

Newsletter

19th Sunday Ordinary Time – 10th August 2025

St Richards, Sacred Heart (Hindley Green) and Sacred Heart (Hindsford) Churches Parish Office: Andrew – Parish Admin (01942 951001) andrew.blain@rcaol.org.uk Parish Priest: Fr. Carl Mugan (01942 392922) c.mugan@rcaol.org.uk.

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St John Rigby Parish

Saturday	9 Aug	5.00pm	Sacred Heart	Mass Held in Parish Centre Josh Abbot Littler
Sunday	10 Aug	9:30am	St Richards	Special intention
Monday	11 Aug	10.30am	Sacred Heart	No Mass
Tuesday	12 Aug	10:30am	St Richards	Tina Smith
Wednesday	13 Aug	10:30am	Sacred Heart	William & Agnes Freeman
Thursday	14 Aug	10:30am	St Richards	Maureen Dillon
Friday	15 Aug			No Mass
Saturday	16 Aug	5:00pm	Sacred Heart	People of the parish
20 th Sunday in OT	17 Aug	9:30am	St Richards	John Meakin

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<u>Newsletter</u> If you have any items / news that you would like adding to the newsletter could you please send them to Fr Carl before Wednesday evenings. Thank you.

<u>Changes to Mass times (Sacred Heart church – Hindley Green)</u> Work has now started on Sacred Heart Church. Access to the parish centre can be made through the school gates during Mass times. The contractors have stressed that no one should attempt to access the church or site whilst work is going ahead. Any concerns or issues should be

reported to Fr Carl. Thank you for your patience and understanding at this time.

<u>Communion for the sick</u> If you are aware of parishioners or members of our community who wish to receive Holy Communion at home or are in hospital and are not being visited, could you please let me know so that Ministers can arrange visits.

<u>Family of Parishes</u> Whilst in Lourdes I met with Fr Francis (Holy Family – Boothstown) and we have decided to reinvigorate our plans for the area 'Family of Parishes'. We already have reps to sit on the Deanery Synodal Council. I would like to ask if anyone is interested in meeting on a parish level to discuss things we could do together with, St Benedict's, Holy Family (Boothstown) and St Ambrose. Please feel free to email, or chat with me if you are interested - Fr Carl.

<u>The Musical Comedy Whodunit – Curtains!</u>

As you may be aware The New Garrett Theatre is a local community amateur theatre based in Atherton, who are performing a new show "Whodunit – Curtains". The show will be performed between Wed 13th - Sat 16th August 2025 at St. Mary's High School, Astley. M29 7EE – Curtain up: 7:15pm and tickets are £12. More information can be found on the posters at the back of church.

Hindley Churches Together – 10 years of praise

Celebration of 10 years of praise and worship at The Independent Methodist Church at 7:00pm (3rd September 2025) admission £1:00. All proceeds to Wigan and Leigh Hospice

Day For Catechists – Formation & Reflection. Are you a catechist looking for spiritual refreshment? No matter what kind of ministry you are serving, there is a good opportunity for you to refresh your vocation of being a catechist. On 27 September, the Day for Catechists will be organised from 10.00–16.00 at Carmelite Monastery L18 3NU. With the facilitation of Sr Carino and Sr Hyacinthe from the Dominican Sister of St Joseph, there will be spiritual input and practical discussion on the mission of catechesis. If you're interested, and for more information, please contact Moses at m.mui@rcaol.org.uk

Pilgrimage Mass - Holy Hand of St Edmund Arrowsmith

The annual **Pilgrimage Mass to the Holy Hand of St Edmund Arrowsmith** will be taking place at the **Church of St Oswald & St Edmund Arrowsmith, Liverpool Road, Ashton-in-Makerfield (WN4 9NP)** on **Sunday 24 August 2025 at 3.00pm**. Canon Sean Riley will be the principal celebrant. The Mass will be followed by a blessing with the Holy Hand. A pilgrim walk will take place beforehand at 12 noon.

Collection last week: £790