

Roman Catholic Parish of Saint Winifred

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Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – 14th June 2026 This Week's Schedule

Sunday 14th June	9.00am 11.00am	Holy Mass Holy Mass	Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday 15th June		No Mass today	Weekday
Tuesday 16th June	8.15am – 9.15am 9.30am	Adoration Holy Mass	St Richard of Chichester (OM)
Wednesday 17th June	8.15am – 9.15am 9.30am	Adoration Holy Mass	Weekday
Thursday 18th June	8.15am – 9.15am 9.30am	Adoration Holy Mass	Weekday
Friday 19th June	8.15am – 9.15am 9.30am	Adoration Holy Mass	Weekday / St Romuald (OM)
Saturday 20th June	9.30am – 10.30am 11.00am – 11.45am 12 noon 2.00pm	Adoration Confessions Holy Mass First Holy Communion Mass	Weekday / St Alban (OM)
Sunday 21st June	9.00am 11.00am	Holy Mass Holy Mass	Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings this Week:

The people of Israel were chosen by God, to be his own people. This Moses proclaims in the first reading. And having chosen a people, God does not abandon them: they may be like sheep without a shepherd, but God sends them the Good Shepherd, who feels sorry for them, and entrusts his disciples with the task of giving them new heart. The same God has chosen us, and gives us the same Shepherd. But we must be careful to take to ourselves the call of Jesus: we must pray for labourers to give new heart to the lost sheep of our society. We must also remember our own responsibility - as a kingdom of priests and a consecrated nation those of us in the Church have a mission to fulfil: to live out the Covenant, and truly to be a consecrated nation.

Marriage Matters: *Think of all the blessings*

Priests offer sacrifice and are 'mediators' between God and humans. Jesus was a Priest and a 'mediator', sacrificing Himself on the Cross and pleading, "*Father forgive them*". Baptism made us 'sharers' in Christ's Priesthood. At Mass, as Priestly people, we join in His sacrifice and pray for ourselves and others. So, '*serve the Lord with gladness*', counting our blessings.

Mass Intentions Received:

Lately Dead: Michael Gannon, Mary Rowe, Lynda Comerford, Jozefa Krystyna Maj, Eileen O'Connell, Mary Dunne & Patricia O'Connell.

Anniversaries: Michael Murray, Mary Amelia Mitchell, Margaret Mitchell, Martin Jameson, Martin Neary, Mary Neary, Kathleen Neary, Gerard Dolan & Derek Cawthorn.

Other: Monsignor Michael Quinlan (Diamond Jubilee), Paddy Cronin (SI), Fr John Rowan (Diamond Jubilee) & Gerard Clarke (Special Intention).

Parish News and Events:

Afternoon Tea Fundraiser: Thank you to everyone who attended the Fundraiser organised by members of the SVP and to all those who served in different ways to ensure it was a success. The amazing total of £2,110 was raised. The defibrillator has now been ordered! Excess funds will be used to support the projects and work of the SVP.

St Winifred's Saint Vincent de Paul Society Conference: The success of the fundraiser seems like an opportune time to remind everyone of the work our parish SVP conference. They are available to visit anyone in need of a visit, they can offer lifts for anyone who struggles to come to Mass and they would welcome hearing of any particular need to explore whether they can offer help alongside their other activities. Please get in touch if you know a person or family in need of support. Please also make contact if you are interested in becoming a member of the conference. All welcome! Contact information: SVP Conference President, Joe Dolan on 07355 998329.

Charitable Giving: The Foodbank has urgent need for long life milk, fruit juice, tinned tomatoes, rice puddings, shampoo, soap, toothbrushes and toothpaste. The box for donations is on the left side of the porch as you enter the church. The collection from the last fortnight amounted to 77.5kg! Thank you again for your continuing generosity.

First Holy Communion Mass: the first of our two Masses for our children to receive Holy Communion for the first time is next Saturday at 2pm. The parish Mass will also be offered as usual at 12 noon. Please keep our children and their families in your prayers.

Lost Property: There is a small box on one of the window shelves in the porch that has various items that have been left over the weeks, months and probably years. We also have a good quality men's Berghaus down jacket which was left at Easter. We will be looking to clear these items very soon so please have a final think if you have lost something and maybe check that lost property box!

Monsignor Quinlan's Diamond Anniversary falls this coming Friday (19th June). We give thanks for his life of service and look forward to welcoming him back next month when we will have the chance to celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving led by him on **Sunday July 19th at 3pm**. Refreshments will be served in the Kavanagh Centre afterwards on that day but let us remember him in prayer this coming Friday too!

The Day for Life – Next Sunday is "the Day for Life" on which the Bishops Conference of England and Wales place special emphasis on the dignity of all human life from conception to natural death. For more information and resources, please see here: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/day-for-life>. A second collection will take place to support this work.

Lourdes Fundraising – date for your diary! On **Sunday, 12th July**, we will be hosting a cake sale following the 9am and 11am Masses to support the youth from our parish on their upcoming Lourdes pilgrimage. Gluten-free options will be available, along with delicious muffins for our younger attendees. Give yourself a treat! Your support is greatly appreciated!

Our School

Home Learning Challenge! From September, our school will be introducing four school houses, each named after an inspirational individual who has dedicated their life to God. As part of this, during the recent school holiday, our children were asked to research saints and figures of faith who could represent our school community and values and be appropriate patrons for the houses. Among those researched were Ss Teresa of Avila, Francis of Assisi, Catherine of Siena, Carlo Acutis and Dominic Savio. It has been wonderful to see how passionately the children have engaged with this project, reflecting on the virtues these individuals demonstrated and considering how they can inspire us in our daily lives at school. We look forward to hearing more in September when the school houses are officially launched! [Q: *Who was your school house Saint? Mine was St Edmund Campion...*]

School Summer Fair: St Winifred's School Family and Friends are organising the school summer fair to take place on **Friday 26th June between 6 and 8pm**. Circus skills, climbing wall, bouncy castle, football speed shot, food, drink, music and a lots more! Come along and join the fun and help raise money for school funds! Entry fee £3 per family! Bargain.

Other News and Events of Interest:

Marian Procession 2026 Madonna Del Rosario Procession: The annual Madonna Del Rosario procession, organised by the Manchester Italian Association, will take place on Sunday 5 July. The procession will begin at 1:15pm but we ask that if you are taking part to please meet by the Parish banner at The Halle, St Michael's, George Leigh Street, Ancoats. It will continue through Manchester City Centre to St Peter's Square. All are welcome.

Prayers and resources for Refugee Week and World Day of Migrants & Refugees: Caritas Salford has a range of prayers and other resources to help as you mark Refugee Week this month (June 15th to 21st). You can find these and other materials on the Caritas website: www.caritassalford.org.uk/resources . To read more about the week, click here: www.caritassalford.org.uk/refugees

New Volunteering Role at Caritas Salford: Our diocesan charity, Caritas Salford, is looking for suitable volunteers who would be interested in giving a little time to work alongside families at their young parent accommodation in Blackburn - supporting and facilitating activities with the babies and their parents. All roles will be subject to an enhanced disclosure and barring check. To find out more about this or other volunteering opportunities with the charity, visit www.caritassalford.org.uk/volunteer or contact Matt Yates: m.yates@caritassalford.org.uk