

## Parish of St Augustine

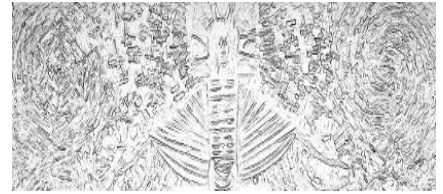
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### **25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 19<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

#### **Masses this week:**

**Sunday** – 11am

**Tuesday** – 12noon (St Matthew)

**Wednesday** – 12noon

**Thursday** – 12noon (St Pius of Pietrelcina, ‘Padre Pio’)

**Friday** – 12noon (Our Lady of Walsingham)

**Saturday** - 11am followed by **Exposition and Confessions** until 12noon

**NB – no Mass on Mondays**

**Please remember in your prayers:** all who are sick and those who care for them.

**Lately Dead :** Teresa Cunningham, Alan Lynott, Fernando Laraño

**Anniversary of Death:** Therese Byrne, Mary Quinn, Damien Clarke

Let us also continue to pray for those people from Afghanistan forced to be refugees, and let us also pray for all students beginning a new university term.

**Manchester Marathon for St Ann’s Hospice:** Father Michael is running the Manchester Marathon on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October to raise money for St Ann’s Hospice, which provides amazing care for the sick and dying and their families, and teaches about the true dignity of life. If you can donate, go online to <https://justgiving.com/fundraising/michael-deas2> or you can give in person at church. On that Sunday, Father Paul Daly will be covering the Sunday Mass for Father Michael.

**Refreshments (Tea, Coffee and biscuits) after 11am Sunday Mass.** In the Common Room via the Sacristy.

**More Readers needed.** If you would like to volunteer to be a reader at the Sunday Mass, or even at a weekday Mass, please let Fr Michael or Sue Wood know.

**Emerging from Lockdown.** We should continue to be responsible as individuals and as a parish. So please continue to wear masks and sanitise your hands on arrival. If you wish to kneel or stand during Mass, please be considerate of those around you. There still remains no singing (although the reader may sing Alleluia), and we have a non-contact sign of peace.

### **Action on the Assisted Dying Bill**

Bishop John Sherrington, Lead Bishop for Life Issues for the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, has written an open letter inviting Catholics to pray for the defeat of the Assisted Dying Bill, due to be debated in the House of Lords in October.

It encourages them to write to peers at the House of Lords stating the reasons why they oppose this legislation and particularly explain from personal experience the reasons why this change in the law should be opposed.

Discussion and communication about this important matter is vital for the defeat of the Bill and in our diocese, Bishop John is asking all parishioners to act now by praying, writing and sharing.

You can find out more details about how to help oppose the bill in Bishop Sherrington's letter on the Diocese of Salford's website at <https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/action-on-the-assisted-dying-bill/>

### **Caritas Update**

Thank you for your incredible generosity of donations made to the Afghan Refugee Crisis Appeal. The most immediate needs of individuals and families have now been met and Caritas is no longer accept items/donations at the present time.

If you would like to make a gift for the medium – long term support and integration of refugee families, you may do so via the Caritas website: <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/afghanistan-appeal-2021/>

We kindly ask for your continued prayers for all refugees and for those working tirelessly to help them reach a place of welcome and sanctuary.

### **Diocesan Walk for our Climate**

On Sunday 10 October there will be a Walk for our Climate from Salford Cathedral to the Laudato Si' Centre. We will start with a prayer then depart from Salford Cathedral at 12.30pm, arriving at the Laudato Si' Centre around 3.30pm for a short service.

The walk is approximately 8.6 miles long. En route, we will have the opportunity to take time to reflect on our care for our common home.

The reflections will take place in the churches listed below alongside the route and timings:

Route: <https://goo.gl/maps/SSy6VoL4Kf9AvsEE9>

Meet at Salford Cathedral piazza	12.15
Depart from Salford Cathedral	12.30
St James Church	13.00
St Peter and St Paul Church	13.45
St Charles Church	15.00
Laudato Si Centre	15.30

All are welcome to join us. You do not need to do the full 8.6 miles, you can meet us at one of the churches and walk part way or just come along for the reflections. For further information please contact [laudatosi@dioceseofsalford.org.uk](mailto:laudatosi@dioceseofsalford.org.uk)

**Holy Communion Visits:** If you know of anyone who needs a home visit with Holy Communion, please put them in touch with Father Michael.