



SAINT JOSEPH WITH SAINTS AIDAN & OSWALD

MOTHERS DAY

Mothering Sunday or 'Mothers Day' was instituted as a day when people, who had moved from their birth-parish (where they were baptised), would go back to their 'mother' church to join their home parish community.

The day was popularised to celebrate birth mothers. It is a day to give thanks to God for the gift of motherhood.

Today we celebrate and remember our earthly mothers - living and deceased - and their amazing contribution to our upbringing and the gift of life.

We also remember Our Blessed Mother Mary and her care for us as she constantly intercedes for us



DEANERY STATION MASSES

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Deanery Lenten Station Masses (7pm)

- St Anne's, Ashton, 1st April.
- St Edward's, Lees, 8th April.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE

As a Parish we are making a Pilgrimage to Medjugorje in October (7-14th). 'Medj' is a wonderful place of prayer where many conversions to the Catholic Faith have come from.

If you're interested in a place, please make the booking with AGLOW (£300 deposit) with a booking form available at the back of Church/ online @aglowpilgrimages.com

CAFOD SOUP LUNCH

You are welcome to join for a soup lunch. Money raised will be donated to CAFOD charity. The children from Ss. Aidan and Oswald's will be serving. Friday 4th April, 12.30 - 1.30pm.

THE NEXT PARISH JACKPOT DRAW IS 1ST APRIL

If you would like the chance to win £500, £100, or £25 you can enter the Parish Jackpot Draw, please email Roni veronica8721@aol.co.uk £4 per month

SAFE GUARDING

We are grateful for those who have taken up a ministry within the life of the parishes. There are opportunities for everyone to be involved in the life of the church in one form or another.

Each person will be safely recruited, complete a DBS where needed, and receive an official appointment by myself as Parish Priest.

This process is not only to make sure we are compliant with Diocesan and Safeguarding regulations but also to celebrate the volunteers who give their time and skills to build the Body of Christ, for which I am incredibly grateful.

To be safely recruited, you are invited to a Safeguarding Surgery on Saturday 31st May, between 12noon - 3pm, at Ss. Aidan and Oswald's, so that you can have your ID verified. Please call in within the allotted time.

Each person in a ministry **MUST** be safely recruited. The Diocesan Safeguarding Team will be able to verify your ID within the time allotted.

To verify you, please bring:

1. Passport and Driving License.
2. Birth/ Marriage certificate
3. A Utility Bill and Bank Statement.

Mass Times

Saint Joseph's

Tues., Thurs.: 10am

Saturday: 10am

Sunday: 11am

Saints Aidan & Oswald's

Mon, Tues, Thurs: Each Service: 9am

Wednesday: 9am

Friday: **(Penitential Mass) 6.55am,**

9.30am (School), 7pm

Saturday (Vigil): 5.30pm

Sunday: 9.30am

Confession

St. Joseph's:

Sat: 10.30-11am

Ss. Aidan & Oswald's:

Sat. 11.30-12noon, 5-5.20pm

Adoration (with Rosary)

Ss. Aidan & Oswald's

Mon - Thurs: 8.30am - 9am

Friday: 9am - 9.30am

Devotions

St. Joseph's

Stations of the Cross, Sat. 9.30am

Devotion to the Immaculate Heart

4th April, 10am Mass & Adoration

Ss. Aidan and Oswald's

Devotion to the Sacred Heart

3rd April, 6pm Adoration, 7pm Mass

Stations of the Cross, Sun. 3pm

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

For those couples who are celebrating wedding anniversaries this year (10, 25, 30, 40, 50, or 60 years of marriage) please let Fr. Gavin know.

BAPTISMS

If your child is being baptised this year in our parishes, they will be invited to meet with Fr. Gavin, then there will be a Baptism Preparation session to attend, finally the child will be welcomed at a weekend Mass prior to the Baptism.

ALTAR SERVERS

Altar Servers are invited to join together for an afternoon of training.

Date: 5th April, 12.30-4pm

lunch provided.

Location: Ss. Aidan & Oswald's

SVP

SVP are holding a coffee afternoon in the school hall at Ss. Aidan and Oswald's on Monday 7th April, from 2pm. Everyone is welcome.

SACRED TRIDUUM

The Sacred Triduum - Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil - will be celebrated at Ss. Aidan and Oswald's.

At Saint Josephs, there will be Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, 12 noon, and the liturgy of the burial of Christ at 7 pm. Our Easter celebration will culminate on Easter Sunday with a parish party at St. Joseph's. Food, live music, children's entertainment. More details to follow

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Wed. 2nd. April: Saint Francis of Paolo:

He was born in Paola in Calabria. He founded an order of hermits which later became the Order of Minims (meaning "least,"). He died on Good Friday, 2 April 1507, at Plessis in France.

Fri. 4th April: Saint Isidore of Saville:

He was born in Seville in 560. He was instrumental in converting the Visigothic kings from the Arian heresy; he was made Archbishop of Seville.

Sat. 5th. April. Saint Vincent Ferrer:

He was born in Valencia and joined the Dominicans at the age of 17. He travelled through Western Europe preaching, converting 25,000 Jews to Christianity.

*"Find truth, and
serve it."*

St. Maximilian Kolbe

RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession gives us an opportunity to encounter Jesus and have our sins forgiven.

There are weekly opportunities for Confession, and during this season of Lent special Reconciliation Services are opportunities to avail of the Sacrament:

Wed.9th April, 7pm: Ss. Aidan & Oswald

Tue.15th April, 7pm: St. Joseph

"Confession is an act of honesty and courage – an act of entrusting ourselves, beyond sin, to the mercy of a loving and forgiving God."

'Unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.' (Luke 13:1-9)

SAINT JOSEPH'S

RC PRIMARY

This week, we welcomed the Diocese's Jubilee Anchor, symbolising God as our hope in our lives. We had our first Lenten Day of Reconciliation with Fr Gavin; Year 1 enjoyed a trip to Pizza Express; and the ducklings arrived – always a school favourite! Our Saint Joseph's Workers led beautiful reflections again and we ended the week with a lovely PTA Mothers' Day coffee morning. Happy Mothers' Day to all the lovely ladies in the parish!

SS. AIDAN & OSWALD'S

RC PRIMARY

On Wednesday, Year 1 delivered a beautiful assembly on Pope Francis' Jubilee Year 'Pilgrims of Hope.' The children shared numerous meaningful moments in their lives when they experience hope. During the presentation, Mr. Needle, accompanied by two children from St. Joseph's, formally presented the Diocesan anchor to our school. Some of our children participated in Oldham's Biggest Band event, joining over 400 musicians in a spectacular performance. An amazing experience!

You are invited to join us for the Stations of the Cross, at Ss. Aidan and Oswald's church, on Thursday 17th April, at 10am.

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GIFT AID ENVELOPES

Gift Aid Envelopes are now available at

Ss. Aidan & Oswald

(St. Joseph's will be ready in April).

if you would like to have a box of

envelopes, please see Roni

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GIVING VIA QR

St. Joseph

Ss. Aidan & Oswald



MASSES RECEIVED

General

Carol Kelly

Obrien family

Lately Dead

Francis Monica Coffey

Mothers Day Masses

Kathleen Louise Carroll

Mary Taylor

Mary Catherine Slicker

Rita Higham

Wyn Highfield