



# SAINT JOSEPH WITH SAINTS AIDAN & OSWALD

## ALL HALLOWS' EVE

'Halloween' is a Catholic celebration of the lives of the saints, which has since been hijacked by secular society.

The eve of the feast of All Saints is usually a Vigil of Light, celebrating those men and women - our brothers and sisters - who are now enjoying the beatific vision, after a life of sincere holiness, which was pleasing to God.

Each one of us are called to a life of holiness. Pope Saint John Paul II made the plea "do not be afraid to be the Saints of the new millennium". We will host 'an evening of light' - Adoration after the Saturday Vigil Mass at Ss. Aidan and Oswald. We will also pray the Vigil Office of All Saints with hymns and prayers from the Saints.

SATURDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER, 6.30PM - 9PM



## TOTA PULCHRA ES MARIA

'You are all beautiful, Mary' is a phrase from an ancient (4<sup>th</sup> Century) Latin hymn, which praises the grace of God which abounded in the life of Mary.

'Beauty' they say, is skin deep. The beauty we speak of is the spiritual beauty; a life of virtue, a life of reflecting something of the beauty of Christ.

## CEMETERY SUNDAY

Myself and The Bereavement Group will gather at the cemeteries over next weekend to gather to pray for the dead and bless the graves of the deceased.

SAT. 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2PM: ROYTON CEMETERY

SUN. 2<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER 2PM: SHAW CEMETERY

'May they rest in peace and rise in glory'

Date	Time, Church	Liturgy	Other
Monday 27th October	8.30am, SSAO 9am, SSAO 10am, SJ	Adoration & Rosary Eucharistic Service Mass	10am-12noon, SSAO: Welcome Centre
Tuesday 28th October Ss. Simon and Jude Apostles	8.30am, SSAO 9am, SSAO 10am, SJ	Adoration & Rosary Mass Mass	10am-12noon, SSAO: Welcome Centre  7-9pm, SSAO: AA
Wednesday 29th October	8.30am, SSAO 9am, SSAO 10am, SJ 11am, SSAO	Adoration & Rosary Mass Mass Requiem Mass: Catherine Ferguson	7-8pm, SJ: RCIA
Thursday 30th October	8.30am, SSAO 9am, SSAO 10am, SJ	Adoration & Rosary Mass Mass	9.30am, SSAO: Knit&Natter  7-9pm, SSAO: AA
Friday 31st October	9am, SSAO 9.30am, SSAO 10am, SJ	Adoration & Rosary Mass Mass	
Saturday 1st November	10am SJ 10.30 SJ 11.30am SSAO 5pm-5.20pm, SSAO 5.30pm, SSAO	Mass followed by the Rosary Confession Confession Confession (Vigil) Mass	11-12noon, SJ: Baptism Preparation for Parents  2pm: Royton Cemetery: Blessing of Graves
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November All Saints, Solemnity	9.30am, SSAO 11am, SJ	Mass Mass	2pm: Shaw Cemetery: Blessing of Graves  7-9pm, SSAO: AA

## PARISH EVENTS

19-22<sup>nd</sup> November

### QUARANTORE:

The ancient tradition of Quarantore (40 Hours) refers to a prolonged period of Adoration within a parish. We will have this Sacred Time across both parishes, praying for the upcoming amalgamation; our own sanctification; and the communities in which we live.

THERE WILL BE A UP SHEET TO  
SPEND TIME WITH THE LORD.

23<sup>rd</sup> November 9.30am & 11am

### INTERNATIONAL MASS

We will celebrate our 'unity in diversity' with international Masses (9.30am and 11am) for the Feast of Christ the Universal King. Featuring hymns, readings, and prayers in different languages. An international buffet will follow the Masses.

PLEASE CONTACT FR. GAVIN IF  
YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THE  
MASS/ BUFFET.

29<sup>th</sup> November, 10-12noon, SSAO

### ADVENT TABLE WREATH MAKING FOR FAMILIES.

A family craft event making advent table wreaths. Hot chocolate with marshmallows and snacks. £6 per family.

PLEASE EMAIL FR. GAVIN TO BOOK  
YOUR PLACE.

## JACKPOT CLUB

November's Jackpot Club draw will take place on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November. If you would like to join the draw contact Roni: veronica8721@aol.com for more information.

"IT'S A WIN FOR YOU AND A WIN  
FOR THE PARISH"

## PARISH PILGRIMAGE

Following in the Footsteps of Saint Paul, Cruise (Malta to Rome, via France and Florence). 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026

**£799 PER PERSON**

**DEPOSIT £69 ASAP**

(full balance due on 23/1/26)

**Please book via P&O Cruises**

**Cruise number: Azura A616**

and forward your email  
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landersgavin@gmail.com

**use the QR code below to book:**



*"I can do all things  
through him who  
strengthens me"*

Saint Paul

## SAVE THE DATES

- 1<sup>st</sup> Nov: Vigil of Light, SSAO, 6.30pm-9pm
- 8/9<sup>th</sup> Nov: Remembrance Sunday
- 9<sup>th</sup> Nov: Year 3 Class Mass
- 12<sup>th</sup> Nov: Memorial Mass for the deceased. SJ, 7pm
- 19-22<sup>nd</sup> Nov: Quarantore
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov: International Mass
- 29<sup>th</sup> Nov: Advent table-wreath making, SSAO, 10am

## ST JOSEPH RC PRIMARY

This week our collective worship focused on Dealing with Conflict. Thank you to all the families who joined us for parents' evenings—your support makes such a difference. We wish our Hindu families a joyful Diwali; the story of Rama and Sita reminds us that light and goodness always triumph. Year 6 enjoyed their geography trip to Hollingworth Lake, and Year 5 families shared a lovely meal together. Our Saint Joseph's Workers team led the final rosary reflection of October—thank you to them and Mrs. Simpson for helping us take time each Thursday morning to pause and pray together.

## S. AIDAN & OSWALD PRI

We began the week with a whole-school assembly reminding us to keep faith and hope—Jesus walks with us. Year 6 parents joined prayer stations, and Year 5 led a Celebration of the Word on the Ten Commandments. Teachers met parents to share progress of the children, and Year 3's joyful Friday Mass was a perfect end to the half-term.

## DONATIONS VIA QR

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Ss Aidan & Oswald



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greatly appreciated and helps to  
keep the parishes missioning*

MASSSES  
RECEIVED

General: Winifred & Wilfred Tootill, Eileen, Annie, and James Crawley, Margaret (3), Madeleine, and Charles Gridley, Harry Dubois (3), Charles Gridley, Special Int., Nora Glynn, Christine Smethurst, Clare Whelan,



Joseph Kenneth Higham, P. Clark,

Anniversary: Joseph and Celina McGratton, Josephine McLoughlin

Lately Dead: Jacqui Stansfield, Catherine Ferguson (7), Barbara Parkhurst (2)

*'The tax collector went down to his house justified, rather than the Pharisee.'* (Luke 18: 9-14)

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