



The Parish of Saint Hugh & Saint John

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Parish Priest: Canon Christopher Matthews

Easter Week III: Week commencing Sunday 19 April 2026

Sat 18th	Ferial	11.00am 12noon	No Adoration or Reconciliation John Ackroyd RIP
	First Mass of Sunday	6.30pm	Tom & Sarah McDonnell, Kathleen Hughes RIP
Sun 19th	Third Sunday of Easter <i>Manchester Marathon day</i>	8.30am 10.30am	Ted Bennett RIP B'day anniversary Parishioners
Mon 20th	Ferial	9.30am 7.00pm	Remy Jordan Paul – get well (<i>Class Mass</i>) <i>Living Water Prayer Group</i>
Tues 21st	Ferial	7.00pm	Thanksgiving for all who prayed for John & Brenda Ackroyd
Wed 22nd	Ferial	9.30am	No Mass
Thurs 23rd	Saint George, Patron of England	9.30am 7.00pm	Patricia Fehily RIP <i>Holy Hour and Adoration</i>
Friday 24th	Ferial	9.30am	Amer Sholji, Istefan Matlub, Khairiyah Naoom, Mona Estefan RIP
Sat 25th	Saint Mark	10.30am	First Holy Communion Mass
	First Mass of Sunday	6.30pm	Abbie & Declan's wedding day
Sun 26th	Fourth Sunday of Easter <i>Day of Prayer for Vocations</i>	8.30am 10.30am	Simon Bailey RIP Parishioners

Canon Christopher writes: Welcome to this week's newsletter.

Today is the Third Sunday in the great season of Eastertide; we had forty days to prepare for Easter and now we have fifty days to celebrate the resurrection and that gift of new life in Jesus Christ.

The Gospel we hear today is the well-known passage of the road to Emmaus, where Jesus is revealed in the breaking of the bread. As soon as the disciples realise that Jesus was there with them, they immediately dash back to tell the others that they had seen the Risen Lord. There is a great urgency in them to share this good news of Jesus Christ. We too should share that urgency to share the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, His love, His Hope, His peace, His joy with all those we meet.

The Gospel today reminds us that the most important part of the Mass we celebrate together is the dismissal, when the deacon or priest sends us out, back to our daily lives, nourished and strengthened to live a life that glorifies God in all that we do and say and think. At the Eucharist you are strengthened to bring Christ to the world.

Wishing you a blessed Easter Week ahead.

THE ADIDAS MANCHESTER MARATHON: For more information on the road closures in our area this weekend, please visit www.manchestermarathon.co.uk.

PARENTS BAPTISM PREPARATION MEETING: For children under 7 years of age: the next evening course will be on Thursday 30 April 2026 at 7pm in the Parish Hall. *We have moved the preparation course due to the local election on 7 May.* The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 4 June. Book a place by emailing the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY (MFL): All those who are interested in supporting the Vocation of Marriage and Family are invited to attend our Diocesan MFL retreat to help you find out more. 18th April 2026, from 9.30am to 4.00pm, in Saint John Vianney Parish Hall, St Wilfrid's Church, Witton Street Northwich Cheshire, CW9 5NP
There will be presentations on the Mission of Marriage, a Reflection on the Book of Tobit and Mass at Midday. Please Register with Monika Golembiewska on 07549 226794 or email: monika.golembiewska@dioceseofshrewsbury.org.

CAFOD:

CAFOD: Stand with Sudan. Give monthly. On the third anniversary of the war in Sudan, Kayode Akintola, CAFOD's Head of Region for Africa, asks for your help: *"So many of our sisters and brothers in Sudan are facing increasing violence, hunger, and disease. That is why today, I'm asking you to consider setting up a monthly gift to support families who are fleeing the violence – with food, safe water and other vital support. Monthly gifts are an act of steady love for our neighbours, a way of saying: we will not abandon you; we will stand with you until peace is restored."* Donate at cafod.org.uk/StandWithSudan

DIOCESAN VACANCIES:

Two vacancies have arisen within the Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team for a **Programme Coordinator** and **Youth Mission Team Member**. Further details regarding both posts can be found on the Diocesan Website. <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/> Interested parties should send their CV and covering letter to Pauline McCulloch recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org Closing date Friday 29 April 2026.

EVENTS:

MEET YOUR MP COFFEE MORNING: Connor Rand, MP for Altrincham and Sale West on Saturday will be in the Parish Hall on Saturday 18 April between 11am-12.30pm. This is a chance to ask any questions you may have. Please see the posters in the church hall.

ROMULUS SINGERS' CONCERT: on Sunday 26 April at 3pm in Holy Angels Church Hall, Hale Barns. Tickets: Adult £15, Child/Student £7. Ticket price includes a glass of non-alcoholic fizz, scone with cream and jam and tea or coffee. **It is essential to book in advance.** Buy online at <http://www.romulus-singers.co.uk/myheartsfriend> or call Steve on 07531 266 443 to reserve a place.

SPUC PRO-LIFE CHAIN 2026: Please join us in a peaceful public act of witness to commemorate the millions of unborn babies killed, and the families hurt, by abortion since the implementation of the 1967 Abortion Act. This peaceful act of witness spreads the message that abortion kills unborn children and hurts women and families. If you have any queries please contact Michael on 07810 791032. Saturday 25th April, 11am - 1pm, Washway Road at Harboro Road, Sale, M33 4RA

SPIRITUAL MINI-RETRAIT: 25 April 10.00-1.00pm organised by ADoRE, which is part of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal. Agenda: Mass, Adoration, Praise, Prayer for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and inspiring talk from speaker Geoff Poulter, trainer in prophecy, healing and discipleship. Attend online or in person at Saint Joseph's, Christchurch, Dorset. Details at https://www.altonrenewal.com/this_month

FINANCE:

OFFERINGS: Thank you for your financial support of the parish. **SOCIAL FUND EXPENSES COLLECTION:** you generously donated £218.54.

Sunday 12 April £505.61. Plus, standing orders and card donations. Your consistent support is invaluable.

WHAT'S ON:

Sunday 19 April:

10.30am Children's liturgy in the Parish Hall
7.00pm Confirmation preparation

Monday 20 April:

10.00am Year 3 Retreat in the Church & Parish Hall
7.00pm Living Water's Prayer Group in church porch
7.00pm Small meeting room – SVP

Tuesday 21 April:

10.00am Year 3 Retreat in the Church & Parish Hall
9.30am Exercise class in the Parish Hall
1.00pm Craft Group in the Parish Hall

Wednesday 22 April:

10.00am Year 3 Retreat in the Church & Parish Hall
10.30am Toddlers group in the Parish Hall
10.30am Mothers' in Prayer in the church porch
6.00pm Guides, Brownies & Rainbows in the Parish Hall
6.30pm Choir practice in the church

Thursday 23 April:

Friday 24 April:

Saturday 25 April:

10.30am First Holy Communion Mass in church

Sunday 26 April:

10.30am Children's liturgy in the Parish Hall
7.00pm Confirmation preparation

Could parish groups please keep the Parish Office informed of dates and times of meetings and events, so the diary is always accurate. Many thanks in anticipation.

For any home communions, sick visits, Mass intentions, baptisms, funerals, RCIA, etc. please contact Canon Chris via the Parish Office.

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