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6TH OCTOBER 2024

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS TIMES FOR THIS WEEK & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 6th October TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Sacred Heart	10.00 a.m.	Mary Gledhill RIP (Anniversary)
	SS Peter & Paul	11.30 a.m.	People of the Parish
Monday 7th October Our Lady of the Rosary	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	Veronica Holden RIP (Lately Dead)
Tuesday 8th October	Sacred Heart	6.30 p.m.	Frank Spaulding - In Thanksgiving
Wednesday 9th October St John Henry Newman	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	Tony Williams RIP
Thursday 10th October St Paulinus of York	SS Peter & Paul	10.00 a.m.	Tony Williams RIP
	Sacred Heart	1.00 p.m.	Funeral Service for Teresa Whittle
Friday 11th October St John XXIII	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	Tony Williams RIP
Saturday 12th October St Wilfrid	SS Peter & Paul	10.30 a.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary (This month's Intention: For the Sanctity of Life from the moment of conception)
	SS Peter & Paul	11.00 a.m.	Tony Williams RIP
Sunday 13th October TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Prisoners week)	Sacred Heart	10.00 a.m.	Barbara Nickson RIP (4 th Anniversary)
	SS Peter & Paul	11.30 a.m.	People of the Parish

WEEKLY PRAYER for the Year of Prayer

We cannot cure the sick, but we can pray for them. We cannot house the homeless on our streets, but we can buy them a drink and some food. We cannot change the situation of loneliness for people, but we can visit them. We cannot help all refugees and Asylum seekers, but we can help some. We cannot physically help people in war torn countries, but we can donate to Cafod or any of the charities who help these people in their suffering.

We cannot help all the people in our own country who are struggling to feed their children, but we can donate to food banks. Amen

(Please email your prayers for the Year of Prayer to stjohnpaul2preston@gmail.com)

CENTENARY PRAYER

God our Father, we thank you for all the graces and blessings You have bestowed on our Diocese since its foundation one hundred years ago on ground made fertile by the blood of the martyrs. Nourished by your Son, Jesus Christ, in Word and Sacraments, and led by your Holy Spirit, may we move forward with hope and trust, helping future generations to discover the 'pearl of great price' which will bring them eternal life. And when time shall be no more, may our Diocese rejoice as the 'mother of countless children', and given her place in heavenly glory. This we ask of you who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Maureen Nightingale, Barbara Nickson, Dorothy Price
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND:

Sheila Pullman & George Woods
(Names of Sick & Housebound should only be given with the agreement of the family) Please pass any names to the clergy.

BULLETIN: Kindly send in your message/s for the bulletin at the latest Thursday evening for production on Friday. Please when booking your Mass Intention(s) kindly indicate the Church and Time preferred and give as much notice as possible to avoid duplication of times. In cases of duplication Masses will be said on a first received basis.

PARISH NEWS & INFORMATION

200 CLUB DRAW

29/9/24 Wk 26 No. 52 F Seed £20

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE

Sacred Heart	£259.86	128
SS Peter & Paul	£153.80	48

CUPBOARD LOVE FOOD BANK: The organisers of the food bank send a massive thank you for all your donations. For future dates, please see the poster at the back of the church. Anyone new wishing to volunteer at the foodbank should contact Paul.j.taylor345@gmail.com

FOOD DONATIONS in SS Peter & Paul Church: Any food donations brought to church will now go to Refugees at Talk English. Cash donations will still go to the Cupboard Love food bank.

FIRST CONFESSION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: The First Thursday Session of the First Holy Communion Programme will be held in Sacred Heart Church on **Thursday 17th October at 6pm – 7.15pm.** If you have not registered for this Programme and wish to join this year's group, please speak to Rev Chris. A registration form can be found on the Parish website www.stjohnpaul2preston.org.uk

BOILER & BUILDING FUND: If you are able, all donations to this fund will be gratefully received.

PARISH EVENTS

COFFEE MORNING & TOMBOLA at SS Peter & Paul Church: The next coffee morning will take place this **Sunday 6th October** after 11.30am Mass. There will also be a Tombola for you all to enjoy. Everyone is welcome.

BINGO in Sacred Heart Community Centre: The next Bingo afternoon will be on Thursday, **17th October at 2pm – ALL WELCOME**

FRIENDS OF ST JOHN PAUL II PARISH QUIZ NIGHT: A date for your diary – 1st November @ 7.30pm in the Sacred Heart Centre in aid of Parish funds – Tickets £8 including Hot Pot. Tickets on sale this week after Sunday Mass in both churches. Come along and enjoy a social evening.

SPONSOR A BULB AT SACRED HEART: Some bulbs have been purchased, which will bloom in the spring, to brighten the church garden at Sacred Heart Church. They have been planted along the path by the lawn. There will be a box at the back of church for you to sponsor a bulb with a suggested donation of £1 for church funds.

PARISH DAY OF RECOLLECTION: A Parish Day of Recollection, which is open to all members of the parish, has been booked for Tuesday 18th March 2025 at Hynning Monastery, nr Carnforth. It will be led by Sr. Michaela and will have a Lenten theme. There are thirty places available. Refreshments will be available on arrival and before departure. Soup and hot drinks will be provided at lunch time. Bring your own packed lunch if you want. There will be a charge. It is usually £15 per head. Volunteers to take people there and back are needed. If you wish to attend, please give your name to one of the clergy. Full details of the day will be announced nearer the time.

PARISH CHRISTMAS MEAL: A date for your diary.....A Parish Christmas meal has been booked for **Friday 6th December.** It will take place in the Sacred Heart Centre, with outside caterers cooking and serving the food. The cost will be £17 for a 3-course meal, plus an evening of dancing and fun. Please consider coming along and enjoying a social evening.

RETIRING COLLECTIONS

CAFOD Family Fast Day: **TODAY 6th October**

World Mission Sunday: **20th October 2024**

Sick & Retired Priests fund: **Sunday 27th October 2024**

REMINDERS FOR YOUR DIARY

COFFEE MORNING & TOMBOLA AT SS PETER & PAUL CHURCH: *Next Sunday 6th October* after 11.30am Mass (First Sunday of the month)

TEA/COFFEE AFTER MASS AT SACRED HEART: *Sunday 13th October* after 10am Mass (Second Sunday of the month)

BINGO at Sacred Heart Hall: *Thursday 3RD OCTOBER at 2pm* – ALL WELCOME

QUIZ NIGHT in Sacred Heart Hall: *Friday 1st November at 7.30pm* – Tickets £8 including Hot Pot Supper – Tickets on sale next week after Sunday Mass.

PARISH CHRISTMAS MEAL in SACRED HEART CENTRE: *Friday 6th December.*

PARISH DAY OF RECOLLECTION at Hynning Hall: *Tuesday 18th March 2025*

GENERAL NEWS

SVP: If you would like a visit from any of our members or are lonely or housebound, please contact **Bernard Unsworth, 01772 875151**

THE BISHOPS CERTIFICATE FOR CATECHESIS: This is a new 2year course offered through collaboration with the Diocese of Southwark. It is an exciting opportunity to assist those engaged in catechesis in our parish to deepen your understanding thof the faith. There are a few booklets at the back of church and a poster in the porch. For more information visit <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/lancaster> or contact Jackie Broadley Jackie.broadley@lrcd.org.uk or 01524 841190

If you wish to pay by BACS for donations, Mass offerings, hall bookings etc, our bank details are:

A/C – LRC DTR. Sort Code – 402702. A/C No – 21335251.

Please always add your name and the reason for payment e.g. Mass offering, donation to boiler fund, 200 club etc.