

The Catholic Parish of St Richard, Skelmersdale

The Churches of St Mary Queen of Apostles, St Richard & St Francis of Assisi, Skelmersdale

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Pastoral Area 13 Under the patronage of St John Rigby

St Richard, St Mary & St Francis Skelmersdale; St. Teresa Upholland;
St Marie of the Annunciation; Standish & St Bernadette Shevington;
St Joseph Wrightington; St James Orrell; Our Lady & All Saints Parbold.

PARISH PRIEST

**Fr. Kenny Hyde P P
Deacon**

Rev. Anthony Callaghan

29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

Sunday	18 th October	29 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) World Mission Day
St Mary	10:00am	Margaret Murphy
Monday	19 th October	
		THERE IS NO MASS TODAY
Tuesday	20 th October	
St Mary	10:00am	Monsignor Provost Peter Cookson
Wednesday	21 st October	
St Mary	10:00am	Shaun Ryan
Thursday	22 nd October	St John Paul II, Pope
St Mary	10:00am	Mary Coogan
Friday	23 rd October	St John of Capistrano, Priest
St Mary	10:00am	Mick Geoghegan
Saturday	24 th October	St Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop
St Mary	10:00am	Margaret O'Connor
Sunday	25 th October	30 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)
St Mary	10:00am	Sr Josephine

We know that many people are excited about returning to church. We want to make sure that you can do so safely and comfortably as social distancing guidelines are still in place. However, you should stay at home if you are unwell. People who are vulnerable or who feel unsure about returning to Mass need to consider the wisdom of doing so. **The Sunday obligation has NOT been reinstated at the moment.**

SYNOD UPDATE

The Archdiocesan Synod should have taken place this weekend. Sadly and for obvious reasons that is not the case. However, the work of Synod continues and the Synod Working Party has brought together the 3500 proposals for change, which have been submitted. You can see these at www.synod2020.co.uk/proposals

Further reflection, discussion and discernment will be needed. In the short term however, we've been asked to say the Synod prayer together this Sunday, to ask the Holy Spirit for ongoing guidance.

Incidentally, a card with the revised Synod timetable is available in the porch if you would like a copy.

Father, we thank you
for the love you have shown us
in the gift of Jesus, your Son.
We thank you for the gift of the Church,
through which you show us
that you are always with us
and are always at work in our lives.

As we journey together to Synod 2020
help us to become the Church that you are calling
us to be.

May your Holy Spirit be powerfully
at work among us.
Strengthen each of us and guide Francis, our Pope
and Malcolm, our Archbishop.

Help us to respond
to the challenges of our times in new ways
to bring your love to all our sisters and brothers.
We make this prayer
through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

AMEN

Remember those who need our prayers

Sick Teenager, Bill Ware, Sr Eva McHale,

Brenda Lockhart, George Johnston,

Brenda Martin, Pauline Perry,

Keith Caldwell, Abby Caldwell,

Ryszard (Richard) Urbanski,

John Bragg, Mary Sykes, Betty Dean,

Roby Burn, Jessica Ruston,

Jean & John Murray,

Linda, Sue and Barbara Roughly,

Tony Spence, Debbie Martin,

Brian Carr, John Carr

LATELY DEAD

MOIRA HOLMES

Requiem Mass at St Mary Queen of Apostles
27th October 2020 at 9:30am

FINANCES

Like many organisations, our church finances have been severely hit during the pandemic. Please continue to support us as best you can. You can donate online (see our web site for details - strichard-skelmersdale.org.uk) or at our Masses. Thank you.

We will reinstate the Parish Lottery as soon as we can!

Message from the SVP

The SVP would like to thank everybody who is continuing to support us during these different and difficult times.

We are starting to think about the future (Christmas) and how we can hopefully still supply Christmas Hampers to needy families. Over the coming weeks we will be suggesting some items which are used in the hampers and if we can, we will provide a box at St Mary's for items to be dropped off and collected.

We usually provide 40-50 hampers which contain various basic and Christmas items. We will start by requesting tins of soup, we usually put in 2 tins so about 80/100 tins are needed, so any tins you can bring will be gratefully received.

Marilyn Sutmire

SVP president

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Red Mission Boxes

If you have a red mission box can you please bring it to Mass next of week.

Thanks.