

The Radcliffe Team Ministry Parish of St Mary and Parish of St Thomas and St John with St Philip's Community Centre	
NOTICES THIS WEEK	<i>Sunday 7 June 2026</i> <i>First Sunday after Trinity</i>

Sunday and the week ahead

This weekend, first Sunday of the month, there will be at St Thomas and St John's the usual ingathering of non-perishable food and toiletries to support the work of Porch Boxes. Packs are provided to local people in crisis need. Goods may be brought to both our Team churches at any time. Please support this effort if you can.

Sun 7 th First Sunday after Trinity	9:30am	Eucharist at St Mary's.	Followed by refreshments
	11:00am	Eucharist at St Thomas and St John's • At the Intercessions today: Lord, we come to you, for you alone can make us whole.	
	11:15am	Burial of ashes at St Mary's of Joy Corcoran	
	11:45am	St Mary's graveyard tidyup	
Mon 8 th	7:00pm	(- 9:00pm) Second of the Confirmation Preparation sessions at the vicarage.	Please let Revd Marie know if you plan to attend
Wed 10 th	10:00am	Team mid-week Communion at St TJ's	With refreshments
	2:00pm	Celebration at St Mary's of 130 years of the Mothers' Union branch	See also the UPDATE section on page 2
	7:00pm	PCC of St Thomas and St John's meets	At St Philip's
Thu 11 th	10:00am	Funeral at St TJ's of Roland Paget	
Fri 12 th	10:15am	(- 11:30) Following coffee, Team Friday Friends Study Group, at St TJ's.	
	noon	Team Intercessions at St TJ's, followed by bring-your-own-lunch if you wish	
Sat 13 th	10:00am	Monthly Café at St Mary's	Until noon
	10:30am	Saturday Café at St Thomas and St John's, including Vestry Hour (10:30-11:30am) MAY BONUS BALL was won by Barry Sheehan	Until 12:30pm
	11:00am	St TJ's Church Tidy-up Day. Please come along to help	
Sun 14 th Second Sunday after Trinity	9:30am	Eucharist at St Mary's.	Followed by refreshments
	11:00am	Eucharist at St Thomas and St John's	

Points for Prayer

For healing	St Mary's: Catherine, Andrew Berry, Revd Dougie Bird, Berenice Carey, Anna Cowsill, David Duckworth, Mick Dugdill, Colin Embrey, Margaret Embrey, Christine Firth, William Firth, Peter Gorman, Chris Hollis, Pauline Holt, Harry Melling, Donna Newall, Sue Richardson, Joyce Uren, Ian Williams, Denis Wright, Janice Wright St TJ and elsewhere: Marilyn Aldred, Joyce Baker, Lawson Bant, Reg Dee, Jacob Dewar, Zohreh Galati, Lyn Hill, Claire Jones, Louise Peart Alan Collier, who received prayers and anointing for the dying this week.
Bereaved	Family and friends of Roland Paget
Books of Remembrance	St Mary's: Doris Wosser (8th), Fred Simmons (9th) St Thomas and St John's: Jean Collier (7th); Arthur Nuttall, Elsie Riley (9th); Harold Le Clere, Edith Frances Broxap (11th); Harry Yates, Willie Fairbrother Atherton, John Percy (12th); Nanny Bradshaw, Bob Casey (13th)

Looking ahead

June		
Sat 20 th	11:00am	(- noon) Mission Community Litter Pick meets at St Thomas and St John's for work in the local area
July		
Sat 4 th	11:30am	Mission Community Prayer Walk. Meet at St Mary's church for a prayer walk through Close Park finishing at the church for (bring your own) lunch and a short Communion Service with Bishop Mark
Sun 5 th		St Mary's WAGS group taking part in Race for Life at Heaton Park. To support them, contact Vicky (07533 894392). if you need further details: https://raceforlife.cancerresearchuk.org/
Wed 8 th	7:30pm	Archdeacon's Visitation at Christ Church Walshaw. Churchwardens will be admitted. All welcome. Sidespersons and PCC members are invited to make declarations of commitment to support our mission and ministry.
Sat 11 th	7:00pm	Doors open for live band at St Philip's Community Centre. £3. Proceeds to Bury Hospice. Tickets from the Centre or ring 07490 838898.
Sun 12 th	3:00pm	Confirmation Service at St Thomas and St John's

UPDATE

TOWER As you have entered St Thomas and St John's church during the last few weeks, you will have walked under scaffolding set up to give access to the tower. Work is in hand to deal with the situation that has arisen as pigeons have been able to gain access to the tower. You can perhaps imagine the mess that has arisen, including dead pigeons. Contractors are clearing the mess and then repairing the defences at the large louvre windows to prevent pigeons getting in. The work has gone well and should be completed shortly. Thanks to Churchwarden, Maryse Gooderson, and others who have prepared for, and overseen, the work.

CHURCHWARDEN Maryse has served as Churchwarden at St TJ's for some years. During that period, there has been a vacancy for a second Churchwarden. Thankfully, that vacancy is to be filled as Pauline Gaskell offered herself as a second Warden, and was duly elected, at the annual meetings at the end of April. She will be admitted to office at the Archdeacon's Visitation on 8 July. We can support her by our presence at that meeting and in the weeks ahead, helping with the work needed in church.

VERGER The Church Council of St Thomas and St John heard with acclaim that Revd Marie has appointed Phil Roberts as Verger, subject to the completion of formalities. We thank Phil for stepping up to the role, which dates back to the Middle Ages. Working with the Rector, the Verger post can include ceremonial duties, backstage management of services (including changing altar frontals to match the proper colour for the liturgical season – work Phil manages already), welcoming people to church and setting up for the less routine events and services that take place in church. Thanks, Phil.

ST PHILIP'S COMMUNITY CENTRE Having received a new roof, with a grant from the National Lottery Community Fund, our Centre has gratefully received a gift of roof insulation from Watson Homes, who are building opposite the church.

MOTHERS' UNION A service to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the foundation of MU will be live-streamed from St Paul's Cathedral at 5:00pm on Wednesday 10 June via the Mothers' Union Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/MothersUnion>.

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.



CONFIRMATION PREP SESSIONS



7-9 PM
Mondays
1,8,22,29 June



St Thomas'
Vicarage
M26 2TR



**for anyone interested in being
confirmed or thinking about it**

**This year's confirmation will be taking place at
St Thomas & St John on 12th July 26.**

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 all young people who are sitting or preparing to sit GCSEs, A Levels or other higher education exams.

- Giving thanks & praying for all who have worked so hard to prepare them for these exams & for those who continue to offer support & encouragement.
- Praying that the Holy Spirit will strengthen, guide, comfort & calm students as they prepare, and bring wisdom & focus as they take their exams.
- Praying that their hard work & preparation pays off in terms of achieving the necessary results, but that all young people will remember that they are loved & valued no matter what the outcome is, and that results are only one part of their journey.

Radcliffe & Whitefield Mission Community

Prayer Diary



June 2026

1 st	We pray for those who will be part of the book group being held at St. George's, Unsworth today.
2 nd	We give thanks that all of our Churches will now have held their APCMs. We pray for all those who have taken on a new role within their Church or been re-elected to serve a further term of office.
3 rd	We pray for all who will be taking part in First Wednesday Friends with Revd Marie at St. Thomas & St. John's Vicarage today.
4 th	We pray for all who will be part of the Task Group meeting this evening; that each Church would have people who feel called to be part of this group & that the meeting would be fruitful.
5 th	We pray for those who will be involved in the Coffee Morning being held at St. Andrew's, Hillock today, in aid of 'Mopane Tree' (Namibia), that this would be a well supported & successful event. On World Environment Day, we pray also for all who work to promote awareness and action for the protection of our environment.
6 th	We pray for those who will be involved with running Saturday Café at St. Thomas & St. John, Radcliffe today, that this might be a resource that is valued by the community & an opportunity for meaningful encounters.
7 th	We pray for mission & ministry at All Saints, Stand.
8 th	We pray for all who are working through ALM elective modules or Lay Pathway modules; praying also for those who are leading the sessions.
9 th	We pray for those who will be leading or attending Coffee & Conversation at Christ Church Ainsworth today, that this might be an opportunity to meet old friends & make new ones.
10 th	We pray for members of St. Mary's Mothers' Union Branch, who will be holding their 130year celebration event today.
11 th	We pray for all who are involved with ministry to children, families & schools; praying that the seeds of faith would be sown & nurtured in young hearts.
12 th	We pray for those who are involved with running the Cornerstone Café at St. George's, Unsworth. Praying also for the community that they serve.
13 th	We pray for those who will be involved with running Saturday Café at St. Mary, Radcliffe, that this might be a resource that is valued by their community & an opportunity for meaningful encounters.
14 th	We give thanks & pray for Radcliffe & all who live, work & worship in this area.
15 th	We pray for the youth group at St. Andrew's, Radcliffe as they work through Youth Alpha.
16 th	We give thanks for & pray for all who will be part of the Prayer & Spirituality 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 mission & ministry at Christ Church Ainsworth.
19 th	We pray for mission & ministry at St. Andrew's, Hillock.
20 th	We pray for all those who will be taking part in our Mission Community Litter Pick today. Praying for the community that we will be working in & for the opportunity to speak with members of that community whilst out 'picking'.
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 St. Thomas & St. John, Radcliffe.
25 th	We pray for mission & ministry at Christ Church Walshaw.
26 th	We pray for those who will be organising & attending the concert being held at All Saints, Stand this evening as part of their bicentennial celebrations.
27 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.
28 th	We pray for mission & ministry at St. Mary, Radcliffe.
29 th	We pray for those throughout our Mission Community who are preparing for Confirmation in the coming weeks, praying that they would be guided by & filled with the Holy Spirit.
30 th	We pray for mission & ministry at Emmanuel Community Church, Radcliffe.

"What wings are to a bird, & sails are to a ship; so prayer is to the soul."

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



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SATURDAY

11th July



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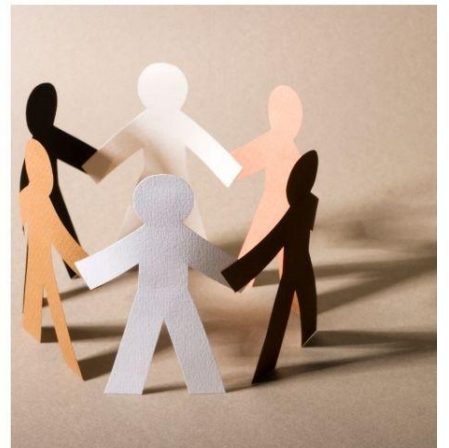
Saturday Cafe



**Every Saturday
10:30am - 12:30pm**

Everyone Welcome

**ST THOMAS & ST JOHN CHURCH
NEW CHURCH STREET, RADCLIFFE**



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

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

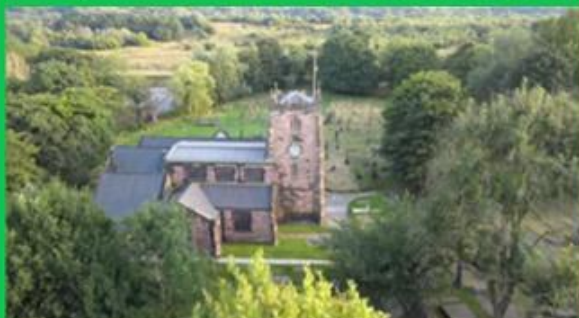
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www.radcliffeparishchurch.com

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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/>

Radcliffe & Whitefield Mission Community News

June – July 2026

Roving Reporter

Bee Joyful

It was wonderful to see so many people at our Mission Community Spring Worship Event & to welcome Revd Phil Cansdale to speak; our theme was 'Joy' & our worship was certainly joyful! Hearing the inspiration behind each Church's choice of hymn was interesting & at times quite moving, and what a great line up of hymns we had. A huge thank you to Christ Church Ainsworth for hosting this event, to Jenny (Organist), members of CCA Choir who joined us on the evening, the 'home team' & all who helped with organising the event, and to everyone who came along & sang so enthusiastically on the night.

Ascension Day Prayer Journey 2026

After some rather wild & wet weather in the days leading up to this event, Ascension Day dawned dry & bright, if a little fresh! Following Celtic Morning Prayer, walkers set off from either end of the Mission Community, stopping at each Church on route for a time of prayer & finally coming together to celebrate Communion at St. Thomas & St. John, Radcliffe. Whilst it's definitely not a race – it's worth noting that, for the first time, the Northern walkers arrived at St. Thomas & St. John ahead of the Southern walkers! A big thank you to the team at St. Thomas & St. John for hosting us once again & to Revd Phil Cansdale for leading our Ascension Day Communion Service.

Recycling Update

Many thanks to everyone who continues to support our recycling initiatives; the small number of items that we each donate might seem insignificant, but just to let you know ... in May, 13.1kg of unwanted wax products were collected from Churches across the diocese; throughout 2025 our Mission Community collected almost 1,500 pairs of unwanted prescription glasses, multiple bags of bras, & just over 5kg of used stamps. Throughout 2025 the Bone Cancer Research Trust was able to raise £10,335-86 from the collection of used stamps. Recycling means that these items are not only being kept out of landfill; they are helping people in the UK and abroad who are in the greatest need.

Coming Soon ...

Mission Community Litter Picking Event

Saturday 20th June 11- 12 noon; we'll be meeting at St. Thomas & St. John, Radcliffe for an hour of litter picking in their locality. We have lots of litter picking equipment to share, so please come along, join us on the day & help us to make a difference.

Mission Community Prayer Walk

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

Confirmation Service

Sunday 12th July 3pm @ St. Thomas & St. John, Radcliffe; please contact Revd Marie Pattison (Radcliffe Team) if your Church has Confirmation candidates. A number of Churches are holding Confirmation preparation sessions for both children & adults, so please reach out if anyone needs support with this.

Eco Tips

June – Taste the benefits of seasonal and locally grown food. Produce grown locally is picked at the peak of its ripeness and will be full of flavour, tasting better than the produce that has been imported and travelled thousands of miles.

July – Help hedgehogs during long periods of dry weather; leaving out a juicy snack, such as mealworms or canned dog food, can help in sustained warm weather.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thanksgiving Service For Toddler Group Leaders

Tues 2nd June
7-8pm
St. Philip's, Chapel St, Salford M3 6FR
[A Special Service of Thanksgiving Tickets, Tuesday, June 2 • 7 PM - 8 PM | Eventbrite](#)

Archdeacon's Visitation Service

Weds 8th July
7.30pm
Christ Church
Walshaw

Confirmation Service

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

Farewell Service For Ven Dr Rachel Mann

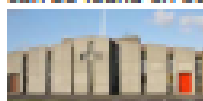
Sun 5th July
5.30pm
Manchester Cathedral

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, including a Bicentennial Art Exhibition by All Saints School, which will be held in Church from 22nd – 26th June, concluding with a concert on Friday 26th June. More details can be found on our website.



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

News – Friday 05/06 – We are holding a Coffee Morning in aid of Mopane Tree, a charity that Hillock & Unsworth have supported for a number of years. Revd Michele is travelling out to Namibia at the end of July, to see at first hand, the work that this amazing charity does.

Monday 27/07 – Our summer holiday breakfast club starts.

Regular Events – Wednesday Bible Study; 6.30pm soup and bread if you wish, with Bible Study at 7pm.



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

News – Our next Book Club will be held on Monday 1st June.

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

Morning Prayer in Church at 11am each Monday morning.

Our Cornerstone Café is open each Wednesday & Friday morning serving lunches.



Christ Church Ainsworth www.ainsworthparish.org.uk

News – Saturday 11/07 @ 7pm – The Eden Singers 'Hits of the Decade' concert in Church; tickets £7 each, inc refreshments.

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



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

News – Sat 20/06 @ 11am Mission Community Litter Picking event starts at St. Thomas & St. John.

Sun 12/07 @ 3pm we'll be hosting the Mission Community Confirmation Service, led by Bishop Matthew Porter.

Regular Events – Saturday Café every Saturday 10.30am – 12.30pm, inc Vestry Hour 10.30 – 11.30am.

First Wednesday Friends with Rev Marie at St T & J Vicarage, Weds 03/06 & Weds 01/07, 7 – 9pm.

Fridays 10.30 – 11.30am; Friday friends study group.

Fridays 12.30pm; Intercessions, bring your own lunch if you wish for after prayers, drinks provided.



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

News – Weds 10/06 @ 2pm, Mothers' Union celebration of 130 years at St Mary's.

Sat 04/07 @ 11.30am, we'll be hosting the Mission Community Prayer Walk followed by a short Communion service at St Mary's, led by Bishop Mark Davies.

Sun 05/07 - St Mary's WAG's group are taking part in Race for Life in Heaton Park.

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

First Wednesday Friends with Rev Marie at St T & J Vicarage, Weds 03/06 & Weds 01/07, 7 – 9pm.



St. Andrew's, Radcliffe StAndrewsRadcliffe

News – The Well @ Radcliffe is a new initiative held each Monday from 10 – 12noon @ St. Andrew's Vicarage - free hot drinks, toast & cake; a warm space with a warm welcome!

Sun 28/06 @ 4pm – 'Bangers & Bangers' – Songs of Praise Service followed by a BBQ in the

Church grounds – everyone welcome.

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'll be hosting the Archdeacon's Visitation Service on Weds 8th July @ 7.30pm

Regular Events – Monthly Prayer Meeting, 1st Tuesday of each month, 7.30 – 8.30pm.

Walshaw Community Choir - Wednesdays 7.15pm

'Cake & Chat' - 1st Tuesday of each month, 2 – 4pm.

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

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