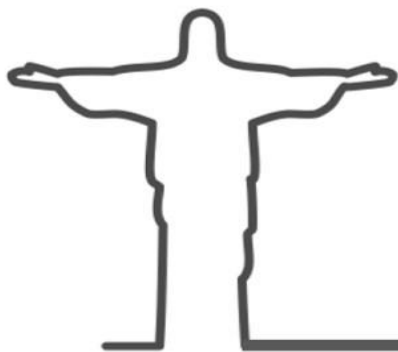




PARISH OF CHRIST THE REDEEMER

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Sunday 23rd February 2025 – 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In our first reading we hear that King Saul has travelled with his army to the *Wilderness of Ziph*. This area is situated in the southern part of the ancient kingdom of Judah, near the town of *Ziph*. This town is identified with the modern site of *Tell Zif*, which is approximately four miles southeast of the town of Hebron. *The Wilderness of Ziph* is an important feature in the narrative of King David's life as he seeks to evade capture by King Saul.

God bless,

Fr Morrough

MASSES & SERVICES

Monday	6:15pm – 6:50pm Exposition & Confession – St William's	
	7:00pm	St William's
Tuesday	9:30am	St Ethelbert's
Wednesday	9:30am	St William's
Friday	9:30am	St Ethelbert's
Saturday	11:15am – 11:50am Exposition & Confession – St Ethelbert's	
	12:00pm	St Ethelbert's
Sunday	9:30am	St William's
	11:30am	St Ethelbert's
	7:00pm	St Ethelbert's

St William's Church: Thank you to all the parishioners who attended the public meeting on Monday night regarding the future of the Church. Comments were noted and will be passed to the Diocese for further consideration.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham 2025

Our diocesan pilgrimage office is now taking bookings for its next annual pilgrimage to Walsingham. Our pilgrimage in this Holy Year of Jubilee will take place on Saturday 3 May 2025, with an option to extend your visit by staying overnight on Friday 2 May. For more information, prices, and details on how to book, please

visit <https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/walsingham-pilgrimage-2025> or call 0161 817 2209

Changes to Mass times this week: NONE

School Mass: Friday 28th February - 9.30am Mass at St Ethelbert's with YRS 3 & 4 from St (E) primary school.

Mass Intentions:

Lately Dead: Thomas Muthoottil RIP (2)

Anniversary: John Holt, Elsie Holt.

Special Intentions: Furey Family & one other intention.

Children's Liturgy



Special sessions for younger children run by DBS checked volunteers during Mass

St William's – every Sunday at 9.30 am Mass

St Ethelbert's – first Sunday in each month at 11.30 am Mass

All young children welcome to attend.

Pilgrims of Hope: Lenten Talks: The Diocese of Salford is holding a series of talks this Lent that explores themes of journeying and pilgrimage through the lens of the Jubilee. Each week, the talks will focus on a different person from the Bible to help us better understand how the journey we are called to make this Holy Week year is rooted in scripture. The weekly talks begin on Tuesday 4 March at 11am at Wardley Hall. Contact Sr Joan Kerley on joankfmsj@gmail.com or call 0161 971 7842 to find out more.



Jubilee for Communications: In celebration of the Holy Year, we are having a Jubilee of Jubilees to shine a light on several different themes represented in our diocese. We begin with our Jubilee for Communications, in which we explore this month's Gospels to reflect on how we can share the Good News in our world today. Access the resources now at <https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/jubilee-2025/calendar/>

St. Bert's Café

Tea, coffee, cordial and biscuits served after 11.30 Mass each Sunday.

Please stay for a drink and chat. Everyone is welcome.

Thanks, as always to our stewards and café volunteers who provide this service each week.



Primary ECT Pool 2025: Are you looking for a career in teaching? Do you know someone who is training for a career in primary education? ECT (Early Career Teachers) due to gain Qualified Teacher Status in Summer 2025 are being invited to apply for recommendation for interview to Catholic schools with vacancies for September 2025.

Email millie.burton@dioceseofsalford.org.uk to find out more and apply or call 0161 817 220.

Christ the Redeemer Parish 200 Club:
Weekly winner: 16/2/25 - £50 –Robert German
Congratulations!

Gift Aid: New envelopes will be available at the end of March to start in April. If you no longer require envelopes or if there is any change to your name, address or tax status please contact Julie. If you would like to join the Gift Aid Scheme you can complete a form which is available in Church, this enables the parish to claim a 25% tax refund (£1.25 for every £5.00 donated) without any further cost to you. All that is needed is confirmation that you pay tax, your name, address and signature, no other financial details are required. Donations can be made weekly by envelope or by standing order using reference, 'Gift Aid', bank details are available. If you need any further information, please contact julie.walsh@dioceseofsalford.org.uk thank you.

Christ the Redeemer Parish Collection: 16/2/25
£752.24. Thank you for your generosity.

Keep in touch – social media

Did you know we have a website and a Facebook page. Please keep in touch and up to date.

Website: [Christ The Redeemer | Bolton, Lancashire](http://ChristTheRedeemerBoltonLancashire.org.uk)

Facebook: Parish of Christ the Redeemer, Bolton.

You can also get the weekly newsletter straight to your mailbox by emailing Julie at

ctrbolton@outlook.com



Safeguarding: The parish safeguarding officer is Agnes Lloyd-Holt. She can be contacted at agnes.lloydholt@gmail.com

