

PARISH OF CHRIST THE REDEEMER

RC churches of St Ethelbert & St William of York, Bolton

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Sunday 19th September 2021

The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Introduction

We have now made moves in the parish to get back to a more normal form of worship. Last Sunday we began singing in church again at St Ethelbert's and this Sunday we will begin singing again at St William of York. It is important that, even if you are not wearing a mask in church (as is your right), that you please wear one when you are singing as this will significantly reduce the risk of airborne droplets causing infection. If you are not prepared to do this for the safety of others, then can I please ask you to be generous enough to REFRAIN from joining in singing the hymns.

The taking away of the tapes from one side of the churches seems to be working well, and so I intend to remove more of the tapes on Sunday 10th October (28th Sunday in Ordinary Time). We will leave four rows of benches where social distancing can be observed for those who feel the need to do this. It is my intention though, to have removed all of the tapes by Christmas.

This then is about as 'normal' as it is going to get, at least until after the winter months.

'If there should be a need to reintroduce any safety measures during the winter period then this will definitely be done. As with the Government, I will be guided by the science.'

Monday	9:30am	St William's
Tuesday	9:30am	St Ethelbert's
Wednesday	6:15pm – 6:50pm Exposition & Confession – St William's	
	7:00pm	St William's
Friday	9:30am	St Ethelbert's
Saturday	11:15am – 11:50am Exposition & Confession – St Ethelbert's	
	12:00pm	St Ethelbert's
Sunday	9:30am	St William's
	11:30am	St Ethelbert's
	7:00pm	St Ethelbert's

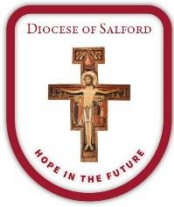
Mass Intentions: In thanksgiving for a successful operation, Bob Houghton (LD), Bill Wade (LD), Jancy Shoti Thankamma Cherian (A), Nicholas Hogan (LD), Rita Edmondson (S), Elsie Hind (nee Strickleton) (A)

LD: Lately dead, A: Anniversary, BA: Birthday Anniversary, B: Birthday, S: Sick, M: Memorial, WA: Wedding Anniversary, Sp.Int: Special Intention

When you place your offering in one of the 'Offering for Holy Mass' envelopes, please remember to fill in the details on the front. I have had quite a few envelope given in with money enclosed and nothing written on the envelope. I cannot record or mention a Mass if I don't have any details! ☺

Died Recently: Robert Houghton, Eileen Allen.

'Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, Amen'.



HOPE IN THE FUTURE

Each week from July to mid-September the Diocese have a 'Cycle of Prayer' for each Parish within the Bolton Deanery.

'Let us pray, throughout this coming week, for the people of the parish of St. Cuthbert, Bolton, with Fr. Christopher Gorton their parish priest. We pray for their parish primary schools and for the Beaumont Hospital. May their lives be rooted in the wisdom that comes from above'.

Christ the Redeemer Parish Youth Group:

We are really excited to have you all back in Church for our youth group meetings.

The next meeting is on:

Thursday 30th September 6.15pm-7.45pm.

Remember your £1 donation, which is a great help for the upkeep of the youth group.

All future dates are displayed on the notice board.

Ladies Group: The Ladies Group will be meeting in the [Parish Room on Tuesday 28th September at 1.30 pm.](#)

Our initial meeting will be a "cuppa" and a chat to share ideas and suggestions for future events. All ladies are welcome! Pat B.

Christ the Redeemer Macmillan Coffee Morning – Sat 25th September

Please drop in at St Ethelbert's Church, Deane, on Saturday 25th September, between 9.30 – 11 am for a cuppa, treat and chat and to raise funds for a great cause. Hope to see you there. Thanks to those who have volunteered to bake, provided raffle prizes or help with the event.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) – we call them Welcome meetings ☺

If you, or anyone you know, is thinking of becoming a Catholic or bringing up a child in the Catholic faith, we are running a course to help support this journey. This will be run over 5 weeks starting in the autumn. We hope to have in person meetings if possible ensuring government and diocesan guidelines are followed but some sessions may be via Zoom. We have a few candidates already. If you are

interested please contact Fr Morrough O'Brien via Julie Walsh, parish administrator, julie.walsh@dioceseofsalford.org.uk; or Gemma Pendlebury via text 07717 686 358. Dates: 5, 12, 19, 26 October and 2 November. 7 pm – 9 pm.



The CAFOD Family Fast Day is at the end of this month, this is the twice yearly main fundraising event for the Catholic Charity. Please use the envelopes provided for your donations and bring them back next weekend. Thank you very much.

St Ethelbert's Book of Remembrance: This book will be updated on 29th September 2021, if you would like the name of a loved one entered please pick up form from the Sacristy. Each entry is £10.00.

Action on the Assisted Dying Bill

Bishop John Sherrington, Lead Bishop for Life Issues for the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, has written an open letter inviting Catholics to pray for the defeat of the Assisted Dying Bill, due to be debated in the House of Lords in October. It encourages them to write to peers at the House of Lords stating the reasons why they oppose this legislation and particularly explain from personal experience the reasons why this change in the law should be opposed.

Discussion and communication about this important matter is vital for the defeat of the Bill and in our diocese, Bishop John is asking all parishioners to act now by praying, writing and sharing.

You can find out more details about how to help oppose the bill in Bishop Sherrington's letter on the Diocese of Salford's website at <https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/action-on-the-assisted-dying-bill/>

St. Ethelbert's 200 Club Winners: Weekly winner: 12/9/21 tbc. Congratulations.

Christ the Redeemer Parish Collections: 5/9/21 £665.70 from both churches. The August statement showed £1278.00 from Gift Aid standing orders and other donations. Thank you very much for your generosity.