

# OUR LADY OF GRACE PRESTWICH

'Stay with us, Lord, on our journey'

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# 3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER 15 APRIL 2018

#### **HOLY MASS THIS WEEK**

SUNDAY First Mass of Sunday is 7pm Saturday. Sunday morning 9.00 & 11.00

am

MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY	9.15 am 12 noon 12 noon	Easter Weekday Easter Weekday Easter Weekday
THURSDAY	12 noon	Easter Weekday
FRIDAY	9.15 am	Easter Weekday

SATURDAY 11.00 am Easter Weekday/St Anselm (Novena 10.40 am)

**CONFESSIONS** this week

SATURDAY 11.30 am-12.30 pm 6.00-6.45 pm

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** Saturday 11.30 am -12.30 pm

**DEANERY CIRCLE OF PRAYER** St Mary's, Littleborough

Collection last Sunday £1284.08.

**Next Sunday** there will be a second collection for the Priests' Training Fund.

### <u>NEWSLETTER</u>

#### **Parish**

#### **Invitations**

Sister Teresa will Golden celebrating her Jubilee today, Sunday 15 April, during the 11 o'clock Mass, when the celebrant will be Fr Peter Hopkinson, Vicar General. There will be a celebration in the hall afterwards with family. friends and sisters. Do drop in and join us!

All are invited to another party in the parish hall **next Sunday 22 April**, this time after **both** the morning

Masses. It will be Fr Allen's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday that day. Do please come in and have a drink and piece of cake – but PLEASE no pressies, just a prayer.

#### **End of Financial** Year

If you gave to the parish in the financial year that ended on 5 April – either using gift envelopes or by standing order – there is a letter for you, ready for collection from the sacristy after Mass from this weekend onwards. Please collect your letter and save us the cost of postage. If you think you

should have a letter, but you can't find one, please let us know.

#### **Deanery/Diocese**

We have been asked to give notice of several diocesan events.

#### **BigSleepOut**

Parishes are invited to support Caritas Homeless projects through the Big Sleep Out (18+) or special Diocesan Youth Sleep Out (For 11-17 year olds) on Friday 27 April at St Christopher's church, Ashton-under-Lyne.

If you would like join in solidarity to 'sleep rough' for the night for a great cause, for the Big Sleep Out please register

http://cornerstonecds.org.uk/ or for the Youth Sleep Out contact

lorraine.leonard@dioceseofs alford.org.uk or m.woodward@caritassalford .org.uk

Alternatively, why not sponsor Bishop John Arnold and the team through www.justgiving.com/campai gns/charity/caritassalford/cornerstonebigsleepout2018

#### <u>Diocesan Pilgrimage</u> <u>to Walsingham</u>

Saturday 5 May – 7am-10pm by coach, £20 return. To book a place please contact Fiona, T: 07939 262 204 E: fionarobinsong @gmail.com

### Evangelisation Workshop with Sherry Weddell

The parish of St John Southworth in Nelson has sent an invitation to this event on Friday 11 May 2.30-8.00 pm.

Sherry Weddell is described as 'a very inspiring speaker on the whole question of evangelisation. Part of her impact comes from the fact that she has many years of practical experience, having worked with many dioceses and parishes all over the world.'

Those interested are asked to register at guildofourladyandstjoseph@gmail.com

#### <u>Pentecost</u> <u>Youth Celebration</u>

A poster in the outer porch gives details of this event, to be held at Salford Cathedral on **Sunday 20 May**, 2.00-6.30 pm. Fr Ged Kelly is the keynote speaker and Bishop Arnold will celebrate Holy Mass at 5.30 pm.

## Migrants Mass Invitation to Parishes

This year's Migrant Mass will take place on **Saturday 26 May** at 2.00 pm in the Cathedral.

We would like all ethnic groups to be involved in the service. If your parish or parish group would like to be involved please contact Rachel McGee on 0161 817 2201 or rachel.mcgee@dioceseofsal ford.org.uk

#### The New Evangelisation

The Shrewsbury Diocese has organised a Symposium on the Eucharist to be given by **Fr Oliver Treanor**, a former lecturer in Theology at Maynooth University in Ireland.

Fr Treanor's talk is entitled 'Maelstrom of Love:
The Eucharist – Source and Centre of the Sacramental Life', to be given at St Ambrose College, Hale Road, Altrincham, WA15 0HE on Saturday 9 June (9:30am for) 10:00am—3:00pm. Please bring lunch – tea & coffee provided.

To register, see the Shrewsbury Diocese website. This would be a very good preparation for the coming National Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool, 7-9 September.

#### <u>Diocesan Pilgrimage to</u> Lourdes

The 86th annual Diocesan

Pilgrimage to Lourdes, led by Bishop John Arnold, will take place between **Friday 27 July and Thursday 2 August** and it is hoped that priests and people from all over the Salford Diocese will join the Bishop on pilgrimage to Our Lady's shrine at Lourdes in France.

Travel has been organised by plane and coach. For further details about travel and accommodation please contact Joe Walsh Tours on 0161 820 8790 or by e-mail: info@joewalshtours.co.uk.

For all other aspects of the pilgrimage, please contact the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office - Tel: 0161 817 2209 or visit the diocesan website at www.salfordlourdes.co.uk

#### Sign for Life

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children has launched a petition calling on the Prime Minister not to give any parliamentary support to moves to decriminalise abortion.

Pro-abortion MPs are trying to introduce such legislation, which would open the way for a child in the womb to be killed at any time, for any reason, right up to birth. It would strip from unborn children any remaining legal protection from being killed.

This legislation is likely to succeed only if the Government allows it parliamentary time, hence this petition. Petition forms are at the back of church. Please sign today.

It's also possible to sign online at www.spuc.org.uk