

Today's liturgy is about the "necessity of praying always and not losing heart." Moses and Aaron discovered something about prayer when they fought the battle with Amalek: "As long as Moses kept his hands raised up, Israel had the better of the fight, but when he let his hands rest, Amalek had the better of the fight."

We are today in a mortal struggle with dangerous enemies that threaten to kill us: deprivation, oppression, alienation, and aggression. We must do what God's people did in the desert. We must engage in battle with the enemy, throwing the best of our forces into the struggle.

And we must hold up our hands in prayer to the God who is our source of power and will give us strength.

"The Lord is your guardian; the Lord is your shade; he is beside you at your right hand." We have a God who rescues us from death and feeds us in time of famine.

Our faith in that God should make it possible to fight with confidence against the social evils like poverty and war which often seem to have the better of the fight.

Peace is but an empty word, if it does not rest upon ... an order that is founded on truth, built up on justice, nurtured and animated by charity, and brought into effect under the auspices of freedom.

So magnificent, so exalted is this aim that human resources alone, even though inspired by the most praiseworthy good will, cannot hope to achieve it. God himself must come to man's aid with his heavenly assistance, if human society is to bear the closest possible resemblance to the kingdom of God.

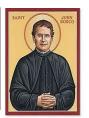
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Our Lady of Mount Carmel with St. John Bosco, Blackley



Stay with us, Lord, on our journey.

OCTOBER 19TH 2025 TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

LITURGY THIS WEEK

Monday 20th	No Sea		
Tuesday 21st	9.30am	Weekday Mass	John Bosco
Wednesday 22nd	9.30am	Weekday Mass	John Bosco
Thursday 23rd	9.30am	Weekday Mass	Mount Carmel
Friday 24th	9.30am	Weekday Mass	John Bosco
Saturday 25th	5.30-6.15pm Confession & Exposition		Mount Carmel
	6.30pm Vigil MASS8.45-9.15am Confessions & Exposition		Mount Carmel
Sunday 26th			John Bosco
	9.30am	MASS	John Bosco
	11.30am	MASS	Mount Carmel

LAMPS At Mount Carmel & St. John Bosco this week the Sanctuary Lamps & Our Lady's Lamps burn for Agnes & Austin Yates, Jimmy Caine

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY IS THIS SUNDAY 19th October 2025 Gift Aid Donation Envelopes will be available at the back of church from this weekend. By supporting Missio-the Pope's charity for world mission -we stand united as God's global family, in prayer, solidarity and action. We are called to be 'Missionaries of Hope among all Peoples. Please remember the work of missionaries in your prayers. Find out more about the work of Missio at: missio.org.uk

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU to everyone who supported our recent Charity Night for Francis House. Through your generosity and kindness, an amazing £1030 was raised. Your support will make a real difference to the wonderful work carried out at Francis House, and we are deeply grateful for all who attended, donated and helped make the evening such a success.

SUPPORT FROM THE SVP AT MOUNT CARMEL If you or someone you know is in need of assistance, the SVP (St. Vincent de Paul Society) is here to help. Please place your contact details in the SVP post box located in the Narthex, and a member of the team will be in touch.

PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR will take place on Saturday 15th November from 1pm in the Parish Hall in the grounds of St. John Bosco. We are asking for donations of bottles for the Tombola Stall, Toiletries, Confectionary and Bric-a-brac. These items can be left in the box at the back of Church. There will be a Fair planning meeting on Tuesday 21st October at 2.30pm in the Parish hall. Please come along and offer your help. Thank you.

NOVEMBER DEAD ENVELOPES are now available at the back of Church. Would you please complete your list as soon as possible, so that we can remember the names of our beloved dead throughout the whole month of the Holy Souls at every Mass. These envelopes can be left in either Sacristy or posted through either Presbytery door.

A NIGHT AT THE RACES St. John Bosco Renovation Group invites you and your family to come along to our Fundraising Horse Race Night on the 8th November 2025. It will be a night of excitement, cheering and family fun-with big cash prizes to be won! The event will be held in the Parish Hall (next to SJB Church, Charlestown Road, M9 7BD). Doors open 7.00pm, 50p admission per head. Bar and Tuck Shop available throughout the night-other prizes to be won in the Raffle and betting on your favourite horses! IT IS CASH ONLY ALL NIGHT. If you would like to sponsor and name a race, become an owner and name a horse, or even become a jockey, please speak to Chris Fowell in SJB Church or a Steward in MC Church. We hope to see you on the night!

SCAFFOLDING Please note the 9.30am Weekday Mass next Friday 24th October will be at St. John Bosco and NOT Mount Carmel. There is scaffolding being erected on the Altar in Church.

THANK YOU to everyone who attended the Coffee Morning last Sunday £50 was raised towards the Renovation Fund at St. John Bosco.

HOPE IN THE FUTURE CYCLE OF PRAYER Let us pray for the parish of St. Anthony of Padua, Stretford and Trafford Park, for Fr. Gerald Murphy, their parish priest, for their parish primary schools and for the Faithful Companions of Jesus.

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY. It is also dedicated to St. Joseph, husband of Mary. To thee, O blessed Joseph, we fly in our tribulation and after imploring the help of thy holy Spouse, with confidence we ask also for thy intercession.

WELCOME EVERYONE to Mass especially if you are visiting us for the first time. Please introduce yourself to the priest or other members of the parish. Please take the Newsletter and join in any of the activities.

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

MASSES & PRAYERS RECEIVED THIS WEEK LATELY DEAD Michael Mangan,

BIRTHDAY MEMORIES Jimmy Caine, Patricia McCartney, Mary Riley

ANNIVERSARY Agnes Yates, Yates & Lickorish Family, Paul Joseph Talbot, Josie McCormick, Molly Rampling, James 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, Dylan Branco,
Jean Woolfenden, 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

OTHER Special Intention for Maria Hamilton who is praying for her Family, Congratulations to Pat & Brian Miller on their Diamond Wedding Anniversary