

Parish of The Holy Cross & St Helen

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**DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION**  
Every 1st Sunday 2.30pm at St Ann's Church

**ASHTON CATHOLIC WOMENS GROUP**  
Meet every 1st Tuesday 7pm of the month in  
the Macnay room

**KNIT & NATTER**  
Meet every Friday 1pm in the Macnay room

**BAPTISM**  
St Christopher's 2nd & 4th Saturday's 12.45pm  
St Ann's 2nd & 4th Sunday's 2.30pm  
Baptism Meeting with Parents  
4th Sunday of the month after 11am Mass St Ann's

**SVP**

SVP will open the community café in the Townhouse on the first  
Tuesday of every month, serving free hot drinks & toast.

Date	Time	
Mon 4th March		
Tues 5th March	10am	St Ann's
Wed 6th March	10am	St Christopher's School Mass in School
Thurs 7th March	10am	St Ann's
Fri 8th March	10am 6pm	St Christopher's Stations of the Cross with Mass at St Christopher's
Sat 9th March	11am 12pm 4.45pm 5.00pm 5.30pm	Adoration & Confession St Christopher's Mass at St Christopher's  Confession at St Ann's Rosary at St Ann's Mass at St Ann's
Sun 10th March <i>Fourth Sunday of Lent</i>	8.30am 9.00am 10.30am 11.00am	Rosary at St Christopher's Mass at St Christopher's  Rosary at St Ann's Mass at St Ann's

## PROCEDURE FOR VOTIVE LAMPS

Place £5 donation in an envelope; write the intention on the lists on the table at the back of Church. Write the Intention on an envelope please write the date, which lamp and the intention and leave in the Sacristy. The lamps will burn all week from Saturday Vigil to Saturday Vigil. Lamps for cancer sufferers (tabernacle) and expectant mums (Our Lady) burn at St Christopher's every week.

## VOTIVE LAMP INTENTIONS

Tabernacle  
Sacred Heart I  
Sacred Heart II  
Sacred Heart III  
Our Lady I  
Our Lady II  
Our Lady III

Daisy Mai (*Granddaughter*)  
Rosy & Family  
Vincent Arcaro (*Thanksgiving*)  
R Kershaw (*Sick*)  
Tina Davies (*RIP Bday*)  
Frances Higgins (*RIP*)  
Ann & Bernard Wells

*I am the light of the world (John 8:12)*

## Mass Intentions for this Sunday

5.30pm: Holy Souls Purgatory

9am: Dave Bennett *Healing*

11am: Maria Foster *Healing*

Hymns	5.30pm	9am	11am
Entrance	214	479	234
Offertory	273	175	413
Communion	168	555	133
Dismissal	274	376	644

## MARY'S MEALS

School year 2013-14 - 2021  
-22  
£86,274  
Thank you so very much.  
God bless your generosity.  
School Year 2022-23  
£9402

**SECOND COLLECTION:** today is for our Church Building fund.

**MONTHLY DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION:** holds today at St Ann's Church at 2.30pm. Everyone is welcome

**DONATION:** we received a donation of £1000 for our Church building fund. We are very grateful to the donor.

**APPRECIATION:** Many thanks to our parishioners who volunteered to clean the Church and set up the hall for our deanery station Mass. Thank you all for being at the Mass as well.

**ST CHRISTOPHER'S WALKWAY REPAIRS:** the handover of the site will be on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> march. Mass will return to the Church from Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March. We appreciate your patience and support throughout the work period.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** this Friday will be at St Christopher's Church please. Anyone available can volunteer to carry the cross if there is no Altar server available. **There will be Mass after Stations of the Cross each Friday of lent.**

**DEANERY STATION MASS:** this Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March will be hosted by St Patrick's parish, Oldham. Time is 7pm please.

**EASTER RAFFLE:** Raffle tickets can be purchased at the back of Church for £1. All proceeds go to Church funds.

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME:** We look forward to welcoming back the children on the Sacramental programme on Saturday 9th March. This month's topic is the Word of God. Please speak to the children about their favourite bible story.

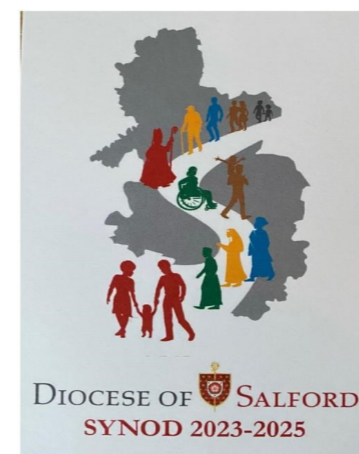
**DEANERY STATION MASS:** Anyone needing transport to the deanery Mass at St Patrick's Oldham on Tuesday 5th March please contact Pam Dakin 07769900972

**SVP** The SVP will be opening the community café in the Townhouse on Tuesday 5th March after 10am Mass for free hot drinks and toast. This week we ask you to remember Rosy Babu and family from Kerala in your prayers. The details are on the SVP notice board at the back of St Ann's Church.

**KNOCK PILGRIMAGE:** Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 7<sup>th</sup> April 2024. £899.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 5 nights in 4\* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on three days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick & Ashford Castle. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact Patricia or Natali on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com).

**GIFT AID/ STANDING ORDERS:** Thank you to everyone who supports the Church through collection envelopes and standing order, your support is greatly appreciated. For those who wish to set up a Standing order or make a one-off donation, our account details are: SRCDTR Holy Cross and St Helen Account No: 00446815 Sort Code: 20-55-34

**TEA/COFFEE** served after 9am Mass on Sundays in the MACNAY ROOM downstairs at St Christophers, and after 11am Mass at the Townhouse. All money raised donated to MARY'S MEALS.



### Diocese of Salford Synod 2023-2025 Prayer

Loving Father,  
be with us as we seek new ways  
of being your people in our Diocese.  
May each new day bring us  
closer to your son Jesus,  
as we follow his teaching and  
become disciples of love.  
As we continue our Synodal journey,  
draw us closer to each other.  
May the truth of your Spirit enlighten us.  
Open our hearts, as we listen to each  
other and reach out in love  
to your people.  
Stay with us, Lord, on our journey.  
Amen.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Pray for Us.  
St Joseph, Pray for Us.

Wednesdays at 7pm in the  
MacNay Room at  
St Christopher's Church,  
Lees Road, Ashton-under-Lyne  
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## The Big Feed

Scripture Study  
Join us as we "feed" on the Word of God as we study  
the Sunday Gospel and Readings and pray for our  
parish.

Children from secondary  
school age are very welcome  
but should be accompanied  
by an adult.