



## St. John Rigby Parish NEWSLETTER.

Incorporating the Former Parishes of Sacred Heart, Hindley Green, St. Richard's, Atherton & Sacred Heart, Hindsford.

**Priests: Fr. Paul Seddon. (Tel: 883395)**

**Deacon: Ken Holding (Tel: 255834)**

### 30th May 2021 – Holy Trinity Sunday.

#### **Holy Trinity Sunday.**

**Saturday @ 5pm.**

**Sacred Heart Church.**

Fr. Thomas Delaney.

**Sunday @ 9-30am.**

**St. Richard's Church.**

Cirroc Smith.

**Sunday @ 10-30am.**

**Sacred Heart Church.**

Neil Burrows.

**Mon 31<sup>st</sup> May (10am.) SH.**

Intentions of 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.N.H.

**Tues 1<sup>st</sup> June (10.30) St. R's**

Robert Carter.

**Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> June (12) SH.**

Mary Slade (sick).

**Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> June (10.30) St. R's**

Ernest James Daniels.

**Fri 4<sup>th</sup> June (7pm) SH.**

Peter Harrison.

**Next Weekend.**

**Saturday @ 5pm.**

**Sacred Heart Church.**

Annie O'Neill.

**Sunday @ 9-30am**

**St. Richard's Church.**

David Baxter.

**Sunday @ 10-30am.**

**Sacred Heart Church.**

Private Intention (V).

#### **Pray for our sick**

Joan Baines.

Eileen McAlister.

Joyce Gorton.

Nora Smith.

Jed Bamber.

John Atkins.

Eileen Watkinson.

Shelia Ratcliffe.

Maureen Blears

Jean Culkin.

Martin Culkin.

Bernadette

Boardman.

Teresa Weatherhead.

Neil Gunson.

Frank Vose.

#### **Lately Dead**

David Baxter.

Caroline Jones.

June Woods.

Michael Hoggitt.

Dennis Duffy.

Gerald Warren.

John Bernard Poyner.

#### **Anniversaries**

Enid Davies.

Elsie Baines.

Mary Williams.

Joseph Gittins.

Joan Baxter.

Anthony Rigby.

Jean Manning.

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**Collection Last**

**Week.**

Envelopes:£358-00

Loose Plate:£150-00

CAFOD Box:

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEKEND.**

**First Reading – Book of Deuteronomy 4:32-34.39 40.**

*Moses reminds the people of the close and loving relationship that God has established with them, and of the obligations and blessings that flow from such a relationship.*

**Second Reading – St. Paul to the Romans 8:14-17.**

*Through the in-dwelling of the Holy Spirit, we have become children of God and co-heirs of Christ Jesus his Son.*

**Gospel Reading – Matthew 28:16-20.**

*In his last appearance, Jesus commissions his disciples to preach the Good News to all people.*

Please remember that if you are unwell or awaiting a test result please **STAY AT HOME.** The obligation to attend Sunday Mass has not been reintroduced. Please take care of yourself and others.

If anyone is in need of a reclining chair, please see Deacon Ken.

We welcome into our Parish William George Featherstone who will be Baptised this Sunday.

*If anyone would like to add any items for the Newsletter each week then please let Deacon Ken or Fr. Paul know by Wednesday evening at the latest.*

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## **GOSPEL REFLECTION – SYNOD 2020.**

*On the Feast of the Holy Trinity we celebrate all that God has revealed to us of God's beauty and love. We thank God for the gift of faith, and we pray that our faith in God may be deepened and lived out more fully in our daily lives. We pray again for the work of our Synod which will take place on the weekend of June 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>. May the Synod help us to live more fully the call we received when we were baptised in the name of the Holy Trinity, God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.*

*Merciful God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
may you be faithfully loved, honoured and served by all members of the Church.  
Guide the members of our Synod in the holy task you have entrusted to them.  
Help us all to proclaim your mercy and love to the ends of the earth.  
We ask this Father through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever, AMEN.*

## **READERS AT MASS.**

*If you would like to do a reading at any time please speak to Deacon Ken, for Sacred Heart Church, or Fr. Paul for St. Richard's. Many thanks to all those who have been reading so far.*

## **COVID RESTRICTIONS.**

*As and when any Covid restrictions are lifted we will let you know. However for the foreseeable future we will still have to wear facemasks in Church, sanitise our hands and keep social distancing. These are a number of recent changes:-*

*Since the most recent changes last Monday, May 17<sup>th</sup> -*

*Funerals, weddings and baptisms with up to 30 adults.*

*No earlier than June 21<sup>st</sup> (depending on latest data) –*

*Numbers only limited to the capacity of people able to fit into each church.*

## **PARISH CENTRES.**

*Sadly, due to the losses during the pandemic, we have to inform you that licensed trading activities have now ceased at Sacred Heart Parish Centre, Hindley Green, and Sacred Heart Parish Centre, in Hindsford. As we look towards the future for these parish premises, we are reviewing the possibility of forming Parish Hall Committee to lead the running of the premises without licensed trading activities. Your participation in this is welcomed and if you feel that you could help or learn more, please contact Fr. Paul or Deacon Ken and they will add you to the list. A meeting to discuss this further will be arranged in the near future and possibly a visit to another parish where a parish hall is operating successfully in this way to give us an idea of the way ahead.*

*However, we are pleased to confirm that the easing of government restrictions over indoor hospitality means that we are now able to plan the re-opening of St. Richard's Parish Centre. This is provisionally planned for Thursday June 10<sup>th</sup> 2021. We hope that you will try your best to support the re-opening of the Parish Centre in whatever way you can.*

## **FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS.**

*We are hoping to celebrate the First Holy Communions after summer, in the months of September and October. We will probably prepare the children for First Holy Communion in school, following the Archdiocesan preparation programme. Please watch this space for further details.*

*It has been a difficult time for everyone, especially for the schools who have somehow managed to keep educating the children and welcoming them into the three schools of the Parish in such very difficult and challenging times. For Fr. Paul it has been a great privilege visiting all the schools every week during these months and weeks and spending socially distanced time with the children and staff. So thank you to all our schools, to staff, parents and governors, for the wonderful work you are all doing. The children look so very happy in school at such a difficult time for everyone. Have a good half term everyone! You deserve it!*