



The two disciples are leaving Jerusalem. They had been caught up in the experience of following Jesus, and they were devastated by his crucifixion. Moreover, they were undoubtedly frightened by the prospect of what might happen to them as followers of the executed master.

On their way from Jerusalem to Emmaus, they have an unusual encounter. The man they find themselves walking with seems to understand much about the scriptures, but they aren't able to make the connection between what he says and who he is. It is only in welcoming him into their house and sharing a meal with him that they realize who it is they are facing: it is Jesus, the risen Lord. So moved are they by the encounter that they turn around and head back to Jerusalem, to join up with the other disciples but also to face risk and uncertainty. They may very well have headed straight into martyrdom.

The Easter event can also turn around our lives. It can cause us to "rise and come forth into the light of day," but we must be prepared for the risk and uncertainty such a conversion would entail. For the Church, evangelising means bringing the good news into all the strata of humanity, and through its influence transforming humanity from within and making it new.

The purpose of evangelisation is (an) interior change, and if it has to be expressed in one sentence the best way to stating it would be to say that the Church evangelises when she seeks to convert, solely through the divine power of the message she proclaims, both the personal and collective consciences of people, the activities in which they engage, and the lives and concrete milieu which are theirs.

Pope Paul VI, *Evangelii Nuntiandi*, 1975: 18

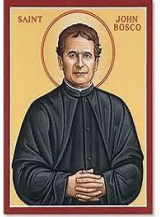
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 with  
 St. John Bosco,  
 Blackley*



**Stay with us, Lord, on our journey.**

**APRIL 19TH 2026  
 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER  
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**LITURGY THIS WEEK**

Monday 20th	No Service in Church		
Tuesday 21st	9.30am	Easter Weekday Mass	John Bosco
Wednesday 22nd	9.30am	Easter Weekday Mass	John Bosco
Thursday 23rd	9.30am	Easter Weekday Mass	Mount Carmel
Friday 24th	9.30am	Easter Weekday Mass	Mount Carmel
Saturday 25th	5.30-6.15pm	Confessions & Exposition	Mount Carmel
	6.30pm	VIGIL MASS	Mount Carmel
Sunday 26th	8.45-9.15am	Confessions & Exposition	John Bosco
	9.30am	MASS	John Bosco
	11.30am	MASS	Mount Carmel



**COFFEE MORNING** The coffee morning last Sunday raised £43. This money will be used towards Renovation in St. John Bosco Church. Thank you for your kind generosity.

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY** Summer Fair this year will take place on Saturday 13th June at 1pm in the Parish Hall in the grounds of St. John Bosco.

**SOCIAL EVENING IN THE PARISH HALL** On Saturday 9th May 2026, we are having a social to suit 'listeners' and 'dancers'! A fantastic evening with a **Barbara Streisand tribute** followed by a **Motown tribute**. Tickets are £10 each (available in both Churches), licensed bar available **CASH ONLY**. Doors open at 7.00pm.

**PARISH GARDENS AT MOUNT CARMEL** Bernadette is after some help with church gardens. It will only be one hour per month. It involves grass cutting and hedge cutting. We have all the equipment. If you can help please give your name and contact details to Amanda via email to the parish office [mcarmeljbosco@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mcarmeljbosco@hotmail.co.uk) or call Bernadette on 07828164159.

**LAMPS** At Mount Carmel & St. John Bosco this week the Sanctuary Lamps & Our Lady's Lamps burn for Kath Horsfall.

**SICK AND HOUSEBOUND** If you know any parishioners who are unable to get to church and they would like to receive Holy Communion, please send an email to [mcarmeljbosco@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mcarmeljbosco@hotmail.co.uk) including name, address and contact number.

**MANCHESTER CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY (MCCC)** would like to invite you to their monthly Mass. This takes place on the second Sunday of the month at 2pm and is held in Salford's temporary Cathedral on Great George Street, M3 6EH.

**ST. DUNSTAN'S AODS PRESENTS DROWSY CHAPERONE** Wednesday 13th May to Saturday 16th May, 7.30pm. St. Dunstan's Parish Centre, Kenyon Lane, Moston, M40 9JP. Tickets are £18.50 adult and £15.00 child. [www.ticketsource.co.uk/stdunstansaods](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/stdunstansaods) or telephone 03336663366 Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-5pm. A hilarious musical packed with big songs, brilliant characters and plenty of laughs. Our talented cast cannot wait to perform for you! Grab your tickets now before they are gone.

**POPE'S INTENTION FOR APRIL** Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with their understanding and prayer.

**WELCOME EVERYONE** to Mass especially if you are visiting us for the first time. Please introduce yourself to the priest or a member of the Welcome Team. Please take a Newsletter and join in the activities.

**SAFEGUARDING** All children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult when going to the toilet. Thank you.

**CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING (CST)** Caritas Salford is offering a free online webinar to introduce the basic principles of Catholic Social Teaching in an accessible way, with a particular focus on building hope, homes and a positive future for all. This will take place on Thursday 30th April from 6pm-7.15pm. Register for your free place or find out more: [www. Caritassalford.org.uk/events](http://www.Caritassalford.org.uk/events)

**YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO LINDISFARNE** Following on from the success of last years pilgrimage to Lindisfarne, we are offering young people in Years 7, 8 and 9 another opportunity to go to Lindisfarne from Friday 22nd May– Sunday 24th May 2026. The cost is £120 which includes travel by coach and full board accommodation. We will be staying on the island at the SVP Camp. For more information or if you have any questions, please contact: [youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk](mailto:youth@dioceseofsalford.org.uk)

**YOUTH MINISTRY GAP YEAR OPPORTUNITY** Do you know anyone aged 18-25 who is looking for a new challenge? The Diocese of Lancaster has a Youth Ministry team based in Keswick in the Lake District. For more information contact: [director@castleriggmanor.co.uk](mailto:director@castleriggmanor.co.uk)

#### **MASSES & PRAYERS RECEIVED THIS WEEK**

**LATELY DEAD** Jeanne Moody, Deacon Stephen O'Connor, Paul Camm, Ben, Wayne Maile, Shaun, Michael Neill, Jimmy Comer

**BIRTHDAY MEMORIES** James McCauley

**ANNIVERSARY** Kath Horsfall, Maureen Saunders, Jeanni Jeanette Smith

**SICK** Jim Sharples, Elaine Hill, Pat & Richard Ryan, Gary Webb, Laurie Edwards, Sharafat Ali, Germaine Priestley, Ada Lee, Anne McCullagh, Paul Yates (Australia), Jennifer McFadden, Pauline Millington, Jean Walsh, Susan Fox, Lesley Carter, Becky Jenner, Angela Morris, Elaine Turnbull, Daylen Birkbeck, Regina McCahill, Charlie Twist, Roy Glover, Kerry Tierney, Dianne Garner, Angela McNally, Agnes Lewis, Christine Clare, Anne Massey, Jessica Twist, Anthony Royle, Isabel Dean, Rosemary Guilfoyle, Wendy Kwiokowski, Patricia Mason, Corrine Henshaw, Angela O'Connor, Rui De Castro, Denise Hallows, Lauren Hallows, Orlando Carvalho, Laurie Coates, Brian Leckey, George Leckey, Cairan Kelly, Vlasta Oravcova, Catherine Brennan, Pam Lawrence, Mary Hastings, Coby, David Knott, Pauline Roberts, Martin Gray, Jitka Bikarova, Brian Melia, David Thornton, Therese Mary Egan, Sr. Angela Linnane, Keeley McPhail, Garry Aykroyd, Anthony Smith, Maureen Exton, Beverley Kirby, Brenda Kinghorn, Simon Heans, Kevin Fox, Dylan Branco, Carol Greaves, Pam Tyler, Helen Burns, Luke Anike, Carol Graham, Terry Dent

**OTHER** Special Intention for George Sutton, Special Intention for Brother Sean and Brother Bob of Cumbria