Sacred Heart & St William R.C Church Uppermill

Newsletter 33rd Sunday in Ordinary time Newsletter for week beginning 19th November 2023

Masses for the coming week

Monday - NO MASS Tuesday - 10am Liturgy of the Word Wednesday - .10.00am MASS Thur. Mass - 10am Liturgy of the Word Friday - 10.00am MASS WEEKEND MASSES

Sat Vigil - 12.15pm – Mossley Sat Vigil 6pm –Uppermill Sunday – 9.30am Uppermill Sunday 11.00am – Mossley

Masses received this week
Please pray for the following....

Lately Dead
Ann Browne
Anniversary

Anniversaries Robert Huston, Herbert Ward, Nicholas Friedrich, Ann Whalley, Antony Yeardsley, Farrell Brooks, Mary Gregson, Joseph Shyne, Harry Howarth

Special intention

Mick Farmer (S),

Offertories Last Week

1st collection £365.53; 2nd collection £104.45 Shop £2750.00 - Thank you

Cafod appeal

Final total for the harvest appeal is £475.80, with gift aid of £73.75. Could I ask you not to put foreign or out of service coins in the envelopes please. Many thanks

Anne.

Come and Pray for Persecuted Christians

Wednesday November 22 has been designated by Aid To The Church In Need as Red Wednesday. It is a day when we are asked to pray for the huge number of Christians throughout the world, and especially in Africa, who are constantly being attacked, driven from their homes and killed because of their faith. Here at Sacred Heart Church we will be offering special prayers at 10 o'clock Mass. Do come and join us, and, if possible, wear RED!

Receiving the Eucharist under both kinds.

We will be re-introducing the Eucharist under both kinds on the first Sunay of Advent. Receiving from the chalice is optional, as it always has been. At the beginning there will only be a small amount of wine consecrated, so if the minister walks away, do not feel offended; as more people begin to receive, more will be consecrated, to facilitate the numbers. At weekday masses there will be one chalice on the left of the sanctuary, at weekend masses there will be two ministers one on either side of the sanctuary. All ministers will continue to sanitize their hands, and this will be a permanent act, to keep things as clean as possible.

Sickness

If you feel that you have a cold, or any other infection, of course, common sense dictates that you do not receive from the chalice, it is not just a courtesy to others, but a matter of health and safety. Let's keep each other safe.

For your information
For a number of reasons, I have resigned from the Parish Council.
Fr Jim

"CAFOD Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal. Donate to CAFOD's Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal at cafod.org.uk/ipc or call 0303 303 3030 to support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have been working alongside communities helping those most in need. Your donation will help support aid workers providing urgent humanitarian aid including food, water and emergency shelter to those in need. Thank you for your prayers."

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Christmas Cards – coming soon

Anne will be making her annual Christmas card soon for us all to sign and donate money saved to Cafod. Also some religious cards will be available at the back of church for you to buy if you still want to send to any. Please put the money in the Cafod box.

Destiny Africa UK Tour 2023

Thursday 7th December at the Satellite Centre, Greenfield 7pm. Tickets £6

MISSIO RED BOX HOLDERS Would you please me know if you have a Missio box please so that I can make a list of box holders. Susan Gibson

Christmas Mass times 2023

Because Christmas Day falls on a Monday this year, I am finding it very difficult to arrange Mass times, as we still need to fulfil the Sunday obligations, and then would have to come back in the evening for a vigil Mass. So, this is what I am proposing, <u>as</u> a one off, for this year only.

Saturday 23rd Dec. Mass 12.15pm Mossley

Mass 6 pm Uppermill

Sunday 24th Dec. 9:30 am Uppermill

11:00 am Mossley

Sunday evening vigil Midnight Mass Mossley

10 am Mass Uppermill

11:30 am Mass Mossley

I propose to have only one Mass at Uppermill for Christmas Day, and to move the time by 30 minutes to 10am. Hopefully this will not be too early for people and should mean we have a packed church.

This means also moving the time of Mass on Christmas day in Mossley 30 minutes forward to 11:30am.

As these plans are being made, I will be on my own as a few priests I have asked to help are unavailable.