



SAINT JOSEPH WITH SAINTS AIDAN & OSWALD

The Stations of The Cross

The devotion of praying 'The Stations' dates back to over 500 years ago, when St. Francis of Assisi was given permission to create and erect them in his church. He was trying to *make the sacred real* and tangible.

We are encouraged to pray The Way of The Cross during Lent so as to be close to Christ in His suffering so that we can rejoice with Him at His Resurrection.



Parish Meeting

All parishioners from St. Joseph and Ss. Aidan & Oswald are invited to a parish meeting on **Thursday, the 20th of March, 7pm, at The Shawside, Grains Road, OL2 8JB**. A meeting to hear from the parishioners about their hopes for the parishes and how we can continue to support each other going forward.

Tea, coffee, and biscuits

St. Joseph Novena schedule:

Weekdays:

Adoration: 6pm, Holy Mass, 7pm
18th: Deanery Station Mass (Vigil)

- Confessions from 6pm
- Social after in Parish Centre

19th: Parish Mass & Parish Party for St. Joseph and Ss. Aidan & Oswald

- Live Music
- Food & Drink provided

PLEASE FILL IN THE LIST IF YOU INTEND TO COME
(Novena Prayer, overleaf)

St. Vincent De Paul

SVP Coffee Afternoon.

We will be holding an SVP coffee afternoon, in the school hall at Ss. Aidan & Oswald's, on Monday 7th April, from 2pm.

Everyone is welcome.

St. Joseph's RC Primary

Each Wednesday in Lent, our Saint Joseph's Workers will be holding a short reflection on different stations of the cross from 8:30am. Please feel free to come and join us! This week was lovely! The Director of Education in Oldham – Matt Bulmer – joined us for a walk around school on Friday to see all of the brilliant work we do at Saint Joseph's. He was impressed with what he saw and praised staff and children.

Ss. Aidan and Oswald's RC Primary

This week, at Ss Aidan and Oswald's, we started the week with a whole school assembly in which we launched Pope Francis' Jubilee Year – Pilgrims of Hope. On Wednesday, the children in Year 3 delivered a beautiful assembly with the theme, 'following Jesus' based on a recent Gospel reading. On Friday, we celebrated CAFOD Family Fast Day – the children donated food to the Welcome Centre and brought £1 for CAFOD.



Mass Times

Saint Joseph's

Monday - Friday: 10am & 7pm*

Saturday: 10am

Sunday: 11am

*Novena Masses

Saints Aidan & Oswald's

Monday: Eucharistic Service: 9am

Tuesday - Thursday: 9am

Friday: (Penitential Mass) 6.55am, 9.30am (School)

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

Devotion to the Immaculate Heart

(First Saturday of each month)

Stations of the Cross, Sat. 9.30am

Ss. Aidan and Oswald's

Devotion to the Sacred Heart

(First Friday of each month)

Stations of the Cross, Sun. 3pm

Eucharistic Ministers

A day of recollection for Extraordinary Ministers. It is hoped all ministers will attend. **Mgr. John Allen.** Date: 22nd March, 12.30-4pm
Location: Ss. Aidan & Oswald's

Readers

Day of recollection with **Mrs Barbara Mason.** Date: 29th March, 12.30-4pm
Location: St. Joseph's

Altar Servers

Altar Servers are invited to join together for an afternoon of training. Date: 5th April, 12.30-4pm
Location: Ss. Aidan & Oswald's

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham

The Oldham Deanery will be travelling together on SATURDAY 3rd MAY 2025
to book your place call Janet Rathburn (07989558248)
Day Pilgrimage £35 (£15 deposit)
Overnight £143 - £159 (70 deposit)
All welcome

“Apart from the Cross there is no ladder by which we may go to heaven”

St. Rose of Lima

Deanery Station Masses:

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

- **18th March will be held at St Joseph's, Shaw,** with Adoration and Confession from 6pm. After Mass we will host food and drink.
- St Herbert's, 25th March.
- St Anne's, Ashton, 1st April.
- St Edward's, Lees, 8th April.

Confirmation:

Bishop John will be Confirming any children/ young people aged 12 years old or older on the 4th and 5th June 2025, please see Fr. Gavin about your registration.

Novena Prayer

Saint Joseph, I, your unworthy child, greet you. You are the faithful protector and intercessor of all who love and venerate you. You know that I have special confidence in you and that, after Jesus and Mary, I place all my hope of salvation in you, for you are especially powerful with God and will never abandon your faithful servants. Therefore I humbly invoke you and commend myself, with all who are dear to me and all that belong to me, to your intercession. I beg of you, by your love for Jesus and Mary, not to abandon me during life and to assist me at the hour of my death.

Glorious Saint Joseph, spouse of the Immaculate Virgin, obtain for me a pure, humble, charitable mind, and perfect resignation to the divine Will. Be my guide, my father, and my model through life that I may merit to die as you did in the arms of Jesus and Mary.

Loving Saint Joseph, faithful follower of Jesus Christ, I raise my heart to you to implore your powerful intercession in obtaining from the Divine Heart of Jesus all the graces necessary for my spiritual and temporal welfare, particularly the grace of a happy death, and the special grace I now implore:
(Mention your request).

Guardian of the Word Incarnate, I feel confident that your prayers on my behalf will be graciously heard before the throne of God.

Amen.

(recite each day 10th-19th March)

“As Jesus was praying, the appearance of his face was altered.” (Lk. 9:28-36)

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This weeks Saints

17th March: Saint Patrick,
Patron Saint of Ireland

18th March: Saint Cyril of
Jerusalem

19th March: Saint Joseph,
Spouse of the Virgin Mary



Giving via QR



St. Joseph



Ss. Aidan & Oswald

Masses Received:

General:

Winifrid & Wilfrid Tootill,
Gordon Higuham,
O'Brien Family

Gift Aid Envelopes

Gift Aid Envelopes are now available to pick up from the back of church 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 veronica8721@aol.com