

Services this week

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat 19th 6.00pm First Mass of Sunday
Sun 20th 9.00am Sung Mass (St Aidan's)
10.30am Sung Mass

Mon 21st S MATTHEW: no mass

Tue 22nd 6.15pm mass

Wed 23rd S Pio of Pietrelcina: 10.30am mass (St Aidan's)

Thu 24th Our Lady of Walsingham: **7.30pm** mass and Litany

Fri 25th 10.00am mass

Sat 26th 10.00am mass

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6.00pm First Mass of Sunday

Sun 27th 9.00am Sung Mass (St Aidan's)

10.30am Sung Mass

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.

Love and respect of the Eucharist

Come to Mass on time, and participate actively.

On receiving the Eucharist frequently and mass attendance during the week:

The Church invites us to receive the Eucharist frequently. Consequently we should go to Mass not only on Sundays but also during the week if our schedule permits.

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**.

Reminder: The Sacrament is administered - and received - in silence.

Can you help as a Welcomer at either church, to increase our Teams?

Please contact David or Ruth Taylor.

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.

Walsingham Cell Our Walsingham Cell meets this Thursday for mass at 7.30pm, which will include Devotions in the form of a Litany. **NOTE:** This replaces the 6.15pm mass.

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

Wednesday Coffee Morning Please join us on the parish's Coffee Morning Group on Facebook - if you can't find it, please let Fr Tony know. 11.15am - 12pm. Do join us - share a photo of your tea & toast!

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.

Good News! I am sure you will join me in rejoicing at the news that Jian Osman and her family have been given 5 years' Leave to Remain.

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

Departed: Jim Watson, Tom Jarvis, Margaret Teixeira.

Anniversaries:

Sun 20th Percy Heys, William Bromley, Amy Greenhalgh, Edith Harthern.

Mon 21st William Farrell, George Hodson, Marie Hargreaves, Tracy Holden (B'day), Randall Holmes.

Tue 22nd George Dugdale, Thomas Scholes, Mary Howard, Mary Partington, Bert Rothwell, Iris Gethings, Stanley Woods.

Wed 23rd Stanley Williamson, Florence Jackson, Marcia Dwyer, Hazel Norris, John Whitehead, John Bolton.

Thu 24th Eliza French, Jack Day, John Sheares, Henry Sheares, Hannah Gray, Michelle Kearns.

Sat 26th Henrietta Holt, Gilbert Grime, Elizabeth Lowe.

Please take this Mass Sheet home with you.



The Twenty-fifth Sunday of the Year, (A)
20th September 2020

FIRST READING (Isaiah 55:6-9)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near. Let the wicked man abandon his way, the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him, to our God who is rich in forgiving; for my thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways not your ways - it is the Lord who speaks. Yes, the heavens are as high above earth as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.

This is the word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(Psalm 144:2-3,8-9,17-18)

R/. The Lord is close to all who call him.

1. I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever.
The Lord is great, highly to be praised,
his greatness cannot be measured.
2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures.
3. The Lord is just in all his ways
and loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
who call on him from their hearts.

SECOND READING (Philippians 1:20-24,27)

A reading from S Paul's Letter to the Philippians

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results - I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake.

Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

This is the word of the Lord.

GOSPEL (Matthew 20:1-16)

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire

workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them. "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first last.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

