

Up to Wednesday 5th November include: November Pious Dead List, Commonwealth War Dead, 80th birthday intention, Denis Whittle (lately dead), Therese and Fred Heinke and the Lyon and Heinke families, Michael Purtill Junior (anniversary).

FUNERAL MASS

For the late Denis Whittle of Aspull, Wednesday 12th November 12:30pm, committal at Wigan Crematorium. R.I.P. (No 91.5am Mass).

PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY

To the Reverend Canon Luiz Rusillo, Parish Priest in Carlisle, a priest of the Lancaster Diocese and his family (including Claire Massingham of Blackrod) on the death of his father, Dominic. R.I.P.

NOVEMBER ENVELOPES

At present they are in a casket on the Lady Altar of Our Lady's Church. For the third and fourth Sundays of November it will be placed in the Lady Chapel of Holy Family Church.

NOVEMBER MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

For Bolton Deanery in Sacred Heart Church, Westhoughton 19th November 7.00pm.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

The 11.00am Commemoration at the Finger Post, Aspull we will be represented by Matthew Hothersall.

2.00pm Commemoration at the War Memorial in Blackrod Cemetery.

3.00pm Service of Remembrance in St Katharine's, Blackrod. Preacher will be the Methodist Minister.

'Lest We Forget'

SCHOOL MASSES

Tuesdays in Holy Family Church 9.30am.
Fridays in Our Lady's Church 9.30am.

NEXT SUNDAY

At the 9.30am Mass Louis Halliwell will follow in the footsteps of his brother Joe and will become a Catholic Christian. He will be Baptised, Confirmed and then will receive Holy Communion for the first time.

We wish him and his family every good wish and blessing.

ADVENT

Begins on Sunday 30th November. The ever popular Walk With Me booklets and calendars for the children will be available next weekend.

GRATEFUL THANKS

From Sadie Fisher and family for the prayers, good wishes, cards and gifts she received to celebrate her recent 95th birthday. We wish her well.

JOIN BISHOP JOHN ARNOLD & CAFOD

On Saturday 15th November at 12 noon in St Augustine's Church, Grosvenor Square, (Off Oxford Rd), Manchester M15 6BW, to pray for the success of the UN COP30 climate talks, in Brazil. There will be a message from CAFOD's partners in Brazil about the impact of the climate crisis and time to share hot chocolate together. There is the option of joining a family-friendly climate march in the city centre afterwards.

For more details see cafod.org.uk/dayofaction or contact sholleron@cafod.org.uk 077 100 944 54. Please use public transport or park at Manchester Aquatics Centre.

100 MILE CHALLENGE COMPLETED

Kat Tatlow has completed her 100 mile walking challenge to raise money for Breast Cancer and through the generosity of family, friends and colleagues has raised a staggering £1500.00. She would like to thank everyone who contributed to this amazing total. It is much appreciated.

OUR LADY'S & HOLY FAMILY CHRISTMAS DINNER

Friday 5th December at Hindley Hall Golf Club. Details later.

ALMANACS

For the Salford Diocese will be available, on sale, next weekend, price £5.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

For the Deanery in St Mary's, Horwich, Thursday 18th June 2026, 6.30pm. Details to follow

Every good wish and blessing.

