

# SAINT TERESA OF AVILA

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## SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER, IRLAM

### PARISH NEWSLETTER

#### PALM SUNDAY

29th March 2026



#### MASS

SUNDAY – 9am at St Joseph's

Sunday – 10:30am at St. Teresa's  
(including Children's Liturgy)

Monday – 10am at St Joseph's

Tuesday – 10am at St Teresa's

Wednesday – 10am at St Joseph's

Thursday – 10am at St Teresa's

Friday – 10am at St Joseph's

Saturday – 10am at St Teresa's  
(Including Exposition & Rosary)

Saturday – 6pm at St Joseph's

#### CONFESSION

Saturday 10.30am – 11am At Teresa's

Saturday 5.30pm – 5.50pm St Joseph's

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#### Parish Safeguarding Reps:

Jacqui Morrisey

David Smith

**Please join us in the Avila Centre after Sunday 10.30am**

**Mass for teas & coffees. ALL WELCOME!**

#### HOLY WEEK

This week we begin the Solemn Celebration of Holy Week, with penance, prayer, fasting and abstinence; as we follow the Lord in reflection of His sanctifying Passion, Death and Resurrection for each of us. Please note the times and venues during the week and join us if you are able.

Maunday Thursday Mass is at St. Joseph's at 7.30pm. At this Mass I am asking all our Eucharistic Ministers to attend and renew their commitment in service of the sick and housebound, and in service of us all during our Eucharistic Celebrations in the parish. I am very grateful to all of you for your fidelity in taking Christ to others and being at the Lord's service in this humble way.

#### Stations Of The Cross

Will be on Good Friday Morning, 3<sup>rd</sup> April at St Teresa's church with Churches Together at 10 am, followed by the procession to Prince's park with the cross. Good Friday. St. Teresa's Church at 3.0pm. This is the only day of the year when Mass is not celebrated in the Catholic Church. Instead, the "Adoration of the Cross" takes place, where we approach the cross in veneration.

Holy Saturday. St. Joseph's at 6.0pm. This is a day of stillness and quiet until the Easter Vigil Mass.

#### Easter Sunday Masses

**St. Joseph's 9.0am and St. Teresa's 10.30am.**

#### Prayers for peace in these dark days.

Recently, our Holy Father Pope Leo asked us all not to lose heart but to be strong and determined to pray for peace in our world. As a parish community we are going to recite Pope Leo's prayer to St. Francis after every Mass. The following prayer will be reproduced in the newsletter weekly and prayer cards have been made available for you to take for yourself and the housebound to pray at home.

**Pope Leo's Prayer to St. Francis.**

### St Teresa's RC Primary School

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Irlam  
Manchester  
M44 5LH

**Head Teacher:** Mrs Sandra Burgess

Tel: 0161 777 8203/0161 921 2053

### St Joseph the Worker RC Primary School

Cutnook Lane  
Irlam  
Manchester  
M44 6GX

**Head Teacher:** Mrs. Evelyn Clayton

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### Sylvia Ann Lavin RIP

Let us continue to pray for all who have died and especially for Sylvia, whose Funeral Service is on Holy Thursday at Peel Green Crematorium at 1.0pm. May she rest in peace.

### Gift Aid Envelopes at St. Joseph's Church.

Thank you to those who have picked up their new envelopes. If you attend St. Teresa's Church and your envelopes are registered at St. Joseph's, please let Father Tony know and he can bring to St. Teresa's for you. Apologies if mistakes have been made by me and you don't seem to have been given a box...please see me and let me know. Of course, I am very thankful to you all regarding your gifts and donations for the upkeep of the parish. The fuel bill for the parish in January came to over £1280.00. I have just received the heating bills for February, and it totals £1172.90. Thank heavens the summer is around the corner!

### Thanks!

Many thanks to Fr. Joseph Kiwango who helped us last weekend. Also, many thanks to our Dean, Fr. Martin Collins who was the main celebrant last week at the Station Mass at St. Joseph's for Feast of the Annunciation. I know it has been a particularly busy time for Fr. Martin after recently losing his mother. May she rest in peace.

### Walsingham Pilgrimage

This year's pilgrimage is Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May with an option to stay over on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May. Rooms will be allocated on a 1<sup>st</sup> come 1<sup>st</sup> served basis but we will try to fulfil reasonable requests. If you wish to book for the overnight trip and will require assistance in the unlikely event of an emergency evacuation, please also complete the 'PEEP form'. Day Trip £40, Overnight Stay £135 — £151. Forms are at the back of church and need to please be returned to either Father Tony or Vicky Keeling. Thanks.

### T & J Monthly Draw

Hi everyone I will be collecting money for the draw on 22nd and 23rd March and 28th and 29th March this month but will do the draw after Easter as this is a very special week for us all, so will be done 12th April. I am sorry for this delay as i have also been on holiday, so didn't have the time to give out last month's collection. This will be resolved this Sunday, sorry for the delays love Lesley x

### New Parish Members

Please welcome to our Parish family.....

Dave Yearsley, Lauren Birchall, Molly Maisie evans, Lucca Yearsley, Theo Yearsley, Lillie Harris-hunt, Aurora Harris-hunt, Wrenley Harris- hunt, Emma, Nagha, Soona, who are all either being baptised or receiving First Holy Communion on Saturday 4th April at the Easter Vigil this year. Please keep them in your prayers that God will protect them **and guide them as they live in love, faith, peace and joy, Amen.**

### Offertory Collection

**Sunday Offertory £777.83 Candles £64 Cafod £20 Thank You.**