

## 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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# 13<sup>th</sup> August 2023. 19thSunday of the Year. (A)

19thSunday of the Year A Saturday, Sacred Heart 5pm.

Ann, Michael & Thomas Barrett.

Sunday 13th August

St. Richard's Church 9:30am.

Richard Family Intentions.

Sunday @ 11:00am.

Sacred Heart Church 5pm.

Mary Vickers. (Special Int.). and In Thanksgiving.

Mon 14th Aug.SH..

Sorry, No Service Today.

9am. St. Richard's

Departure Mass for Walsingham.

Tue15<sup>th</sup> AugSt.R's.10-30am. SOLEMNITY OF ASSUMPTION **BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** 

Anthony and Charlie Ward.

Sacred Heart 6pm

People of the Parish

Wed 16th Aug.SH. 10:30am.

Noeleen & Ron Donnelly (Sick).

Thur 17th Aug St. R's10:30am

Betty Hulmes.

Fri 18th Aug .SH. 11am.

Funeral Service for

Joyce Gorton.

Next week Sat 19th August S/H 5pm.

William Freeman &

Brian Higham.

20thSunday of the Year

St. Richard's Church 9-30am

Kath Urmston.

Sunday 11-00am

Sacred Heart Church.

John Meakin &

Elizabeth Hulmes.

Sacred Heart Parish Centre Is now temporarily closed.

Pray for our sick Joan Baines. Ava Hunter.

Fr. Strowbridge. Joyce Gorton. John Blears. Nora Smith.

Jed Bamber. Chervl Morris.

Pat Woodward. Dennis Green. Shelia Ratcliffe.

Maureen Blears. Jean Culkin.

Phyllis Smith.

Harry Doyle. Janina Herko.

Peter Weatherhead. Neil Gunson.

Jean Rafferty. Teresa Gallagher. Jimmy Allen.

Elaine Owen.

Frank Vose. Sheila Holden. Teresa Ward.

Christopher Holding.

Doreen Haves.

Dominic Kearns. Chris Weatherhead. **Lately Dead Anniversaries** 

Kathleen Mary Rudd. Winifred Simpson. Jimmy Hitchen.

Annie Gaskell. Betty Hulmes.

Sick List Con. Brian Smith. Mary Griffin.

Markus Ndreca. (Prem. Baby).

(Organist)

## READINGS FORTHE WEEKEND.

First Reading- Book of Kings 19:9. 11-13

Stand on the mountain before the Lord.

Second Reading- St. Paul to the Romans 9:1-5

I would willingly be condemned if it could help my brothers.

Gospel Reading- Matthew 14:22-33

Tell me to come to you across the water.

### **Response to the Psalm....**

"Let us see, O Lord your mercy and give us your saving help"

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

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#### **Gospel Reflection.**

The hand of God is a human hand. Jesus reaches out to guide us, steady us, support us - all the things a touch of the hand can do. Peter found that also in Jesus - when he took his eyes off the Lord on the water, he began to sink. The Lord then held him close. Like Peter, we are always walking on water, putting our trust in Jesus Christ. We trust in him for protection in the most frightening times of life, like at the hour of death. At times we can do nothing for those we love except place them in the hand of God, knowing that God loves them more than we do.

#### Confirmations 2023.

The opportunity to register online for Confirmation this year officially closed in March. However, any young people, Year 8 and over, may still be able to receive the Sacrament by contacting Fr Carl.

If any of you have young people amongst your families who are not aware of this, please let them know.

#### The Legion of Mary

Weekly prayer meetings at 7pm on Thursday evenings in the Gordon Room, at Sacred Heart Church. Everyone welcome to come and find out more about the work of the Legion. Please join us to pray the Rosary every Wednesday in Sacred Heart Church at 10am before Holy Mass at 10-30am.

Also on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every month at 10-30am before the Holy Mass at 11am. Members of the Legion of Mary are also available to pray the Rosary for a deceased loved one at a Chapel of Rest on request.

We have a beautiful statue of Our Blessed Lady know as the Pilgrim Mother. Anyone can request a two week visit of this statue to their home. Please contact a member of the Legion of Mary to organise this.

#### **New Altar Servers**

Calling all boys and girls who have made their First Communion! If you would be interested in serving at the Altar and helping our current servers, I would be really glad to hear from you. Serving the Lord at Mass is a privilege and brings great rewards, it would be lovely to see new faces to enhance our current team of servers. So if you are interested, please see Fr Carl after any Mass.

#### Communion of Both Kinds.

We have now reintroduced the chalice at Holy Communion. There is no obligation to receive from the chalice and it's advised not to receive from the chalice if you are feeling unwell. The bishops have asked that 'intinction' (dipping the host into the chalice) is not to be practiced, but we are still to receive the host in the hand as this is more hygienic for those who distribute the host.

#### Walsingham Pilgrimage.

We have our Departing Mass at 9am on Monday at St. Richard's, then we will depart for Walsingham, we will be stopping for lunch, (if you wish to bring your own that will be ok.) We will remember all our parishioners in our prayers when we are there.