

Parish of Holy Trinity, Worsley

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10 January 2021 – The Baptism of the Lord

Greetings

The news from USA this week is very sad indeed. This is not the place to apportion blame, but rather to pray that order and respect will be restored and a high level of probity be re-established. Many in the parish have strong connections with friends and family there; we must pray for them too. As I repeat so often, Pope Francis' motto is 'build bridges not walls'. Let us hope that there will be enough people of courage, and not just political leaders, to reach out across all the divides. Our hearts also go out to the ambulance drivers, carers, nurses and doctors who are under so much pressure these days, working tirelessly in very difficult conditions; they need to know that we too are doing our part by striving to keep safe even at the cost of not seeing those whom we love. The rate of infection of the virus is growing all the time; scientists and manufacturers are striving to provide enough vaccines; we must do our part too. Stay safe please.

We continue to pray for our schools – teachers, support staff, pupils and parents who have had to make very rapid adjustments to their planning this week. They have responded magnificently; as we knew they would. Thank you to all **Outreach** The Food Bank is grateful for our continuing support – thank you

This week

We will maintain our **booking-in strategy** – Maureen Hawes has taken responsibility for the booking in process. Contact Maureen by email on MaureenHawes@live.co.uk or text her on 07974 560 319

Saturday:

12.30pm Mass at Our Lady and Lancashire Martyrs; 5.00pm Mass at Christ the King

Sunday:

9.00am Mass at St Edmund's; 11.00am Mass on Zoom

Monday:

6.00pm Mass on Zoom

Tuesday:

12.00pm Mass at Lancashire Martyrs;

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10.00am Mass at St Edmund's;

Thursday:

6.00pm Mass at Christ the King

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There will be no 'quiet prayer' in church this week

Building Community

If you can, please print off this newsletter and deliver it safely to those who don't have access to email. These cold and dark nights can increase the sense of loneliness and isolation that some people feel; please reach out to them as best you can.

Finance and Admin

Thank you to everyone – people have been very generous in their support of the parish during this period of the pandemic. Many have adopted the method of Standing Orders for their donations, and your kindness means that we have been able to maintain essential maintenance works on all three sites, including the removal of old asbestos in the long disused cellars of Lancashire Martyrs and St Edmund's. Parish donations and Mass intentions can be posted through the door at CTK.

Prayers please

For those who are sick especially Lynn, Nieve, Lina, Audrey, Adela, Sylvia, Paddy, Maureen, P.J. and Anne; for Angela, Anne, Jean, Bob and John who died recently, and for Lesley, Ellen, Albert & Elizabeth and all those whose anniversaries are at this time In prayer, we remember all those on the 'frontline' in any kind of way – Laura, Jenny, Carmel, Joseph, Lisa, Patrick, Chris, Catherine, Anne, Terry, Mark, Theo, Clare, Richard, Anthony, Jane, James, Andrew, Mary, Francis, Ruth, Tony, Sue, Dan, Fiona, Katy. Ian & Bethany - we are grateful for their courageous work. Let us keep all our teachers in prayer too.

Masses received: Elizabeth & Albert Hardman, Eric Lomas, Freda Jones, Emily Louise Jones, Ellen Hodson, Hodson family, Lynn Crawshaw, Anne McGuigan, Lesley Buckley

Safeguarding

For many months now we have been told to stay safe. Home should be place of safety but for some this is not the case. If you feel you are under domestic pressure or are concerned about someone who might be, the Diocesan Safeguarding Office is able to support you confidentially. More information is available from the Diocesan Safeguarding Co-Ordinator on 817 2206, Fr John or our Parish Safeguarding Representatives. Healing through Community Project also offers help. Their number is: 0161 236 2182.

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