

Services this week

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat 26th	6.00pm First Mass of Sunday
Sun 27th	9.00am Sung Mass (St Aidan's) 10.30am Sung Mass
Mon 28th	no mass
Tue 29th	SS MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL: 6.15pm mass
Wed 30th	S Jerome: 10.30am mass (St Aidan's)
Thu 1st	S Teresa of the Child Jesus: 6.15pm mass
Fri 2nd	The Guardian Angels: 10.00am mass
Sat 3rd	10.00am mass
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WELCOME to our Mass Sheet.

Join us at either St Augustine's or St Aidan's in speaking praise to God: join us also in keeping silence, in listening to the voice of the Lord. During the current restrictions, please follow the directions of the Welcomers.

***Be still: the ground on which you are standing
is holy***

Please maintain silence on entering the church;
speak to God before mass;
let God speak to you during mass;
speak to each other after mass.

- Please download and use the NHS Covid-19 app.
- Please wait until **after the Blessing and Dismissal** to collect your belongings.
- Please note that **face coverings are now mandatory** and should be worn over **both mouth AND nose**.
- The Sacrament is administered - and received - in silence. Please refrain from saying "Amen" when receiving communion: the presence of Christ has already been acknowledged.

The parish's **Facebook group** (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/SASATM/>) is a useful source of information. The **parish website** is available from any PC, tablet or touchscreen smartphone.

Can you help as a Welcomer at either church, to increase our Teams? Please contact David or Ruth Taylor.

Bolton's Coronavirus restrictions **Our services are continuing as usual.**

Wednesday Coffee Morning It seems that the virtual Coffee Morning has served its purpose, and is being mothballed. We hope it won't be too long before we can all meet in person again in the Parish Hall.

Easter Draw Our postponed Easter Draw will be made shortly, but we do need to sell more tickets. Please ask family, friends, work colleague and neighbours to buy a book of tickets or two. £100 First Prize.

Collection Please place your collection in the large Envelope Box at the back of church at St Augustine's, or on the collection plate at St Aidan's.

Standing Orders People are still encouraged to give by Standing Order, which allows Offerings to church to be made more conveniently. Please contact Fr Tony or Sue Loftus for the parish's bank details.

The Sick: Rachel Scowcroft, Brenda Sherlock, Theresa Stott, Brenda Whenlock, Cath Craig, Neil Davies, Sylvia Lee, June Aspinall, Neil Teixeira, Sid Strong, Stephen Gregory, Veronica Brown, Victor Riley, Sandra Anderson, Dawn Randle and Eileen Hobson.

Departed: Tom Jarvis, Jim Watson, Margaret Teixeira.

Anniversaries:

Sun 27th Ethel Draper, Annie Wood, Nancy Stamp.

Mon 28th Jack Wild.

Tue 29th Gordon Atkinson, James Lee, Norman Marston, Edith Thornton, Ethel Shackleton,
Herbert Hale, Jim Shepherd.

Wed 30th Peter Kearns, John Warburton, Florence Hague.

Thu 1st Elizabeth Burton, James Entwistle, Muriel Swindells.

Fri 2nd Margaret Thomasson, George Glaister, Ethel Cowell, Margaret Coop, Audrey
Watson.

Sat 3rd Mary Entwistle, Reuben Shipperbottom, Frank Harkin, Nellie Crowther.

Please take this Mass Sheet home with you.

The Twenty-sixth Sunday of the Year, (A)
27th September 2020

FIRST READING (Ezekiel 18:25-28)

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: "You object, What the Lord does is unjust. Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die."

This is the word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Psalm 24:4-9)

R/. Remember your mercy, Lord

1. Lord, make me know your ways.
Lord, teach me your paths.
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
for you are God my saviour.
2. Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown from of old.
Do not remember the sins of my youth.
In your love remember me,
because of your goodness, O Lord.
3. The Lord is good and upright.
He shows the path to those who stray,
He guides the humble in the right path,
He teaches his way to the poor.

SECOND READING (Philippians 2:1-11)

A reading from S Paul's Letter to the Philippians



If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody

thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of

other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus:

His state was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

This is the word of the Lord.

GOSPEL (Matthew 21:28-32)

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, "What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go", but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir", but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?" "The first" they said. Jesus said to them, "I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him."

This is the Gospel of the Lord

