

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 23 August 2026</i> <i>Eleventh Sunday after Trinity</i>

Sunday and the week ahead

Sun 23 rd Twelfth Sunday after Trinity	9:30am	Eucharist at St Mary's.	Followed by refreshments
	11:00am	Eucharist at St Thomas and St John's - during which Ahmed Said, Basheer Said and Reza Vahdani will be baptised - We welcome Jim playing today	
Wed 26 th	10:00am	Team mid-week Communion at St Thomas and St John's	With refreshments
Fri 28 th	10:15am	During August, Team Friday Friends Study Group will not meet	
	noon	Team Intercessions at St Thomas and St John's, followed by bring-your-own-lunch if you wish, drinks provided	
Sat 29 th	10:30am	Saturday Café at St Thomas and St John's, including Vestry Hour (10:30-11:30am) for baptism and wedding enquirers, and with the drawing of the August BONUS BALL and for the winner of the Summer Raffle. Bacon butties and a cuppa will be on offer for £2.50, 11:00-12:30. Please let Pauline or Debs know in advance if you might be wanting bacon.	Until 12:30pm
	7:00pm	Quiz Night at St Philip's Community Centre. Fundraiser for St Philip's. Free entry to the event. £2 to enter the quiz.	
Sun 30 th Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity	9:30am	Eucharist at St Mary's.	Followed by refreshments
	11:00am	Eucharist at St Thomas and St John's	
		Schoolbag Blessing Sunday at each church during morning service. These will be family-friendly Communion Services. Bring your school bags for the new school year and we will bless them and pray for the year ahead.	

Points for Prayer

Baptism	Ahmed Said, Basheer Said and Reza Vahdani, and their sponsors
For healing	St Mary's: Catherine, Andrew Berry, Berenice Carey, Anna Cowsill, David Duckworth, Mick Dugdill, Colin Embrey, Margaret Embrey, Christine Firth, William Firth, Peter Gorman, Kathleen Hardman, Pauline Holt, Harry Melling, Sue Richardson, David and Jean Valentine, Ian Williams, Denis Wright, Janice Wright St TJ and elsewhere: Alan Cain, Jacob Dewar, Zohreh Galati, Lyn Hill, Louise Peart
Bereaved	Family and friends of those who have died recently

Books of Remembrance	St Mary's: Rod Rainey, Dorothy Pickles (24 th); Elena Tokaryk (25 th); Kathleen Simmonds (27 th) St Thomas and St John's: Samuel Hansbrow Makin, George Greenhalgh (24 th); Margaret Arthur (25 th)
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Looking ahead

August	
Sun 30 th	Diane invites her church friends to her baptism today at 6:30pm at Trinity Baptist Church, Westminster Avenue.
September	
Tue 1 st	Valuation Day at St Philip's Community Centre run by Adam Partridge Auctioneers 10:00am-1:00pm. Bring along anything you want valued – they might even buy it or put it in an auction.
Wed 2 nd	First Wednesday Friends meet at 7:00pm at the vicarage for discussion and informal Communion
Thu 3 rd	St TJ's Gardening Group meets at 10:00am
Fri 4 th	Team Friday Friends resumes its weekly meetings at 10:15am at St Thomas and St John's church. We begin studies in the Letters of St Paul to the Church at Thessalonica.
Sun 6 th	Celebration of the new Festival of Creation in Christ , introducing Creationtide, until 4 October, where we focus on our efforts to safeguard creation.
Weekend 11 th - 13 th	Heritage Open Days at St Mary's. A celebration of St Mary's war dead and local war heroes.
Weekend 18 th - 20 th	Heritage Open Days at St TJ's. Radcliffe in the first half of the 20 th Century with life in the mines, mills and shops
Sat 19 th	Authorisation Service at 2:30pm in the cathedral for Authorised Lay Ministers (ALMs). Janette and Deborah invite us to support them by our presence.
Thu 24 th	"Bee Inspired" – worship with the Mission Community, 7:30pm at St Andrew, Hillock. Speaker: Archdeacon Simon.
Mon 28 th	Welcome Service in the cathedral at 5:30pm for Simon Cook as our new Archdeacon of Salford and Bolton
October	
Sat 3 rd	Blessings and Brews at St Thomas and St John's. 10:30 – noon. Fun events and pet blessing.
Sat 10 th	Blessings and Brews at St Mary's. 10:30 – noon. Fun events and pet blessing.
Sat 10 th	Harvest Lunch at St Thomas and St John's. 12:30pm for 1:00pm
Sun 11 th	Harvest Thanksgiving throughout the Team at morning services
Sun 11 th	Operation Christmas Child shoebox appeal launched
Sun 18 th	Church Action on Poverty Sunday
November	
Sun 1 st	Operation Christmas Child shoebox appeal ends
Sat 7 th	Abba-themed night at St Philip's Community Centre
Sun 8 th	Remembrance Sunday Civic Service at St Thomas and St John's after events at the Radcliffe War Memorial
Sun 8 th	Team Eucharist at 6pm at St TJ's. Theme: Peace and Justice

To be in touch with the clergy, please contact Revd Marie Pattison, Team Rector (0161 989 5785 or 07795 805767 or revmariepattison@gmail.com), 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.

Please follow us and "like" us on our Facebook pages: Radcliffe Parish Church of St. Mary; The Parish Church of St Thomas & St John, Radcliffe; St Philips Community Centre.

Saturday Cafe Special



29th August 2026



We will

be serving

Bacon Rolls between

11am - 12.30

£2.50 incl drink

Please order you Bacon Roll with

Pauline or Debs

Summer Raffle Draw

Monthly Draw



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Small Projects Event

1st Prize

*Voucher for Afternoon Tea for Two
At Slatterys, Whitefield*

Value over £40.00

2nd Prize

*Cream Tea at Home for Two
Scone, Butter, Clotted Cream, Jam*

3rd Prize

*Bottle of Wine
and 6 Wine Glasses*

*The Raffle will be drawn on 29th August 2026
Beryl & Jackie are ready and happy to sell you some
raffle tickets throughout August*

*Please note: as an alternative
the voucher can be used in Slatteries Shop
or towards your choice of the Restaurant's Menu*

Grab your friends and join us for a

QUIZ

NIGHT!



FUN • FRIENDS • GREAT PRIZES!

SATURDAY

29TH

AUGUST

**7PM
START**

★ RAFFLE

*Great Prizes
TO BE WON!*



**STAND UP
BINGO!**

*Fun, Fast &
Lots of Laughs!*

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BRING YOUR TEAM!

MAX 6 PEOPLE PER TEAM

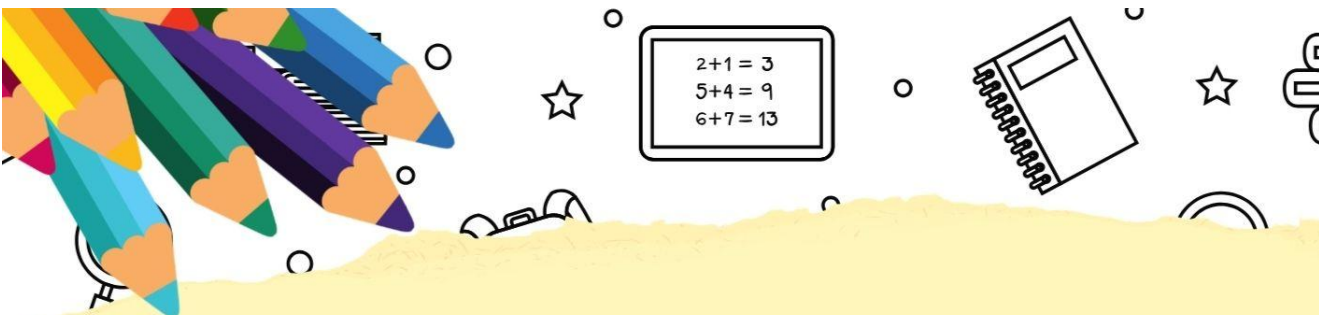
Everyone Welcome!



ST PHILIPS COMMUNITY CENTRE

A great night out in your community!

★ *Come along, have fun and support your community!* ★



Schoolbag Blessing Sunday

Sunday 30th August 2026

Parish Church of St. Mary, 9:30am

St Thomas and St John's Church, 11am

A family-friendly Communion Service

Bring your schoolbag for the new school year
we will bless them and pray for the year ahead



St Mary's (by Close Park) M26 2QA
St Thomas & St John (Blackburn St/New Church Street) M26 2UD

Radcliffe and Whitefield Mission Community Churches invite you to

Bee Inspired

Thursday
24th Sept 2026
7:30pm

faith
love
hope



St Andrew, Hillock
(M45 8LA)

♥ PRAY
&
WORSHIP ♥

Speaker

New Archdeacon
of Bolton
Ven Simon Cook



 THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

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



HOSTED BY
NEW LIFE CHURCH

HELPING THE MARGINALISED AND LONELY INTO A
SENSE OF BELONGING, ACCEPTANCE AND INCLUSION

**THE
Embrace
PROJECT**

**ENGLISH LESSON FOR THOSE WHOM
ENGLISH ISN'T THEIR FIRST LANGUAGE.
WEDS & THURS 9:30 - 12:00**

and

FIT & FED - EXERCISE AND NUTRITION FOR PARENTS AND CHILDREN
- DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS




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  COMMUNITY FUND

NEW LIFE CHURCH, STAND LANE M26 1JR

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 TJ's

Right: St Mary's



Foundations for Ministry



Applications for this year's Foundations for Ministry (FFM) course are now open! FFM aims to provide you with a sound biblical foundation for exploring and developing your call to Christian ministry and commitment to lifelong discipleship.

The course runs over three terms from October to May, and includes an induction evening, 20 core sessions and three additional Saturday course days. Sessions include a mixture of interactive talks, group work, and personal reflection, all designed to help you:

- Identify your spiritual gifts and the shape of your specific ministry.
- Understand the Church.
- Discover your call to mission, discern where God is calling you to serve, and learn how to remain fruitful in ministry.

For more information, contact Adesola Akala, Lay Ministry Officer, at: adesolaakala@manchester.anglican.org

CHURCHYARD MAINTENANCE FUND

We treasure our church, its grounds, & everyone who visits from near and far. We work hard to keep the churchyard a welcoming, peaceful place for all – but we can't do it without your help.



To help us maintain the grounds, we've launched a dedicated **Churchyard Maintenance Fund**. A full professional grass cut costs **£1,200** each time



Each time the fund reaches £1,000, we will top it up from church funds so a gardener can complete a full cut.



If you're able to support this work, please donate via the QR code or the link to our Give a Little page on our homepage:
radcliffeparishchurch.com



If donating isn't possible right now, you can still make a big difference. Join our friendly volunteer team for the churchyard clean-up on the **first Sunday of each month** around 10:30. Tools are provided, and there are tasks for all abilities – everyone is welcome



Thank you

*for helping us care for this special place
for today's community and future generations*



THE PCC OF RADCLIFFE PARISH CHURCH OF ST MARY