

The Nicene Creed

*I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.*

*I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.*

*God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.*

*He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.*

*I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

St. Teresa's Living Flame Prayer Group: Every Wednesday We meet in the parish hall between 11.15 am and 12.15 pm for prayer, scripture, intentions, rosary and music. All are most welcome to join us. For further information please contact: Marcelle Perch Tel: 07776343499; Mary Robinson Tel: 07505127451

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17th March, 2024 – The Fifth Sunday of Lent
Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 16th – Vigil Mass	6.30 pm	The Parishioners
Sunday 17th – 5th Sunday of Lent	9.00 am	Celebrant's Intention
	10.30 am	Fr. Anthony Cogliolo (sick)
Monday 18 th	10.00 am	Tony Whitehead
Tuesday 19 th – St. Joseph	10.00 am	Piyaseeli Perera
Wednesday 20 th	10.00 am	Indra Ariyawansa
Thursday 21 st	10.00 am	Celebrant's Intention
Friday 22 nd	10.00 am	Celebrant's Intention
Saturday 23 rd (followed by Exposition)	10.00 am	Celebrant's Intention
Saturday 23rd – Vigil Mass	6.30 pm	The Parishioners
Palm Sunday (24th) - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	9.00 am	Celebrant's Intention
	10.30 am	Celebrant's Intention

Please Note

- Palm Sunday Mass next Sunday (24th March) at 10.30 am will begin with a procession from the parish hall
- Confession available after any Mass on request (& after 10 am Mass on Saturdays with Exposition)

Your Prayers are asked for...

Gerald Ramsden, who sadly died last week. May he rest in peace. Please pray for the repose of his soul. His funeral details will be announced in due course.

The Pope's Intentions For March

We pray for those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world; may their courage and missionary zeal permeate the Church.

CANTORES OEUMENICA are Presenting "Olivet to Calvary" on Palm Sunday 24th March 2024 at 4pm in Holy Angels RC Church, Wicker Lane, Hale Barns WA15 0HF. The Soloists both have a background of Glyndebourne Opera and all are accompanied by the International Organist Jonathan Scott. Entry is **FREE** with a retiring collection for charity.

ALL donations will go to the named charities. For further details, including directions to venue, follow this link <http://cantoresoec.org/>

2024 is the Year of Prayer

Pope Francis announced a Year of Prayer Leading up to Jubilee: The pontiff has officially declared 2024 as a Year of Prayer in anticipation of the upcoming jubilee, with a special emphasis on the Our Father. The Year of Prayer, as explained by the Pope, is all about realizing how important and necessary prayer is in our personal lives, in the Church, and the world. Everyone is invited to embark on a special journey of prayer in preparation for the 2025 Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee. Pope Francis is calling on the faithful "to pray more fervently to prepare ourselves to live properly this grace-filled event and to experience the power of hope in God.

Food Donations Appeal – Hope Central Handforth

Sadly, the need continues. Food Donations we are grateful for: Tinned foods (meat, pies, soups, beans, tomatoes, fruit, veg, etc), microwavable rice, cereals, tea, coffee, sugar, biscuits and also nappies). Please leave any donations in the box at the back of church. Alternatively, you may like to offer a financial contribution to the parish, who will then use your donation to buy food in bulk for the Food Bank. (Any cheques may be made payable to "Sacred Heart & St. Teresa's Church").

The Good Counsel Network

On 23rd March, the Vigil of Palm Sunday, please pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia. Pray especially that the Government will not bring in the National Buffer Zones. Through God's grace we have seen thousands of Mothers in our counselling centre continue their pregnancies in very difficult circumstances. Please help us to help save lives with your prayers, fasting and support. More information at www.GoodCounselNetwork.com

Father Vijay Bhupathi Welcome

This weekend we welcome Fr Vijay Bhupathi to the parish of the Sacred Heart & St Teresa. Fr Vijay has been appointed by the Bishop on a temporary basis to undertake the pastoral care of the parish due to Fr Anthony Cogliolo's illness. This arrangement will provide stability for the parish in the approach to Holy Week and Easter, ensuring the celebration of Mass and the sacraments and the regular visitation of sick and housebound parishioners.

Meanwhile, Fr Anthony continues to convalesce in a care home in Macclesfield following his discharge from hospital and he is also being supported by the Diocesan Clergy Welfare Team. Please remember him in prayer and pray also for God's blessing on Fr Vijay's ministry in the parish.

Confessions & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Confessions & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will follow 10 am Mass on Saturdays until 11.15 am. (Confession is also available on request after any Mass).

Volunteer Ministers of the Word and Eucharist are needed for Holy Week Services

Please sign up on the lists in the porch or speak to Father Bhupathi.

Attention All Gift Aid Donors

The current Tax Year 2023/24 will end on the 5th April 2024 and the Parish will then claim back from the Inland Revenue the tax rebate due on your Gift Aid donations. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the donations you have made over the course of this tax year. If your circumstances have changed and you no longer pay income tax (or if for any other reason you do not wish to remain in the Gift Aid scheme) please let Michael Marsden know via the parish email or phone number by 5th April, otherwise it will be assumed you have paid sufficient income tax during the current tax year. Please also inform Michael if your surname or address has changed. **Please note new Envelopes for the new tax year for current donors are now available for collection in the church porch. Please also note your *number* may have changed owing to general housekeeping/tidying.**

How to sign up to Gift Aid & Church Offertory Giving Options If you pay tax and you give to the Church, have you signed a Gift Aid form? Gift Aid only involves giving your name and address on a Gift Aid declaration form and agreeing to make your Offertory donations either by weekly Offertory Envelope, by monthly Banker's Standing Order or by Annual Cheque. No details about your wage, salary or occupation are required. Gift Aid costs you nothing extra but the Parish can claim a tax refund on the money you give and the Inland Revenue gives the Parish 25p for every £1 that you donate. There is no minimum amount or a fixed amount, you don't have to give every week, you can stop and restart donations according to personal circumstances. **BUT you must be paying tax on your income because the Parish is claiming a refund on the tax that you have paid.** If you would like to join the Gift Aid scheme, please contact Michael Marsden via the parish email or phone number. **If you are not able to gift aid your donation, you can still donate to the church by standing order. Again, please contact Michael for further information.**