

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

November 8th – 29th November 2026 Thirty-Second Sunday of Year A (Remembrance Sunday)
Thirty-third Sunday, The Feast of Christ the King and First Sunday of Advent Year B

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

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
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.

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.

32nd Sunday 8th November

Response to the Psalm: **For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord, my God.**
Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia.**
Stay awake and be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.
Alleluia.

33rd Sunday 15th November

Response to the Psalm: **Blessed are all who fear the Lord.**
Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia.**
Abide in me, and I in you, says the Lord. Whoever abides in me bears much fruit.
Alleluia.

Feast of Christ the King 22nd November

Response to the Psalm: **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**
Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia.**
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!
Alleluia.

First Sunday of Advent Year B 29th November

Response to the Psalm: **Bring us back, O God; let your face shine forth, and we shall be saved.**
Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia.**
Show us, O lord, your mercy, and grant us your salvation.
Alleluia.

CALENDAR - SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Nov 9th – Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Nov 10th – St Leo the Great: he became Pope in 440 and was a true father and shepherd of his people.

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

Nov 12th – St Josaphat: a saint of 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.

PARISH NOTICES

NEXT NEWSLETTER

The Second Sunday of Advent December 5th/6th.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED

Up to 4th November include: November Pious List, Christine Rhodes (lately dead), Jimmy Fisher (sick), Pauline Moore (anniversary).

ADVANCE NOTICE

Fr Kevin will be away from Wednesday 11th November pm to Thursday 26th November pm. Canon Tony McBride has kindly agreed to return and celebrate the two weekend masses, November 15th and 22nd (33rd Sunday of the Year and the Feast of Christ the King).

SCHOOL MASSES

Tuesday 10th Nov. 9.30am Holy Family Church

Advent Season School Masses

Thursday 3rd Dec. 9.30am Holy Family School

and 11am Our Lady's School.

All are welcome

CAROLS AROUND THE TREE

1. Tuesday 24th November, Blackrod (and switch-on of the lights) 6.30pm.
2. Tuesday 8th December, New Springs, 7.00pm.
3. Thursday 10th December, Aspull.

CHRISTMAS 2026 OUR LADY'S & HOLY FAMILY TOGETHER

The list is now full. Please make known your menu selection and the full payment for the afternoon as soon as possible please.

ADVANCE NOTICE

The Blessing of the Outdoor Crib at Our Lady's Monday 7th December at 6pm followed by refreshments in the Meeting Room.

NOVEMBER PIOUS LIST

Masses will continue to be celebrated throughout November by Fr Kevin (including when he celebrates daily Mass when away on holiday) and by Fr Thomas Wilberforce, the Holy Ghost Father in Carfin, Scotland. R.I.P.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

1. November 8th. Mandy Millard will represent Fr Kevin and our two parishes at the Commemoration at the Aspull Memorial at the Finger Post, 11.00am that morning. Fr Kevin at that time will be on route to the 11.15am Mass at Holy Family. Thanks to all those who volunteered.
2. Royal British Legion Annual Appeal poppies and other Remembrance goods such as car poppies, pens, etc. are now available in both churches.
3. There will be an extra Remembrance Commemoration on Remembrance Sunday at the War Memorial outside St John's C of E in New Springs at 12.30pm.
4. The Blackrod Commemorations begin at 2.30pm at the War Memorial followed by a parade through the town and a Service at 3.00pm in St Katharine's Parish Church with refreshments to follow. Fr Kevin will give the address at the 3pm Service.

"We will remember them".

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

1. Festive Afternoon Tea, Sunday 6th December 12.30pm at Holy Family Parish Centre. £15 per person, please see Pat McKay or call on 07804 134243. All proceeds to Parish Funds.
2. Senior Citizens' Christmas Party Saturday 9th January 2-5pm at Holy Family Parish Centre. More details to follow.

ALMANACS

The Yearbook of the Diocese of Salford now available £5.50. It contains details of the life of the Diocese, the recent restoration of the Cathedral Church of St John, list of clergy, parishes, schools, organisations and associations. It includes a full liturgical calendar for the new Church Year beginning the First Sunday of Advent 29th November (Year B).

Every good wish and blessing

Fr Kevin.