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THE NEWSLETTER

29th Sunday of the Year

Masses for this week

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sa 21 st	5.30pm St P's	Priest's Intention	Vigil of the 29 th Sunday of the Year
Su 22 nd	8.30am St P's	For the Parish	29 th Sunday of the Year
Su 22 nd	10.00am St J's	Priest's Intention	29 th Sunday of the Year
M 23 rd	7.55am	John Holden L	Weekday
T 24 th	8.00am	Priest's Intention	Weekday
W 25 th	8.00am	Priest's Intention	Weekday
Th 26 th	7.55am	Priest's Intention	Weekday
F 27 th	8.00am	Priest's Intention	Weekday

L = Lately Dead, A = Anniversary of Death, R = Remembrance
 P = Personal Intention, S = Sick, B = Birthday

M = Martyr, V = Virgin, B = Bishop, Pp = Pope
 D = Doctor, P = Priest, R = Religious

Please pray for the following, the anniversary of whose deaths occur at this time:

Robert Johnson, Anthony Perry, James Wilkinson, Sheila Holden, Sarah Bolton

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Readings at Mass

	29 th Sunday	30 th Sunday
First	Isaiah 45:1.4-6	Exodus 22:20-26
Second	1 Thess 1:1-5	1 Thess 1:5-10
Gospel	Matthew 22:15-21	Matthew 22:34-40

Diocesan Website:

<http://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk>

for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

Praying with the Pope in October, 2017

That all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good.

Look at www.ThePopeVideo.org for more information.

Days of Prayer.

The Diocese of Salford identifies certain days of the year and commends certain intentions to your prayers on those days.

Thus,

Sunday 22nd October is a day of special prayer for the Spread of the Gospel.

Perhaps you might say a prayer or two for those intentions on the days as indicated.

The Collection

Weekend 14th/15th October

Vigil	8.30am	10.00am	TOTAL
£143.97	£230.00	£53.75	£427.72

Many thanks for your generosity.

The **CAFOD** Harvest Fast Day raised a total of £242.43

This weekend: 21st/22nd October

Second Collection for 'Missio' – World Mission Sunday.

Reports from the June '17 Conference of Jesuit Parishes in Swanwick.

Last June, Andrew Snape, Frances Aherne, David and Lucy Harrison and Fr Peter Griffiths represented our parish at the Conference.

The Conference looked at and considered the three significant documents issued by Pope Francis, namely 'The Joy of the Gospel', 'The Joy of Love' and 'On Care of our Common Home'. This weekend, Frances Aherne will address us on 'Laudato Si' – On Care of our Common Home.

'Hope in the Future'

I suggest the following time-table.

The launch of the project at all masses on the week-end 28th/29th October.

Meetings of the Steering Group:

Tuesdays 31st October

14th November

28th November

12th December

at 7.30pm in a venue to be decided.

I shall be approaching parishioners individually to invite them to be members of the Group, but anyone volunteering to be a member will be made very welcome.

The Catholic Church & Homosexuality

This subject will be considered on Wednesday, 25th October 2017 in the Centenaries Theatre, St Mary's Hall, from 7.00pm to 9.00pm and will feature an award-winning documentary on the subject and a talk by Fr Philip Bochanski, Executive Director of Courage International.

If you wish to attend, please inform

mission2017@proclaimpublications.com

There is no charge but donations will be welcome to cover costs.

'Romero – Heartbeat of El Salvador' ... a new play about the courageous life of Blessed Oscar Romero, Bishop of the oppressed people of El Salvador, performed by RISE Theatre Company in St Wilfrid's Church, Preston on Friday, 10th November 2017 at 7.30pm suitable for adults and children 11+ and lasts for 75 minutes. For tickets £10, or £8 for Under 18's, contact Joe & Ruth White 07957 566741 or purchase from Sanctuary Bookshop, St Wilfrid's Parish Centre.

Sale of 'Goods'

When we closed down the old St Joseph's Chapel we had to clear cupboards etc. in which had accumulated all sorts of items such as vases, some religious pictures, an IKEA flat-pack wardrobe, bits of bric-a-brac, etc., etc. It is proposed to make these items available on a first-come, first-served basis with a box available nearby for donations. Dates for this will be announced in due course.

Please note: some items may be slightly damaged! Caveat emptor!!

St Joseph's Cemetery

This year's final cemetery lawn cut took place last week, completing the season's strimming and mowing. Our thanks to the team of volunteers led by Bernard Holden, and including Kaz Poloczek, Martin Greenhalgh and Niall Macfarlane. Professional tree surgery work by Peter Winstanley has also taken place particularly along the front line of trees parallel to the Avenue Road.

The cooperation of parishioners in helping the cemetery team conduct their work is greatly appreciated and we are grateful to the volunteers for their hard work and commitment. The forthcoming winter work includes removing an old work shed, building up any sunken grave areas, and ongoing pruning and maintenance in the central part of the cemetery.

The team would appreciate any donations of spare grass seed that can be used in the warmer Spring time. Please let Father or Bernard Holden know!