

From Sunday's Gospel

Jesus, filled with the Holy Spirit, went teaching in the synagogues. They handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Jesus unrolled the scroll at the place where it is written, 'The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim freedom for prisoners and new sight to the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the Lord's year of favour.' He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him as he said, "Today, this scripture is being fulfilled even as you listen."



Pope Francis writes:

"Dear young people, Jesus was sent to bring the Good News, to enter the heart of each one of us." Today's words are

Good News. The word Gospel means Good News. The Church provides us the Bible which is made up of The Old Testament (The Jewish Sacred Writings) and the New Testament which has the four Gospels, the Acts of the Apostles and other writings by St Paul and others. We all like to hear good news, and the very best news is that Jesus tells us we are all loved by God!

Ministers

January 27th

Liturgy of the Word

6.00pm C.Hall
8.30am M.Jefferis
10.00am A.Kirkman

Liturgy of the Eucharist

S.Dyson/T.Spalding
S.Crewdson/M.Booth
M.Farmer/M.Kehoe

February 3rd

6.00pm K.Stokes
8.30am J.McMahon
10.00am S.Gibson

C.Hall/S.Dyson
S.Crewdson/M.Booth
G.Leggat/C.Ward

New Rotas at the back of the church. New Readers and changes to Ministers.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

First: £430.14 Second: £169.56 Shop: £156.65 Donation £15.00 Thank You
Donation in memory of Louise McMahon: £160.00 Thank You

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Sacred Heart & St William

31 High Street

Uppermill OL3 6HS

Web: www.sacredheartparish.org.uk

3rd Week in Ordinary Time ***January 27th 2019 (Luke's Gospel)***

Times of Masses & Intentions

Saturday Vigil	6.00am	People of the Parish
Sunday	8.30am	Frederick & Frederick James Lee
	10.00am	Nora Larkin

Refreshments after Mass

Monday	9.30am	Holmes & Richards Families
Tuesday	9.30am	Geoff Haigh
Wednesday	12.00noon	Nick Howell
Thursday	9.30am	Tony Larkin
Friday	12.00noon	November Dead List First Friday
Saturday	10.00am	Yorkshire Brethren
Saturday Vigil	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	8.30am	Marina Brookes
	10.00am	Sisters of Mercy

Confessions: After the 10.00am Mass on Saturday and on request

Exposition: 40 minutes before Mass each weekday

When there is a Service of the Word & Holy Communion there is no exposition

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Opportunities for Prayer and Reflection

Week of Accompanied Prayer Monday February 25th—Friday 1st March.
Introduction and information to the above

Sunday 10th February 4.00pm

This year it has not been possible to organise an Individually Guided retreat in the spring, so those who have been on these retreats in the recent past might want to avail themselves of the **Week of Accompanied Prayer**.

Lent through the eyes of Luke Saturday 23rd February 10.45-3.00pm

Fr Michael Winstanley, who gave us some terrific insights into Luke's Gospel in preparation for Advent last year, has very kindly agreed to return to the parish to help us prepare for Lent by sharing more of his insights into St Luke's Gospel, which will be our guide throughout this liturgical year. More details later.

Holocaust Memorial Day 2019:
Torn from home



This year we are commemorating **Holocaust Memorial Day on Sunday, 27 January at 2.00 pm** outside the Uppermill Methodist Church. After some speeches and a silent vigil, tea and biscuits will be available inside. The HMDT web site says – "The theme for HMD 2019, **Torn from home** encourages [people] to reflect on how the enforced loss of a safe place to call 'home' is part of the trauma faced by anyone experiencing persecution and genocide. 'Home' usually means a place of safety, comfort and security. On HMD 2019 we will reflect on what happens when individuals, families and communities are driven out of, or wrenched from their homes, because of persecution or the threat of genocide, alongside the continuing difficulties survivors face as they try to find and build new homes when the genocide is over." We hope you can join us. (Saddleworth Peace Group)



Street Pastors— Next Weekend

a Training Session on "The Roles and Responsibilities" of Street Pastors on **Sunday 3rd February at South Chadderton Methodist Church from 2.00pm-7.30pm.**

This is open to anyone who is interested in knowing more about Street Pastors. It does NOT commit anyone to becoming a Street Pastor and attendance is FREE. If anyone is interested in taking part would you please notify:

Susan Titmus (Chair Of CTIS) via e-mail: susan.titmus@hotmail.co.uk . Thanks



Society for the **Protection** of Unborn Children

It is a couple of years since we had an appeal on behalf of SPUC and on the weekend of February 2nd/3rd Mary Farmer, our SPUC representative will make the appeal. Recently there has been talk of some MP's wanting to decriminalise abortion and SPUC have produced materials arguing against such a proposal and asking us to write to our local MP urging them to vote against such a proposal. These materials are at the back of the church for people to take. 100 copies of **Say No to decriminalising abortion** and 10 copies of **We care about women**.

Archbishop Sentamu's Prayer for Politicians at this time



"God of eternal love and power save our Parliamentary democracy; protect the High Court of Parliament and all its members from partiality and prejudice; that they may walk humbly the path of kindness, justice and mercy. Give them wisdom, insight and a concern for the common good. The weight of their calling is too much to bear in their own strength, therefore, we pray earnestly, Father, send them help from your Holy Place and be their tower of strength. Lord graciously hear us. Amen



Unity Service in Uppermill Methodist Church

150 people packed a full church last Sunday for the Unity Service. The collection for Oldham's Street Angels came to £500.00 Thanks to everyone.



RED BOXES

Thanks to all who have continued to take home the Red **Missio** Box and those who started at the last appeal. Julia would be very grateful if people would bring the boxes to church to be emptied asap. Thank You



If we idolise wealth, then we create poverty;
If we idolise success, then we create the inadequate;
If we idolise power, we create powerlessness.
(Thomas Cullinan)