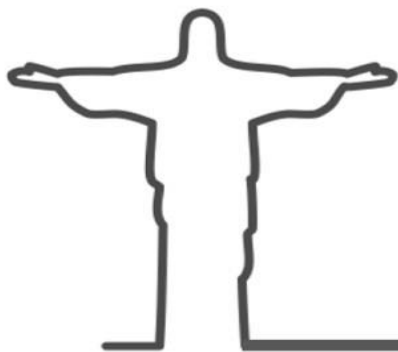




PARISH OF CHRIST THE REDEEMER

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Sunday 9th February 2025 – 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In our first reading today from the prophet Isaiah, we hear of the 'Seraphim' surrounding the throne of God, but who were these beings?

In Christian theology and angelology (study of angelic beings), The Seraphim are the highest order of angels. They surround the throne of God, constantly praising him and singing the, 'Trisagion' [*Thrice Holy*], "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna [heb. 'Save us'] in the highest, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest."

The singular word *Seraph* means 'burning' in Hebrew. These are the celestial beings who burn night and day with the love and adoration of God.

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

Changes to Mass times this week: NONE

Mass Intentions:

Lately Dead: Peter Maker RIP

Anniversary: Fred & Cecilia Kearsley, Anne Burford, Terry Grainger.

Memorial: Sarah & Roger Ramsden, Pat & Bernard Harper.

Special Intentions: Eileen Holmes & one other intention.

Funeral: Wednesday 12th February - St Ethelbert's - Funeral Service [no Mass] at 12.30pm for Mr Peter Makar RIP - Burial at Heaton cemetery at 1.30pm.

School Mass: Friday 14th February - St Ethelbert's - 9.30am Mass with Yrs 3 & 4.

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.

Confirmation Preparation Classes

There will be a preparation course for Year 8 Children to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in May.

There will be five sessions in total.

The first session will be on

Tuesday 11th February 2025

3pm – at Mount St Joseph School (for MSJ students)

7pm – at Our Lady of Lourdes Church (for students from other schools in Bolton South area)

Registration forms are available at Mount St Joseph School or contact

julie.walsh@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

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

Are you aged between 18 and 35 or know someone who is?

Our diocesan charity Caritas Diocese of Salford is looking for young adult volunteers to join their governance committee as co-opted members to help shape the charity in the coming months and years.

Find out more about how you can help tackle poverty, homelessness, disadvantage, and displacement in our parish communities

at www.caritassalford.org.uk/youngadultboard

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.



Christ the Redeemer Parish 200 Club:

Weekly winner: 2/2/25 - £50 –Karen Grainger
Congratulations!

Christ the Redeemer Parish Collection: 2/2/25
£822.34. Thank you for your generosity.

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

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

