



St Mary's Church

Prestwich

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Sunday, 13th September 2020

THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

10.30am – Said Common Worship Eucharist

President & Preacher:	The Rt Rev'd Mark Davies, Bishop of Middleton
Deacon:	Rev'd Adele McKie
Organist:	Gary Hulme
Music before the Service:	Chorale Trio "Lord Jesus, turn to us" J.S. Bach (BWV 655); Adagio in E major - Frank Bridge
Reader:	Alex Holmes
Gospeller:	Rev'd Carole Barnet
Intercessor:	Pauline Jones
Altar Preparation:	Prelude on St. Botolph – "For Mary, Mother of our Lord" – Gordon Slater
Communion:	Priere a Notre Dame - Leon Boellmann
Final Voluntary:	Carillon de Longpont - Louis Vierne (Op 31/21)

Private Prayer

The church will be open again on Wednesday 9th September for one hour between 12 noon and 1:00pm for individual private prayer.



Please be aware that the latest guidance from the Diocese is that the wearing of face coverings in church is now mandatory except for those leading worship. Face coverings should therefore be worn by all those attending church where there may be other people present; remembering that they are mainly intended to protect other people, not the wearer, from COVID-19 and that they are not a replacement for physical distancing and regular hand washing.

Please note that those leading or taking part in leading the service are exempt from the wearing of face coverings provided appropriate social distancing can be maintained. Face masks will be worn during the distribution of communion.

Great News

we are delighted to announce that the licensing of our new incumbent, Revd Shaun Conlon, has now be set for Monday, 19 October. Details to follow.



Due to social distancing measures, numbers at our 10.30am service are limited. Please email Susie you are intending to come along.

Copies of this newsletter will not be provided in church so please feel free to print copies off to bring with you if you wish to follow the readings during the service.

School Admissions Policy

Diocesan and national advice has been issued about the recording of attendance at Church worship for school admission purposes. Please refer to either the Church or the School websites for further information.

Porch Boxes

We are now able to recommence collections for Porch Boxes. If you wish to leave donations of non-perishable food and toiletries/baby goods these will be gratefully received in church. Alternatively if it is more convenient you can take donations to Morrisons Whitefield where there is a dedicated "bin" inside near the Bury New Road Entrance. Or you can make a financial donation direct to Porch Boxes using the following link:
[Donate to PorchBoxes](#)



Lord Let your love shine on those in need of our prayers: Lily-Rose Ahmadi; David Arnold, Lorayah Bevan, Nigel Birtwistle, David Burwin, Graham Coward, Graham Fleet, Andrew Hardman, Gareth Hardman, Helen Hicks, Deborah Kane, Heather Kay, Elaine Kirk, Jean Murphy, James O'Meara, Rev'd Deborah Sandercock-Pickles, Maryam Sedeghi, Peter Simpson, Ryan Woods

We send love and prayers to the families of: Perry Hinton and Julian Lewis, may they rest in peace and rise in glory.



We would like to keep in touch with people at this difficult time. If you are lonely or need a chat, or if you require any help, support or information just give us a call.

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Readings for the Blessed Virgin Mary Patronal Service

Collect

Almighty God,
who looked upon the lowliness
of the Blessed Virgin Mary
and chose her to be the mother
of your only Son:
grant that we who are redeemed
by his blood
may share with her in the glory
of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ your Son
our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

Isaiah 61.10-end

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,
my whole being shall exult in
my God;
for he has clothed me with the
garments of salvation,
he has covered me with the robe
of righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself
with a garland,
and as a bride adorns herself
with her jewels.
For as the earth brings forth its
shoots,
and as a garden causes what is
sown in it to spring up,
so the Lord GOD will cause
righteousness and praise
to spring up before all the
nations.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians

Galatians 4.4-7

When the fullness of time had
come, God sent his Son, born of
a woman, born under the law, in
order to redeem those who were
under the law, so that we might
receive adoption as
children. And because you are
children, God has sent the Spirit
of his Son into our hearts, crying,
'Abba! Father!' So you are no
longer a slave but a child, and if a
child then also an heir, through
God.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke *Luke 1.46-55*

Mary said, 'My soul magnifies
the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in
God my Saviour, for he has
looked with favour on the
lowliness of his servant.

Surely, from now on all
generations will call me blessed;
for the Mighty One has done
great things for me, and holy is
his name.

His mercy is for those who fear
him from generation to
generation.

He has shown strength with
his arm; he has scattered the
proud in the thoughts of their
hearts.

He has brought down the
powerful from their thrones, and
lifted up the lowly; he has filled
the hungry with good things, and
sent the rich away empty.

He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his
mercy, according to the promise
he made to our ancestors,
to Abraham and to his
descendants for ever.'

Post-Communion Prayer

God most high,
whose handmaid bore the Word
made flesh:
we thank you that in this
sacrament of our redemption
you visit us with your Holy Spirit
and overshadow us by your
power;
strengthen us to walk with Mary
the joyful path of obedience
and so to bring forth the fruits of
holiness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Flower Dedications

For the Patronal Festival
Donated by Rev'd Adele McKie

In loving memory of Ellen Francis
Donated by the Dutton Family

