

### Mass Intention

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| <b>Vigil Mass</b>  | <b>25th</b> | <b>6.30pm</b>  | <b>Nicholas Anderton</b>              |
| <b>Sunday Mass</b> | <b>26th</b> | <b>10:00am</b> | <b>Parishioners</b>                   |
| Monday             | 27th        | 9.30am         | Word & Communion                      |
| Tuesday            | 28th        | 9.30am         | Word & Communion                      |
| <b>Wednesday</b>   | <b>1st</b>  | <b>9.30am</b>  | <b>Ash Wednesday - Mass In School</b> |
|                    |             | <b>&amp;</b>   | <b>Lana Walsh - Int's</b>             |
|                    |             | <b>7.30pm</b>  | <b>Evening Service - in Church</b>    |
| Thursday           | 2nd         | 7.30pm         | Word & Communion                      |
| Friday             | 3rd         | 9:30am         | Word & Communion                      |
| <b>Vigil Mass</b>  | <b>4th</b>  | <b>6.30pm</b>  | <b>Vincent Haddock</b>                |
| <b>Sunday Mass</b> | <b>5th</b>  | <b>10:00am</b> | <b>Parishioners</b>                   |

### Preparation Responsibilities & Mass Ministers 4th & 5th Mar 2017

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|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Church cleaning</b> | R. Snow                       |
| <b>Flowers</b>         | <b>No Flowers During Lent</b> |
| <b>Piety 6.30 pm</b>   | R. Snow                       |
| <b>10.00 am</b>        | S. Scholes                    |
| <b>Counting</b>        | L. Ford                       |

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|------------------------------|---------|---------|--|
| <b>Eucharistic Ministers</b> | Sat 4th | 6.30pm  | <b>TBC: EM's cover req'd - please contact office.</b>    |
|                              | Sun 5th | 10:00am | <b>TBC: EM's cover req'd - please contact office.</b>    |
|                              |         |         | <b>(Rota to follow)</b>                                  |
| <b>Readers</b>               | Sat 4th | 6.30pm  | Cole Family  |
|                              | Sun 5th | 10:00am | <b>TBC: Readers cover req'd – please contact office.</b> |
| <b>Altar Servers</b>         | Sat 4th | 6.30pm  | Holly Robinson   |
|                              | Sun 5th | 10:00am | Peter Robinson   |
|                              |         |         | <b>(Rota to follow)</b>                                  |
| <b>Sacristan</b>             | Sat 4th | 6.30pm  | Mary & John Scanlon                                      |
|                              | Sun 5th | 10:00am | Sheila Beaumont  |
| <b>Little Church</b>         | Sun 5th | 10:00am | Marie Coughlan / Frances Barnett                         |
| <b>Musicians</b>             | Sun 5th | 10:00am | Ros & Hugh   |
| <b>Welcomers</b>             | Sat 4th | 6.30pm  | Sarah Pimblett & Nita Redman                             |
|                              | Sun 5th | 10:00am | Fountain family  |
| <b>PowerPoint</b>            | Sat 4th | 6.30pm  | Peter Milham   |
|                              | Sun 5th | 10:00am | Duncan Grant   |

To add something to the **newsletter**, kindly contact the Presbytery via tel. **872606** or email [stpaulspoynton@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulspoynton@gmail.com) with the details. The deadline for items for inclusion is Thursdays at 10am. Thank you for your support!

Our Parish website: [www.stpaulspoynton.org.uk](http://www.stpaulspoynton.org.uk)  
 Our School website: [www.stpauls.cheshire.sch.uk](http://www.stpauls.cheshire.sch.uk)  
 Our Pre-school website: [www.stpauls-pre-school.co.uk](http://www.stpauls-pre-school.co.uk)

# St. Paul's Newsletter

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**Deacon Gerard Turnbull (Retired)**

### Weekly Service Times:

|             |                |                          |
|-------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Mon         | 9.30am         | Word & Communion         |
| Tues        | 9.30am         | Word & Communion         |
| <b>Weds</b> | <b>9.30am</b>  | <b>Mass In School</b>    |
|             | <b>7.30pm</b>  | <b>Service in Church</b> |
| Thurs       | 7.30pm         | Word & Communion         |
| Fri         | 9:30am         | Word & Communion         |
| <b>Sat</b>  | <b>6.30pm</b>  | <b>Vigil Mass</b>        |
| <b>Sun</b>  | <b>10:00am</b> | <b>Sunday Mass</b>       |



## **Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time 25th & 26th February 2017**

The heart of the Sermon on the Mount is in the passage we read today, when Jesus tells us to "Set our hearts on His kingdom first, and his righteousness, and all the other things will be given to you as well". Jesus is again telling his disciples how to live, and again, as last week, the advice he gives seems almost impossible. He tells us not to worry! And how often do we worry, about money, about our health, about our families, so many things each day can bring. As we look ahead to Lent, we ask for the grace to believe that it might be possible for us to replace worry with trust.

What Jesus is asking us to know, and to be aware of, is that we are held in the loving hands of God. The reading from Isaiah puts it beautifully when he reminds us that as a mother never forgets but always cherishes her child, so God holds us in his love, and never forgets us. That we can grow in that awareness, and begin each day knowing that we are held in love, the love of a God, Father and Mother to us all.

### **Thought for the week**

Failure is the line of least persistence.

**We warmly welcome Monseigneur O'Neill who will kindly be celebrating our masses with us this weekend.**

Thank you for your very generous offerings last Sunday, which totalled £501.99.

Fr. Flavian wanted to express his apologies for not being able to be with us last weekend.



**Coffee & cake for all parishioners in the conservatory – please join us on Sunday after morning Mass**



**Ash Wednesday: 1st Mar at 9.30am** Mass in school – all parishioners welcome. **We have now arranged a 7.30pm Service comprising Stations of the Cross & distribution of Ashes in Church.** This is to help those who are unable to go to Mass in School in the morning and who cannot travel to other Churches.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE (MANCHESTER): From March 1st through April 9th**, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil outside Marie Stopes, Wynnstay Grove, Manchester, M14 6XG. If you'd like more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please sign up at [www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/manchester-2](http://www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/manchester-2) or contact Michael on 07810 791032.

**CAFOD: Friday 10th March is Lent Fast Day** when we come together to make sacrifices – such as eating a simple lunch or supper – so that our poorest sisters and brothers can live lives free of poverty. **CAFOD** collection envelopes will be handed out at next weekend's masses and collected at our masses the following weekend of 11th & 12th March.

**XCell Youth Group: everyone at secondary school, ages 11+ welcome:** St. Patrick's Games Night **Fri 17th Mar, 7-9pm**, St. Alban's Parish Centre, opposite church. *Shamrock Scramble, Irish Trivia, Pot of Gold Relay, and of course pool, table tennis, twister, air hockey, crab football.* Bring friends, meet friends & make new friends. Bring £1 entry & some money for tuck. We'll ask you to complete a Consent Form the first time you come, if you email us we can send it to you - [xcellyouthgroup@gmail.com](mailto:xcellyouthgroup@gmail.com) / Contact Anna / Greg Hughes 01625 614406.

**Healing Mass: Sat 25th Mar, 3pm** at St. Werburgh's, Grosvenor Park Rd, Chester, CH1 1QJ. For families affected by mental illness & those that work with them. Anointing of the sick, socialising and chance to meet members of Diocesan Mental Health Action Group afterwards.

**Day of Reflection on Pope Francis' Exhortation 'The Joy of Love': 10.30am - 3pm, Weds 26th April** at LACE, Croxteth Drive, Sefton Park, Liverpool, L17 1AA and led by Father Chris Thomas, the well-known Charismatic. Cost £20 including lunch.

**St. Paul's Pre School Request:** If you have any unwanted saucepans, lids, wooden spoons and the like, which are in good condition, our Pre-school children would be happy to make good use of them. Please leave donations in the church porch over the next couple of weeks.

**Poynton Youth and Community Centre** are looking for a **new Chairperson**. See notice in church porch if you are interested in more details and think you may be able to get involved.

**CTiP (Churches Together in Poynton) upcoming dates for your diaries:**

- **Women's World Day of Prayer - Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar, 2pm** please join us at St. Georges Church.
- **Palm Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Apr, 12.30 - 12.45** – Joint Service at St. Georges: Dedicating Poynton Cross in the name of Jesus Christ, to the glory of God. **Join us for some hymns and a blessing from Bishop Libby – everyone welcome to attend!**
- **Easter Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Apr at 6.30pm**, St. Georges 'Creative Sunday', you are invited to bring along something you've enjoyed from this year of worship: e.g. a hymn, a prayer etc.

**Oberammergau Passion Play 2020:** This world-famous play is traditionally held every 10 years, and is due to be performed again throughout the summer of 2020. If you are interested in joining a group from Poynton for an Oberammergau based break in 2020 please register your interest with **Dave McClelland, Tel: 01625 877797 or email [dave.mcclelland@ntlworld.com](mailto:dave.mcclelland@ntlworld.com)**. Please see the poster on the noticeboard for more details.

**The Diocese of Shrewsbury:** is looking to recruit for two posts, Assistant Director of Schools and also a Surveyor. Details including job descriptions and application forms can be found on the Diocesan website at <http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies>. Posters are also up on our church noticeboard for further details.

**Please remember in your prayers those who are sick:** Fr. Peter, Fr. Harry, Gabriel Drew, Daniel Burke, Sandra Bradley, Chris Nuri, Nicholas Kirk, John Williams, Sheelah O'Hanlon, Mary Tooby, Chris Browne, Roger Hannam, Madeleine Williams, Max Emerson, Monica McDonnell, John Biggar, Elliott Richardson, Joyce Keating, Peggy Burke, Bea Heyes, John White, Margaret Wilson, Maura Agnew, Sue Savage, Elizabeth McNiff, Catherine Vermuden, Carol Jamieson, Joseph Martin, Doris Lear, Bobbie Drakeford, Felix Kampelmann, Paul Bianchi & John Traynor. *(If anyone listed above has now recovered please inform the office).*

**We remember in our prayers those with anniversaries round about now:** Edward Talbot, Mary Collins, John Marren, Bernard McHugh, Stella Sharman, Grace Hudson, Agnes Clayton, Norah Gooch, Edwards Tipton, Douglas Butterworth, Mary Delsoldato, Nicholas Teeling, Edna O'Connor, Margorie Simms, Theresa Garnett, John Foley and Angela Callaghan.

### Sunday Mass in our Missals

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|--------------------|-----|
| Entrance Antiphon  | 208 |
| Readings / Gospel  | 208 |
| Eucharistic Prayer | 20  |
| Communion Antiphon | 215 |

### Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia!**  
Your word is truth, O Lord,  
Consecrate us in the truth  
**Alleluia!**

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