7th December2025

WELCOME TO ST JAMES AND ALL SOULS

Catholic Diocese of Salford-Registered Charity 250037

Fr. Ian Farrell - Parish Priest

LATEST NEWS AND NOTICES:

- **Christmas Flowers:** Help with decorations by taking an envelope from the back of the church. Thank you.
- Carols & Lessons Sun 21st Dec, 12:30pm followed by refreshments. Raffle tickets on sale 7 & 14 Dec (prizes welcome).
 Volunteers for refreshments and tidying, please contact Anne Marie at admin@stjamesandallsouls.com.
- Preparing for Christmas: Sat 13 Dec: Bingo at 12:30pm, Sat 20
 Dec: Rosary at 11:00am, led by parish children.
- Christmas Day 25th December Mass Times: 12 (Midnight Mass) with carols and hymns, 7:30am (Dawn Mass) quiet, said mass, 10am (Mass during the day) with carols and hymns. [Christmas masses on 24th, 5pm St Lukes 5:30 Cathedral].
- Holy Family School Christmas Events-
 - -Wed 10: Light Fever at 3.30pm
 - -Thu 11: Carols at 3.30pm

HOLY MASS

Sunday- 10am

Saturday -6pm -Vigil

Mass

Mon, Wed, Thurs,

Fri, Sat at 12 noon &

Tue at 6.30pm

- -Tue 16: Yrs 3 & 4 Carol Concert at 9.15am
- -Wed 17: Yrs 5 & 6 Carol Concert at 9.15am
- Loaves and Fishes: We have 100 Christmas gift bags for the men and women at Loaves & Fishes. Please take a bag from the back of church (black for men, orange for women) and fill it with warm items (scarf, hat, gloves), toiletries, chocolate, coffee or other small gifts. Return by Sun 21 Dec. If you can't fill a whole bag, but want to donate one or more items, a box will be available at the back of church each weekend until 21st December. Thank you for your generosity.
- Next Friday 12th Dec at 12PM is the requiem mass for Fred Alder.
 Please pray for the repose of his soul.
- **Bingo** next Saturday at 12:30 in the parish hall. All welcome. (Bingo is £5 per book and raffle tickets are £1 per strip).
- **Church decorations**-After mass this Sunday. All welcome to help.

Please pray for these members of our parish who are poorly:

Sheila O'Dowd, Sophie Heardman, Dorothy Alder, Carol Cunningham, Elizabeth Novak, Kimberley Stanfield, Dr. Mary Synnott, Rose, Brian Boyland, Janet Fay and for all who are sick.

Mass Intentions:

Vanessa Christabel (Spec. inten), Baby Arabella, Liam Doherty (30thAnniv).

CONFESSION BAP

Sat 11 - 11.45am, Thurs 7-7:45pm

ADORATION

Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat at 11- 11.55

Holy hour:

Thurs 7pm-8pm

BAPTISMS

Sunday 11:30AM Information and initial registration after mass on Sunday.

After extensive investigations on Wednesday, we have discovered that heating pipes underneath the church are leaking. The construction of the church makes it impossible to get into the leak without major excavations. Quotes are being sought to reroute the piping. The Diocese have been supportive even though this may well cost thousands of pounds. Please God, we can get it fixed before Christmas. Now more than ever your generosity would help to secure the future of the parish. Thank you. Fr Ian.

Heating

List of events - Church and the Parish Hall

- ✓ **Legion of Mary** every Saturday at 7:15pm in the Parish Hall.
- ✓ Bingo every 2nd Saturday of the month at 12.30pm in the parish hall. Bingo is £5 per book and raffle tickets are £1 per strip.
- ✓ Last Sunday of each month **Young Adults Hub** 18-35 y/o prayer, food, social 5.30pm at Church and parish hall.
- ✓ Monthly Youth group meets second Thursday each month commencing 6pm in the parish hall.
- ✓ Warm Wednesday every Wednesday from 12.30pm-2:30pm in the parish hall. Soups, sandwiches and drinks. All welcome!
- ✓ Last Sunday of every month a special prayer and blessing for all who have birthdays during the month.
- ✓ Talk English classes every Tuesday
- ✓ **Growing in Knowledge and Love of Jesus** most Tuesdays at 7:15pm (see overleaf).
- ✓ Young Parishioners lead Adoration on the 3rd Saturday of each month, 11–11:50am, 12 noon Mass and refreshments in the parish room after.
- Charismatic Prayer Meeting Next prayer meeting is on 17th December at 7pm.

MARRIAGE

To enable proper preparation for this wonderful sacrament at least 6 Months' notice is required.



Growing in Knowledge & Love of Jesus

Tuesdays | 7:15-8:15 PM | Parish Room

There is no need to inscribe simply turn up for the first meeting at 7.15pm, entry through church or if closed via the side door to the parish hall.

December	9 th -The First Three Commandments,
	16 th -The Fourth & Fifth Commandments
January	20 th -The Sixth & Ninth Commandments, 27 th -The Seventh, Eighth & Tenth Commandments
February	3 rd - Grace & Prayer, 10 th -Our Lady and the Saints,
	21st/22nd - Parish Mass: Prayer for Those Preparing for Baptism,
	24 th -The Church: One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic
March	3 rd -The Nicene Creed, 7 th /8 th -Presentation of the Creed at Parish Mass, 10 th - The Precepts
	of the Church, 17 th -Final Questions, Blessings & Thanks,
	24 th -Practice for Baptism/Reception
April	4th (Easter Vigil): Baptisms and Reception into the Church

Preparation for First Holy Communion

A reminder that if your child is 7 or older, you come regularly to mass at St James and you think they are ready to begin receiving Holy Communion, another preparation course will begin on 22nd January 2026.

Full details and an opportunity to join the course are available after the Sunday masses on the weekends of 27/28 Dec 3/4 Jan & 10/11 Jan.

**There will be another preparation course later in the year. **

Liturgical Calendar- Week Commencing from 08/12:

Monday 08: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed

Virgin Mary

Tuesday 09: Advent Weekday/ St Juan Diego

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Wednesday 10: Advent Weekday

Thursday 11: Advent Weekday

Friday 12: Advent Weekday/ Our Lady of Guadalupe

Saturday 13: St Lucy

Sunday 14: Third Sunday of Advent

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Every second Sunday of the month we will be holding a second collection for our Maintenance appeal. If you want to set up regular giving towards the fund here are our bank details Sort Code 20-55-34 a/c 60729019, a/c name TSDT St James and All Souls Salford.