3rd Sunday of Advent



WELCOME TO ST JAMES AND ALL SOULS

Catholic Diocese of Salford-Registered Charity 250037

Fr. Ian Farrell - Parish Priest

LATEST NEWS AND NOTICES:

Christmas & New Year Mass Times:

Christmas Day 25th Dec:

- -Midnight Mass (carols and hymns) 12am.
- -Dawn Mass (quiet, said mass) 7:30pm -Mass during the day (carols and hymns) 10am
- [Christmas masses on 24th, 5pm St Lukes 5:30 Cathedral].

26 Dec- St Stephen's Day Holy Mass at 6.30pm,

- **31 Dec** -New Year's Eve Mass at 11.30pm
- 1 Jan-New Year's Day Holy Mass at 12pm.
- 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.
- Parish 200-Club Monthly Draw— November Winners: Apologies for the delay notification. Congratulations to our winners! With 70 members contributing £5 each, 35% of funds were awarded as prizes while supporting our parish –1st: £49 (No.21), 2nd: £36.75 (No.32), 3rd: £24.50 (No.117) 4th: £12.25 (No. 38). Thank you for your support! If you want to participate in December draw, please ensure you have paid your £5 by 20th December. As we will be continuing the monthly draw throughout 2026, please notify admin@stjamesandallsouls.com if you wish to keep your existing number.

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:

Alice Lyons (1st Anniv), Dennis Wardle (Heavenly B'day), Hugh McCarten Anniv), Rebecca Unsworth + Sarah Douglas (Anniv), Jesus Youth Jubilee Year (Special inten), Joan Walsh x3 (LD), Quesk Zefi, Gasper Zefi, File Zefi, Nrec Pringa, Mrika Nrec Prings, Ruta Pring Deds, Preng Deola, Nreca Preng Deds, Gene Tuku, Simon Kulli (Spec inten), Cathy Bruce (Thanksgiving), Fred Alder (LD), Joan Green (LD), Audrey Smith (LD), Pina Dali (80th B'day), James (LD), Anonymous (Spec inten), Kian Mateo Fernandes (3rd B'day), Tom +Mary, Andy +Cathy, Willie +Jo, Ann +Theresa (Spec inten), Brian Boyland x2 (Sick), Vicky Hood (Sick), Catherine Boyland (Sick), John Thompson (Spec inten), Frances Thompson (Spec inten), Kimbereley Stanfield (Sick).

Heating

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 re-route 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.

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.
- ✓ **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.

HOLY MASS

Sunday- 10am
Saturday -6pm -Vigil
Mass
Mon, Wed, Thurs,
Fri, Sat at 12 noon &

Tue at 6.30pm

CONFESSION

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.

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	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, 21 st /22 nd -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.

If you would like to inscribe yourself and your child in the course inscriptions are after Saturday/Sunday mass on 27/28 Dec, 3/4 Jan, 10/11 Jan. Please meet after mass in the parish hall.

Liturgical Calendar- Week Commencing from 15/12:

Monday 15: Advent Weekday

Tuesday 16: Advent Weekday

Wednesday 17: Advent Weekday/ O Sapientia (O Wisdom)

Thursday 18: Advent Weekday/ O Adonai (O Lord)

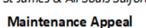
Friday 19: Advent Weekday/ O Radix lesse (O Root of Jesse)

Saturday 20: St Lucy/ O Clavis David (O Key of David)

Sunday 21: Fourth 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.

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