



# 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)**

3<sup>rd</sup> September 2023. 22nd Sunday of the Year. (A)

**22nd Sunday of the Year A**  
**Saturday. Sacred Heart 5pm.**  
 For the Holden, Kane, Ingram,  
 Horan & Kalmus Families.

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**  
**St. Richard's Church 9:30am.**  
 People of the Parish.  
**Sunday @ 11:00am.**  
**Sacred Heart Church 5pm**  
 Joyce Gorton & Agnes Freeman.

**Mon. 4<sup>th</sup> Sept. S/H.10am.**  
 Eucharistic Service.

**Tue 5<sup>th</sup> Sept. St. R's.10-30am.**  
 Frank Burke.

**Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Sept. S/H. 10:30am**  
 Dave Smith & Michael McGlone.

**Thur 7<sup>th</sup> Sept St. R's 10:30am**  
 Ava Hunter.

**Funeral Service S/H – 1pm.**  
 Margaret Derricott.

**Funeral Service S/H 2-30pm.**  
 Helen Elizabeth Corkhill.

**Fri. 8<sup>th</sup> Sept .S/H.10am.**  
 Eucharistic Service.

**Next week**  
**Sat 9<sup>th</sup> September S/H 5pm.**  
 Joseph Atkinson &  
 Frank Vose. (95yrs).

**23rd Sunday of the Year**  
**St. Richard's Church 9-30am**  
 Emma Newton.

**Sunday 11-00am**  
**Sacred Heart Church.**  
 Eddie Shaw & Jim Foley.

*Is anyone interested in helping with the Christmas Fair at Sacred Heart Hindley Green this year, if so, we are having a meeting in the Gordon Room, Sacred Heart Presbytery on 18<sup>th</sup> September 7pm.*

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 Sacred Heart Parish Centre  
 Is now close temporarily until  
 further Notice.

## Pray for our sick

Joan Baines.  
 Fr. Strowbridge.  
 Mary Griffin.  
 John Blears.  
 Nora Smith.  
 Jed Bamber.  
 Cheryl 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 Hayes.  
 Dominic Kearns.  
 Chris Weatherhead.

## Lately Dead

Kathleen Hughes  
 (Nee Gerrard)  
 David Devine.  
 Ava Hunter.  
 Marion Smith.  
 Joyce Gorton.  
 Margaret Derricott  
 Nellie Corkhill.

## Sick List Con.

Brian Smith.  
 Markus Ndreca.  
 (Prem. Baby).

## Anniversaries

Mary Margaret King.  
 Edna Theresa Atkins.  
 Lynn Unsworth.  
 Alice Mugan.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEKEND.

### First Reading- Jeremiah 20:7-9

*The word of the Lord has meant insult for me.*

### Second Reading- St. Paul to the Romans 12:1-2

*Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice.*

### Gospel Reading- Matthew 16:21-27

*If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself.*

## Response to the Psalm....

*"For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God"*

*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.**

*Taking up the cross is also accepting and living with pain, suffering of any sort, and the grief's of life we can do nothing about. Crosses may be inflicted on us by others. We know of people who have accepted a heavy burden in life and who ploughed tough furrows, through no fault of their own. They have been helped often by the example of the one who carried the cross to the end. Help often came to them also from family, friends and neighbours.*

## **The Legion of Mary**

*In response to Our Lady's request at Fatima, to Sister Lucia, for the First Saturdays Devotion for world peace and to make reparation for the sins against the Immaculate Heart of Mary, there will be an opportunity to go to Holy Mass and the Sacrament of Reconciliation on the First Saturday of each month at Sacred Heart Church, commencing 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2023. Details as follows:*

*10.00am - 10:30am Reconciliation and Exposition (whilst praying the rosary)*

*10:30am - Mass*

*All are welcome to attend. Coffee and tea will be available in the Gordon Room after Mass.*

## **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 reintroducing 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.*

## **Card Class – S Richard's Club**

*The card class will resume on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> Sept at 10.00am in St Richards club.*

## **A Night With the New Garrett Theatre.**

*An Exclusive Night Like You have Never Seen Before!*

*Songs for Old, New and Jukebox Musicals.*

*With a raffle, music Bingo and more.*

*This will be a Social event to Remember.*

*Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September 7-30pm. Botanical Gardens, Atherton.M46 9AE*

*Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 7-30pm. Bedford Sports and Social Club, Leigh. WN7 2EQ*

*Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September 7-30pm. Lowton Social Club, Lowton, WA3 2AQ*

*[www.ticketsource.co.uk/tngt](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/tngt) (£6)*

## **Calling all Knitters and Crochets.**

*Can you help to knit or crochet orange flowers for 'The International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women' in November, we want to create a display of orange flowers for Leigh Parish Church, where we will also be holding a candle lit vigil.*

*See Poster in porch for further information and patterns.*