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What's Happening

1. **MASS TIMES**
I will be decomposed next week. An operation on my eye. Not sure how long, so we will not put any Mass times. Save mix up.
2. **NEXT WEEKEND 12/13 Jan.** White Flower appeal for SPUC.
The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) will be holding its annual appeal next weekend. In common with the Catholic Church, SPUC defends and upholds the sanctity of human life from conception until natural death. The Society's work covers a wide spectrum of pro-life, pro-family issues. It seeks to protect unborn children from abortion and defends the disabled, elderly and incapacitated from euthanasia and assisted suicide. SPUC also provides trained speakers for schools and offers pro-life support for teachers, parents and medical professionals. Please give generously to this worthy cause.
3. Blessings on the New Year.
4. No junior Church this weekend.
5. Visit the website **www.hindleycatholic.org.uk**. On Facebook you can follow things on "Hindley Catholic".

Epiphany of the Lord

To the eyes of faith, God's glory is revealed in the birth of the Christ child.
Like the Magi, we gather to offer our adoration and praise to our ever present God.

- Readings:
1. All nations will come bearing gifts to worship God.
 2. The promise of salvation is offered to all peoples.
 3. The wise men come, bearing gifts.

Paul speaks of the grace that has been entrusted to him by revelation and how this revelation is not just for him but for everyone.

The promises made in Christ are for all people, all have been called to receive the free gift of redemption.

The Good News is to be shared.



Mon	14	9am	Ryan Family
Tues	15		
Wed	16	7pm	Christina Crook
Thurs	17		
Fri	18	9am	Pat Fanning
Sat	19	12 noon 7pm	Elizabeth & Michael Gavin William Smith
Sun	20	11am	People of Parish

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What's Happening

1. I've put Mass times, hopefully I will be able.
2. NEXT SUNDAY, PEACE SUNDAY. COLLECTION TO HELP WORK.
PAX CHRISTI- The Peace of Christ. The work of Pax Christi is based on the gospel and inspired by faith. Our vision is of a world where people can live in peace, without fear of violence in all its forms. Rooted in Catholic Christianity, we work with all who share our values to abolish war and create communities of peace and justice.
3. A big thank you from CAFOD . The response to our Lent Appeal, together with match funding from UK Government, nationwide raised an amazing 18.6 million pounds.
Our total for December 2012 is £196.27. Our total collection for 2012 is £2520.15.
The total collected by St Benedict's since we started in 1998 is £39,577.38.
4. A date for your diaries. On Friday 22nd February there will be by popular demand another "Evening with Chris Bannister" in the Parish Centre. It will feature songs by John Denver and also some written by Chris. Refreshments will be included. Tickets will be on sale in the next couple of weeks. They will be limited to 80 and do sell out fast.
5. Visit the website **www.hindleycatholic.org.uk**. On Facebook you can follow things on "Hindley Catholic".

Baptism of the Lord

Jesus makes his first public appearance and is baptised in the Jordan.
The Father recognised him as the beloved Son and he is anointed by the holy Spirit.

Readings: 1. The Lord is coming with power.
2. God has saved us through the cleansing water of Baptism.
3. Jesus is baptised and receives the Holy Spirit and the Father's acknowledgement.

God's grace has been revealed and it is possible for all people to respond to it.

Christ's sacrifice has freed us from sin.

While we live, we are encouraged to wait patiently for the fullness of this grace to be revealed.



Mon	21	9am	In Thanksgiving
Tues	22		
Wed	23	7pm	Amy Baird
Thurs	24		
Fri	25	9am	Margaret Whittle (100 years old)
Sat	26	12 noon 7pm	Frank Murphy People of Parish
Sun	27	11am	Syd Hewitt

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What's Happening

- I don't like talking money but, please read on.
The prospects of a Happy New Year were dispelled with the December Parish Bank Statement. £198.80 was our credit.
I know things are bad and getting worse: Could some of you think of affording an extra £1 or 50p in the collection. Sorry about this.
- The next meeting for the Parish fund raising group will be at 7.30pm on Monday 28th January in the Presbytery.
- A date for your diaries. On Friday 22nd February there will be by popular demand another "Evening with Chris Bannister" in the Parish Centre. It will feature songs by John Denver and also some written by Chris. Refreshments will be included. Tickets will be on sale next weekend.
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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus graced with his presence a wedding at Cana. It is with that same presence that we are blessed at this Mass.

- Readings:
- The prophet speaks of Jerusalem's glorious future.
 - There are many gifts and ministries, but one God is at work in all of them.
 - Jesus gives his first "sign" and begins to reveal himself.

If there is not unity, the Holy Spirit is not present.

Unity is not uniformity, there are many gifts.

The Spirit welds the many gifts and talents of the Church to create one body.

Everyone's gift is necessary for the building up of the Church, the Body of Christ.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 3rd February 2013 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mon	4	9am	Mary Vickers
Tues	5		
Wed	6	7pm	Austin & Mary Lyons
Thurs	7		
Fri	8	9am	Michael Grady
Sat	9	12 noon 7pm	Stan Piers People of Parish
Sun	10	11 am	Mr & Mrs J Crank Snr.

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What's Happening

1. Celebration of Marriage and Family. Special Service at Our Lady's, Bryn on Sunday 10th February. 3.00pm—4.30pm. Refreshments available. I have tickets for any wishing to go.
2. SHROVE TUESDAY (12th February). You are invited to the Parish annual meal in aid of CAFOD at 7pm at The Owls at Standish. The cost is £8.95 which includes a £1 donation to CAFOD. More details are on the Parish Notice Board.
3. There are a few tickets left for the "Evening with Chris Bannister" on Friday 22nd February in the Parish Centre. Refreshments will be included. Bring your own drinks. Tickets are £7.
4. The Spring Plant Sale date has been fixed for Saturday 11th May. There will be a nearly new stall, toiletries and a cake stall. Tea, coffee and toast. Plants from the Nursery on sale on the day, but there will be advance order forms available as usual in April. There will also be the customary raffle. Please would you keep it in mind if you have, or receive any unwanted gifts. We shall be appealing for prizes, gifts and cakes etc also in April.
5. Visit the website **www.hindleycatholic.org.uk**. On Facebook you can follow things on "Hindley Catholic".

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus reminds his fellow Nazarenes of the universal nature of God's love, and is rejected by them.

- Readings:
1. God promises to make Jeremiah a strong prophet.
 2. Great virtues, faith, hope and love. Love is the one that lasts for all eternity.
 3. Jesus rejected in his home town.

We are all very familiar with our passage from St Paul today. We pray we can take it and practice.

"Love is always patient and kind."

"takes no pleasure in other people's sins."

This is the reflexion of God's love for us.

So, love does not come to an end.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 10th February 2013 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mon	11	9am	Frank Murphy
Tues	12	11am	REQUIEM: Margaret Mary Webster
ASH WEDNESDAY	13	12noon 7pm	Christina Crook Joseph & Winifred Chamberlain
Thurs	14		
Fri	15	9am 7pm	In Thanksgiving Stations of the Cross
Sat	16	12 noon 7pm	People of Parish Bernard Mullen
Sun	17	11am	Wilfred & Winifred Monks

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Lately Dead: Mary Webster R.I.P.

What's Happening

1. ASH WEDNESDAY: Masses at 12noon and 7pm.
2. PREPARATION FOR MASS: A little more thought could be given. Sometimes the noise is dreadful. We can greet one another without the whole church hearing.
3. There are a few tickets left for the "Evening with Chris Bannister" on Friday 22nd February in the Parish Centre. Refreshments will be included. Bring your own drinks. Tickets are £7.
4. LITTLE CHURCH. Could any parent or adult with children who attend Little Church come to a short meeting in Church after 11am Mass on Sunday 17th February (about 5 mins).
5. The Fund raising group have given £1000 to help with the current money problems. We are saving to update the sound system in Church to make it easier for the congregation to hear, but there are more pressing things at the moment. This is short term help. Father still needs a more ongoing increase to pay the bills.
6. Visit the website **www.hindleycatholic.org.uk**. On Facebook you can follow things on "Hindley Catholic".

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We have been given an abundance of gifts by God. The Lord calls us to develop our particular gifts to the full and use them for others.

- Readings:
1. Isaiah is invited to be a messenger.
 2. The hope of the resurrection.
 3. Jesus calls Simon Peter.

The prize Paul is striving for is resurrection from the dead.

He knows he has been called by Christ. He is not perfect, still striving.

To share the resurrection he must share the suffering of Christ.

This is his faith and hope.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 24th February 2013 2nd Sunday in Lent



Mon	25	9am	Holy Souls
Tues	26		
Wed	27	7pm	Amelia May Prescott
Thurs	28		
Fri	1	9am 7pm	Frances Shambley Stations of the Cross
Sat	2	12 noon 7pm	People of Parish Austin King
Sun	3	11am	Stan Simpson

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's Happening

1. March already!
2. STATIONS OF THE CROSS 7pm Friday.
3. Prayer cards for Pope Benedict. Take one and pray for him.
4. The CAFOD meal at the Owls was enjoyed by those who went and raised an extra £45 for CAFOD.
5. The St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School group IMPACT (Involving More People at Church Today) are pleased to be visiting Sacred Heart for a mass led by them this Sunday 24th February at 6.30pm. Children are welcome at the Parish Centre from 4pm onwards for games, discussions, chat, music and refreshments.
6. Visit the website www.hindleycatholic.org.uk. On Facebook you can follow things on "Hindley Catholic".

2nd Sunday in Lent

Lent provides an important opportunity for repentance and new beginnings.
We are urged to put our faith in God and listen to Jesus.

- Readings:
1. A covenant with Abraham who hears and listens to God.
 2. Be faithful to the teaching of the Lord.
 3. Jesus is transfigured and the voice of God urges us to listen to him.

Paul is writing from prison.

He calls on the community to remain united.

Those who work for unity are ideal models for the Christian.

He exhorts faithfulness to the Lord, in whom we will be transformed in eternal life.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 3rd March 2013 3rd Sunday in Lent



Mon	4	9am	Elizabeth & Michael Gavin
Tues	5		
Wed	6	7pm	Emily Weightman
Thurs	7		
Fri	8	9am 7pm	Intention Stations of the Cross
Sat	9	12 noon 7pm	Paddy Coffey People of Parish
Sun	10	11am	Gerrard Goulding

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What's Happening

1. I will keep Saturday 12noon Mass till the end of Lent. Last week we started with two (2)!
2. STATIONS OF THE CROSS 7pm Friday.
3. There will be a Mass for the sick and housebound at 2pm on Palm Sunday (24th March). Please have a think if there is anyone you know who you could bring. Afterwards there will be tea, coffee and hot cross buns in the Parish Centre. It makes a lot of difference to people who are not able to attend Mass regularly and are not able to socialise.
4. The Chris Bannister concert night last Friday was enjoyed by all and raised £250. £125 will go to help to keep the Parish Centre running and £125 will go to Father to help Church Funds.
5. Visit the website www.hindleycatholic.org.uk. On Facebook you can follow things on "Hindley Catholic".

3rd Sunday in Lent

Today we hear again the call to repentance.
Let us renew our commitment to the Lord.

- Readings:
1. Moses chosen for a special mission..
 2. Paul sees the Old Testament journey as prefiguring our Baptism and Eucharist.
 3. Jesus urges repentance and uses a parable to show God's mercy.

Paul reminds the people of Corinth that the Lord was present to guide the people of Israel through the wilderness.

The Exodus story retains a relevance for us reading it today.

The biblical stories contain eternal truths which continue to guide our lives.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 10th March 2013 4th Sunday in Lent



Mon	11	9am	Joseph & Frances Shambley
Tues	12		
Wed	13	7pm	Mary Swann
Thurs	14		
Fri	15	9am 7pm	Edna Dempsey Stations of the Cross
Sat	26	12 noon 7pm	Frank Murphy People of Parish
Sun	17	11am	Kathleen Sweeney

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's Happening

1. CAFOD. The collection for February raised £84.94p. Thank you.
2. STATIONS OF THE CROSS 7pm Friday.
3. There will be a Mass for the sick and housebound at 2pm on Palm Sunday (24th March). Please have a think if there is anyone you know who you could bring. Afterwards there will be tea, coffee and hot cross buns in the Parish Centre. It makes a lot of difference to people who are not able to attend Mass regularly and are not able to socialise.
4. The next function in the Parish Centre will be a social evening on Friday 5th April.
5. The annual Mass of Chrism will be celebrated on the 27th of March (Wednesday of Holy Week) in the Metropolitan Cathedral at Liverpool at 7.30pm. This is the occasion when the Holy Oils are blessed to be used in the parishes of the Archdiocese throughout the coming year, and when the priests of the Archdiocese renew the promises of their ordination. If you would like to reserve a seat on the free coach going to this event, please write your name on the list which has been placed on the church notice board. The coach will leave from Sacred Heart Church, Hindley Green at 6.00pm, picking up on the way from the former Monaco Ballroom in Hindley and then from Holy Family Church, Platt Bridge. The Return departure of the coach from the Cathedral will be at approximately 9.30pm
6. Visit the website www.hindleycatholic.org.uk. On Facebook you can follow things on "Hindley Catholic".

4th Sunday in Lent

The parable of the prodigal son reveals the greatest truth about God. God is love.

- Readings:
1. Having escaped Egypt, the Lord prepares a feast for his long lost children.
 2. Paul meditates on the reconciling work of Christ.
 3. God's power is manifest in mercy.

In our passage from St Paul, he is writing about what it means to live in a post-resurrection world.

Everything has changed.

What happened in the past will not be held against us.

We are all called to act as ambassadors of Christ.

We are to act as if God is shining through us.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 17th March 2013 5th Sunday in Lent



Mon	18	9am	Austin & Mary Lyons
Tues	19		
Wed	20	7pm	Reception of the body of Fr Stringfellow
Thurs	21	9.30am 11.00am	School Easter Mass REQUIEM Fr Stringfellow
Fri	22	9am 7pm	Mary Webster Stations of the Cross
Sat	23	12 noon 7pm	Stuart Halliwell People of Parish
Sun PALM SUNDAY	24	11am 2pm	Bishop Francis Lagan Mass for sick and housebound

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's Happening

1. Rev. Mgr. Tony Stringfellow has died. He had connections with the parish. R.I.P. His body will be received into Church 7pm Wednesday evening. Requiem Mass at 11am Thursday.
2. STATIONS OF THE CROSS 7pm Friday.
3. OFFERTORY COUNTERS. A meeting after Sunday Mass; introducing a new method of recording.
4. EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS. A meeting on Wednesday 20th March at 6.30pm in the Presbytery.
5. There will be a Mass for the sick and housebound at 2pm on Palm Sunday (24th March). Please have a think if there is anyone you know who you could bring. Afterwards there will be tea, coffee and hot cross buns in the Parish Centre. It makes a lot of difference to people who are not able to attend Mass regularly and are not able to socialise.
6. The next function in the Parish Centre will be a social evening on Friday 5th April. See poster. Tickets £3.
7. The annual Mass of Chrism 27th of March (Wednesday of Holy Week). If you would like to reserve a seat on the free coach going to this event, please write your name on the list in the Church Porch.
8. The Junior School are attending their Easter Mass in Church on Thursday 21st March at 9.30am to which they would like to invite parishioners.
9. Visit the website www.hindleycatholic.org.uk. On Facebook you can follow things on "Hindley Catholic".

5th Sunday in Lent

God wants us to let go of our sinfulness.

In this time of reconciliation and forgiveness, let us thank the Lord for his mercy.

- Readings:
1. The Lord is always seeking to do good for his people.
 2. Perfection comes from Christ, not through our own efforts.
 3. Jesus does not condemn. He calls us to sin no more.

Paul has reached a zenith—a point at which he is comfortable, placing himself totally in the hands of Christ.

But, taking a metaphor from the world of athletics, he still has to run the race.

He runs with the assurance that Christ runs with him on the last lap.



Mon	25	9am	Dorothy Winstanley
Tues	26		
Wed	27	7pm	Reconciliation. Stuart Hunt
MAUNDY THURSDAY	28	8pm	The Lord's Supper
GOOD FRIDAY	29	3pm 7pm	The Lord's Passion Stations of the Cross
EASTER SATURDAY	30	8pm	Easter Vigil Eric Hill
Sun EASTER DAY	31	11am	Bernard & Vincent Killeen

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What's Happening

1. PLEASE NOTE: ONLY ONE MASS ON EASTER DAY. 11.00am
2. Last chance to put your name on the list for the coach to the Cathedral for the Mass of Chrism.
3. GOOD FRIDAY WALK. Please assemble at Low Hall Car Park, Liverpool Road at 11.15am. for the walk to Church.
4. The next function in the Parish Centre will be a social evening on Friday 5th April. Artist, Bingo, Raffle. Tickets £3. which includes refreshments. Bring your own drink.
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Palm Sunday

The Lord entered the royal city of Jerusalem with his disciples in a triumphant procession. His real triumph, as we celebrate, is over sin, suffering and death. Holy Week.

- Readings:
1. The prophet's words fall as if from the lips of Jesus himself.
 2. God raises Christ on high to be worshipped and acclaimed.
 3. Luke tells the story of Christ's Passion.

Christ lays aside his glory and takes on human form.

Christ is humiliated in the most infamous death, crucifixion.

He is the model for all Christians.

We must have the same sentiments, humility and selflessness, detachment and generosity.





Mon	1	12pm	Mgr Anthony Stringfellow
Tues	2		
Wed	3	7pm	Stuart Halliwell
Thurs	4		
Fri	5	9am	Margaret Smith
Sat	6	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	7	11am	Gerrard Goulding

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What's Happening

1. HAPPY EASTER. KEEP WARM!
2. MASS TIMES: 12 noon MONDAY
NO MASS 12 noon SATURDAY
3. BY THE BY. Thank you very much. The Bank balance has much improved since Christmas.
4. Thanks to the Good Samaritan who cleared the path of snow.
5. CAFOD are partners in the appeal for Syria. Keep that in mind when new envelopes are due.
6. Don't forget the social evening in the Parish Centre on Friday 5th April. Artist, Bingo, Raffle. Tickets £3. which includes refreshments. Bring your own drink.
7. PLANT SALE. Advance plant order forms will be available next weekend. Let's hope we have a better summer!
8. Visit the website **www.hindleycatholic.org.uk**. On Facebook you can follow things on "Hindley Catholic".

Easter Sunday

The splendour and the glory of the Resurrection dawned on the followers of Jesus in easy stages.
May we experience the sheer joy of the risen Christ.

- Readings:
1. St Peter is a witness to the risen Christ.
 2. Baptism makes us sharers in the Resurrection.
 3. Mary Magdalene and the disciples begin to understand that the Lord is risen.

We are a resurrection, Easter people, living in a new age.

This involves a change in our world view.

Paul calls for a focus on what truly matters.

Our daily concerns are not what is most important at the end of the day.

For Paul, what matters are heavenly things—eternal life in glory with Christ





Mon	8	9am	Bernard Mullen
Tues	9		
Wed	10	7pm	Michael Grady
Thurs	11		
Fri	12	9am	Mary Webster
Sat	13	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	14	11am	Margaret Blackwood

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What's Happening,

1. No Midday Mass Saturday
2. Many thanks for Holy Week and Easter to those who took part in the celebration and especially to those who prepared us for them.
3. PLANT SALE. Advance plant order forms are available this weekend onwards. They need to be returned by 28th April. Next week we will have our usual box at the back of the Church. If you have any unwanted gifts for the toiletries or nearly new stall, or any raffle prizes, please put them in the box. They will be very much appreciated. We would also welcome home baked cakes and biscuits etc on the day. Anyone wishing to help on the day or in any way please contact Kath Holden at Sunday Mass or Sylvia Oakes at Saturday Mass.
4. Visit the website **www.hindleycatholic.org.uk**. On Facebook you can follow things on "Hindley Catholic".

2nd Sunday of Easter

Today we are reminded that a special blessing awaits those who, like ourselves, have never seen and yet believe.

- Readings:
1. A sample of the life of early Christians.
 2. John is to record visions received from Christ, the crucified and risen.
 3. Jesus reveals his divine mercy.

When Pope, Benedict said the Book of Revelation should not be read as a frightening warning, but as an encouraging vision of Christ's victory over evil.

The text, he said, offers a clear expression of how the Christian faith makes ultimate sense of history.





Mon	15	9am	Edna Dempsey
Tues	16		
Wed	17	7pm	Kathleen Westhead
Thurs	18	11am	REQUIEM Vera Scarborough
Fri	19	9am	William Hough
Sat	20	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	21	11am	Mr & Mrs R Kenyon

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What's Happening,

1. Funeral Service on Tuesday 11am for Winifred Taylor R.I.P.
Requiem Thursday 11am Vera Scarborough R.I.P.
2. NEXT SUNAY
Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood. Special collection: Priests' Training Fund
Gift Aid envelopes at back of Church.
3. CAFOD. The total for March was £150.17 which includes two generous donations.
4. PLANT SALE. Advance plant order forms are available. They need to be returned by 28th April. If you have any unwanted gifts for the toiletries or nearly new stall, or any raffle prizes, please put them in the silver box at the back of Church. They will be very much appreciated. We would also welcome home baked cakes and biscuits etc on the day. Anyone wishing to help on the day or in any way please contact Kath Holden at Sunday Mass or Sylvia Oakes at Saturday Mass.
5. The Social Evening in the Parish Centre raised £250. Thanks to those who supported it.
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3rd Sunday of Easter

The Spirit of the risen Christ transforms faithful disciples so that they boldly preach and save their flock.

- Readings:
1. Peter puts obedience to God before obedience to man.
 2. The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy of universal worship.
 3. Peter is called to a new mission.

Christians being persecuted are comforted by our second reading. There will be ultimate deliverance.

The Lamb who was slain now controls history.

With faith in the Lord of History we can hope that all will be made new and nothing lost.





Mon	22	9am	Pat Fanning
Tues	23		
Wed	24	7pm	Mary Swan
Thurs	25		
Fri	26	9am	Nellie Halliwell
Sat	27	7pm	Austin King
Sun	28	11am	Mr & Mrs T Winstanley

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What's Happening.

1. PRIESTS' TRAINING FUND. Special collection on this Day of Prayer. Gift Aid envelopes at back.
2. I will be away next weekend. Fr Hubert will look after you at the weekends.
3. Legion of Mary meeting Wednesdays 5.45pm in the Presbytery.
4. PLANT SALE. Advance plant order forms are available. They need to be returned by 28th April. If you have any unwanted gifts for the toiletries or nearly new stall, or any raffle prizes, please put them in the silver box at the back of Church. They will be very much appreciated. We would also welcome home baked cakes and biscuits etc on the day. Anyone wishing to help on the day or in any way please contact Kath Holden at Sunday Mass or Sylvia Oakes at Saturday Mass.
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4th Sunday of Easter

Jesus the Good Shepherd invites us to listen to his voice and he will lead us to good pasture.

- Readings:
1. Paul and Barnabas meet opposition to the message of Christ.
 2. The Lamb of God is enthroned in the new Jerusalem.
 3. Jesus offers the gift of eternal life to those who trust.

Most of the imagery used in our second reading is taken from the Old Testament.

The Lord will wipe away tears. (Isaiah).

The Lamb will be their shepherd. (Psalms).

They shall not hunger or thirst. (Isaiah).

The New is hidden in the Old; the Old is manifest in the New according to St Augustine.





Mon	29		
Tues	30		
Wed	1	12pm	REQUIEM– Fred Williams
Thurs	2		
Fri	3		
Sat	4	7pm	Michael Grady
Sun	5	11 am	Stuart Halliwell

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What's Happening,

Father is still away this week so there will be no weekday masses.

1. **PLANT SALE.** Advance plant order forms last day for returning 28th April. If you have any unwanted gifts for the toiletries or nearly new stall, or any raffle prizes, please put them in the silver box at the back of Church. They will be very much appreciated. We would also welcome home baked cakes and biscuits etc on the day. Anyone wishing to help on the day or in any way please contact Kath Holden at Sunday Mass or Sylvia Oakes at Saturday Mass.
2. Visit the website **www.hindleycatholic.org.uk**. On Facebook you can follow things on "Hindley Catholic".

5th Sunday of Easter

We gather in response to God's love for us and give praise to the Lord who has made his home among us.

- Readings
1. Paul and Barnabas consolidate the early Christian communities.
 2. John's vision of the end time, all will be made new.
 3. Jesus' legacy: love one another as I have loved you.

A new heaven and a new earth.

"The One" speaks and a new creation comes into being—echoes the creation narrative of Genesis.

Echoes also of the prophet Ezekiel:

"they shall be his people, and he will be their God."

The new creation incorporates all people.





Mon	6		
Tues	7		
Wed	8		
Thurs	9		
Fri	10		
Sat	11	7pm	Josie Siney
Sun	12	11am	Nellie Halliwell

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What's Happening,

1. Father is still away this week so there will be no weekday masses.
2. Father should be back for next Sunday.
3. THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD is celebrated next Sunday.
4. Please come along on Saturday 11th May between 10am and 1pm and support the Spring/Plant Sale. For those who haven't ordered there will be bedding plants and hanging baskets for sale; also toiletries, nearly new stall, home made cakes and biscuits and tea, coffee and toast in the Parish Centre. There will also be plants on sale in the Presbytery front garden. We promise you'll be home for the Cup Final!
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6th Sunday of Easter

Life is full of change. In all of this the Lord holds before us his presence, and the hope of fullness of life in his love.

- Readings
1. Differences are worked out by argument and attentive listening to the Spirit.
 2. A radiant and peaceful future in the new Jerusalem.
 3. Jesus prepares to leave, he promises the Spirit to give them courage.

The new Jerusalem is the heavenly city where God dwells and it is the hope of all who live in faith.

Just as the earthly Jerusalem was a holy city and a place of pilgrimage for God's chosen people; so the new Jerusalem is the goal of our pilgrimage, our place of rest.





Mon	13	9am	James Cooke
Tues	14		
Wed	15	7pm	Edna Dempsey
Thurs	16		
Fri	17	9am	Tony Carroll
Sat	18	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	19	11am	Winifred & Wilfred Monks

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What's Happening,

1. NEXT SUNDAY: PENTECOST. End of the Easter Season.
2. The CAFOD total for April was £232.17 which included one very generous donation.
3. Due to a lack of time we didn't have a Parish Magazine at Easter. Instead we will have a summer edition at the end of June. Any summer stories, recipes or good ideas will be gratefully accepted. Closing date for articles will be 2nd June. Please hand them to Kath Holden or Fr Joe.
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The Ascension of the Lord

In the risen Christ, our hope of resurrection dawned.
In his ascension to the Father, we celebrate promised joy.

- Readings
1. Jesus gives his disciples many demonstrations of his resurrection, and the Spirit.
 2. Jesus has entered the sanctuary of Heaven.
 3. Jesus, the crucified, risen and ascended Lord, is our way to the Father.

Jesus affects lasting change.

Jesus works today in the faith, love and hope of the Christian community.

In the New Testament, "saint" seldom refers to the dead.

It means those who God uses in this world, those who live by God's power here and now.





Mon	20	9am	Fred Swift
Tues	21		
Wed	22	7pm	Frances & Joseph Shambley
Thurs	23	12pm	REQUIEM Margaret Whittle
Fri	24	9am	Paddy Coffey
Sat	25	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	26	11 am	Eric Hill

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Lately Dead: Margaret Whittle who had just celebrated her 100th Birthday. R.I.P.

What's Happening,

1. We are all glad to see Father back safely from his holiday.
2. Spring/Plant Sale. Despite the horrible weather people came and supported the event. The amazing sum of £788 was raised. We have given Father £600, a donation of £50 to the Parish Centre upkeep and have retained the balance to fund the Corpus Christi Afternoon Tea. THANK YOU SO MUCH for your support in buying plants, donating gifts and of course to those who braved the weather. A very big thank you to the people who worked very hard to ensure success, and to our small army of "Master Chefs" who baked a wonderful array of cakes.
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Pentecost Sunday

The Holy Spirit enables the Gospel to be heard all over the world, bringing to birth new children for God.

- Readings
1. People from all over the world hear the Good News in their own language.
 2. The Spirit raises us to new life.
 3. The Spirit will remain with us to remind us for all Jesus taught.

Just as the Spirit casts off the fear of the disciples in our first reading, Paul reminds us that the same Spirit dwelling in us can take us far beyond any human limitations.

We need not be slaves of our unspiritual selves or the misdeeds of the Body.

Death gives way to life.
Mortality to immortality.
Slavery to true freedom.



Mon	27	9am	Sheila Neagly
Tues	28		
Wed	29	7pm	Winifred Taylor
Thurs	30		
Fri	31	9am	Bernard Cuff
Sat	1	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	2	11am	Fred Williams

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What's Happening.

1. NEXT SUNDAY: CORPUS CHRISTI or The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.
2. Special collection next Sunday: Priests in Retirement. Gift Aid envelopes at back of Church.
3. Parish Magazine. Closing date for articles will be 2nd June. Please hand them to Kath Holden or Fr Joe.
4. No Little Church this Sunday or next, due to Half Term holidays. Back on 9th June.
5. Parish Meeting at 7.30pm in the Presbytery on Monday 3rd June.
6. Corpus Christi Afternoon Tea in the Parish Centre at 4pm on Thurs 6th June. Tickets £2.50 on sale, for catering purposes.
7. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.45pm each Wednesday in the Presbytery.
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9. **EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEND TIME WITH THE LORD**
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Trinity Sunday

At the heart of the mystery we celebrate today is a communion of love between Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

- Readings
1. The wisdom of God came into being before creation as a master craftsman, delighting in the divine presence.
 2. Our faith in Christ brings us peace with God.
 3. Jesus tells us that everything the Father has is his; and promises the Holy Spirit.

Suffering is part of the reality of our human condition.

Our Christian faith does not preserve us from the reality of suffering in our lives but gives us a different way of looking at the world.

Suffering has a redemptive quality through which we grow in understanding of God and the world.



Mon	3	9am	Freya Barlow
Tues	4		
Wed	5	7pm	Christina Crook
Thurs	6		
Fri	7	9am	Austin King
Sat	8	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	9	11am	Margaret Whittle

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What's Happening.

1. No Little Church this Sunday. Back next Sunday 9th June.
2. Parish Meeting at 7.30pm in the Presbytery on Monday 3rd June. Please feel welcome to attend especially if you have any fund raising or social ideas.
3. Corpus Christi Afternoon Tea in the Parish Centre at 4pm on Thurs 6th June. Tickets £2.50 on sale, for catering purposes.
4. **THANK YOU** Margaret Rothwell would like to express her thanks and appreciation to the many parishioners who have, and are continuing to pray for Brian. By the time you read this another large hurdle should have been overcome, making life a little better. One step at a time.
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The Feast of Corpus Christi

Today the Christian community celebrates the Lord's giving of himself as food for us to be united with him now and forever.

- Readings
1. Melchizedek, king and priest, brought bread and wine.
 2. The institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper.
 3. Jesus feeds the crowd.

Melchizedek is mentioned twice in scripture, here in today's reading and in the Psalms. Here Melchizedek gives bread and wine to Abraham and professes faith in the one true God. With Christian hindsight, the bread and wine were taken to prefigure the Eucharist.



Mon	10	9am	Josie Siney
Tues	11		
Wed	12	7pm	Stuart Halliwell
Thurs	13		
Fri	14	9am	Agnes Westhead
Sat	15	11 am 7pm	First Holy Communion People of Parish
Sun	16	11 am	Sister Monica Mary

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Lately Dead: Wilfred Ford R.I.P.

What's Happening,

1. Margaret Cole, former parishioner, has died aged 97. R.I.P.
2. The CAFOD collection for May amounted to £108.30.
3. Please pray for our children who will make their first Holy Communion, and receive the sacrament of Confirmation at 11am next Saturday 15th June.
4. The Corpus Christi Afternoon Tea was well attended and an enjoyable time was had by all on a beautiful summer afternoon. Keep in your diaries 19th July for a Cheese and Wine evening as we celebrate St Benedict's feast day—a little bit late. Tickets on sale soon.
5. For those who Gift Aid their weekly offering there are letters at the back of Church confirming tax refunded. Please take yours.
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10th Sunday of the Year

The Lord God is a Lord of life. Wherever the forces of death come to destroy us, the loving Lord comes to restore us.

- Readings
1. Elijah prays and a child is restored to life.
 2. Paul recalls his past and the glorious revelation of God.
 3. A funeral procession becomes a celebration of life.

Paul is eager to demonstrate that he is not a spokes person for any of the apostles.

He was not influenced by anyone but Jesus on the road to Damascus.

So, when he dispenses from traditional legal observances, he does so because he is convinced that this is an integral part of the gospel of Christ.



Mon	17	9am	Nellie Halliwell
Tues	18		
Wed	19		
Thurs	20		
Fri	21	9am	Intention
Sat	22	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	23	11am	In Thanksgiving

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What's Happening

1. I will not attempt to say Mass on Wednesday evening. I am due to have my eye operation.
2. WORD OF THANKS.
Tom Siney, who over many years has faithfully read at Mass, finds himself unable to carry on.
Grateful thanks!
3. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.45pm each Wednesday in the Presbytery.
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11th Sunday of the Year

Let us open our hearts and pour out the joys and burdens of the week at the feet of the Lord Jesus, knowing he loves us.

- Readings
1. King David learns of God's great love and forgiveness.
 2. We don't become God-like by obeying laws, but through a loving relationship with Christ.
 3. The repentant woman comes closer to understanding God's love.

Paul is upset that the Galatians have so quickly abandoned his teaching for "another gospel".

Advocating the continued observance of the old Jewish Law in addition to their faith in Christ.

What makes us righteous is not obedience to law, but faith in Jesus Christ.



Mon	24	9am	Jeanne Rolfe
Tues	25		
Wed	26	7pm	People of Parish
Thurs	27		
Fri	28	9am	Peter Mangnall
Sat	29	7pm	Elizabeth & Michael Gavin
Sun	30	11 am	Stan Simpson & George Ray

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What's Happening

1. Sister Josephine, who stayed with us a few years ago, has passed away. R.I.P.
2. The Summer Parish Magazine will be on sale next weekend, price 40p.
3. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.45pm each Wednesday in the Presbytery.
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12th Sunday of the Year

Like Peter, we acclaim Jesus as our saviour.

We renew our commitment to follow him in all he asks of us.

- Readings
1. The people of God will mourn for the one they have pierced.
 2. Clothed in Christ through Baptism, we no longer have differences between us.
 3. To follow Christ is to take up the cross every day.

For Paul, the purpose of the Law was to be the people's guardian until the time when God's promise to send the Messiah was fulfilled. Until the people could be justified by faith in Christ.

For those who have been baptised there must be no distractions.

Because of Christ all have equal access to the blessings promised to Abraham.



Mon	1	9am	Winifred Taylor
Tues	2		
Wed	3	7pm	Edna Dempsey
Thurs	4		
Fri	5	9am	Intention
Sat	6	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	7	11am	Sister Josephine Vecchi

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What's Happening

1. The Cheese and wine Evening in celebration of St Benedict's feast day will be held on Friday 19th July at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre (a little later than the feast day). Tickets will be on sale soon at £2.50.
2. The Summer Parish Magazine is on sale this weekend, price 40p.
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Saints Peter and Paul

St Peter is the rock on which Christ built the Church.

St Paul, the great missionary, teaching us our faith must be shared with others.

- Readings
1. Peter, miraculously released from prison.
 2. Paul has fought the good fight. Now martyrdom awaits him.
 3. Jesus is the Son of the living God.

Tradition has always held that Peter and Paul are inseparable as together they represent the whole Gospel message.

Peter and Paul, although very different in character and personality, revealed a new way of relating to each other by living out the Gospel values.

Love each other and respect each other's gifts, talents and calling.



Mon	8	9am	Leonard Pagett
Tues	9		
Wed	10	7pm	People of Parish
Thurs	11		
Fri	12	9am	Fr. Pat Kelly (recovery)
Sat	13	7pm	Robert & James France & Family
Sun	14	11 am	Kathleen Sweeney

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What's Happening

1. We will celebrate St Benedict on Wednesday. Mass at 7.00pm.
2. Next Sunday is Sea Sunday when we are invited to remember and pray for seafarers. They are truly strangers on our shores, for their lives and work are hidden from us and yet we depend totally upon them. The collection next weekend will be for the Apostleship of the Sea, who visit, welcome and support seafarers while they are in Port.
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14th Sunday of Ordinary Time

The Gospel is a message of peace, a peace that is won through the grace of suffering and persevering love.

- Readings
1. The restored Temple is a place of mercy, comfort and peace.
 2. It is God's grace, not the law, which saves us.
 3. The disciples are sent to impart Christ's peace to a troubled world.

Paul speaks about the new creation that has come about with the death of Jesus.

The old world that put him to death is no longer with us.

We must now be centred on Christ.

A change of heart and minds.

We are called to live a life of holiness and good works.



Mon	15	9am	Bridie Srevens
Tues	16		
Wed	17	7pm	Sister Josephine
Thurs	18	10am	School Leavers' Mass
Fri	19	9am	People of Parish
Sat	20	7pm	Brenda Tomney
Sun	21	11am	Fred williams

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What's Happening

1. The St Benedict's School leavers' Mass will be at 10am on Thursday.
2. Today is being observed as Sea Sunday, when we are asked to remember and pray for seafarers, who spend up to nine months of the year away from home and family to bring to our shores so many of the goods we use every day. The collection will be to support the work of the Apostleship of the Sea whose team of chaplains and ship visitors welcome and support the seafarer while they are in port. If you are a tax payer please use the Gift Aid envelopes which can be found at the back of Church,
3. The Cheese and Wine Evening in celebration of St Benedict's feast day will be held on Friday 19th July in the Parish Centre (a little later than the feast). Tickets on sale at £2.50.
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15th Sunday of Ordinary Time

The Word of God gives us the desire to do God's will.
So we try to love God and our neighbour.

- Readings
1. The Law of God is not beyond our strength or our reach.
 2. Paul praises the divinity of Christ.
 3. The much loved parable of the Good Samaritan.

St Paul today echoes the Gospel of John.

Christ existed with God before anything else was created.

Christ is greater than all things visible and invisible.

With a deep faith in Christ we can ward off false teachings.



Mon	22	9am	Milton France
Tues	23		
Wed	24		
Thurs	25		
Fri	26		
Sat	27	7pm	Dec'd members Blinkhorn Family
Sun	28	11 am	Leonard Pagett

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What's Happening

1. I have to go into hospital on Wednesday 24th June for "a couple of days".
So there will be no daily Mass this coming week.
I hope it cools down a bit.
2. If you have any spare Rosary Beads would you like to donate them to the Legion of Mary? A collection box is at the back of Church.
3. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.45pm each Wednesday in the Presbytery.
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16th Sunday of Ordinary Time

The Lord welcomes us to this holy place, among his holy people, to feed and nourish us with the holy gifts, as we journey in faith to the Kingdom of God.

- Readings
1. Abraham and Sarah unwittingly offer hospitality to God's Angels.
 2. Paul unites his sufferings to those of Christ.
 3. Martha and Mary welcome Jesus.

Christ is the head, we are the Body of the Church.

Christ suffered to redeem all mankind.

Paul made the choice to rejoice in his suffering for Christ.

Paul is glad to suffer for Christ who suffered for him.

He encourages us to be faithful through suffering so that we may receive eternal life.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 28th July 2013 17th Sunday of Ordinary Time



Mon	29	9am	Julia Mitchell
Tues	30		
Wed	31	7pm	Kathleen Cuff
Thurs	1		
Fri	2	9am	Clare Patterschuck
Sat	3	7pm	Thomas Walsh
Sun	4	11am	Stuart Halliwell

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What's Happening

1. I hope to be with you this weekend.
So I have put Mass Intentions for the following week.
2. TODAY. DAY FOR LIFE.
Remind ourselves of the sanctity of life. Leaflets are there. Take one and say the prayers.
3. Thank you to those who came to the Cheese and Wine evening last Friday for your generosity. £100.40 was raised.
4. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.45pm each Wednesday in the Presbytery.
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17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

God is revealed as our Father. A merciful Father who knows us through and through, and who loves us with an everlasting love.

- Readings
1. Abraham discovers that the justice of God is tempered by mercy.
 2. Buried with Christ in Baptism, we are raised to glorious new life.
 3. The Lord's Prayer is our way of life.

When we are baptised in Christ we are buried with him so that we can be raised to new life with him.

Being in a state of sin is the same as being spiritually dead.

Our sins and debts against us have been taken out of the way and no longer block us from living life in Christ.

They were destroyed on the Cross of Christ.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 4th Aug 2013 18th Sunday of Ordinary Time



Mon	5	9am	Anthony Stringfellow
Tues	6		
Wed	7	7pm	People of Parish
Thurs	8		
Fri	9	9am	Agnes Westhead
Sat	10	7pm	Leonard & Agnes Westhead
Sun	11	11am	William Prescott

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's Happening

1. Made it back and I'm OK.
Thanks for prayers and concern.
2. Soon away to my little island.
3. Tickets are on sale at £2.50 for the next social evening in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm on Friday 23rd August. There will be a singer, raffle, bingo and of course the usual excellent refreshments. It is always a most enjoyable evening. If you haven't been before give it a try.
4. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.45pm each Wednesday in the Presbytery.
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18th Sunday of Ordinary Time

The new life offered by Christ asks us to place God firmly in our plans, particularly to focus on loving one another. Here lies fulfilment and peace.

- Readings
1. The attitude of the well-off towards their possessions is "vanity".
 2. A warning against greed and intolerance.
 3. The rich fool - the futility of greed.

When Paul wrote: "Let your thoughts be on heavenly things" he didn't mean that we spend our lives looking up to the sky.

We must be looking to where our brothers and sisters may be in need of our help.

God lives among us as well as in heaven.



Mon	12	9am	Intention
Tues	13		
Wed	14	7pm	Fr. Pat Kelly
Thurs - Feast of the Assumption	15	12pm	People of Parish
Fri	16	9am	Intention
Sat	17	7pm	Kathleen Cuff
Sun	18	11am	Fred Williams

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's Happening

1. Thursday 15th August. Feast of the Assumption.
Masses: Vigil Mass 7.00pm. Mass at 12 noon Thursday.
2. The CAFOD total for July was £121.11.
3. In November 2013 Deacon Ken Holding and Sam Lawton from Sacred Heart Church, Hindley Green, will trek through the mountains and deserts of Jordan, walking from the Dead Sea to Petra. This is the first Francis House Children's Hospice overseas fund raising challenge and we hope you will feel able to give your support in life-saving funds for children with cancer.
4. Tickets are on sale at £3.00 for the next social evening in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm on Friday 23rd August. There will be a singer, raffle, bingo and of course the usual excellent refreshments. Many apologies for the misleading information on the price, last week. Entirely my fault. KH.
5. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.45pm each Wednesday in the Presbytery.
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19th Sunday of Ordinary Time

How hard to be patient! We want results. Our Gospel reminds us to wait patiently for the Lord's coming, and to be faithful as we wait.

- Readings
1. The rescue of the Hebrew people.
 2. The deep trust of Abraham and Sarah in God.
 3. We are the stewards of the Lord's house, and he is coming to see how faithful we have been.

Our second reading is a brief history of God's people and their faith in God's promise.

The great models of faith from the Old Testament are recalled for New Testament believers so that they can follow their example.

The message is a stark one: the believer has nothing to rely on but God's word.



Mon	19		
Tues	20		
Wed	21		
Thurs	22		
Fri	23		
Sat	24	7pm	Halpin & May Families
Sun	25	11am	John Ryan

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What's Happening

1. No weekday Masses as Father is on holiday.
2. In November 2013 Deacon Ken Holding and Sam Lawton from Sacred Heart Church, Hindley Green, will trek through the mountains and deserts of Jordan, walking from the Dead Sea to Petra. This is the first Francis House Children's Hospice overseas fund raising challenge and we hope you will feel able to give your support in life-saving funds for children with cancer.
3. Don't forget the social evening in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm on Friday 23rd August.
4. "The Gift of Mary" Sandymount House of prayer at Blundellsands be holding a day retreat on Sunday 8 Sept to celebrate the Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The day will begin at 10am and finish at 4pm. It will be led by Philip McParland and will include Mass and a time for reflection. If you would like to attend this retreat, phone Sandymount on 0151 9244850 to reserve a place. The cost of the day is £12. Please bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided.
5. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.45pm each Wednesday in the Presbytery.
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20th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Jesus wants to set the world on fire.

This is the creative energy of God's love transforming our lives so as to transform the world

- Readings
1. Some want Jeremiah killed. Others are afraid, he is a prophet
 2. We must put aside whatever prevents us focusing on Jesus.
 3. The Gospel can bring peace or division; fire that enlightens or destroys.

There is a tension in our faith between what God has done for us and what we do.

Even after Christ's redeeming work, our faith still includes the human struggle.

The need to get stuck in, to strive, to take personal responsibility.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 8th Sept 2013 23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time



Mon	9	9am	John Ryan
Tues	10		
Wed	11	7pm	Julia Mitchell
Thurs	12		
Fri	13	9am	Sister Josephine
Sat	14	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	15	11am	Wilfred & Winifred Monks

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's Happening

1. Masses back on weekdays. Father is back.
2. In November 2013 Deacon Ken Holding and Sam Lawton from Sacred Heart Church, Hindley Green, will trek through the mountains and deserts of Jordan, walking from the Dead Sea to Petra. This is the first Francis House Children's Hospice overseas fund raising challenge and we hope you will feel able to give your support in life-saving funds for children with cancer.
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23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

We are called to follow Christ.

Christ teaches us to be open to the Holy Spirit, to inspire and guide us along the way.

- Readings
1. Wisdom and the Holy Spirit make known to us the divine will of God.
 2. We are called to be brothers and sisters, not slaves.
 3. True disciples are called to be prepared to give up everything.

Onesimus, a slave who had run away from Philemon. He could expect punishment.

Paul, in prison, had met and converted him.

Now Paul asks that he should be recognised as a brother in Christ.



Mon	30	9am	Eileen Murphy
Tues	1		
Wed	2	6.30pm 7pm	Exposition of Blessed Sacrament James Cooke
Thurs	3		
Fri	4	9am	Mary Platt
Sat	5	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	6	11am	Eric Unsworth

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What's Happening

1. Today: Second collection for Medical Mission Sisters.
2. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Wednesday 6.30pm followed by Mass at 7pm.
3. Rosary Sunday 6th October.
Meet at Holy Family, New Springs at 2.00pm.
4. **BBC Songs Of Praise from Wigan.** Two programmes going out on Sun 15th December and Sun 6th April (Advent Theme) are to be recorded at St Oswald's Ashton in Makerfield. Choir members/keen singers are invited to join a combined choir (4 part). The rehearsal night for the choir is Wed 9th Oct 6.30pm to 9.30pm. Members of the congregation who would like to take part would only have to attend the recording nights Thurs 17th Oct 7pm to 10pm and Fri 18th Oct 6.30pm to 10pm. Admission is by free ticket only. I need to have ticket requests in by the end of Monday 30th Sept. Apologies for short notice but I was away when the email came. I am asked please do not apply for tickets unless you are certain to go, as there will be a heavy demand. They may have to be issued on a pro rata basis. If you are interested please see me, phone me or email me, Kath Holden 258459, email holdenpaul@talktalk.net.
5. CAFOD has designated 4th Oct 2013 as Harvest Fast Day and so the CAFOD collection will be for this objective. In this way we hope to help the hungry people of the world. Thank you for your continued support.
6. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.45pm each Wednesday in the Presbytery.
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26th Sunday of Ordinary Time

God warns us not to be too materialistic when so many people in human society suffer hardship.

- Readings
1. Don't pamper yourself at the expense of others.
 2. A call for those who love God to be loving and generous.
 3. The rich man is punished for his indifference.

Paul's exhortation to Timothy is a call to us all.

We are all children of God.

We are called to live now, striving to love and serve God and others, as we await the coming of the Lord.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 6th Oct 2013 27th Sunday of Ordinary Time



Mon	7	9am	O'Driscoll Family
Tues	8		
Wed	9	7pm	Nicola
Thurs	10		
Fri	11	9am	Fred Williams
Sat	12	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	13	11am	Clifford Wilcock

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's Happening

1. Rosary Sunday 6th October.
Meet at Holy Family, New Springs at 2.00pm.
2. The CAFOD collection for August amounted to £70.
3. JUNIOR CHURCH. Would parents of any new children to Junior Church please ensure that they write their child's name on one of the pieces of paper provided in the tin on the Junior Church table at the back of Church, and that the child takes it into Junior Church with him/her. Registration is required under Health and Safety rules.
4. Mr Peter Phillips, Head of St Edmund Arrowsmith High School, has announced that he is to retire at the end of the Easter term. He has been Head for 20 years and his dedicated service has given the School the reputation for excellence that it deserves.
5. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.45pm each Wednesday in the Presbytery.
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27th Sunday of Ordinary Time

St Paul tells us that we have been given a great gift— our faith— which we must fan into a flame.

- Readings
1. The prophet complains that God does not hear; God asks for faith and patience.
 2. The Holy Spirit helps us persevere in the face of difficulties.
 3. It is not the quantity of faith, but the quality of one's relationship with God.

Paul's writes to Timothy to encourage the leaders of the community.

He reminds Timothy of the gift of the Holy Spirit, the one who is providing his power and love and self-control to those committed to preach the Gospel.

The Holy Spirit is within us.

It is up to us to stand up and trust his power.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 13th Oct 2013 28th Sunday of Ordinary Time



Mon	14	9am	Ryan Family
Tues	15	10.30am	REQUIEM: John Davies
Wed	16	7pm	Henry & Ellen Whittle
Thurs	17		
Fri	18	9am	Bridie Stevens
Sat	19	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	20	11am	Mrs C Howe

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's Happening

1. REQUIEM TUESDAY John Davies.
2. I have been asked to inform you of the death of Betty Priestley. (Son David 07539549398).
3. JUNIOR CHURCH. Would parents of any new children to Junior Church please ensure that they write their child's name on one of the pieces of paper provided in the tin on the Junior Church table at the back of Church, and that the child takes it into Junior Church with him/her. Registration is required under Health and Safety rules.
4. Details of St Anthony's 750th Anniversary and Relics are in "The Crusader" this October. The Celebration Mass is on Tuesday 29th October, at 12 noon at All Saints Franciscan Friary Church at Urmston. A mini bus will be leaving the Market Square, Hindley, at 10.15am. Please contact Joan Baines 738880. Details on parish notice board.
5. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.30pm each Tuesday in the Presbytery.
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28th Sunday of Ordinary Time

We thank God our Father because we have been saved by Jesus Christ and have become adopted children.

- Readings
1. Naaman the leper is cured and turns to God.
 2. Paul encourages us to be firm in our faith.
 3. Ten lepers are cured, only one returns to thank Jesus.

Paul suffered for the sake of the Gospel and he writes of them to Timothy.

There is much suffering in our world and often in our own lives. How do we feel?

Perhaps, like St Therese, patroness of the Missions, we can offer them to the Lord.

"My weak love, my little suffering, blessed by Him, make Him loved far and wide.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 20th Oct 2013 29th Sunday of Ordinary Time



Mon	21	9am	Anne & Jim Young
Tues	22		
Wed	23	7pm	Eric Unsworth
Thurs	24		
Fri	25	9am	Communion Service
Sat	26	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	27	11am	Arthur & Elizabeth Rigby

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's Happening

1. I have another medical appointment on Friday.
2. Details of St Anthony's 750th Anniversary and Relics are in "The Crusader" this October. The Celebration Mass is on Tuesday 29th October, at 12 noon at All Saints Franciscan Friary Church at Urmston. A mini bus will be leaving the Market Square, Hindley, at 10.15am. Please contact Joan Baines 738880. Details on parish notice board.
3. The next Parish Magazine will hopefully be out in Advent if there are enough articles etc. Please contact Kath Holden if you have anything planned, or any ideas. 01942 258459.
4. It would be nice to have a children's choir to sing the carols on Christmas Day. Last year they sang so well. Please have a think about it and let me know so we can sort something out and start to practice in Advent. Kath Holden.
5. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.30pm each Tuesday in the Presbytery.
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29th Sunday of Ordinary Time

World Mission Sunday. Jesus challenges us to remember the just needs of the "little ones" of our world

- Readings
1. Moses needs help from God in the battle.
 2. From the Scriptures we learn of God's love. To be proclaimed to the world.
 3. God is not blind to injustices

Timothy was nurtured in the faith not only by Paul but also by his mother who was a believing Jewish woman.

Paul alerts Timothy to the problem of people falling away from their faith and suggests a solution.

To avoid falling away we must persevere in God's truth with thankful hearts..

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 27th Oct 2013 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time



Mon	28	9am	Agnes Ryan
Tues	29		
Wed	30	7pm	John Davies
Thurs	31	7pm	Eileen Wharton
Fri	1	12pm	Ian Peter Wilkinson
Sat	2	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	3	11am	Nicola & Sonia

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What's Happening

1. FRIDAY ALL SAINTS. Holy Day of Obligation. First Mass 7.00pm on Thursday. 12 midday Friday.
2. NEXT SUNDAY. LAMP Collection in aid of our priests in South America. Gift Aid envelopes are available.
3. There will be no Junior Church this week or next. It will recommence after the Half Term break.
4. The next Parish Magazine will hopefully be out in Advent if there are enough articles etc. Please contact Kath Holden if you have anything planned, or any ideas. 01942 258459.
5. St Peter's Church, Hindley have started a Food Bank to help those on meagre incomes. It would be nice to help. As from next weekend there will be a box at the back of Church in which to put a tin or jar if you wish to help. More information will be available also next weekend.
6. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.30pm each Tuesday in the Presbytery.
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30th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Do we know who we are? Can we ever know ourselves without God? It is only in the presence of the living God that we can find ourselves.

- Readings
1. Working for justice will fail, unless we pray for justice.
 2. No-one is truly alone, if they know that the Lord is standing by them.
 3. Our nearness to God is measured by our pride or our humility, not by distance.

Paul describes an imminent end, but remains firm.

Though isolated, he did not become desolate because of the faithful presence of the Lord.

He lived what he believed, and hopes others will follow.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 3rd Nov 2013 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time



Mon	4	9am	James & Edith Halliwell
Tues	5		
Wed	6	6.30pm 7pm	Exposition Blessed Sacrament Alice Swift
Thurs	7		
Fri	8	9am	Brian & Diane Murphy
Sat	9	7pm	Brenda Tomney
Sun	10	11am	Dec'd Legionaries

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's Happening

1. Special collection today for LAMP.
2. WEDNESDAY 6.30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before Mass.
3. There will be no Junior Church this week. It will recommence next Sunday 10th Nov.
4. Closing date for articles for the next Parish Magazine will be 24th November. Please contact Kath Holden if you have anything planned, or any ideas. 01942 258459.
5. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.30pm each Tuesday in the Presbytery.
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31st Sunday of Ordinary Time

Let us make room in our hearts to come closer to the Lord in the Eucharist, and allow his word and presence to open our lives in new ways.

- Readings
1. The Lord delights in his creation.
 2. Be at peace and allow the Lord to bring to completion his goodness in us.
 3. Zacchaeus' life is turned around.

Our second reading is a prayer: that God will make us worthy and fulfil our desire for goodness.

It is also a teaching: the Lord is risen, all is changed

But the final coming is not yet.

Don't be put off by fake rumours.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 10th Nov 2013 32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time



Mon	11	9am	O'Driscoll Family
Tues	12	7.30pm	Dec'd CMS Members
Wed	13	7pm	Stuart Halliwell
Thurs	14		
Fri	15	9am	Mary Platt
Sat	16	7pm	Bernard & Kathleen Cuff
Sun	17	11am	Connor Donaldson

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's Happening

1. MASS TUESDAY 7.30pm.
Deceased C.M.S. members.
2. Work starts Monday to fit us out for Health and Safety.
Could take two weeks. Hopefully it will not interfere with us too much.
3. The CAFOD FAST DAY collection raised £138.47. Thank you.
4. Closing date for articles for the next Parish Magazine will be 24th November. Please contact Kath Holden if you have anything planned, or any ideas. 01942 258459.
5. Don't forget the next social evening in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm this Friday (15th). Male vocalist - Steve McKnight, bingo, raffle. Refreshments are included in the ticket price of £3. Bring your own drink.
6. Apologies for the lack of a box last weekend for Food Bank donations. This has been remedied. If you have a tin or a packet to spare, please pop it in. If you know of any person or family in real need, please give their name and address to Father. It will be forwarded to the organisers of the Food Bank.
7. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.30pm each Tuesday in the Presbytery.
8. Visit the website www.hindleycatholic.org.uk. On Facebook you can follow things on "Hindley Catholic".

32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

On this November day Jesus assures us that beyond death lies new and unending life with God.

- Readings
1. A mother and seven sons die for their loyalty to God's law.
 2. Find comfort and hope in the love the Father and Son have shown.
 3. Jesus talks of the resurrection of the dead.

Saint Paul offers the blessing of the Lord Jesus Christ and prays for God's grace for those to whom he writes and to us.

And, like Pope Francis before he gave his first blessing, he asks the people to pray for him.



Mon	25	9am	Special Intention
Tues	26		
Wed	27	7pm	Philomena Schmitz
Thurs	28		
Fri	29	9am	Private Intention
Sat	30	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	1	11am	In Thanksgiving (Simpson)

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's Happening

1. SECOND COLLECTION for the Philippines TODAY.
2. For those who may have missed it, we hope to have a children's choir on Christmas morning. Short practices will start after 11am Mass on the 1st Sunday of Advent (1 December), and each Sunday after that. All children welcome.
3. The social evening in the Parish Centre last week raised £250, and a good time was had by all.
4. FOOD BANK. At the moment there seems to be a distribution problem which hopefully will soon be resolved, so please don't bring anything for the food bank until further notice. Thank you for your generosity over the past few weeks. It has been amazing.
5. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.30pm each Tuesday in the Presbytery.
6. Visit the website **www.hindleycatholic.org.uk**. On Facebook you can follow things on "Hindley Catholic".

Christ the King

God's plan is to reconcile all things to Himself and bring us into the peace of his Kingdom. This is brought about by Christ's death on the cross.

Today we celebrate the fulfilment of that plan.

- Readings
1. All the tribes of Israel choose David as their king.
 2. All things were created through Christ and for him..
 3. The "good thief" recognised Jesus as the king and is promised a place in paradise.

Paul tells us that Jesus has taken us out of the power of darkness and brought us into his own kingdom of light.

He releases us from the darkness of sin by his death and is our Lord and Saviour.



Mon	2	9am	Bill Draper
Tues	3		
Wed	4	6.30pm 7pm	Exposition Mary Platt
Thurs	5		
Fri	6	9am	O'Sullivan Family
Sat	7	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	8	11am	Mary Green

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What's Happening

1. CAFOD FOR THE PHILIPPINES: The actual collection last weekend amounted to £775.12 which included many very generous donations. We added our current CAFOD balance and so the total amounted to £1480.00. A wonderful response.
2. WEDNESDAY: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 6.30pm
3. Short practice after 11am Mass on Sundays for the Children's Christmas Day choir. All children welcome.
4. There will be a meeting for Eucharistic Ministers AFTER 7 pm MASS on Wednesday 4th December.
5. The Parish magazine will be on sale next weekend. Price 40p.
6. A Foundation Governor is required for St Benedict's School. If you would like to know more, please would you telephone the Head Teacher, Mrs Taberner, on 01942 253522.
7. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.30pm each Tuesday in the Presbytery.
8. Visit the website **www.hindleycatholic.org.uk**. On Facebook you can follow things on "Hindley Catholic".

1st Sunday of Advent

In Advent our focus is on the coming of Christ. But not in the past, which we celebrate at Christmas: rather, in the present, and in the future.

- Readings
1. Isaiah's vision of lasting peace.
 2. Salvation is not just about the future. It is near; it is already at hand.
 3. Stay awake, preparing for the coming of the Son of Man.

Paul exhorts the Romans to behave worthily, they live in a privileged time.

Their minds and hearts set on the fulfilment of god's plan.

This means setting aside the deeds we prefer not to be seen and living in the light



Mon	9	9am	Thanksgiving
Tues	10		
Wed	11	7pm	Amy Baird
Thurs	12		
Fri	13	9am	Special Intention
Sat	14	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	15	11am	Eileen Wharton

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What's Happening

1. Short practice after 11am Mass on Sundays for the Children's Christmas Day choir. All children welcome.
2. A Foundation Governor is required for St Benedict's School. If you would like to know more, please would you telephone the Head Teacher, Mrs Taberner, on 01942 253522.
3. Singers required to help out at the Carol Service and Midnight Mass at 11.30pm on Christmas Eve. Please see Kath Holden.
4. Legion of Mary. There is a Reunion on 10th December at St Patrick's, Newton-le-Willows. A coach will leave the Market Square at 6.30pm. Tickets £5. Ring Susan Mires on 07952822440.
5. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.30pm each Tuesday in the Presbytery.
6. Visit the website **www.hindleycatholic.org.uk**. On Facebook you can follow things on "Hindley Catholic".

2nd Sunday of Advent

We are reminded that we are a people of hope and trust in God's promise.

- Readings
1. The Lord's justice and love for his people promises hope; and a future of peace.
 2. We are called to offer true friendship to all people.
 3. Christ will baptise in the Holy Spirit.

Paul encourages the Romans to read the Jewish Scriptures as a source of hope.

The patience of those who awaited Christ is an example to be followed.

Christ's coming is a reminder of God's fidelity and the occasion of God's mercy extending to the pagans.



Mon	16	9am	Ann Wood
Tues	17		
Wed	18	7pm	RECONCILIATION Stuart Hunt
Thurs	19		
Fri	20	9am	Special Intention
Sat	21	7pm	People of Parish
Sun	22	11am	Stan Simpson

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Lately Dead: Mary Theresa Gee R.I.P.

What's Happening

1. RECONCILIATION, Wednesday 7.00pm.
2. Short practice after 11am Mass on Sundays for the Children's Christmas Day choir. All children welcome.
3. Singers required to help out at the Carol Service and Midnight Mass at 11.30pm on Christmas Eve. Please see Kath Holden.
4. Christmas cards with the times of services in the three cluster churches are at the back of Church for everyone to take. Please take one for anyone who can't get to Church.
5. SONGS OF PRAISE WIGAN from St Oswald's, Ashton is on BBC I at 4.55pm this Sunday (15th). Members of our choir took part.
6. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.30pm each Tuesday in the Presbytery.
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3rd Sunday of Advent

The expectancy of the coming of God is fulfilled in Jesus, who brings joy through love and compassion to all who are in need.

- Readings
1. Joyful wonders will accompany the coming of God.
 2. The patient farmer is the model for the Christian life.
 3. Jesus' deeds are signs of the coming of God as foretold by Isaiah.

The farmer waits through the cycle of the seasons until the harvest.

Our plans and projects, as well as our maturity and growth demand patience and endurance.

This patience includes being slow to judge each other.



Mon	23	9am	Mary Green
Tues Christmas Eve	24	11.30pm Midnight	Carols People of the Parish
Wed Christmas Day	25	11am	Jean & Joe Gaskell
Thurs Boxing Day	26	12 noon	Joe & Winifred Chamberlain
Fri	27	12 noon	Mary Platt
Sat	28	7pm	Claire & Chris Jones
Sun	29	11am	Eric Hill

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Lately Dead: Frank Turner R.I.P. Fr. Luke Dumbill R.I.P.

What's Happening

1. Note Mass Times.
2. May we all have a Peaceful and Happy Christmas
3. Last practice after 11am Mass this Sunday for the Children's Christmas Day choir. All children welcome.
4. Singers required to help out at the Carol Service and Midnight Mass at 11.30pm on Christmas Eve. Please see Kath Holden.
5. Thank you to all who supported Deacon Ken and Sam Lawton in the sponsored trek across Jordan which they undertook in November. They raised over £4,200 for Francis House Children's Hospice in Salford.
6. Christmas cards are being left at the back of Church. Please look if there are any for you and TAKE THEM HOME.
7. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.30pm each Tuesday in the Presbytery.
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4th Sunday of Advent

In these days before Christmas we rejoice together in hope as we become aware that Christ is present in our lives and in our world.

- Readings
1. A child will be born, called Emmanuel, which means "God-is-with-us".
 2. Salvation is offered through Christ, the Son of God.
 3. Mary conceives through the Holy Spirit and will call her child Jesus.

St Paul writing to the Romans.
The Good News is Jesus Christ.
This message is the content of his preaching.
By special grace he is called and motivated to preach to all nations.



Mon	30	9am	Thanksgiving
Tues	31		
Wed New Year's Day	1	12noon	Bernard & Vincent Killeen
Thurs	2		
Fri	3	9am	Fr Luke Dumbill
Sat	4	7pm	Agnes & Leonard Westhead
Sun	5	11 am	People of the Parish

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What's Happening

1. Many thanks to you all but especially to those who help clean and decorate the Church, and music makers young and old.
2. Mass on New Year's Day at 12.00 noon.
3. The Legion of Mary hold their meetings at 5.30pm each Tuesday in the Presbytery.
4. Visit the website www.hindleycatholic.org.uk. On Facebook you can follow things on "Hindley Catholic".

The Holy Family

Jesus, Mary and Joseph express the image of the Holy Family. Before us are set the relationships of love to inspire the children of God.

- Readings
1. Love for our parents is a source of many blessings.
 2. The children of God put on the clothes of virtue every day.
 3. The angel's message to Joseph - protect your family.

The only link which guarantees peace and fidelity between human beings: the love of God, that is "the bond of perfection".

The life of a family with such a bond cannot be broken.

The peace of Christ unites them.