

Parish Newsletter Supplement



Parish Website

www.stcuthberts.org.uk



"This love alone is the answer to that yearning for infinite happiness and love that we think we can satisfy with the idols of knowledge, power and riches."

- Pope Francis

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

LOVE IS THE ANSWER

LET US PRAY...

Dear Lord, we are often not the Easter people we should be, living in the certain knowledge of your great mercy and love.

Distracted by the world around us, we fail to hear your voice or hide when faith is challenged as we wander off the path.

Forgive us, we pray;

restore the love that we first had, a faith that can endure.

We will keep our eyes fixed on you, Lord, and with you at our right hand we shall try to avoid the distractions of this world that do not lead us to you.

Gracious God, we praise you for the promise of Scripture, the depth of your love and our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen



THE PARISH OF ST CUTHBERT

A CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF OUR PARISH
A DAY OF PRAISE, WORSHIP, THANKSGIVING AND
CELEBRATION FOR ALL OUR PARISH MINISTRIES AND OF THE WAYS GOD IS AT WORK
AROUND US



We ask our Parish Family to pray to The Holy Spirit to bless this day of Celebration and for those being celebrated, that they may deeply treasure this celebration of faith and that the fruits of The Holy Spirit will enhance the joy of our Day, and that God's grace will remain upon us all.

Veni Sancte Spiritus - Veni Sancte Spiritus - Veni Sancte Spiritus

Prayer for the guidance of the Holy Spirit for the success of this celebration

We beseech the Holy Spirit for help and guidance of our Enkindle Ministry in order to successfully develop the future of our Parish Community.

We pray for all our ministries, the clergy, parishioners and schools that through our commitment and dedication we will be able to achieve all our goals in the coming months and years ahead.

May our blessed Lady intercede for us to enkindle the flame in our Church and give us the passion, strength and drive to see it through. We ask this through Jesus, Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

MISSIO APF MILL HILL Spring Collection 2024 Brown Envelopes are available in the porch at St Thomas of Canterbury. Please place your **Red Mission Box Collection** in the envelope, seal securely and label clearly with your name and address so that a receipt can be given. Please take a copy of the Spring edition of Mission Today magazine. Thank you for your prayers and generous financial support of the Mill Hill Missionaries, working with many of the poorest and most vulnerable communities, in many countries across the world. The next **Brown Envelope Collection** at St Thomas of Canterbury, will be in the Autumn.

Please contact: Bernadette Robinson for any Red Mission Box enquiries at St Thomas of Canterbury Tel: 492805 and Mairead Pindar at St Joseph's Tel: 491887

The logo for House of Prayer, featuring a white heart with a cross inside, followed by the text "HOUSE OF PRAYER" in a white, serif font, and "St. Augustine's Priory, Colwyn Bay" in a smaller, white, cursive font below it, all on a dark red background.

HOUSE OF PRAYER

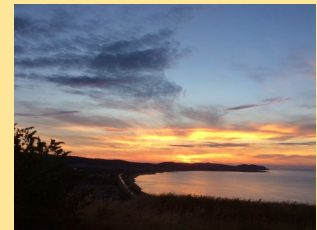
St. Augustine's Priory, Colwyn Bay



OUR PARISH RETREAT

ST AUGUSTINE HOUSE OF PRAYER
OLD CONWY, NORTH WALES

We invite you to join our Parish Retreat being held at
St. Augustine House of Prayer from 4th to 7th June 2024



The cost of the 3 night stay is £245 per person on a full board basis.

The Rooms available are: 11 single rooms and 2 double rooms.

To secure your place a deposit of £50.00 is required (cash or cheques made payable to Ann Tipper)

The balance payment is due no later than 13th April.

PLEASE NOTE THERE IS NO TRANSPORT PROVIDED FOR THIS RETREAT AND IT IS SUGGESTED THAT PEOPLE CAR SHARE AND SHARE FUEL EXPENSES.

If you wish to book your place, there are registration forms in the Church porches.

Please complete your details; the type of room you require; any dietary requirements and include your deposit payment and return them in an envelope marked "PARISH RETREAT" no later than Sunday 10th March.

Any queries please contact Pauline O'Rourke (07583098711) or tele the Parish Office 01204 497068 or email office@stcuthberts.org.uk

We hope you will be able to join us to share this time of Prayer and Reflection together



Offertory Envelopes – Gift Aid / Please collect from the back of the church

New Offertory Collection Envelopes are being prepared and it is a good time to invite you to consider registering your collection offerings with Gift Aid.

If you pay income tax and give money to the church, the parish can claim 25 pence tax relief on every pound you give, at no further cost to you.

The amount of your collection is given in confidence and there is no continuous commitment to any set amount of collection.

To receive further information about Gift Aid, please leave your name and address on the form at the back of church or telephone the Parish Office

Come and Join our
Gift Team
in Stations of
the CROSS!

St. Thomas of Canterbury
School!



Date
19.3.24

10:30am

From our
Gift Team
Thank you

Continues meeting on
a Monday evening @ SToC
Becket Suite
from 7.00—8.00 pm
All welcome



BIBLE JOURNEYS
Lenten Reflections

For our Lenten Devotions

you are invited to pray
The Stations of the Cross
at St. Joseph Church

On Tuesday 19th March at 7.30 p.m.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME



STATIONS of the CROSS

Lenten Devotions

THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Cross of Christ contains all the love of God, His immeasurable mercy. This is a love in which we can place all our trust, in which we can believe. Let us follow the steps of Jesus which enable us to engage actively with the path of suffering walked by Jesus and to recall the Crucifixion of Jesus and the redeeming benefits of his Passion and death.



During Lent you are invited to pray the Stations of the Cross, which are being led by our Parishioners at the following times:

Immediately after each Tuesday Mass at St. Thomas of Canterbury

and

immediately after each Friday Mass at St. Joseph.

- **THE CROSS IS THE VICTORY.....THE RESURRECTION IS THE TRIUMPH**

Feast of Divine Mercy

Sunday 7th April 2024



Special celebration for the BOLTON Area

At the Parish of St. Cuthbert

St. Thomas of Canterbury Church

Lonsdale Road, Heaton. BL1 5TR

1.00-3.45pm

Exposition, Confessions, Special prayer.

Talk by Tony Hickey

& Hosted by Mrs Tinuke Arewa (Charles Arewa. RIP)

3.00pm Holy Mass

Celebrated by Fr. Joel Yeboah- Marfo

Refreshments after. All Welcome



This Lent, children at [Thornleigh Salesian College] are taking part in the Big Lent Walk to help CAFOD fight poverty. Please support our school's efforts and donate to their fundraising page - Please visit [<https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/thornleighs-big-lent-walk>] You can join the Big Lent Walk too! Visit – WALK.CAFOD.ORG.UK





MOHADDIS-E-AZAM MISSION PRESENTS

Dear friend and neighbour,

DEAR FRIEND AND NEIGHBOUR, WE WOULD LIKE TO CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO OUR 6TH ANNUAL CROMPTON COMMUNITY INTERFAITH GET TOGETHER ON SATURDAY 23RD MARCH 2024 FROM 5PM TO 7:15PM. THE MAIN TOPIC OF DISCUSSION WILL BE 'THE SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE: WHAT CAN WE DO TO PRESERVE IT?' THERE IS A LOT OF SUFFERING IN THE WORLD AND THE QUESTION IS: CAN WE DO ANYTHING TO HELP?

— *Sponsors:* —



ITINERARY:

- 5PM: WELCOME, REGISTRATION AND TOUR OF THE BUILDING
- 5.20PM: TALKS DELIVERED BY A RANGE OF SPEAKERS
- 6.20PM: COMMUNAL BREAKING OF THE FAST AND OPPORTUNITY TO OBSERVE THE SUNSET PRAYER
- 6.45PM: EVENING MEAL SERVED FOR ALL

PLEASE REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE USING THE CONTACT DETAILS BELOW.

SCAN THE QR CODE OR CALL 07428 968419.

PLEASE LET US KNOW OF ANY SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS.

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Contact John Pindar 07771 524542
& he will register for you



DIOCESE OF SALFORD SYNOD 2023-2025

The Big Listen Stage has been completed.

Thanks to all the parishioners who took part in the meetings held in our two churches and to all those who responded to the questionnaires distributed at weekend masses. Your responses have been summarised and submitted to the Diocesan office. These will be added to those from other parishes and analysed to produce 'Emerging Themes' which will be published shortly.

A summary of our parish responses are :-

Where in your everyday life do you experience love, hope, or joy?

Love and joy through family and friends (x12) The church and parish community(x6) Hope that God sustains us through difficult times (x2) Joy in God's Creation, Music, Arts and the natural environment (x3)

What concerns or worries make it hard to live a life of faith and hope?

Conflicts, wars, inhumanity, (x10) Loss of faith in children and young people due to effects of contemporary society (x3) Global warming and future generations (x2) Poverty and mental health issues increasing (x2) Past record of the church's failings still not apologised for.

What do you sense is the role of the Catholic Church in the world today?

Act as a unifying force, acceptance of all, inclusivity, access to marginalised (x10) Uphold and spread Gospel values and the good news of redemption/salvation (x4) To promote peace (x3) To speak for those who no-one will listen to.

Having reflected on these things, what do you sense God is asking of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Salford at this time?

To find ways of increasing the involvement of young people (x6) To look after the vulnerable, destitute and deprived (x3) Improve communication between clergy and laity and increase lay involvement (x5) To open more social activities - youth clubs, mother and baby units, day centres etc (x3) To take steps to look after the planet (x3) Emphasise the importance of prayer and catechesis.

Also there is further information on the Diocese website:

<https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/faith/synod/the-big-listen/>



Fr Chris is taking on an incredible challenge this year to raise funds to tackle poverty, homelessness, and discrimination in our diocese - and is asking schools, parishes, and individuals to support him.

He is running the Camino de Santiago in aid of diocesan charity CARITAS, SALFORD, a distance of 924 kilometres - the equivalent of running from Manchester to Dundee and back again.

Please be prepared to donate to support him. Details of how to donate can be found on the parish website. Sponsor sheets may become available.

Don't forget to put your food parcels and gifts into the BINS provided

