



<h2 style="margin: 0;">NOTICES THIS WEEK</h2>	<p style="font-size: 1.2em;">Sunday 5 April 2026</p> <p style="font-size: 1.2em;">Easter Day</p>
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Sunday and the week ahead

	<p>THANKS to all who have undertaken extra work during Lent, Holy Week and the approach to Easter Day – those preparing, leading and participating in the special events and services, those who have cleaned and decorated the churches and constructed the Easter displays, and those who donated towards, and arranged, the Easter flowers.</p>																						
<p>Sun 5th</p> <p>Easter Day</p>	<p>Revd Marie writes: You are encouraged to welcome Easter by making a joyful noise. If you have a musical instrument, party popper, bell, football clacker, horn, pan lid and a spoon, or your own hands to clap and voice to yell with - bring it along on Easter Sunday.</p>																						
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Points for Prayer

For healing	St Mary's: Catherine, Berenice Carey, Anna Cowsill, David Duckworth, Colin Embrey, Margaret Embrey, Christine Firth, William Firth, Peter Gorman, John Heuze, Chris Hollis, Pauline Holt, Harry Melling, Margaret Ratcliffe, Mary Walsh, Ian Williams, Denis Wright, Janice Wright St TJ and elsewhere: Marilyn Alldred, Joyce Baker, Lawson Bant, Revd Dougie Bird, Carol Cain, Reg Dee, Jacob Dewar, Zohreh Galati, Lyn Hill, Claire Jones, Louise Peart
Bereaved	Family and friends of Priscilla Holme
Books of Remembrance	St Mary's: Mattie Morris (9 th) St Thomas and St John's: Nellie Taylor, Mary Pimlott (6 th); William Currie Montgomery, Albert Rees, Fay Bland, William Manders, Margaret Boak Ramsey (8 th); Joan Watts (9 th); Allan Ramsey (10 th); Doris Mills (11 th)

Looking ahead

April		
Wed 15 th	6:45pm	Deanery Celebration event at St Peter's church, St Peter's Road, Bury BL9 9QZ
Thu 16 th	7:00pm	St TJ's PCC Building Sub-committee
Mon 20 th	7:30pm	BEE Joyful. Mission Community Songs of Praise at Christ Church, Ainsworth BL2 5RU (see poster)
Wed 22 nd	7:30pm	Annual Social Evening hosted by Union of Catholic Mothers
Sat 25 th	9:00am	(- 11am) Last Saturday of every month: Radcliffe Churches pray for revival at New Life church (preceded by Breakfast)
Sun 26 th	noon	St Thomas and St John's Annual Parochial Church Meeting
May		
Sun 3 rd	10:45am	St Mary's Annual Parochial Church Meeting
Thu 7 th	7:00pm	St Mary's Parochial Church Council
Sat 9 th	11:00am	(- 2pm) Spring Fayre at St Mary's
10 th - 16 th		Christian Aid Week. Christian Aid is the relief and development agency of the British Churches. As well as envelopes in church to support our own giving, we seek to involve others by house-to-house collecting and by in-supermarket collecting. Can you volunteer a few hours please? See Philip Gooderson (0161 761 6136)
Sat 16 th	7:00pm	Quiz at St Philip's Community Centre: fund-raiser for Christian Aid

<p>Annual Parochial Church Meetings</p> <p>The "AGMs" of our Churches are set for late April/early May (see table above). Before that we have to update the Electoral Rolls, membership of which determines who may speak and vote at them - and who may serve in some of the positions within the Church. If you are a regular worshipper, ask to join, or check if you're not sure you are on already. At St Thomas and St John's - see Carol Smith. Jean Robinson at St Mary's.</p> <p>Annual Reports</p> <p>.. covering calendar year 2025 are being produced. Would group/activity leaders and usual contributors please submit material to Revd Adele (for St Thomas and St John's) and to Vicky Bridge (for St Mary's).</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Invitation to Annual Social Evening from the Union of Catholic Mothers, St Mary and St Philip Neri RC Church, Radcliffe</p> <p>UCM invites the ladies of St Thomas and St John's and of St Mary's to their annual social evening at St Mary's Social Club, Pine Street, Radcliffe M26 2WQ.</p> <p>Date: Wednesday 22 April at 7:30pm Cost: £6 to include entertainment, raffle and supper. The latest date to apply for tickets is 12 April.</p> <p>Please see list in church, or let Frances Pilling know you will be attending (tel: 07920 176966) for catering planning. Payment is not needed in advance - pay on the door.</p>
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To be in touch with the clergy, please contact Revd Marie Pattison, Team Rector (0161 989 5785 or 07795 805767), Revd Irene Thirkell, Curate (07435 657865) or Revd Adele McKie, Associate Priest (07946 383024).

To discuss baptisms or weddings, please go to Vestry Hour from 10:30 on Saturdays at St Thomas and St John's, or from 10:45 on Sundays at St Mary's.

Please supply future information to lesandkathleen@btinternet.com or to 0161 724 5696.

Bishop David's Easter Message

As we continue through Holy Week, Bishop David invites us to reflect on what it means to stand alongside fellow Christians around the world - especially those who face hardship, danger, and uncertainty. Bishop David shares this Easter message about presence, courage, and the enduring hope of the resurrection. His reflections remind us that, even amid global conflict and suffering, the joy of Easter continues to break through:

A decade or so back, I spent Holy Week and Easter not here in Manchester, but in Pakistan, visiting our link diocese of Lahore.

The trip had been long planned as a physical way of indicating our support for a church that is very much a minority in its land and often a persecuted one.

My visit was made even more significant by the fact that I arrived just ten days or so after a suicide bomber had killed and injured several people in an attack on an act of worship in one of the diocese's churches.

Standing alongside our sisters and brothers, sharing with them on the journey to the cross and resurrection, in a time when they were facing great danger, felt like the right thing to be doing. The kind of support that the presence of a brother bishop from a link diocese can properly provide.

Being physically present is, in my thinking, a form of incarnation: that Jesus came to live, die and rise physically, so we echo that willingness to be with God's people in person.

For that same reason, this year, Sue and I made plans to spend Holy Week in Jerusalem as guests of the Archbishop, travelling to Gethsemane, Golgotha and beyond with him and his people, at a time when they're caught up in the conflicts presently ravaging the Middle East.

At the time I'm recording this message, as the conflict with Iran continues, it feels unlikely we will travel. We have not yet entirely given up hope, not least because I remember vividly how joyfully the people of Lahore celebrated this holy season, even in the immediate aftermath of an atrocity against them.

Whether or not I can be with them in person, I'm confident that same joy will be present in Jerusalem this year.

My prayer is that we in Manchester, who do not face such harrowing circumstances, will be equally full of the joy of the risen Lord.

Holy Week & Easter



30 March, Monday, 7pm

Holy Communion | St Thomas & St John



31 March, Tuesday, 7pm

A Candlelit Taize Service | St Mary



1 April, Wednesday

10am Mid-week Communion | St Mary



7pm Stations of the Cross

St Thomas & St John



2 April, Maundy Thursday

Holy Communion

10am St Thomas & St John

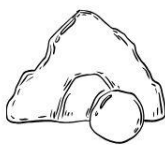
Holy Communion with Vigil **7 pm** St Mary



3 April, Good Friday, 2pm

Liturgy around the Cross

St Thomas & St John



5 April, Easter Sunday

6:30am Sunrise service at St Mary with breakfast

9:30am Easter Holy Communion | St Mary

11:00am Easter Holy Communion

St Thomas & St John

*Everyone
Welcome*



11 April, Saturday 12.30

Easter Lunch | St Thomas & St John, £8

Please see below a prayer list from our Mission Community covering first the coming week, then the month.

In the coming week the churches of our Mission Community will be:

- Praying for Christians all around the world, who are preparing to celebrate Easter; praying especially for those who live in fear of persecution for their beliefs.
- Giving thanks that we are able to worship and proclaim our faith without fear of reprisals.
- Giving thanks for the Clergy throughout our Mission Community, & for all that they do.
- Praying that those who have been wrapped up in the busyness of preparing & delivering Lent, Holy Week & Easter Services, may find time to rest & find their own spiritual refreshment.
- Praying for guidance from the Holy Spirit for our clergy, volunteers & lay leaders as they work to find & maintain a healthy 'Church – life' balance.

Radcliffe & Whitefield Mission Community Prayer Diary



April 2026

1 st	We pray that the Holy Week & Easter Services being held throughout our Mission Community, will provide comfort and challenge, love and inspiration to all who attend.
2 nd	We pray for all who are involved with ministry to children, families & schools; praying especially for those who will welcome children into their Churches during Holy Week & Easter. Praying that the seeds of faith would be sown in young hearts.
3 rd	We give thanks for & pray for our Church Officers, Lay Leaders & Volunteers.
4 th	We pray for Christians around the world who are preparing to celebrate Easter; praying especially for those who live in fear & risk persecution for their faith.
5 th	We give thanks for the many Easter Services which will be held today; we pray for those who will be leading them, & that those who attend may be filled with the joy of the Resurrection.
6 th	We pray for those who will be taking part in Spring Harvest; that they would find spiritual refreshment, inspiration & renewal.
7 th	We give thanks for & pray for all Clergy members within our Mission Community.
8 th	We pray for the team at Christ Church Ainsworth, that they may have wisdom & inspiration as they consider the best way to recruit new PCC members & explore new opportunities for mission.
9 th	We pray for mission & ministry at All Saints Stand.
10 th	We pray for mission & ministry at St. Thomas & St. John, Radcliffe.
11 th	We give thanks for all who are involved with funeral ministry, praying also for the families they serve
12 th	We pray for mission & ministry at Christ Church Ainsworth.
13 th	We pray for those who will be part of the new book club being held at St. George's, Unsworth this evening; that it would bring people together from Church & the wider community.
14 th	We pray for the Radcliffe Team, their volunteers & helpers, and give thanks for all that they do.
15 th	We pray for those who are preparing for 'Bee Joyful'; that they would be guided & inspired by the Holy Spirit as they plan & prepare for this event.
16 th	We give thanks for & pray for all who will represent their Churches at the Task Group meeting this evening; praying that this would be a time of inspiration, sharing & support.
17 th	We pray for & give thanks for the work of the Food Pantry Team at St. Andrew's, Hillock; praying also for all of the individuals & families who access this service.
18 th	We pray for all who will be attending 'Chocolate Bingo' at St. Andrew's, Hillock today – that this would be a well-supported & successful event.
19 th	We pray for mission & ministry at St. Andrew's, Hillock.
20 th	We pray for all who will be leading & attending 'Bee Joyful' at Christ Church Ainsworth this evening; that they might find inspiration, encouragement & spiritual refreshment.
21 st	We pray for mission & ministry at St. George's, Unsworth.
22 nd	We pray for mission & ministry at St. Andrew's, Radcliffe.
23 rd	We give thanks for 200 years of faith and worship at All Saints, Stand and ask for God's blessing for the celebratory events taking place throughout the year, and on those involved in organising them. We pray that the year may be a time for building closer relationships with the local community.
24 th	We pray for mission & ministry at Christ Church Walshaw.
25 th	We pray for those who lead & participate in the prayer groups & Bible study groups which are run by our Churches; may they know God's presence & grow in faith.
26 th	We pray those who will be involved with the APCM to be held at Christ Church Ainsworth today. We pray for Churchwardens, PCC members, and all who volunteer or hold Office within our Churches.
27 th	We give thanks for the work of Mothers' Union within our parishes & beyond. We pray for Mothers' Union members throughout our Mission Community.
28 th	We pray for those who will join together for Jesus Prayer on Zoom this evening; praying also that others might feel called to be part of this time of prayer.
29 th	We give thanks for the green spaces within our parishes & pray that we would be good guardians of this world. We give thanks for all who work for environmental sustainability & climate justice.
30 th	We pray for mission & ministry at Emmanuel Community Church, Radcliffe.

Please join us in prayer for the people of Iran

— for peace, for protection, for comfort for grieving families, and for hope to shine in the midst of great darkness. We also **hold in prayer those members of our community from Iran**, who are deeply concerned for their loved ones back home.

We share [this prayer written by the Rt Revd Dr Guli Francis-Dehqani, Bishop of Chelmsford](#) and unite together in praying:

Ever-loving God,
who hears us in our anguish and distress,
and longs for us to be free.
We pray for the people of Iran and the wider Middle East,
at this time of fear and uncertainty.
Be near to those who are anxious;
bring comfort to all who are suffering.
Guide those with the power to make decisions,
and lead them in the ways of wisdom, compassion and moderation:
that people of goodwill would seek harmony and reconciliation.
Join us with our Christian brothers and sisters in all places,
in praying for peace with justice,
through him who is the prince of peace,
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Giving to church

Our Churches depend on income from fees paid for some of our services, from fund-raising, from activities at St Philip's Community Centre and – *most particularly* – from monetary gifts from worshippers and other supporters. In each of our churches, donations can be made via digital giving machines using credit or debit cards. You can use the QR codes below to give. Please speak to us for advice on gift aiding your offering, so that each £1 you give becomes £1.25 – at no extra cost to you.



Left: St Thomas and St John
Right: St Mary

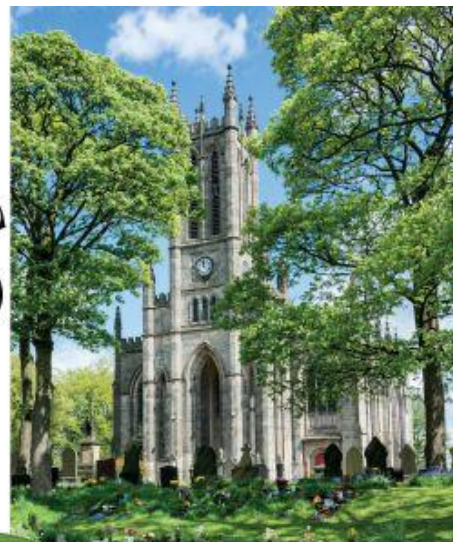




ALL SAINTS 1826-2026 STAND

BICENTENARY

**200 Years
Heritage Exhibition**



Opening Hours

Thursday 16th April 10-2pm
Saturday 18th April 10-2pm
Tuesday 21st April 2-6pm
Thursday 23rd April 2-6pm
Saturday 25th April 11-3pm (Talk 1.30pm)
Tuesday 28th April 11-3pm



Saturday 25th April, 1.30pm - Talk on Sir Charles Barry and All Saints
Refreshments Available

All Saints Church, Stand, Whitefield M45 7NF

Within 5 minutes walk from Whitefield Metrolink Station and 135 bus route. Limited car parking.

www.standchurch.com



The
Small
Projects
Fund



Small Projects Fundraising Event

Easter Saturday Lunch

Potato Pie and Peas

Cake for Dessert

Saturday, 11 April 2026

Lunch served at 12:30 p.m.

Ticket price: £8.00, 14 and under £4.00

Available from Beryl Holgate

Please note:

The Saturday Coffee Morning will not be held on this date.



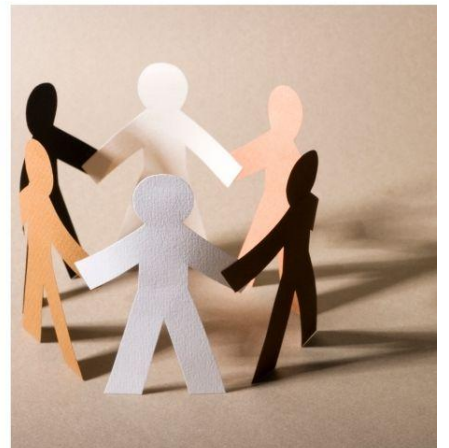
Saturday Cafe



Every Saturday
10:30am - 12:30pm

Everyone Welcome

ST THOMAS & ST JOHN CHURCH
NEW CHURCH STREET, RADCLIFFE





**Radcliffe and Whitefield
Mission Community invites
you and your friends to:**

BEE JOYFUL

An evening of Songs of Praise style worship
with speaker

Rev Phil Cansdale

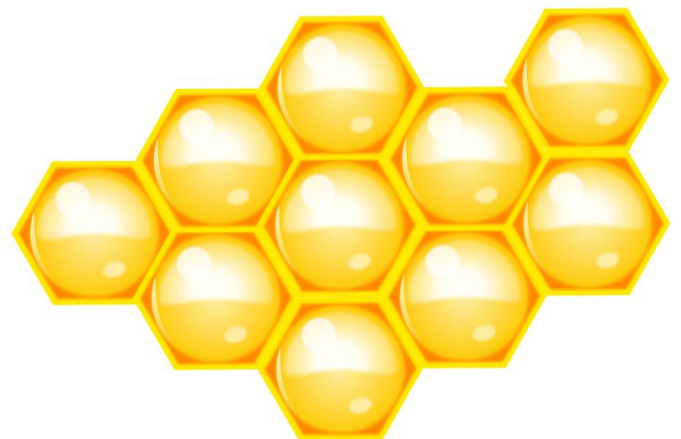
Monday 20th April

7.30pm

Christ Church, Ainsworth BL2 5RU



Refreshments available





WARM SPACES

Why not come along for a
drink/biscuit and a chat
and meet new friends

**At St Philips Community
Centre**

**Higher Dean Street
Radcliffe**

10-00am till 1-00pm

**Mondays (except
Bank Holidays)**

Being stewards of God's creation and doing our bit as Christians for the planet, if you have any of the following lying around your home then please bring them to be recycled 🌍♻️😊



RECYCLE FOR CHARITY

Did you know, many of your unwanted items could be recycled?

Do you have any of these items stuck in a drawer or cupboard ?

Please bring along your glasses, hearing aids, foreign currency, stamps, keys, ink & toner cartridges (branded only) & bra's & place them into the boxes provided in church.

All items will be collected at the monthly Mission Community Task Group meetings where they will be sorted and sent to where they are needed most.

Thank you



RADCLIFFE & WHITEFIELD MISSION COMMUNITY

Eagle's Wing is a mutual support group of friends made up of local people, asylum seekers and refugees living in this area. It meets at the United reformed Church, Parsons Lane, Bury BL9 0LY, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10am to noon (term time only). "Come as strangers, stay as friends" – they say.

*The Churches Of Radcliffe & Whitefield
Mission Community Are Working With
'KitAid'*

KitAid is a charity that recycles your once loved football kit and distributes to underprivileged children and adults in some of the world's poorest countries.

106,081 unwanted kits were sent in 2025 alone!

Donated kit doesn't have to be from a premier league club; it doesn't matter if there is a shirt sponsor or if it's from a grass roots club, it doesn't even have to be a full strip - if it's clean & it's usable we'll take it.

Items we can take:

- ↳ Full team kits
- ↳ Individual items
- ↳ Boots
- ↳ Shin pads
- ↳ Training bibs
- ↳ Rain Jackets

To donate your unwanted kit just place it in the bin marked 'KitAid' which you will find

And we'll do the rest!

Sharing the passion for football across the world



Radcliffe & Whitefield Mission Community

*Are working with 'The Recycled Wax
Company' to keep candles out of landfill.*

We can take:

- ↳ Church candles
- ↳ Tea lights
- ↳ Tapers
- ↳ Domestic / scented candles (including those in glass jars)
- ↳ Wax melts

Simply bring your unwanted candles & melts to Church & we'll do the rest.



RECYCLE FOR CHARITY

As part of our recycling mission, we are collecting tools for the charity **Tools With A Mission**.

TTWAM is a Christian charity that collects unwanted usable tools, refurbishes them, sorts them into tools for sale and sends them to the developing world for livelihood creation. We have five tool groups across the country formed by volunteers, and we are supported by seven independent trustees, including Men's Sheds.

Locally, we provide volunteering opportunities to older persons who struggle with loneliness and isolation after retirement, as well as opportunities for people with physical and learning disabilities and support for community groups and refugees. We work with organisations offering skills training and experience to young people with additional needs and preparing them for employment. We have also provided tools to local community groups in the UK who use them in projects for people with special needs.

If you would like to donate your unwanted, but still useful tools, please check the list on the information leaflet for the types of tools that are accepted and those that aren't.

At Men's, Radcliffe will be the collection centre and hand tools and smaller items can be brought to the Tool Group meetings along with other recycling, but we kindly request that any larger items are brought to the church on the first Sunday of the month between 11am and 12.30pm.

Thank you



<http://www.twam.uk>



Agricultural tools - forks, spades, hoes, garden rakes, hand forks and trowels, loppers, secateurs, hand shears, cultivators, sickles, shovels, axes, bow saws
Builders' tools - levels, sledgehammers, bolsters, chisels, all types of hammers and trowels, pin and lines, tape measures, hacksaws and blades, utility knife blades
Carpenters' tools - sliding bevels, braces, clamps, hand drills and bits, rasps, all types of hammers, utility knives, all types of planes and saws, rules, screwdrivers, squares, vices, sharpening stones, screws, nails, bolts, Workmate benches (in good condition)
Electricians' tools - hand drills and bits, all types of pliers and hacksaws, screwdrivers, spanners, soldering irons, volt meters and multimeters, wire strippers
Mechanics' tools - allen keys, cold chisels, files, vices, gauges, all types of hammers and pliers, punches, metric socket sets, spanners, adjustable spanners, cantilever toolboxes, oil cans
Plumbers' tools - basin or tap wrenches, wire brushes, breast drills and bits, various grips, hacksaws, screwdrivers
Garage workshop - hydraulic jacks, axle stands, battery chargers, large engineering vices, crowbars
Power tools - hand and bench drills, sanders, planers, jigsaws, circular saws, bandsaws, chop saws, lathes, rotovators, welding machines, generators, bench grinders, angle grinders, routers
Sewing machines - manual, electric, treadle, and industrial Knitting machines - machine and hand wool, needles, patterns
Haberdashery - needles, cottons, large material pieces/rolls (minimum one metre), buttons, zips, tapes

Children Are Welcome

At St Thomas & St John with St Philips

We have 3 ways to help your child to feel welcome in church
Just speak to someone at the back of church

For young children we have some

Baby Bags

Containing some soft toys and picture books



For toddler children we have

Play Packs

With story books and colouring sheets



In the Children's Corner at the back of church

There are some small quiet toys, some colouring pages and reading books.

You and your child are more than welcome
to enjoy using these resources during the service

PLEASE STAY WITH YOUR CHILD AT ALL TIMES



Our churchyard is maintained by a group of volunteers on a monthly basis, who try to keep on top of the cutting, trimming, weeding and tidying. We try to ensure that our grounds are a calm and welcoming environment for visiting families. We rely on the regular giving of our parishioners and one-off donations from visitors in order to find the funds to maintain our beautiful church building and grounds. If you would like to make a donation please see the information given below. Thank you

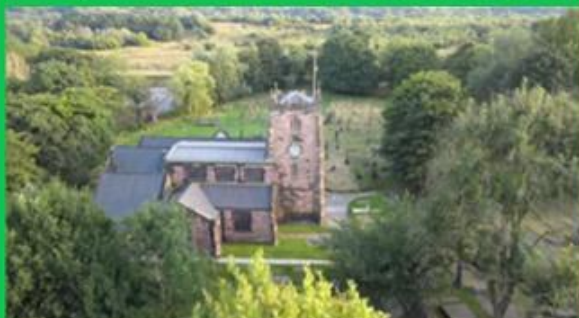
Supporting our ministry
Radcliffe Parish Church of St Mary
Thank you for your generosity

Please scan the QR code or go to our website at

www.radcliffeparishchurch.com

and find the link to our Give a Little campaign to make a donation.

Thank you



Thank you for your kind donation!



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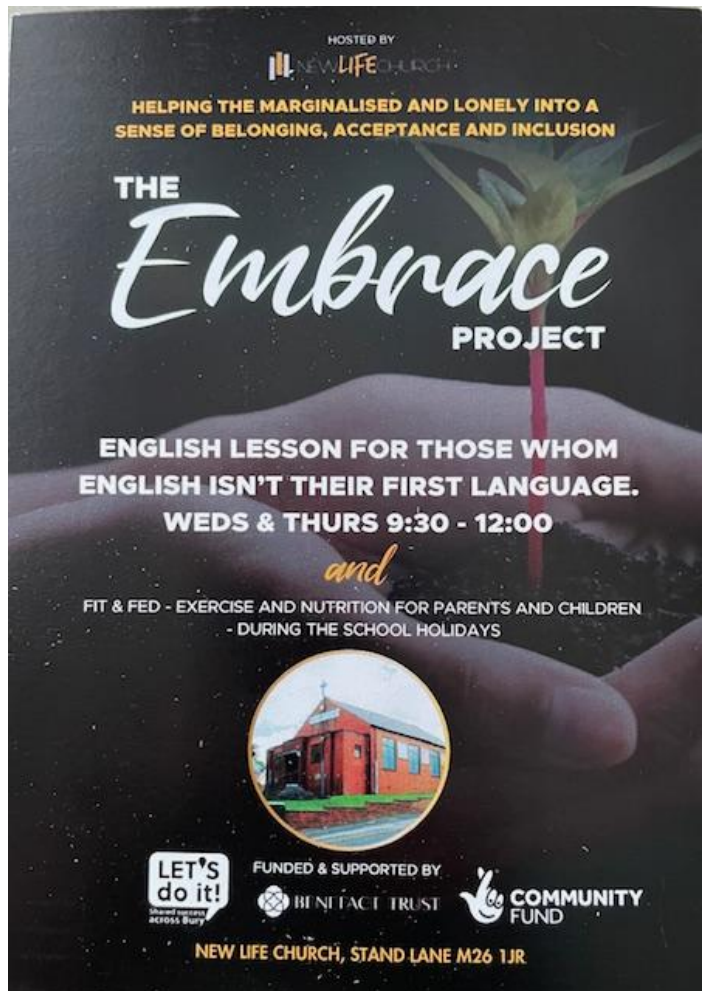
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Vicky at St Mary's writes: "Our St Mary's WAG's are once again taking part in the Race for Life at Heaton Park this year. This year's event is on Sunday 5th July and anyone wanting to join us can use the link below. There is a St Mary's team which you can also join once you have entered. Please speak to Vicky (07533 894392) if you need further details.

<https://raceforlife.cancerresearchuk.org/>

CHRISTIAN LIFE & WITNESS COURSE

You are invited to come deepen your faith in Jesus Christ and discover practical ways to point others to Him during this free, engaging three-hour session.

Saturday 30th May 2026
10:00am - 1:00pm
Bridge Community Church
Milltown Street / Regan Street
Radcliffe
M26 1WD

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Radcliffe & Whitefield Mission Community News

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Roving Reporter

Exploring Unconscious Bias

A small but enthusiastic group of people came along to this session which was led by Diane Gray-Stephenson (Diocesan Racial Justice Lead). Having taken time to consider the various unconscious biases that we all harbour, we then worked through some scenarios & considered how, as individuals and part of our Churches, we might be more open minded, welcoming & supportive of others.

Other News ...

Recycling

Our Mission Community has signed up to support **KitAid**, a charity that recycles football kits & distributes them to adults & children in some of the world's poorest countries. Please collect kit locally as we need a minimum of 10 bags for collection. We're also supporting **Tools With A Mission (TWAM)**, a Christian charity that collects unwanted usable tools, refurbishes them, sorts them into trade tool kits and sends them to the developing world for livelihood creation. Any donated items can be dropped off at St. Mary, Radcliffe by arrangement, or brought along to meetings.

Coming Soon ...

Bee Joyful

Monday 20th April 7.30pm @ Christ Church Ainsworth. BL2 5RU.

Why not bring a friend & join us for our Mission Community Spring Worship Event. An evening of Songs of Praise style worship with Speaker Revd Phil Cansdale. No need to book, just turn up.

Ascension Day Prayer Journey

Thursday 14th May starting from Christ Church Walshaw & St. George's, Unsworth @ 10am & concluding with Ascension Day Communion led by Revd Phil Cansdale, 1.15pm @ St. Thomas & St. John, Radcliffe.

Mission Community Prayer Walk

Saturday 4th July 11.30am @ St. Mary, Radcliffe, followed by 'bring your own' lunch, & Communion led by Bishop Mark Davies.

Eco Tips

April – As the days get longer & lighter, could you commit to walking or cycling rather than driving? If you have to drive, could you give someone a lift?

May – Say 'no to the mow' – allowing even a small area of your lawn to grow wild creates food & habitat for many birds, animals & insects, as well as saving you time on garden maintenance!

FOCUS ON ... ALL SAINTS, STAND ... 1826 - 2026

All Saints' 200 year celebrations got off to a lively start with Nikki Fox and others in "Divas in Denial", featuring songs from the shows followed by music from the 70's. By the end it wasn't only the Divas on stage but a lot of the audience! As a complete contrast the last half of April will see our heritage exhibition which will be open at the following times: Thursday 16th April and Saturday 18th April10 - 2pm

Tuesday 21st April and Thursday 23rd April2 - 6pm

Saturday 25th April and Tuesday 28th April11 - 3pm

On Saturday 25th April there will be a talk at 1.30pm on Sir Charles Barry and All Saints, and on Saturday 9th May we will be treated to an organ recital by Jonathan Scott.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Bury & Rossendale Deanery Gathering

Weds 15th April
6.45 for 7.15pm
St. Peter's Church,
Manchester Rd.
BL9 9QZ

[Celebrating Our Shared Journey: Deanery Gatherings](#)

[Across our Diocese - Diocese of Manchester](#)

Faith Security Training

A new training scheme available for faith communities in England & Wales. Learn how to reduce the risk of hate crime, anti-social behaviour, and serious threats.

[Faith Security Training](#)

Confirmation Service

St. Thomas & St. John, Radcliffe
Sunday 12th July @ 3pm

Please contact Revd Marie Pattison (Radcliffe Team) if your Church has Confirmation candidates.

Around The Steeples, Spires, Towers & Turrets Of Our Mission Community



All Saints, Stand standchurch.com

News – As we continue with our 200 year celebrations we have a variety of events planned - details can be found on our website.

Holy Week Services – Mon 30/03 & Tues 31/03 - Stations of the Cross 7 pm; Weds 01/04 - Holy Communion 10:15 am; Maundy Thursday - Holy Communion and stripping of the altar 7pm; Good Friday - An hour at the cross 2 pm; Sat 04/04 - Service of the light 7:30 pm



St. Andrew's, Hillock www.standrews-hillock.org.uk

News – Saturday 18/04 – We are hosting Besses Boys Band's Chocolate Bingo event. Friday 15/05 - National Highways - M60 Simister Island Project at St Andrew's 1-9pm; members of the public will be able to see proposed plans and discuss.

Holy Week Services – Weds 01/04 - Stations of the Cross 7.30pm; Thurs 02/04 - Holy Communion & Stripping of the Altar 7.30pm; Fri 03/04 - Church open for Private Prayer 12 noon; An Hour at the Cross 2pm.



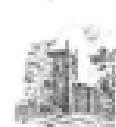
St. George's, Unsworth achurchnearyou.com/church/16088

News – We have Morning Prayer in Church at 11am each Monday morning. We're also holding a book club, starting on Monday 13/04 @ 7.30pm; our 1st title is Maggie O'Farrell's 'Hamnet'.

We'll be holding our Spring Fair on Saturday 09/05.

Regular Events - Community Litter Picking – 1st Saturday of each month; 9 – 10am.

Holy Week Services – Tues 31/03 - Healing Eucharist & Stripping of the Altar 7.30pm; Fri 03/04 - An Hour at the Cross 2pm.



Christ Church Ainsworth www.ainsworthparish.org.uk

News – We'll be holding our Spring Fair on Saturday 16/05; 11 – 2pm

Regular Events – Coffee & Conversation – 2nd Tuesday of each month, 10.30 – 12 noon in Ainsworth Church & Community Hall; a drop in social event for over 50's.

CCA Litter Pickers – 1st Thursday of each month; 3.15 – 4pm

Holy Week Services – Thurs 02/04 - Holy Communion & Stripping of the Altar 7pm; Fri 03/04 – Good Friday Reflection 7pm; Sun 05/04 – Easter Dawn Service followed by breakfast 6.15am; Holy Communion - 10.30am.



St. Thomas & St. John, Radcliffe <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/16096/>

Regular Events – Saturday Café – every Saturday 10.30am – 12.30pm.

Holy Week Services – Weds 01/04 - Stations of the Cross 7pm; Thurs 02/04 - Maundy Thursday Holy Communion with Vigil 10am; Holy Communion with Vigil joint service at St. Mary's 7pm; Fri 03/04 - Good Friday Liturgy around the Cross, 2pm; Sun 05/04 - Easter Sunday Sunrise Service with breakfast at St. Mary's 6.30pm; Holy Communion 11am.



Radcliffe Parish Church of St. Mary Radcliffe Parish Church of St. Mary

News – We'll be holding our Spring Fayre on Saturday 09/05 11 – 2pm. The Mothers' Union Deanery Festival will be held on Mon 11/05 (time to be advised).

Regular Events - Saturday Café – 2nd Saturday of each month, 10am – 12noon.

Holy Week Services – Weds 01/04 - Stations of the Cross, joint service at St Thomas & St John 7pm; Thurs 02/04 - Maundy Thursday - Holy Communion with Vigil joint service at St. Thomas & St. John 10am; Holy Communion with Vigil 7pm; Fri 03/04 - Good Friday, Liturgy around the Cross, joint service at St Thomas & St John 2pm; Sun 05/04 - Easter Sunday Sunrise Service, with breakfast 6.30pm; Holy Communion 9.30am.



St. Andrew's, Radcliffe StAndrewsRadcliffe

Regular Events - Oasis Craft Group meet each Tuesday afternoon from 1 – 3pm, all welcome.

Baby & toddlers 'Wiggle Tots' is held on Thursdays from 9 – 10.30am.

Family Service – Thursdays 3.45pm

Christ Church Walshaw www.christchurch-walshaw.co.uk



News - We are holding a Valentine's Day Community Event on Saturday 14th Feb – all welcome.

Regular Events – Our super popular baby & toddler group meets in Church on Wednesdays from 10 – 11.15am (term time only).

Walshaw Community Choir - Wednesdays 7.15pm

'Cake & Chat' - 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month.

If your Church has any news or dates to include in our June / July newsletter, email alisonhartleyhorse@gmail.com