



## **Parish of St Anne and St Joseph**

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St Anne and St Joseph, Accrington



**Christ The King**

**21st November 2021**



### **MASS TIMES THIS WEEK**

#### **Monday 22nd November**

9:00am Holy Mass - St Anne's

9:30am Holy Mass - St Joseph's

#### **Tuesday 23rd November**

9:00am Holy Mass - St Anne's

9:30am Holy Mass - St Joseph's

#### **Wednesday 24th November**

**NO MASS AT St Anne's**

9:30am Holy Mass - St Joseph's

#### **Thursday 25th November**

9:00am Holy Mass - St Anne's

**NO MASS AT St Joseph's**

#### **Friday 26th November**

9:00am Holy Mass - St Anne's

**NO MASS AT St Joseph's**

#### **Saturday 27th November**

9:00am Holy Mass - St Anne's

10:00am Holy Mass - St Joseph's

5:30pm Vigil Mass - St Anne's

#### **Sunday 28th November**

9:00am Holy Mass - St Joseph's

11:00am Holy Mass - St Anne's



### **READERS' ROTA**

#### **In St Anne's**

Saturday 27th November, 5.30pm

Mary Regan and Kieran Harrington

Sunday 28th November, 11am

Caroline Farrelly and Tony Yates

#### **In St Joseph's**

Sunday 28th November, 9am

Catherine Devenport



#### **Confessions in St Anne's**

Saturdays 9.30am 10.30am

4.30pm - 5.30pm

#### **Confessions in St Joseph's**

Saturdays 10.30am -11.30am



### **PLEASE PRAY FOR**

**Our Sick:** Helen Hyndman,

**Our Beloved Dead:** Robert McGilveray

**Anniversaries:** Margaret Mangan,

Kathleen Holden



### **SCHOOL MASS**



On Monday, 22nd November at 2.15pm, there will be Mass at St Anne's church with the staff and children of St Anne's and St Joseph's Primary School.

**All parishioners are welcome to attend**

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Code of Canon Law states: "Parents are obliged to see to it that infants are baptised within the first weeks after birth" (867). This canon, although not always practical for many reasons, reminds us of the importance and urgency of the sacrament of Baptism. **As a Parish within the Diocese of Salford we follow the Diocesan Baptism Policy.** In order for a baby/child (under the age of 7) to be Baptised, the Catholic family, (resident in the Parish of St. Anne & St Joseph), if not already practising their faith, must begin to attend Sunday Mass for a minimum of at least 6 weeks before a Baptism date can be discussed. To discuss this further please speak to Fr Francis after Mass.



## SATURDAY MORNING MASS

Thank you to those who have expressed an opinion on the change of Mass time, at St Anne's, for Saturday morning. Those who responded said it was a good idea. **Beginning on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December Holy Mass will be offered at the later time of 12:00 Noon. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions will be from 11:00am to 11:45am.**

## READERS OF ST JOSEPH'S

If any of our parishioners at St Joseph's would like to volunteer to read at Mass, please contact Siobhan so that she can add you to the readers' rota.

We would really appreciate more readers to come forward. Thank you



## BLESSING OF GRAVES

Last Sunday at Accrington Cemetery I blessed the graves and prayed for those buried there. This Sunday, 21st November at 2pm, I will be visiting Dill Hall Cemetery to again, bless the graves and pray. Please join me if you are able to do so.

Dill Hall Cemetery  
Sunday 21st November at 2:00pm



## LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

I will be away in Lourdes from 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> December. Lourdes is a place close to my heart and not being able to go on the Diocesan pilgrimage for the last two years has been something that I have missed. **IF YOU**

**WOULD LIKE ME TO TAKE PETITIONS TO LOURDES THEN PLEASE PUT THEM THROUGH THE PRESBYTERY**



**DOOR MARKED 'LOURDES'** Please do not include offerings for candles in the same envelope - these should be placed in a separate envelope.



## HOPE IN THE FUTURE

Let us pray for the parish of Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Gerard Majella, Lostock Hall, for Fr. Joe Gee, and for their parish primary school. May they be strong in faith to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.

**INDOOR Christmas MARKET**

- Gift and craft stalls
- Food & refreshments
- Carols
- Festive activities
- FREE Santa's grotto

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> DEC**

**FREE entry 6pm - 8pm**

**Ho Ho Ho!**  
Come along and see me

**Tombola Raffle**

**Mount Carmel R.C. HIGH SCHOOL**  
Wordsworth Road, Accrington BB5 0LU

ORGANISED BY THE PARENT, TEACHER AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

### GREAT NEWS FROM MOUNT CARMEL

Congratulations to Mount Carmel High School who at the recent inspection by OFSTED have been judged to be 'Good' in all areas and 'Good' overall as a school and in some areas. They were very close to being judged outstanding. This now means that our Catholic High School has the same judgement from OFSTED as other high schools in the local area.



*St Anne's and St Joseph's SVP conference is meeting again, and we'd love you to join us!*



The St Vincent de Paul Society was founded in 1833 in Paris by a group of students who wanted to help the poor of the city in any way they could. After facing taunts that they did nothing to help the poor despite calling themselves Christians, these men decided to take an active and dedicated approach to improving the lives of those around them.

Today there are roughly 10,000 members across England and Wales who seek to make a difference however they can. From providing companionship and conversation to helping the homeless to sending families on holiday, the SVP supports people in many ways.

Our conference supports the parish by visiting the sick and the housebound and supporting those in need. Throughout the pandemic, we have continued our mission. We have ambitious goals for the future, and we'd love your help in realising them!

Interested in finding out more? Come along to our informal meeting on **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at 7pm in the Marian Room at St Anne's.**

*We look forward to seeing you!*

### SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a **SECOND COLLECTION** for the parish SVP Society at all Masses **NEXT WEEKEND**. Members of the SVP will be at the back of church this weekend to hand out envelopes.

## ST ANNE'S LADIES

We will be meeting on the car park at St Anne's church at 1pm, Monday 22nd November, for lunch at Olde Mother Redcap. See you there!



## IN IT TO WIN IT!!! WEEK 5

Saturday Night's winning number was:  
56 - Rollover

Wednesday Night's winning number was:  
53 - Rollover

Thank you to all those who support our weekly lottery.



## *Father's Ramblings*

This feast affirms that Christ is King, that he is Judge, that he is Ruler of the kings of the earth. By his own words we know that this is true, as he stands before Pilate and says, 'Yes, I am a king.' But his kingship is different: it is not of the same kind as earthly kings, whose empires fade and pass away. His kingship is eternal, and holy until the end of time. Through his love for us, we share in this sovereignty - this holiness - as priests and kings who 'serve his God and Father.' We end our year in simple, awe-filled praise of the One who is, who was, and who is to come - the Almighty. Alleluia! Amen!

This Sunday is also traditionally called 'Stir Up Sunday.' It gets its name from the opening of the Collect in the Anglican Book of Common Prayer for this Sunday: "Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people". We will use this Opening Prayer at weekday Masses in this final week of the Liturgical Year.

Stir-up Sunday is a festive tradition associated with the Victorian era. On Stir-up Sunday, families traditionally get together in their kitchen to mix and steam Christmas pudding. **You might like to tune into our parish Facebook page about 7pm on Sunday as we gather to celebrate Stir Up Sunday in a light-hearted way.**

## *Fr Francis*



## **And Finally....**

Please give the priest time to return to the sacristy (especially on weekdays) and take off his vestments before coming into the sacristy to speak with him. During this time he is making his thanksgiving after offering the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Thank you for your understanding.