



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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6th August 2023. Transfiguration (A)

TransfigurationA

Saturday. Sacred Heart 5pm.
Golden Wedding (Thanksgiving)

Sunday 6th August

St. Richard's Church

9:30am.

Harry Knotman.

Sunday @ 11:00am.

Sacred Heart Church.

Joan Baines (sick).

Mon 7th Aug. SH. 10am.

Eucharistic Service.

Tue 8th Aug St. R's. 10-30am.

Frank Burke.

Wed 9th Aug. SH. 10:30am.

Thomas Kenneth Harrison.

Thur 10th Aug St.R's 10:30am

Agnes Melling.

Fri 11th Aug .SH..

Sorry, No Service Today.

Next week

Sat 12th August S/H 5pm.

Fr. Thomas Barrett.

19th Sunday of the Year

St. Richard's Church 9-30am

People of the Parish.

Sunday 11-00am

Sacred Heart Church.

Mary Vickers. (Special Int.).

And In Thanksgiving.

*We welcome next Sunday through
 Baptism Grace Cherie Ann
 Dundon & Isabelle Ivie*

*Sacred Heart Parish Centre.
 Will be temporarily closed except
 for:*

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

Pray for our sick

Joan Baines.
 Fr. Strowbridge.
 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

Margaret McLoughlin.
 Carmen Usher.
 John Byrne.
 Marion Smith.
 Ava Hunter
 Joyce Gorton.

Sick List Con.

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

Anniversaries

Alan Liptrot.
 Arthur Rosbotham.
 Joan Moore.

READINGS FORTHE WEEKEND.

First Reading- Book of Daniel 7:9-10. 13-14

His robe as white as snow.

Second Reading- Second letter of St. Peter 1:16-19

We heard this ourselves, spoken from heaven.

Gospel Reading- Matthew 17:1-9

His face shone like the sun.

Response to the Psalm....

"The Lord is king, most high above all the earth"

*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 Transfiguration of Jesus might be described as one of Jesus' greatest moments. It might well have been a great moment in the lives of his disciples, Peter, James, and John as well. The event offered Jesus and his disciples a taste of the glory that would come. It may also have been a moment that helped to give strength to Jesus and his disciples through the difficult times ahead of them.

In today's Gospel, the voice from heaven speaks to the disciples saying, "Listen to him." The Transfiguration was a focused moment for the disciples when they heard God speaking to them and experienced Jesus in glory. They most certainly left this focused moment with a new appreciation for the importance of Jesus' words even if they did not yet understand everything that he had taught them. During the coming week, we are invited to consider our attentiveness to Jesus and to each other. In the hustle and bustle of family life, how well do we listen to one another? Let's then listen more to each other, but be attentive even more to the quiet whisper of God in our life.

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. We should be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation during November this year.

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 1st 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 known 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.

Flower help needed.

Help is needed at Sacred Heart with the flowers for church, the ladies who do them are not well, they wouldn't mind helping or giving someone tuition. Please contact Deacon Ken.

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 practice.

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.