



SAINT BONAVENTURE'S MISSIONARY AREA

Serving the Parishes of Our Lady Queen of Peace,
Sacred Heart & Saint Peter, Saint Hilda & Saint Aidan
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Sunday 24th March – Palm Sunday

Saturday 23rd March <i>First Mass of Sunday</i>	17:00 Saint Anthony	Frank Ward
	18:00 Saint Hilda	Stuart Robinson RIP
Sunday 24th March <i>Palm Sunday</i>	09:30 Saint Elizabeth	Mary Keating (Anv)
	10:00 Saint Aidan	Thanksgiving
	11:00 Saint Anthony	Patricia Owen (nee Kelly)
	11:30 Sacred Heart	Rianna (Bday Ints)
Monday 25th March <i>Holy Week</i>	09:00 Saint Anthony	Margaret Gilsenan (Birthday remembrance)
	10:30 Saint Hilda	Requiem Mass for late Martine James
	12:30 Saint Anthony	Funeral Service for late Peter Harte
Tuesday 26th March <i>Holy Week</i>	09:30 Sacred Heart	Maria (Anv)
Wednesday 27th March <i>Holy Week</i>	09:00 Saint Anthony	Mrs Valgimigli
	09:30 Sacred Heart	Kenneth Oronsaye & Family (Birthday thanksgiving)
Thursday 28th March <i>Maundy Thursday</i>	09:00 Saint Anthony	Philippe Tiatous
	19:00 Saint Elizabeth	Mass of the Lord's Supper Watching at The Altar of Repose & Confessions
	19:00 Saint Hilda	Mass of the Lord's Supper Watching at The Altar of Repose & Confessions
Friday 29th March <i>Good Friday</i>	15:00 Saint Anthony	Good Friday Liturgy
	15:00 Sacred Heart	Good Friday Liturgy
Saturday 30th March <i>Holy Saturday</i>	10:00 Saint Anthony	Morning Prayer & Office Of Readings
	10:00 Sacred Heart	Morning Prayer & Office Of Readings
Saturday 30th March <i>First Mass of Sunday</i> <i>The Great Easter Vigil</i>	19:00 Saint Anthony	Frances Lonergan (LD)
	19:00 Sacred Heart	Julie Fice (LD)
Sunday 31st March <i>Easter Sunday</i> <i>The Day of Resurrection</i>	09:30 Saint Elizabeth	Julie Stockdale (Anv)
	10:00 Saint Aidan	Dominic Swain
	11:00 Saint Anthony	Daniel Desire Elyse
	11:30 Sacred Heart	Reparation for the sin of abortion in Ireland

Father Owen Writes:

'Now my hour has come'. On this Palm Sunday, we are given a timely reminder of what will happen now that the Lord's hour has come and it isn't easy to follow. As humans we often forget very easily that Easter cannot come without the passion and death, otherwise Easter is meaningless. We cannot have the good without the bad.

In John's Gospel we read an interaction between John the Baptiser and his disciples where John is noted as saying, 'I must decrease, so He can increase'! so let us make that our motto, that we may become more humble or begin to be humble. That through this humility we will remember that no matter how long we have been doing something or not doing something in the Church, it's not about us and what we have always done, but rather picking up a new cross and following Him into the resurrection when our parishes can rise up stronger, more faith-filled and no longer harping back to the past – but our eyes truly fixed on the new Dawn of hope, love and discipleship.

1st Reading	I did not cover my face against insult: I know I shall not be shamed.	Isaiah 50:4-7
Psalm	My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?	Psalm 21
2nd Reading	Christ humbled himself but God raised him high.	Philippians 2:6-11
Gospel	The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.	Mark 14:1-15:47

FURTHER THREAT TO THE UNBORN OF ABORTION UP TO BIRTH: Please contact your MP to ask that they oppose the decriminalization of abortion up to birth and support the amendment by Caroline Ansell MP to reduce the legal limit for abortion from 24 to 22 weeks Mike **Kane MP, Civic Centre, Wythenshawe, Manchester.** email mike.kane.mp@parliament.uk

OFFICE CLOSURE: The office will be closed from 1st April until 5th April. Emails and phone messages will be monitored daily for any emergencies that may arise.

SPRING FORWARD: A gentle reminder that next weekend the clocks go forward on Easter Sunday morning. At 1am they move to 2am. So, we will lose an hour of sleep. We wouldn't want you to miss Mass!

ST ELIZABETH'S: Coffee morning after mass this week Everyone is welcome.

HOPE FOODBANK: There will be a retiring collection for the Hope Foodbank this week. The funds raised will enable the foodbank to help more people as we continue to come through the financial crisis.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: At St Elizabeth's will be at the earlier time of 5:45pm on Tuesday.

LPA CHOIR: Choir practice will continue Tuesday 26th March 7pm-8pm in St Anthony's Guild Room.

DIOCESAN CHRISM MASS: Wednesday 27th March at St Michael & All Angels, New Hey Rd, Birkenhead, CH49 5LB 7pm. During the service the clergy of Shrewsbury will renew the promises made at their ordination and Bishop Mark will bless and consecrate the oils that will be used for the administration of Sacraments throughout the Diocese during the year. Everyone is invited and we will be running a coach for those that need transport. We will leave from St Anthony's at 4.30pm and return at approximately 8.30pm. The cost is £5 per person. Please contact the office to book.

SPACES STILL AVAILABLE

PASSION PLAY/STATIONS OF THE CROSS: For children on Good Friday morning 10am Sacred Heart. We will act out the events of Jesus' passion together. All are welcome.

GOAN COMMUNITY: The Way of the Cross. Good Friday 9am at St Anthony's. All are welcome.

HOLY SATURDAY: Join us for morning prayer on Holy Saturday 10am at St Anthony's or Sacred Heart as the Church waits at the Lord's tomb, meditating on his suffering and death.

REFLECTION ON THE RESURRECTION: Have you ever thought what the empty tomb at Easter signifies? Come and celebrate the joy of the Resurrection on April 7th at St Aidans Centre after 10am Mass. There will be a short personal reflection on the Resurrection and Easter and a ten-minute video for children, followed by a shared table with an array of food. All are welcome.

EASTER RAFFLE: We are holding an Easter Raffle this year to help raise funds for our young people to be able to go on pilgrimages. The prizes are two Easter Egg hampers, generously donated by I&M Hampers in Northern Moor. Each line is worth £2 so please be generous. The draw will happen live on our Facebook page on Wednesday of Holy week. Sheets will be available at every church from this weekend.

ST AIDAN'S: Piety stall now has Easter cards on sale.

ST HILDA'S RAMBLERS: Next walk Saturday 6th April a gentle walk through the park. Meet at St Hilda's 10am. All welcome.

BRIERY RETREAT: To confirm the dates are as follows: Friday April 19th meeting in St Elizabeth's car park Lomond Rd Peel Hall 2.15 pm. Returning Sunday 21st April to St Elizabeth's Lomond Rd @ 2. 30pm. Balance to be paid by Sunday 14th April Cash or Cheques made payable to the Briery Retreat Centre Any Questions please contact Maureen White 0161 437 8159.

ST AIDAN'S FOODBANK: There is a basket at the back of St Aidan's Church for donations to the food bank. The foodbank needs the following items: cereal, tins of food, tea bags, coffee, long-life juice, pot pasta/cup-a-soup, rice, sugar, bars of chocolate, shampoo, conditioner, shower gel, toothpaste, soap & toilet rolls. **Please bring your donations to the food bank on a Wednesday between 12 noon and 2pm at St. Aidan's Centre, Wythenshawe Road, Northern Moor. Please come to the first door on Wythenshawe Road and ring the bell. PLEASE DO NOT BRING YOUR DONATIONS ON ANY OTHER DAY AS OTHER GROUPS USE THE CENTRE.**

ST ELIZABETH'S MISSION BOXES: These will be emptied during March. so could boxholders please bring them to church and hand them to either Pauline Brealey or Margaret Allen. If preferred boxholders may empty their own boxes and bring the contents to church in an envelope with their name and address on. Thank you.

DIOCESAN MASS FOR THE CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE 2024: The annual Marriage Mass will take place on Saturday June 8th, 12 noon at Saint Columba's Church Chester and will be followed by a reception in the Parish Hall. Couples who are celebrating significant wedding anniversaries this year: Silver, Pearl, Ruby, Golden, Diamond or Platinum and newly married couples are invited. Please send your details to the parish office if you wish to attend.

VACANCIES: At Blessed Thomas Holford: School Chaplain required ASAP. Teacher of Religious Studies, Teacher of English required September 2024. www.bthcc.org.uk/vacancies

MEDJUGORJE 2024: Anyone joining the Medjugorje pilgrimage this June should have the remainder of their balance paid by end of March. Any questions, please contact Pauline Nazir.

LOURDES 2024: Applications are now open for pilgrims and volunteers please see <https://www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk/> for information.

SAINT JOSEPH'S CANDLE AT SAINT AIDANS: Burns this week for **Fr Owen**. If you wish to have the candle burn for your intention, please contact Joby or Jeanette.

OUR LADY CANDLE AT SACRED HEART: Burns this week for **those about to be received into the Church**. If you wish to have the candle burn for your intention, please contact the office.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: We pray for **Bernard Murray, Maria Barlow, Theresa Taylor, Chloe Logan, Ray Caldwell, Susan Marley, Leroy Walcott, Canon Phil Moor, Pat Berry, Barbara McIlwaine & Fr Anthony Cogliolo**.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: We pray for the repose of the soul of **Patrick Ruane, Margaret Mitchell, Florence Dee, Hannah Sanders, Teresa Walton, Martine James, Peter Harte, Francis Hartt, Brian McKenzie & Nora O'Halloron**.



WEEKLY COLLECTION: Last week's collections are below. Thank you for your ongoing support of our work in Wythenshawe.

Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish	Sacred Heart & Saint Peter's Parish	Saint Hilda & Saint Aidan's Parish
Saint Anthony's £234.51	£419.53	Saint Hilda's £272.00
Saint Elizabeth's £235.12		Saint Aidan's £232.13

Clergy

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Our Lady Queen of Peace Saint Hilda and Saint Aidan Sacred Heart and Saint Peters

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Catholic Social Action Wythenshawe

Telephone: 07907 620 891

Wythenshawe Hospital Chaplaincy

Telephone: **0161 291 2297** Please ring this number if you need a visit from a chaplaincy team member whilst in hospital.

Parish Sisters

Sr Damien – 0161 437 8772
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Our Church locations:

Sacred Heart & Saint Peter's RC Church Floatshall Road Baguley, Wythenshawe, Manchester M23 1HP OFFICE LOCATION	Saint Hilda's RC Kenworthy Lane, Northenden, Wythenshawe, Manchester M22 4EF	Saint Aidan's RC 230 Wythenshawe Road, Northern Mo Wythenshawe, Manchester M23 0PH	Saint Anthony's RC Church (Our Lady Queen of Peace) Portway, Woodhouse Park, Wythenshawe, Manchester M22 0WR	Saint Elizabeth's RC Church (Our Lady Queen of Peace) Holliney Road Peel Hall, Wythenshawe, Manchester M22 5JF
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