



# Our Lady and St Joseph RC Church Heywood

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## The Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C, 26th October 2025

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#### THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY AND ST JOSEPH

**Monday 27th Oct.:** Weekday.

9.30am Mass:

**Tuesday 28th Oct.:** Weekday.

**10 am: Funeral Mass for Mr Desmond Carney**

**Wednesday 29th Oct.:** Weekday.

9am Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

9.30am Mass:

**Thursday 30th Oct.:** Weekday.

**10.30 am: Funeral Mass for Mrs Kathleen Pat. Swarbrick**

**Friday 31st Oct.:** Weekday.

9am Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

9.30am Mass:

10.30am. OLSP whole School Mass at

**Saturday 1st Nov.:** Weekday.

10am Morning Mass:

10.30am. Adoration and Confessions.

6pm: First Mass of Sunday:

**Sunday 2nd Nov.:** 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time (All Saints)

9.30 am Mass:

11am Mass:

12.30 pm. Baby Lawrence's baptism.

#### **Readers & Eucharistic Ministers**

**25th/26th Oct.:** Readers: 6pm P. Sherry, 9.30am: S. Jones,

11am: G. DaSilva. **Eucharistic Minister:** 6pm: J. Matthews,

9.30am: D. Dodd, 11am D. Tierney.

**1st/2nd Nov.:** Readers: 6pm B. Brown, 9.30am: S. Skinner

11am: P. Greenall. **Eucharistic Minister:** 6pm: B. Doyle

9.30am: H. Sharrock, 11am C. Shore.

**Thank you** for your generosity. **Last Weekend:** £410.20 (Gift Aid) £306.75 (Loose Change) & CAFOD £41, 27.

**Columban Missionaries Appeal:** 468.57

**200 Club** If you would like to join it is only £5 a month which needs to be paid at the beginning of every month. The more members we have, the bigger the prize and more money going back into our church. Winners are on the Notice Boards.

**First Holy Communion November Class Session:** November Class sessions is **changed** from the weekend of the 8th/9th to the weekend of the 15th/16th November, parents please note the change.

**RCIA Class Sessions:** Every Friday in the parish meeting room at 7pm.

**Parish Christmas Fayre :** Saturday 6th December. We need donations for hamper items; tins, bottles items, dried goods, biscuits etc. We also need Chocolate items, sweets and children's toys etc. please check use by dates. Any gifts or donations can be placed in the basket at the side door. Thank you.

**MEGA Raffle now on sale:** 1st Prize : Shark Classic Anti Hair Wrap Cordless Vacuum ICZ160UK, 2nd Prize: NINJA 3.8L Air Fryer AF100UK and some great Food Hampers for 3rd prize. Tickets will be on sale from next weekend.

**Our Lady & St. Joseph's Remembrance Service:** Sunday 23rd November : 3pm in church. To remember all those who have died this year November 2024– November 2025

**Our Lady & St Joseph's Blessings of Graves Heywood Cemetery:** 2pm Sunday 30th November.

**Let us pray** for the people of the parish of St John Henry Newman's parish, Davyhulme and Urmston, and for Father Kieren Mullarkey, their parish priest, and Deacon John Walsh. We pray for their parish primary schools and for St. Antony's High School.

**Let us pray** for those who live and work on Hopwood Ave, Alexandra St, Ashworth St, Grundy St & Snowden St.

**For** The sick of our Parish.

**For** Jamie Mullen, Betty Conway, Ann Leach, Terry Turner, Carlos Dos Santos, Gaye Casey, Pat. Swarbrick,

Desmond Carney, Peter Pessagno, Maureen Foster, Kevin Hyland, Bernadette Hodgkinson, and all who have died recently.

**For** John Barret, Barbara Terceno, John Navessey, John Schofield, Winnie Thornton, Percy Bromley, Teresa Kenny, Ellen Holt, Frank & Clara Taylor and all we remember at this time.

**Word on Fire Comes to Salford - 'Evangelising the Culture':** Join us for a thought-provoking evening as Bishop Robert Barron's *Word on Fire* program comes to Salford Cathedral, inviting us to explore how we can each play a part in bringing Christ's light to the world around us. The event will take place at **7:30pm on Thursday 13th November at the Cathedral Temporary Church**, and refreshments will be served beforehand at **6:45pm in the cloisters**. Please book your place by emailing [enquiries@salfordcathedral.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@salfordcathedral.co.uk) or call 0161 817 2210.

**Advent Talks: Reflecting on Dilexi Te:** During Advent, we are pleased to be joined once again by Sr Joan Kerley and Maria Kidd for a series of talks reflecting on Pope Leo's Apostolic Exhortation *Dilexi Te*. Join us every Tuesday between 25 November and 16 December as we consider how we welcome the birth of the Messiah into a world of multifaceted poverty. The venue for this year's talks will be Our Lady and Lancashire Martyrs Church Hall, M38 0DL, and will take place from 10:30am - 12:30pm. Please email [joankfmsj@gmail.com](mailto:joankfmsj@gmail.com) or phone 07934 816796 to register your interest.

**Service of Remembrance for Lives Cut Short:** There will be a Service of Remembrance for Lives Cut Short held at Manchester Cathedral next month, which will honour and commemorate those who have died as a result of homicide. Organised by the friends and families of those lost in this tragic way, the service will take place on Monday 24th November at 7.30pm. Any person wishing to commemorate a loved one by name as part of the service is invited to contact organiser Steve Williams on 07757 441377 or [st.gab.prest@gmail.com](mailto:st.gab.prest@gmail.com)

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham 2026:** We are delighted to announce the date for our 2026 diocesan pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine at Walsingham. Next year's pilgrimage will take place on Saturday 2nd May, with the option to extend your pilgrimage with an overnight stay on Friday 1st May. You can now register your interest by calling our pilgrimage office on 0161 817 2209 or emailing [walsingham.pilgrimage@dioceseofsalford.org.uk](mailto:walsingham.pilgrimage@dioceseofsalford.org.uk)

**THE WORD OF THE WEEK:** A few weeks ago (22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time) we had a Gospel about humility in social life – today we hear the Lord reiterating the message, but this time in reference to our prayer lives. The two Gospels are linked by the last words today, which also appear in the other story: “Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.” This phrase is obviously a key part of our Lord's teaching! The sin of “self-exaltation” consists in putting others in a lower place – as the Pharisee does to the tax collector. Perhaps the most telling phrase in today's Gospel is where Jesus refers to the Pharisee saying “this prayer to himself,” rather than offering it to God! And since the Pharisee wasn't talking to God, how could he expect to be heard?

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