

The Catholic Parish of St Richard, Skelmersdale

Serving the Churches of St Mary Queen of Apostles, St Richard's and St Francis of Assisi.

Mass times

Saturday 4th April Easter Vigil	St Mary	8.00pm	All deceased members of the Reilly families
Sunday 5th April The Resurrection of the Lord	St Richard	9.00am	Jim & Andrew Hopkins Anniversary
	St Mary	10.30am	Eileen Goodwin RIP, John Attwater RIP
Tuesday 7th April	St Mary	9.30am	No Mass
Wednesday 8th April	St Mary	9.30am	No Mass
Friday 10th April	St Mary	3.00pm	No Mass
Saturday 11th April	St Mary	5.00pm	Mark Clifford & Mary Roach RIP

Dates for your diary

Tue	
7	Office closed
April	
Wed	
8	Office closed
April	
Fri	
10	Office closed
April	

Remembering the sick in Prayer

Nina Leigh, Debbie Martin, Sister Margaret Shutt, Jennifer Walker, Stephen Philip Rochford, Billy & Joyce Rainford, Dorothy Halsall, Collette Haynes, Mark Everest, Ronnie Jones, Joe Walke, Bill Ware, Clare Ware Sr. Eva McHale, Brenda Lockhart, Beverley Howard, Clare Gillard, Ronita Ireland, Adelaide Houghton, Pauline Perry, Babs Carroll, Gaynor Davies, Les Newman, Mandy Caldwell, Maureen and Don Smith, baby Deliah Doherty – and all those who need our prayers

Recently Deceased

We pray for the repose of the souls of all who have recently died: Janette Gregg LD, Bernard Halsall LD, Anne Greenhaughs & Derek Crank.

Sunday Collections:

Thank you for your kindness to the parish. 29th March 2026 collection: £1049.03

Confession is available before or after any Mass on request; just speak to Father Kenny.

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Two Cathedrals March
All welcome!
24 MAY 2026 - 3:00PM
Starts: Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral

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Parish Office Closure Notice

Please note that the parish office will be closed on the following dates:

- Friday 27th March
- Tuesday 31st March
- Friday 3rd April
- Tuesday 7th April to Friday 10th April

During this time, please email or leave a voicemail and Leann will respond as soon as possible.

The office will reopen on Tuesday 14th April.

Path of Synodality

Pope Leo has invited us to continue to embrace the journey of synodality recognising that 'our relationships do not respond to the logic of power but to that of love.' As we journey through Eastertime towards the great feast of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost we have an opportunity to reflect on the document that came from the final session of the Synod on Synodality called by Pope Francis that Pope Leo is now urging us to embrace at every level in the life of the Church.

Tuesday evenings 21, 28 April, 5, 12, 19 May, 7pm to 8.30pm
To join the zoom meeting use the weblink below, enter the meeting details or use the QR code:



Meeting ID: 899 8355 5285
Passcode: 981267

Celebrating St Gerard, The Mothers' Saint - Bishop Eton

April 6th 2026 marks the 300th anniversary of the birth of St Gerard Majella C.Ss.R., patron saint of a good confession and of mothers. To mark the occasion, Bishop Eton will be hosting a special day of events, including Mass with the Archbishop, Blessing services, Exposition and a Taizé service.

The church will be open all day and a team of Redemptorists and parishioners will be available to ensure that all those who wish may reverence the relic of St Gerard and receive medals and prayer cards. The first copy of the icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour to leave Rome will be on display.

Light refreshments, crafts for children and young people, and information on St Gerard will be available in the parish hall.

We look forward to welcoming you and your families for this very special occasion. The full schedule and information on St Gerard can be found by scanning the QR code, or visiting



A DAY OF CELEBRATION FOR ST GERARD MAJELLA
Our Lady of the Annunciation, Bishop Eton Church, Woolton Rd, Liverpool

Saturday 25th April 2026
The 300th Anniversary of 'The Mothers' Saint'

- 9:30 Church open for private prayer
- 10:00 Service of Blessing for Mothers, Mothers-to-be & Children
- 10:30 Church open for private prayer
- 11:00 Mass with the Most Reverend Archbishop of Liverpool John Sheehan
- 11:30 Service of Blessing for Mothers, Mothers-to-be & Children
- 12:30 Church open for private prayer
- 13:30 Service of Blessing for Mothers, Mothers-to-be & Children
- 15:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 19:30
- 19:00 An open service of Prayer, Reflection and Taizé-style Chants

Although St Gerard's relic is in the Mother's Hall, any genuflecting or kissing will of course be welcomed.

We are also grateful to be able to display the original 18th Century icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, the first copy outside of Rome of this world famous icon.

AND in The Fisher Street Hall at Bishop Eton from 10:00 - 14:00 and also from 17:30 - 19:00

*Call centres for children & young people: 0800 111 1111 please use Woollen Road for location

www.bishopeton.org.uk
www.redepts.org.uk

Sundays readings

Sunday 5th April 2026 - Easter Sunday

Time Year A : Psalter Week I

Christ, having been raised from the dead, will never die again.

Romans 6:3-11, Psalm 117: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23, Matthew 28: 1-10

West Lancashire Pastoral Area

St Richard, St Mary & St Francis Skelmersdale, St Teresa Upholland, Skelmersdale, St Marie of the Annunciation, Standish and St Bernadete Shevington; St Joseph Wrightington; St James Orrell; Our Lady & All Saints Parbold; St Anne Ormskirk; St Elizabeth Scarisbrick; St John the Evangelist, Burscough.

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