



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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Deacon: Ken Holding (Tel: 255834)

25th Sept. 2022. 26th Sunday of the Year. C

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Saturday.

Sacred Heart 5pm
 Marjorie Meakin.

Sunday 25th September
St. Richard's Church 9-30am.
 Pamela Maruoka.

Sunday @ 11-00am.
Sacred Heart Church.
 Oakes & Guy Family.

Mon. 26th Sept. S H .10am
 Eucharistic Service.

Tue 27th Sept St.R's.10-30am
 Deceased members of the
 St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Wed 28th Sept. SH.12noon
 Marcus Reid.

Thur 29th Sept. St.R's.10-30am
 Betty Hulmes.

Fri. 30th Sept. SH .10am
 Eucharistic Service.

Next weekend.
Sat 1st October. SH 5pm.
 William Dalton.

27th Sunday 2nd October.
St. Richard's Church.9-30am
 Jessica Ellison.

Sunday @11-00am.
Sacred Heart Church.
 Ron Hickman.

**We welcome though
 Baptism, Leo Thomas
 Buckley into our Parish next
 Sunday**

**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.
 Sheila Holden.

Lately Dead

Keith Marsh.
 John Brian Gregson.
 Enid Kenwright.
 Margaret Ann Higgins.
 Margaret Patterson.
 Betty Hulmes.

Anniversaries

Daren Cunliffe.
 Marie Burrows.
 Marion McHugh.
 Thomas Hall.
 Alan Shacklady.
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READINGS FOR THE WEEKEND.

First Reading- Amos 6:1, 4-7

The prophet denounces the complacency of wealthy people who live a life of luxury and pleasure while ignoring the dangers into which the society around them is falling.

Second Reading St Paul to Timothy 6:11-16

St. Paul encourages the young leader of the community to take Jesus as his example and so live up to the demands and responsibilities of his position.

Gospel Reading – Luke 16:19-31

Jesus tells the story of the fate of the rich man and the beggar Lazarus, warning his listeners of the danger of neglecting those who are in need of help and assistance.

We welcome into our parish Charlie James Millin 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.

Jesus' parable of the rich man and Lazarus warns us that we should always share what we have with the poor and needy. It is a warning to us to open our hearts to those around us. We do not know Lazarus is in such dire circumstances, and the fact that we are not told suggests that it doesn't matter. The point is that next door to each other, in almost every country throughout the world, the extreme rich and the extreme poor live next door to each other. Many of us see this regularly in towns and cities in our own country too. There is a tendency to think that helping the poor is a matter of charity, but for the prophets it is a question of justice.

As Christians we must take the Word of God as presented in the scriptures very seriously. We have to allow it to challenge the way we live and especially the way we help others. Listen to the warning God gives to the rich man about his relatives: "If they will not listen to Moses or the prophets-that is, the Word of God- then nothing will convince them". Jesus stands in the line of Moses and the prophets and it is his teaching in the Gospel that we must think about. Let us pray that the Word of God may be alive and active in our lives and hearts, especially in the way we help those around us.

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.

The Legion of Mary.

The legion of Mary wish to thank all those, especially the parents and children of Sacred Heart school, who joined them in the Gordon Room on 8th September to celebrate the birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It was a very lively event. Everyone enjoyed the refreshments.

Please be mindful that the Rosary is said before Mass each Wednesday at 11-30am and before Mass on the first Sunday of the each month.

Francis House Children's Hospice.

Thank you for all the donations for Francis House Children's Hospice, the Trek of Norway was the toughest I've done since I started them in 2013, at the moment I have counted £1445 and there is more to come in from sponsor forms. Thank you again, Deacon Ken.

Congratulations to John and Catherine on their wedding day last Saturday, they have been arranging for over twelve months and finally they are man and wife.

CAFOD World Food Crisis.

Family Fast Day Friday 7th October, envelopes at the back of church for your donations. Help the families around the world survive Today and have food for all their Tomorrows.

COVID RESTRICTIONS.

Face coverings are still strongly recommended at this time and the opportunity to sanitize hands, before and after Mass, should continue. We are keeping some parts of the church socially distanced for those who may feel vulnerable. Covid guidelines will continue to be reviewed by the Archdiocese.

*We have a concert in the Parish Centre 8th October, Jez,
Tickets £5 with Pasties & Peas included, plus Bingo and raffle .*

Response to the Psalm....

"My soul, give praise to the Lord."