

# 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

**Oct 12th & 19th 2025**

**Twenty-Eighth & Twenty-Ninth Sundays - Year C**



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Sacrament of Reconciliation

| 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            |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | 11.30-12noon Our Lady's Church |



## **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.

## **Oct 12th - Twenty-Eighth Sunday**

**Response to the Psalm:** The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

**Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia, Alleluia!  
In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.  
Alleluia!

## **Oct 19th - Twenty-Ninth Sunday**

**Response to the Psalm:** Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

**Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia, Alleluia!  
The word of God is living and active, discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.  
Alleluia!

## **CALENDAR - SAINTS FOR THE TWO WEEKS**

**13<sup>th</sup> Oct – St Edward the Confessor**

**15<sup>th</sup> Oct – St Teresa of Jesus (of Avila)**

**16<sup>th</sup> Oct – St Margaret Mary Alacoque**

**17<sup>th</sup> Oct – St Ignatius of Antioch**

**18<sup>th</sup> Oct – St Luke**

**22<sup>nd</sup> Oct – St John Paul II**

## **THOUGHTS**

From the Society of St Gregory.

### **28th Sunday**

Each of the Scripture Readings this weekend shows the dramatic transformation of one who was once at the edge of a faith community but now brought into God's full circle. Naaman and the Samaritan leper are brought into full healing and community by

their gratitude to God.

### **29th Sunday**

In the First Reading we will hear about Moses raising his hands in prayer. The lifting up of arms and hands in the air is an ancient gesture of prayer and one that is still in use today. It is a physical illustration of the main theme of this liturgy: the need for perseverance in prayer.

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# PARISH NOTICES

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## **NEXT NEWSLETTER**

The weekend of 25th/26th October.

## **Fr KEVIN**

Will be away Tuesday 14th October pm until Wednesday 22nd pm. The next weekday Mass when he returns will be Friday 24th. Please welcome back Msgr. John Allen who is covering for Masses that weekend.

## **MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED**

Up to Wednesday 8th October include: Bob (anniversary) and Ellen Connor, Pat Griffin (anniversary), Brendan Moran (anniversary), Maureen Fix (anniversary) and Mike Hollick (lately dead).

## **PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY**

To Janette Hollick, of Aspull, and family on the death of her husband Mike a former Councillor and Mayor of Blackrod. R.I.P.

## **CAFOD APPEAL**

Many thanks for the £1000 (£930 cash, £70 cheques) in total donation from both Parishes. Thanks too to those who support CAFOD through Bankers Orders and individual private donations.

## **FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR OUR LADY'S PARISH**

Quite a few donate to church funds by Bankers Orders and also fewer people nowadays carry cash with them ... Please do not think that we are not in need of this support! Do feel free to start a regular donation to Parish funds

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Acc. No        60847704  
Acc. name     The Salford Diocesan Trust Our Lady Haigh

Or use this link to access the form [www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/Our-Lady-Haigh-Standing-Order.pdf](http://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/Our-Lady-Haigh-Standing-Order.pdf)

If you pay Income Tax, please Join the Gift Aid to benefit the Parish. It is only one form to complete and that is it!

## **POPPIES & REMEMBRANCE ITEMS**

Are now available in both churches for Remembrance Sunday Nov. 9th.

Volunteer needed to represent the Parish at the Commemoration at the Finger Post.

## **SOCIAL SUNDAY**

Takes place after the 9.30am Mass this Sunday in the Parish Meeting Room.

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### **Holy Family Christmas Fair**

Sunday 23rd November, 12.15pm following Mass. All donations for stalls gratefully accepted, toiletries, books, games/puzzles and bottles for the tombola. There will be a tub in the Church porch for donations. Home baking welcome on the day.

Further details - Margaret Adams or Pat McKay.

### **Senior Citizens Christmas Party**

4th January 2026 at 2.00pm. Further details to follow nearer the time.

## **THE NEW CHURCH ENVELOPES**

For Our Lady's are now available for collection. They come into service the weekend of November 1st/2nd. Numbers 81 to 90 have been reallocated. 81- 5, 82-7, 83-9, 84-13, 86-15, 87-36, 88-39, 89-41, 90-42.

## **NOVEMBER PIOUS LIST**

Envelopes will be available soon to include the names of our loved ones in Masses offered each day in November in both our parishes for our Faithful Departed. R.I.P.

## **THE BRICK**

Many thanks for your continued and generous support of the Brick.

They are very appreciative of the support from our Parish.

The Brick continues to need the following food items: breakfast cereals, pasta, rice, pasta sauces, tea, biscuits and tinned meats.

In addition, the Brick are taking 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 please.

As always, many thanks for your generous donations.

*Fr Kevin*

Every good wish and blessing.