

NEWSLETTER

Incorporating St Richards, Sacred Heart (Hindley Green) and Sacred Heart (Hindsford) Churches

MASS THIS WEEK - 24th Dec - 31st Dec

Saturday	23 Dec - 5:00pm	Sacred Heart - John Thompson
Saturday	23 Dec - 6:30pm	St Richards - Ronnie/Enid Kenwright
Christmas Eve	24 Dec - 6:00pm	St Richards - Private Intention
Christmas Eve	24 Dec - 8:00pm.	Sacred Heart - Nora Smith (100yrs)
Christmas Day	25 Dec - 9:00am	St Richards - People of the parish
Christmas Day	25 Dec - 10:30am	Sacred Heart - Marie and Neil Burrows.
Boxing Day	26 Dec - 10:30am	St Richards - Jimmy Hancock
Wednesday	27 Dec - 10:30am	Sacred Heart - Fr Delaney & Joseph Clarkson
Thursday	28 Dec - 10:30am	St Richards - Maria McCoy
Friday	29 Dec -	NO MASS
Holy Family Sunday.	Sacred Heart 5pm - Liam Dalton / 9:30am St Richards - Monica Cosgrave 11:00am Sacred Heart - Margaret & Thomas Morris	

Christmas Mass Times. Sat 23rd Dec - 5pm Sacred Heart (Vigil 4th Sunday Advent) 6:30pm - St Richards (Vigil 4th Sunday Advent) Sun 24th Dec - 5:30pm Carol Service 6pm St Richards (Vigil Christmas Day) 7:30pm Carol Service 8pm Sacred Heart (Vigil Christmas Day) Mon 25th Dec - 9am St Richards 10:30am Sacred Heart.

Fr. Carl - Christmas Message.

As we welcome the child Jesus into our world, our hearts and our lives, I'd like to wish everyone a very happy and holy Christmas. It's at this time of year that we reflect upon memories and times past and look forwards to the future. I am very aware of the changes everyone will have experienced with a new priest in the parish, and I am excited for the years ahead and working with you and growing our community together. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who volunteers and helps in our parish, in whatever way, your support is very much appreciated.

As a child, Jesus would have needed, support and love around him to help nurture and develop his ministry, our mission this Christmas and new year is to support each other and to minister together to our communities, and to welcome everyone into the light that Christmas brings us.

Let's remember at this time those we have lost this year and pray for all those families who mourn a loved one. We especially pray for all those who are sick in the parish and those who care for them. Let's also celebrate all those we have welcomed into our parish this year through the blessings of baptism. So again, Happy Christmas to you and those you love and the peace of the holy child in the manger be with you. Fr Carl.

Confirmations. Bishop Tom Neylon will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday 9th January 2024 at 7:00pm at Holy Family Church, Boothstown, as a joint service with St John Rigby Parish. We have welcomed our young people at preparation for the sacrament recently, and we pray for all those receiving Confirmation in the New Year. If you were unable to attend the preparation, applications for receiving the sacrament will be open again early in 2024 for Confirmation in the early Summer.

Last Weeks collection (plate only) - £1030

Items for the Newsletter

If anyone would like to add any items for the newsletter, then please contact Fr Carl by WEDNESDAY EVENING AT THE LATEST.

