



St. John Rigby Parish NEWSLETTER.

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

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13th Nov. 2022. 33rd Sunday of the Year. C

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Sacred Heart 5pm

Joseph Atkinson.

Sunday 13th November

St. Richard's Church 9-30am.

Sandra Morris.

Sunday @ 11-00am.

Sacred Heart Church.

Pious List.

Mon. 14th Nov. S H .10am

Eucharistic Service.

Tue 15th Nov. St.R's. 10-30am

Michael Cosgrove.

Wed 16th Nov. SH. 12noon

Thomas O'Connell.

Thur 17th Nov. St.R's. 10-00am

Please note Time Change

Sandra Morris.

Sacred Heart 10-30am

Funeral Service Ann Hardman.

Fri. 18th Nov. SH .10am

Eucharistic Service.

Next weekend.

Sat 19th November. SH 5pm.

John & Jean Neary.

Christ the King

20th November.

St. Richard's Church. 9-30am

Rev. Cannon Kevin McLoughlin.

Sunday @ 11-00am.

Sacred Heart Church.

Sean & Michael Grainey.

**Sacred Heart Hindley Green.
Christmas Cards, Calendars,
Diary's, etc. are now on sale
in the repository shop**

**Parish Centre open for
functions.**

**Slimming World Tuesday
4-30pm & 7-30pm.**

**Friendship Club Wednesday
1pm to 4pm.**

**Craft every other Thursday
1pm to 4pm.**

Pray for our sick

Joan Baines.
Eileen McAlister.
Joyce Gorton.
Nora Smith.
Jed Bamber.
Cheryl Morris.
Pat Woodward.
Shelia Ratcliffe.
Maureen Blears.
Jean Culkin.
Phyllis Smith.
Harry Doyle.
Janina Herko.
Peter Weatherhead.
Neil Gunson.
Jean Rafferty.
Teresa Gallagher.
Dennis Green.
Jimmy Allen.
Elaine Owen.
Frank Vose.
Sheila Nyland.
Teresa Ward.
Christopher Holding.
Doreen Hayes. (Organist)
Sheila Holden.
Dominic Kearns.

Lately Dead

Patricia Ann Hardman.
Evelyn Griffin.

Anniversaries

Catherine Harrison.
Albert Young.
Kathleen Unsworth.

READINGS FOR THE WEEKEND.

First Reading- Malachi 3:19-20

Christ fulfils the promise of the prophet Malachi, who tells us that those who remain close to God will be rewarded for their faithfulness.

Second Reading St Paul to Thessalonians 3:7-12

Paul invites the Church at Thessalonica to imitate his example of humble service to others.

Gospel Reading – Luke 21:5-19

The saints and martyrs witness to the faithfulness of God to rescue their lives and protect them in adversity, even in death.

**There will be carols by candle light with a brass band on Sunday 11th December 7-30pm till 9pm at Sacred Heart Hindley Green.
Tickets £5**

*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.

During this year we have heard St. Luke's Gospel proclaimed each Sunday. St. Luke presents some of the most graphic parables about people in need, which develop the theme of the Beatitudes, beginning, "How happy are you who are poor, yours is the Kingdom of God." He tells us that it is those who are poor, those who are hungry, those who weep and those who are persecuted who will be blessed. St. Luke invites us to open our hearts and reach out to those in need, exemplified nowhere more graphically than in the story of the rich man and Lazarus, which we listened to at Mass a few weeks ago.

In this context, in his message for the World Day of the Poor 2021, Pope Francis recalled the words of St. John Chrysostom: "The merciful are like a harbour for those in need: the harbour welcomes and frees from danger all those who are shipwrecked; whether they are evil, good people or whatever they may be, the harbour brings them shelter. You too, therefore, when you see on land a man or a woman who has suffered the shipwreck of poverty, do not judge, do not ask for an account of the conduct, but deliver them from their misfortune." The invitation on the World Day of the Poor is to look around us, encounter others, see those in need and come to their assistance.

As we strive to live out the Gospel message let us pray that we may always see the face of Christ in those in need.

Sacramental Preparation 2023 at Sacred Heart Hindley Green.

This is a notice for parents of baptised Catholic children who are in Year Four or above if they wish their child to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation and to receive First Holy Communion, there will be an invitation to attend a preparation meeting in January 2023. More details will follow nearer the date.

Sacred Heart School Reception class Hindley Green, applications 2023.

Families are warmly invited to come and tour the school. Please contact the school on 01942 767768 to book a place.

Christmas Fair at Sacred Heart Hindley Green.

Our Christmas Fair will be Sunday 20th November, to help with our stalls; we are looking for Raffle Prizes, 2nd hand toys, gifts, bottles for tombola. And any help if you are available.

Christmas Masses.

As per usual Christmas Masses are in big demand, so as not to disappoint anyone we will have a list of names to be offered for the masses. These will be read out at each church over the Christmas period. Please put the names forward so we can compile the list.

DONATIONS TO UKRAINE.

To donate, text:

HELPUKRAINE to 70085 to donate £2.

HELPUKRAINE to 70450 to donate £3.

HELPUKRAINE to 70460 to donate £5.

HELPUKRAINE to 70470 to donate £10.

Texts will cost the donation amount plus one standard network rate message.

100 years Young.

Congratulations go out to one of our Parishioners, Hilda Grundy, who will be 100 on 23rd November 2022. Hilda joined the Sacred Heart Parish in the late 1940 and has always been a major support of the church and school throughout the years. Although Hilda is now house bound, her faith remains as strong as ever. We wish her health and happiness in the future.

Warm and Cosy.

Our Parish centre at St. Richard's Atherton will be open Thursdays 1pm to 3-30pm. There will be free tea, coffee and biscuits, access to TV and wifi and friendly company.