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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 1.30pm 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.

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	
Mon 29th April		
Tues 30th April	10am	Funeral Mass of Lillian McDermott at St Ann's
Wed 1st May	10am	St Christopher's
Thurs 2nd May <i>St Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church (M)</i>	10am	St Ann's
Fri 3rd May <i>SS Philip and James, Apostles (F)</i>	10am	St Christopher's
Sat 4th May <i>The English Martyrs (F)</i>	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 5th May <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</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	Linderson & Family
Sacred Heart I	F J Doyle
Sacred Heart II	David Crawshaw <i>RIP</i>
Sacred Heart III	Stan & Cyril Moss
Our Lady I	Michael Poulston <i>RIP</i>
Our Lady II	People of the Parish
Our Lady III	Lillian McDermott <i>RIP</i>

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

Mass Intentions for this Sunday

5.30pm: F J Doyle *RIP ANN*

9am: George Sugg *B/DAY*

11am: Barry Stevenson *RIP ANN*

Hymns	5.30pm	9am	11am
<i>Entrance</i>	476	110	133
<i>Offertory</i>	681	681	97
<i>Communion</i>	616	662	681
<i>Dismissal</i>	192	529	358

PARISH BUILDING FUND

**£7,494.99
Raised to date**

**Thank you for your
continued support**

BAPTISM MEETING: there will be a baptism meeting today (Sunday 28th April) after 11:00am Mass at St Ann's Church.

SECOND COLLECTION: today is for our Church building fund.

MAY DEVOTION: as we go into the month of May, we remember the Holy Rosary as part of our May Devotion.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION: comes up next Sunday at St Ann's church. Time is 2.30pm.

A Year of Encounter: With a UK general election due sometime this year, politicians will be looking for our votes. We have a responsibility as Catholics to make sure that parties commit to tackling issues such as poverty and injustice. Raising our voices and contacting parliamentary candidates as a parish community will send a strong signal to those standing for election in our local constituencies. *A Year of Encounter* is a joint initiative between CAFOD and St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), equipping Catholics to ask key questions of local candidates at the key moments. Please see cafod.org.uk/encounter for more information, including online sessions on Thursday 25th April and Saturday 4th May to learn more.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME: The next meeting for the sacramental programme is on Saturday 18th May at 9.30am. The children will be prepared to make their First Confession. The Reconciliation service will then be on Wednesday 22nd May, 7pm at St Christopher's church. It is important that the children make both of these meetings. If they haven't made their First Confession, they won't be able to make their First Holy Communion in June. Any problems please email janeholgatesp@gmail.com

SVP: The SVP members would like to thank everyone who came to the afternoon tea celebration. The raffle raised £210 which will help towards sending children from Ashton to the Vinnie Camp in Wales this summer. This week we kindly ask you to remember in your prayers Linderson and family in Kerala, India. Details of the family can be found on the notice boards at the back of both churches.

ONE OFF DONATIONS: Thank you to all who have made donations to our ongoing building fund. If you are donating via cheque, please make payable to Parish of Holy Cross and St Helen.

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.

"The Ashton Catholic Women's Group are organising a 'Sponsored Family Whit Walk' to raise funds for the Parish Building fund. on Sunday 19th May from 1pm. and will be a gentle walk of about 2miles. All those who wish to take part will assemble at Alan's Cafe in the Daisy Nook Country Park carpark. Pets welcome too (Other parking available on Newmarket Road) Sponsor forms are available at the back of church"



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.