



# THE PARISH & CHURCH of ST MARY

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 & private prayer during the day.



19<sup>th</sup> June 2022

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## THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD of CHRIST

*'You are a priest forever, a priest like Melchizedek of old.'*

Saturday	18.6	5.00pm: Vigil Mass: Parishioners
Sunday	19.6	9.00am: Audrey O'Donohue
Monday	20.6	12.00pm: Michael Green & Mary King
Tuesday	21.6	8.30am: Matthew & Jane Kinsey
Wednesday	22.6	12.00pm: Eric McManus
Thursday	23.6	8.30am: Tony Spencer
Friday	24.6	12.00pm: John Charnock
Saturday	25.6	10.00am: Private Intention <i>Exposition after Mass</i> <i>Confessions: 11.00-11.45am and 4.30-4.45pm.</i>
Saturday	25.6	5.00pm: Vigil Mass: Parishioners
Sunday	26.6	9.00am: Deceased Priests

### Feasts & Memorials this week

Monday: *St Alban*; Tuesday: *St Aloysius Gonzaga*  
 Wednesday: **FEAST of St JOHN FISHER & St THOMAS MORE**  
 Thursday: **SOLEMNITY of THE BIRTH of ST JOHN the BAPTIST**  
 Friday: **SOLEMNITY of THE MOST SACRED HEART of JESUS**  
 Saturday: *The Immaculate Heart of Mary*

... PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ...

**The People of Ukraine and Russia at this deeply troubling time.**

*The sick:*, Muriel Monk, Dorothy Marron, Dominic Huet, Brian Dunn, *all those close to us;*

*Lately Dead:* Marie-Therese Hill, Kathleen McGarty, Josephine Concah.

*Anniversaries:* Audrey O' Donohue, Tony Spencer, Eric McManus.

*Mass Intentions Received:* Matthew & Jane Kinsey, Marie-Therese Hill, Kathleen McGarty, Josephine Concah.

**Please note the Mass on Thursday this week is at 8.30am not 12noon due to a Priests' Meeting.**

**DAY FOR LIFE:** Collection: Saturday/ Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> June.

**THE FEAST of SS PETER & PAUL: Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June.** A Holy Day of Obligation. The Peter's Pence collection is taken on the day.

**CAFOD Fast Day and Ukraine Collections remain open.**

**Cash and cheque donations can be left in clearly marked envelopes at St Mary's Presbytery.**

### **THE DEVOTION TO THE ROSA MYSTICA . Our Lady Mother of the Church . SATURDAY 9<sup>th</sup> JULY**

Confessions before Mass: 11.00 - 11.45am. Mass: 12noon.

Lunch break in St Mary's Parish Centre. (Hot drinks will be available.)

Rosary Procession: 3.00pm. Followed by Benediction.

*Roses to decorate St Mary's church on the day would be very welcome.*

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** On Saturday our children from St John's and St Mary's School made their First Holy Communion at St John's. Please remember them and their families in your prayers.

**PLATINUM JUBILEE CONCERT given by the Parkside Colliery Male Voice Choir:** St John's Church, Standishgate on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm**. Tickets £5.00 after Mass at St John's or on the night.

**CATECHISTS' DAY: Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July at 10:00am (for a 10:30 start) – 3.00pm** at St Margaret Clitherow Centre (formerly LACE), Sefton Park L17 1AA.

A day of training, conversation, sharing and support on what needs to be covered in preparation for Reconciliation and Holy Communion; how to choose/improve your materials, and where to obtain them. In addition, there should be a chance to browse through some contemporary Holy Communion preparation books and attend a workshop or two.

**To book** please register online <https://forms.gle/VswHVFJVRnAmZibCA> or contact Jenny at [pd@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:pd@rcaol.org.uk)

**THE RELICS OF ST BERNADETTE SOUBIROUS** visit Liverpool Diocese 15<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> September 2022; St Mary's, Chorley and both Cathedrals will host the relics.

**ST JOHN RIGBY COLLEGE 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY:** In September 1972, SJR College opened as the first Catholic sixth form college in the country. The planned Mass unfortunately has been cancelled.

**LADIES FRIENDSHIP CLUB:** Please note the group will not be meeting during July and August. Usually we meet on a Thursday (except the first of the month) from **1.30pm - 3.30pm** in **Penson St Community Centre** off Wigan Lane, so you are welcome to join us again on the 8<sup>th</sup> September.

**THE UPHOLLAND U3A UKULELE BAND** also join us on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 1.45pm at Penson Street.**

Tickets £3.00. Tea and biscuits and lots of musical fun.

Come along or ring **Margaret Rowe: 01942 247403** for further information.

**THE GOD WHO SPEAKS** is an online site offering resources to help deepen and enrich our Catholic faith with reflections given by experts in their field. This month the theme is Pentecost. **The Holy Spirit in Art** – Fleur Dorrell looks at how the Holy Spirit is presented in the Bible and three different paintings - <https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/the-holy-spirit-in-art/>

**Daily Reflections for Pentecost** - <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/resources/the-pentecost-reflection/>

Enjoy our new **Bible Heroines school posters** - <https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/posters-for-schools/>

In our **Good Work series**, David McLoughlin looks at our 24/7 culture as a new form of slavery –

<https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/tuesday-is-our-24-7-culture-the-new-slavery/>

**SURVIVORS OF BEREAVEMENT BY SUICIDE (SoBS)** is a national charity which supports people who have been bereaved by suicide. There is a new support group starting in Wigan run by volunteers, one of whom is a parishioner. The group meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 7.00pm. If you would like to attend this support group, please contact **Lisa and Dianne on 07943934411** or [wigan@uksobs.org](mailto:wigan@uksobs.org).

**SPUC PETITION:** a recent BBC poll found that 15% of British women had experienced pressure or coercion to have an abortion. This is a threat to women's health and is often an unrecognized form of domestic abuse with links to people-trafficking. There is a need for proper research to further highlight coercive abortion as an urgent health priority. Please sign the form the back of church to show support for the petition to be presented to the Health Secretary at the new Parliamentary Session. It will be returned to SPUC in August.

**ARCHIVE ENQUIRY:** from a gentleman about a medal received by his great uncle around 1911, from St Joseph's Parish (Caroline St). The medal is inscribed 'YMSBT'. Apparently, the Young Men's' Society at the time had 120 members. They also had a billiard team competing in the local league (Wigan Observer 1911). If anyone can enlighten him with other possibilities for the 'BT' please email St Jude's: [stjudestaidan@rcaol.org](mailto:stjudestaidan@rcaol.org) or St Mary's as below.

**ALL MASS INTENTIONS AND NEWSLETTER REQUESTS** can be left at the presbytery in a marked envelope or sent to the parish office at the email address: [ssmary.john@rcaol.org](mailto:ssmary.john@rcaol.org) (by **Wednesday please**).

**More news and information** can be found on St William's Parish website: [www.stwilliamparishwigan.org](http://www.stwilliamparishwigan.org)

Facebook Pages: **'St John's RC Church, Standishgate, Wigan'** & **'St Patrick's Catholic Church Wigan'**

YouTube: **St Patrick & St John Wigan.**