



## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – 11.00AM MASS

Congratulations to Ruth Roche who makes her First Holy Communion at 11.00am Mass today. We ask you to pray for Ruth and her family as she takes this next step on her faith journey.

## ST. JOSEPH'S & HOLY FAMILY WALKERS

Please join us to today (Sunday) 1.30pm - 4.45pm for our 6 mile walk around Mersey Valley taking in parts of Bridgewater Way / NCN62 (Trans Pennine Trail).

Approx 6 miles on reasonable paths/riverbank some short inclines, could be muddy! Toilets start and finish with a tea/coffee break half way.

Meet in The Boathouse Car Park, Rifle Road, M33 2LX at 1.15pm for a 1.30pm prompt departure. Check our website [www.stjosephswalkers.org.uk](http://www.stjosephswalkers.org.uk) for more information or phone Kieron 07785 344102

## CAFOD – Harvest Fast Day Appeal

Thank you to all who supported the recent Harvest Fast Day Appeal. This raised £978.21

## FIRST FORGIVENESS AND HOLY COMMUNION 2021-2022

After a very difficult year, we are now planning the programme for parish children in non-catholic schools to begin later this year.

We need some idea of numbers. If your child is at a Non-Catholic School and is 7 years old (Year 3) or above and would like to celebrate their First Forgiveness and Holy Communion, please collect an enrolment form from the Sacristy.

*Please can you return any completed forms this week.*

This is for both Holy Family and St Joseph's.

## COMMENDED TO GOD

We hold in loving memory and prayers **Christina Quigg** and **John Lewis** who have died recently. May they rest in peace. We extend to their families and friends our deepest sympathy at this sad and extremely difficult time.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome to the Church and Parish Community **Dominic Aspen Whales** who was baptised at St. Joseph's last weekend. We welcome Dominic into the Church and commend his parents for passing on to him the Faith of the Apostles.

## SAINTS CLUB

Saints Club winners for September are:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize St Edmund Champion
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize St. Lawrence of Brindisi
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize Our Lady of the Rosary

Thank you to those who continue to support the Saints Club draw.

## BITESIZE

Leadership is action, not position.

*Donald H. McGannon*

## BLESSING OF OUR LADY'S STATUE

Father Stephen is delighted that in the last few weeks the statue of Our Lady With Child has been placed in the Parish Centre garden and he will bless the statue after the 11.00am Mass on Sunday. Please join him in the garden and then make your way in for coffee and cakes. See below.

## COFFEE AND CAKE SALE

Today there will be tea and coffee served in the Parish Centre after 11.00am Mass when there will also be a cake sale to raise money for the Bone Cancer Research Trust. All welcome.

## SVP

With the coming winter, the SVP anticipate that there will be an increase in need for assistance in our immediate community. We also see a change in the assistance required by those in need. We are therefore looking for additional help from new members. People are busy, so even occasional help would be appreciated, as you may have the skills/knowledge to help in specific cases. If you want to find out more about the SVP then please speak to one of our members, or come to tea and coffee after 11.00am mass at St Joseph's on the 24<sup>th</sup> Oct when you can meet us. (SVP Phone No. 07942670277)

## SJHF THEATRE & MOVIE GROUP

After a two year gap due to Covid Father Stephen is delighted to announce some forthcoming events.

If anyone is interested in going to see James Bond's **No Time To Die**, please fill a form in in the sacristy this week or email the presbytery.

**Swan Lake** is on at the Bridgewater Hall on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022. Tickets are £33.30 - £48.30. At this stage, if anyone would like to register an interest in joining Father Stephen at the theatre, after such a long break from such wonderful evenings, there is a form in the sacristy to leave your name and phone number. Alternatively, contact Margaret McGrath on 962 7097 or 07720 116653

Also, on the social side keep **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March** free for a **parish Irish night** in St. Joseph's Parish Centre. Live music and hot pot supper.

## SYNOD PRAYER 2021 2023

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.