St. James-the-Less & St. Thomas More

Diocese of Salford - Bishop John Arnold 'Stay with us, Lord,

on our Journey



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THIRD SUNDAY

OF LENT

4th March 2018



THIS WEEK IN THE CHURCH

Mon. Lent Weekday Mass at 9.00 a.m.

Mass at 9.00 a.m. Tues. Lent Weekday

Wed. Ss. Perpetua & Felicity

Mass at 9.00 a.m.

Thurs. Lent Weekday Mass at 9.00 a.m.

Fri. Lent Weekday Mass at 12 Noon

5 p.m. Stations of the Cross. Sat. Lent Weekday Mass at 11.00 a.m.

SUNDAY - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Vigil Mass at 6.30 p.m.

Mass at 8.30 a.m.

Mass at 10.30 a.m.

CONFESSIONS: Sat. 11.30 - Noon with Eucharistic Adoration. 5.45 - 6.15 p.m.

READERS:

Vigil - Paul Higginbottom

8.30 - Sue Casey

10.30 - Elizabeth McCormick

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Vigil - John Spencer

8.30 - Sue Smith

10.30 - Sheila Whittle

DURING LENT - Daily Mass, and on the Fridays of Lent Mass at 12 Noon, followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 5 pm Stations of the Cross & Benediction and Communion

N.B. Each Friday in Lent there will be a Simple Soup Lunch in the Centre, raising awareness and supporting Cafod, at 12.30pm

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS for Elizabeth Hardman -Reception of the Body at 7 pm on Monday, 12th March and Requiem Mass at 11.30 am on Tuesday 13th March 'RENEW FOR WOMEN' on 5th March at St. Mary's, Rawtenstall. Speaker is Debra Green, OBE - 'Prayer not despair'. More details - Suzanne on 07815559754

CORNERSTONES BOX AT BACK OF CHURCH

Please pray for:

THE SICK: Michael Lupton, Ted Davies, John Curran, Colin Hardman, Bernard & Philomena Murphy, Jean & Harry Sharkey, Adrian Taylor, Derek Ashworth, Alice Lynskey.



LATELY DEAD: Elizabeth Hardman, Sheila Chadwick, Terry Connor, Richard Marsh, Barbara Schofield, Gerald Walsh, Jim Travers, David Price, Gerald Ward.

THIS WEEK IN THE CENTRE

Slimming Club. Tues. Youth Centre Fri. Irish Night



THIS WEEK IN THE OLD SCHOOL ROOM

Children's Liturgy Sun. Mon - Fri Pre-School Playgroup

Mon. Rainbows Tues. Irish Dancing

Wed. Brownies/Line Dancing

OTHER NOTICES THIS WEEK

IRISH NIGHT in the Centre on Sat. March 10th with Michael Coyne. Tickets available

SALFORD DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE to Walsingham on Sat. 5th May, led by Bishop Arnold. For more info contact John Griffin on 0161 817 2222.

SALFORD DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE to Lourdes 27th July - 2nd August. Prices start at £729 for 6 nights and Return Flights from Manchester Airport. More info on 0161 817 2209 or visit www.salfordlourdes.co.uk

Dear Parishioners of St. James-the-Less,

I am very happy to have been appointed by Bishop John as your new Parish Priest in succession to Father David who has been your priest for such a long time and whom you have taken to your hearts. The appointment has come as a surprise but I'm sure it won't take long for me to settle in since I was born and brought up in Burnley.

Everyone I have met so far has been very welcoming and kind and it is good to see so many people actively involved in parish life. Can I ask you all to continue working as you have been doing and let me know how things work in the parish? It is only when things are broken that we need to sit down and talk about mending them so although you have a new Parish Priest, the parish should continue as usual.

Within the parishes I have served I have usually been called 'Father Tony' and I would be grateful if you would continue in that tradition.

With every best wish and hope for the future. As Bishop John would say, "Stay with us Lord, on our journey".

Father Tony.