



SAINT BONAVENTURE'S MISSIONARY AREA

Serving the Parishes of Our Lady Queen of Peace,
Sacred Heart & Saint Peter, Saint Hilda & Saint Aidan
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Sunday 19th March 2023 - 4th Sunday of Lent

Saturday 19th March First Mass of Sunday	17:00	Saint Anthony	Brendan Davies (RIP)
	18:00	Saint Hilda	Margaret Mayne (RIP)
	19:30	Saint Hilda	Neo-Catechumenate Mass
Sunday 19th March Fourth Sunday of Lent	09:30	Saint Elizabeth	Deceased members of Caron family
	10:00	Saint Aidan	Thomas Thomas (RIP)
	11:00	Saint Anthony	Joao Santana Furtado (RIP)
	11:30	Sacred Heart	Fr. John O' Hara (RIP)
Monday 20th March Saint Joseph, Husband	09:00	Saint Anthony	Leo Byrne (RIP)
	12 Noon	Sacred Heart	Hardiman family
Tuesday 21st March Ferial	09:30	Sacred Heart	George & Margaret Williams (RIP)
Wednesday 22nd March Ferial	09:30	Saint Anthony	Private Intentions
	09:30	Sacred Heart	Kathleen Howard
	10:00-12Noon	Sacred Heart	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday 23rd March Ferial	09:00	Saint Anthony	Elizabeth Ann Reilly (LD)
	18:30-19:30	Saint Anthony	Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday 24th March Ferial	09:15	Saint Anthony	For the soul of Andrew Queenan (RIP)
	09:30	Sacred Heart	Mr John Leo (RIP)
	12 Noon	Saint Hilda	Requiem for late Roland Moriarty
Saturday 25th March The annunciation of the Lord	10:00	Saint Anthony	Private Intention
	12 noon	Sacred Heart	James Quinn (RIP)
Saturday 26th March First Mass of Sunday	17:00	Saint Anthony	Brendan Davies (RIP)
	18:00	Saint Hilda	Judith Smith (LD)
	19:30	Saint Hilda	Neo-Catechumenate Mass
Sunday 26th March Fifth Sunday of Lent	09:30	Saint Elizabeth	Anthony Fitzgerald (RIP)
	10:00	Saint Aidan	People of the Parish
	11:00	Saint Anthony	Mary Lynch (Anv)
	11:30	Sacred Heart	Kath & Joe Bearpark

Father Owen writes,

Carrying on from last week's Gospel with the Samaritan woman at the well – the people around Jesus still do not see the bigger picture. They still have the hardened hearts that will not allow the Holy Spirit to enter and illuminate their eyes.

We are over half way through Lent and we could easily place ourselves in the shoes of the authorities and not see, just looking on as hapless bystanders or we can become the woman or the man born blind and actually be open to the workings of the Holy Spirit and in turn open to the life being offered to us by our loving Father. It is so easy to go one way or another. But each way, has either life and hope to offer or blindness and despair. The choice is ours! Do we want to accept or do we want to control?

READING	EXTRACT	REFERENCE
1 st Reading	David is anointed by Samuel	1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13
Psalm	The Lord is my Shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.	Ps 22(23)
2 nd Reading	Anything exposed by the light will turn into light	Ephesians 5:8-14
Gospel	The blind man went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored.	Jn 9:1-41

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays at Saint Anthony's 10.30am – 11.15am; Sacred Heart: 11am to 11.45am

EASTER VIGIL WITH THE NEO-CATECUMENATE

WAY: The Neo-Catechumenate Way are having their Easter Vigil celebration at Saint Hilda's from 10pm on Holy Saturday night. If you would like to join them please feel free. They then go for a meal afterwards. If you would like to join them for the meal, then please contact Miguel on 07504649592. The meal will cost £40 per adult and £25 per child. Places are limited.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2023:

Booking is now open for this year's Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Under the leadership of Bishop Mark, the theme for our pilgrimage will be "... *tell the priests to build a chapel here*". This year's overland pilgrimage will depart on Thursday 27 July returning on Friday 4 August. Those pilgrims wishing to fly will depart from Liverpool airport on Friday 28 July returning on Thursday 3 August. More details, brochure and booking forms are available on the pilgrimage website <http://www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk>. Young pilgrims (aged 16 - 22) who wish to join us in Lourdes and offer their time and energy to assist and serve the sick and elderly pilgrims are asked to contact Sandy Fairley at the Youth Mission Team (youth@dioceseofshrewsbury.org) for more details.

WORLD YOUTH DAY LISBON 2023: World Youth Day is the largest international gathering of young people. It is held every three years being first established by Pope Saint John Paul II in 1985. As a diocese we have a limited amount of places booked, for those aged 18 – 35, at the cost of £1,200 which is inclusive of meals, travel, accommodation, and World Youth Day passes. The deadline for booking a place is the 31st March. If any of our youth would like to go, there is financial help available from Father Owen. This really is a chance in a lifetime. For any questions, or an application form,

contact: clare.williams@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

SACRED HEART EASTER FLOWERS: As you know there really shouldn't be any ornamentation of the altars during Lent as we are meant to be in the desert. This is why we have big flourishes of flowers at Easter. If you would like to donate towards our floral displays for Easter then please feel free to do so by placing your donation in an envelope marked 'Easter Flowers'. Your generosity will be greatly received.

SAINT ELIZABETH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL HUNGER

LUNCH: St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School is hosting a Hunger Lunch on Tuesday 4th April as part of our Lenten Appeal. Parishioners are invited to attend from 1pm when a soup lunch will be served by our Mini Vinnies. Money raised will be added to our Lenten Fundraising Appeal which we are sharing between The Children's Adventure Farm Trust and funds for the Clinic in Metcha, Ethiopia. Please contact the school office to book your place: 0161 437 3890

HOPE FOODBANK LENTEN APPEAL: There will be a retiring collection for the Hope Project Foodbank on Palm Sunday, 2 April.* The Hope Project Foodbank (a collaboration of schools, Church communities and Catholic Churches and organisations working in partnership with Caritas Shrewsbury) is running an appeal for money and food during Lent, to enable the foodbanks to help anyone struggling with food poverty. The Hope Project's aim is to provide a supply of three meals a day for three days to those in need. However, much more stock is needed to meet the high demand of many people in our area. Please donate if you are able. Thank you.

WORLD YOUTH DAY FUNDRAISING: Thank you to all those parishioners who have been able to

support our young people in raising money to get to WYD23. It is very much appreciated how generous you have been.

RED (MISSION) BOXES:

St. Hilda's Red Boxes to be collected during March. Contact Sheila Hartigan 07979353780

St Elizabeth's Mission boxes: these will be emptied during March. Could boxholders bring them to church and hand them to either Pauline Brealey or Margaret Allen. Thank you.

RECONCILIATION SERVICES: We will be holding two reconciliation services for Wythenshawe this Lent. They will be on the following dates and times.

Sacred Heart – Monday 20th March @ 7pm

BRITISH SUMMER TIME: Don't forget the clocks go forward one hour this Saturday night as British Summer Time officially begins. We would hate to see anyone late for Mass....

ONLINE COURSE ON VATICAN II: Thank you to those who have been in touch to say how interesting/ informative/ helpful/ even 'excellent'(!) you have found the first two podcasts. The next two on *Divine Revelation* are now available on the diocesan website at dioceseofshrewsbury.org. They are not time-bound and may be listened to any time. There are also 3 **handouts for downloading or printing**: An introduction to the document; A guided reading of the text; A suggested reading list for the whole course. A **leaflet** outlining the content of the podcasts is available in the parish. Should you have difficulty accessing this material, any questions or reflections, don't hesitate to call Barbara Davies: 07730 526821

DIOCESAN VACANCY: The Diocese is looking to recruit a Youth Mission Team Member to engage with young people in schools and parishes across the Shrewsbury Diocese, based in Stockport. The full-time employee will be a key member of the team led by the Director. Salary £19K to £22K depending on experience. For more information please visit <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/> For application form please do take the opportunity to contact Pauline McCulloch recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org **Closing date Friday 7 April 2023.**

ST JOSEPH CANDLE AT ST AIDAN'S: burns this week for Martin Johnson. If you wish to have the candle burn for your intention then please approach Joby or Jeanette.

LPA CHOIR: Message from Jill Lingard
The LPA choir is **open to all** who enjoy singing psalms and hymns. We are beginning to prepare for Lent and Holy Week. Please join us at St Anthony's Guild room on **Tuesdays 21st and 28th March from 7pm till 8pm.**

CHILDRENS' STATIONS OF THE CROSS & PASSION PLAY: 10 AM Good Friday 7th April 2023 Sacred Heart and Saint Peters. All children from across our parishes in Wythenshawe are invited to come along and participate in acting out the Lord's Passion. We will meet in the guild room and move to the garden (weather permitting).

OCTOBER MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE : The places are starting to fill up very fast. If you could like to go to Medjugorje with the parishes then please contact Pauline Nazir as soon as possible. The cut-off date for joining is Easter.

WE REMEMBER: We pray for the repose of the souls of Kevin Henry Seagrave, Stuart Buxton, Beryl May Ashton, Thomas (Ben) Hogan, Patricia Johnson, Roland Moriarty, Elizabeth Reilly and Lydia Rose Whittaker who have died recently.



WEEKLY COLLECTIONS: Last week's collections (12th March) are below. Thank you for your ongoing support of our work in Wythenshawe.

Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish	Sacred Heart & Saint Peter's Parish	Saint Hilda & Saint Aidan's Parish
Saint Anthony's £ 408.00	£ 413.54	Saint Hilda's £ 135.00
Saint Elizabeth's £ 236.48		Saint Aidan's £ 281.00

LOCAL PASTORAL AREA CONTACTS

Clergy

Team Leader: Father Owen Gallagher
Assistant Priest: Father Stephen Roberts

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07907 620 891 (24HR Parish Mobile) – **EMERGENCIES ONLY**

Email: parishpriest298@btinternet.com

Our Lady Queen of Peace; Saint Hilda and Saint Aidan; Sacred Heart and Saint Peters

Secretaries: Ms Maureen Williams
TBA

Telephone: 0161 998 5319
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Opening hours: Mon - Fri: 9:30 – 14:00

Parish Sisters:
Sr Damien – 0161 437 8772
Sr Maura – 0161 428 7572

LMA Team Office @ Saint Anthony's

Mr Leo J. Byrne
Telephone: 0161 503 3789
Email: team.ministry@btconnect.com

Opening hours:

OFFICE CLOSED UNTIL 17TH MARCH 2023

Catholic Social Action Wythenshawe

Telephone: 07907 620 891

Wythenshawe Hospital Chaplaincy

Telephone: **0161 291 2297** Please ring this number if you need a visit from a chaplaincy team member whilst in hospital!

Our Church locations:

Sacred Heart & Saint Peter's RC Church Floatshall Road Baguley, Wythenshawe, Manchester M23 1HP (at the junction with Southmoor Road)	Saint Hilda's RC Kenworthy Lane, Northenden, Wythenshawe, Manchester M22 4EF Contact Sacred Heart	Saint Aidan's RC 230 Wythenshawe Road, Wythenshawe, Manchester M23 0PH Contact Sacred Heart	Saint Anthony's RC Church and LMA Team Office Portway, Woodhouse Park, Wythenshawe, Manchester M22 0WR	Saint Elizabeth's RC Church Holliney Road Peel Hall, Wythenshawe, Manchester M22 5JD Contact Saint Anthony's (at the junction with Lomond Road)
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