

Services, Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 16th March 2024 5th Sunday of Lent

Sat 4:30pm	All Saints	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Catherine Barrett

Sunday 17th March 2024 5th Sunday of Lent

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Catherine O'Brien, Red Evans, Margaret Bibby
Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	Colin Jermy

Monday 18th March 2024 Weekday of Lent

Mon 7:00pm	St. Lewis	Stations of the Cross	
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Tuesday 19th March 2024 Solemnity of St Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin

Tues 10:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Joe, Winnie & Ron Cain
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Wednesday 20th March 2024 Weekday of Lent

Wed 7:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Mary Freeman
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Thursday 21st March 2024 Weekday of Lent

Thurs 10:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	People of the Parishes
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Friday 22nd March 2024 Weekday of Lent

Fri 12:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Elizabeth Brophay
Fri 12:30pm	All Saints	Stations of the Cross	

Saturday 23rd March 2024 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Sat 4:30pm	All Saints	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Jamie Bulger, Wills Bolger, Charlie Marriott

Sunday 24th March 2024 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Fr Vincent Burrowes
Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	Bob Hawkes, Baby Finley, Paul & Cathy



Please remember in your prayers: the sick of our community, those who have died recently especially **Canon Vincent Burrowes, Brenda Seddon** and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.



Newsletter for the Parishes of St. Catherine of Siena & All Saints and St. Lewis



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SUNDAY 17TH MARCH 2024

Parish Mass Book Page 173 Order of Mass P6,
The Nicene Creed P11

Those poor Greeks. Did you notice that they never actually get to meet Jesus? At the start of today's gospel some Greeks who are followers of Jesus come to Jerusalem. They are travellers, outsiders, and would like to meet Jesus in person. But when Philip and Andrew relay the request, Jesus

begins to talk about how his 'hour' is coming. It is the last we hear of the Greeks, who disappear from the story altogether.

But they are important nonetheless. Firstly, they indicate that word about Jesus is spreading, that in the words of the Pharisees, 'the world has gone after him'. More importantly, they prompt Jesus to reveal that, when his hour comes, he will draw 'all people' to himself. In the space of a few short verses, we go from a brief mention of a group of foreigners seeking Jesus, to Jesus making it crystal clear that his saving mission is for all people, of all nations, both Jews and Gentiles – including those Greeks! There is no suggestion from Jesus that some groups are 'in' and others 'out'. All are included. All are invited. All are welcome.

I remember once hearing someone describe their home as a domestic church, a place of 'indiscriminate welcome'. As we continue our journey through Lent, and soon into Holy Week, let us listen carefully to these words of Jesus. He came for all. He wishes to draw all people to himself. Are our churches, parishes, communities and homes open to all, outsiders included? Are they places of welcome and inclusion, where all who enter experience God's love?

Jesus made himself like the piece of wheat that falls to the ground and dies to give life. Our hope springs from that love-filled life.

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Serving the Communities of Golborne, Lowton, Croft, Culcheth, Risley & Glazebury.



Stations of the Cross: The Stations of the Cross will be prayed at **St. Lewis** on Monday evening at 7pm and at **All Saints** on Friday lunchtime, beginning at 12:30pm after 12:00pm mass.



Ecumenical Lent Talks, Golborne & Lowton Churches Together: This Wednesday the evening will begin with Mass at 7:00pm and the talks which are the last for this year will begin at 7:45pm in the Francis Room. Tea & Coffee will be available. The evening will finish around 8:30pm. This weeks speaker is Rev. Dave.

Chrism Mass Metropolitan Cathedral, Wednesday 27th March: The coach will leave from All Saints church at 6.15pm, returning immediately after Mass. If you wish to go please do leave your name on the signing up sheet in the porch or ring Elizabeth in the office. ***There will be no charge for the coach.***



Behold Exhibition Books: St. Lewis parishioner, Gill Hamilton has an upcoming exhibition of her sketches of Christ inspired by the Stations of the Cross in **Manchester Anglican Cathedral from 18th March until 6th April**. She has also produced booklets of the sketches from the exhibition accompanied by prayers for Lent written by Pope St. John Paul II. ***The booklets can be purchased at the back of both churches for £5 each with £1 being donated to the SVP. Booklets are also available from Gill's website: www.hamiltonoriginalart.co.uk***

Pilgrimages to Lourdes

There are 2 pilgrimages to Lourdes with Liverpool Archdiocese this year, the first is from 18th - 27th July, the second is 20th - 26th October. **For more details and prices, please see the poster on the noticeboard.**

Walsingham Pilgrimage: 19th—22nd August 2024

This year will be the 53rd Pilgrimage to Walsingham at Our Lady's Church, Bryn. Canon John will be leading the pilgrimage once again this year. For booking forms or more information, please speak to Trish Henry at All Saints or contact the parish office on 01942 273851.

This Weeks Joke

What's the definition of a good homily?
***It should have a good beginning, it should have a good ending,
and they should be as close together as possible!!!!***

All Saints Food Bank



If you are able to make food donations this week, could we please ask you to bear in mind that we are in need of Tinned Vegetables, Tuna and Cereal, Porridge and Packets of Pasta Sauces. **At the moment we don't need any pasta. Thank You**

Golborne Miners Parade & Memorial Service This Sunday

This year marks the 45th anniversary of the Golborne Pit disaster on 18th March 1979 in which 10 men lost their lives and another was seriously injured. The procession will meet at 1.30pm outside the Queen Anne, setting off at 2pm. A service will then take place from 2.30pm. After the service, a re-union event is planned at Golborne Parkside Community Sports Club on Rivington Avenue, Golborne. A shuttle bus will be provided between the service and Golborne Parkside for those without transport.

St Mary's Church Wigan

You may be aware that St Mary's has, since the end of September been without a Parish Priest following the retirement of Fr Johnson. Since then the local clergy have been covering the masses and services whilst the Archbishop consults with the Parish and seeks a way forward. He has previously stated that he has no additional priests to send to fill a vacancy that arises such as this one.

On Saturday 9th March it was announced that from the 2nd Sunday of Easter a priest of the Institute of Christ the King, Sovereign Priest (ICKSP) will be coming to St Mary's to celebrate Mass and to see if creating a "Shrine Church" is a possible solution to ensure the future of St Marys. During this three month consultation period there will be Mass and devotions on Wednesday at 12 noon and on Sunday at 10.30am. These Masses will be in Latin using the 1962 Rite of the Mass. (The 5.00pm Saturday Mass at St Mary's will be celebrated at St John's as will other services.) The parish of St Mary's will come under the pastoral care of Fr Ian O'Shea, as parochial Administrator, pro tempore. At the end of June there will be a further meeting for the parishioners of St Mary's so that they can be consulted on the way forward. Please keep everyone in your prayers.

Asylum-Seekers Project

The final batch of garments and blankets for this year will be sent off to the Centre within the next two weeks. Please contact Margaret Ruxton at St Lewis to organise collection or delivery of any completed items to be included this time. ***Thank you.***

Care for Creation Meeting

Care for Creation meeting will take place at All Saints next **Sunday 24th March** in the Francis Room after 10:30am Mass.



The Sanctuary Lamp at **All Saints Church** will be lit
Week Commencing 17th March for
all those affected by the Golborne Pit Disaster