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20TH OCTOBER 2024

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS TIMES FOR THIS WEEK & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 20th October TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Sacred Heart	10.00 a.m.	Patrick Lynch RIP (3 rd Anniversary)
	SS Peter & Paul	11.30 a.m.	People of the Parish
Monday 21st October	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	Teresa & Tom Jones RIP
Tuesday 22nd October St John Paul II	Sacred Heart	6.30 p.m.	OUR PARISH FEAST DAY All Parishioners of our Parish
Wednesday 23rd October St John of Capistrano	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	Luke Southworth – Special Intention
Thursday 24th October St Anthony Mary Claret	SS Peter & Paul	10.00 a.m.	Sonia Edmonds RIP
Friday 25th October	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	Christine Spaulding – Special Intention
Saturday 26th October Sts Chad & Cedd	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.	Sonia Edmonds RIP
Sunday 27th October THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Sacred Heart	10.00 a.m.	All the children who have died in the womb, at birth or in their early months of life, and their parents.
	SS Peter & Paul	11.30 a.m.	Fr Sam's Birthday

ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF CHURCH FOR YOUR NOVEMBER INTENTIONS

WEEKLY PRAYER for the Year of Prayer

We must pray earnestly to the Holy Spirit to change the hearts of world leaders and kindle in them the fire of your love, to stop these wars in the world worsening day by day, the suffering and killing of innocent men women and children. No prayer is wasted even if at times we think nothing can change. 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
13/11/24 Wk 28 No. 170 M Howard £20
£100 Draw this week

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE

Sacred Heart	£222.55	120
SS Peter & Paul	£87.00	38

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 21st November 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 coffee morning on Sunday 6th October raised £54.12 for Parish funds and the Tombola raised £85 for Fr Sam's expenses. Many thanks to all who donated and helped at this event.
BINGO & Cream tea for Charity in Sacred Heart Community Centre: The next Bingo afternoon will be on Thursday, **24th October at 2pm – ALL WELCOME**
FRIENDS OF ST JOHN PAUL II PARISH QUIZ NIGHT: 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: £10 has been donated – Many thanks
PARISH FEAST DAY BUFFET: in Sacred Heart Centre. To celebrate our Parish Feast Day, a buffet will be served for all Parishioners at 12.30pm. There will be an open mic, so if you can entertain us that day, please feel free to do so. Fr Sam is teaching us an African dance.
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. There are menus at the back of church with envelopes for your payment. Please put your menu choice and payment in the envelope and pass them to Janice or Sue by 29th November. In the meantime, if

RED MISSIO BOXES – Please bring your Red Missio Boxes to church to be emptied, before the end of November. Please hand your box to a member of the clergy and it should be returned to you the following week.

RETIRING COLLECTIONS

World Mission Sunday: **TODAY 20th October 2024**
Sick & Retired Priests fund: **Sunday 27th October 2024**

REMINDERS FOR YOUR DIARY – see details above

COFFEE MORNING & TOMBOLA AT SS PETER & PAUL CHURCH: Sunday 3rd November after 11.30am Mass (First Sunday of the month)
TEA/COFFEE AFTER MASS AT SACRED HEART: TODAY Sunday 10th November after 10am Mass (Second Sunday of the month)
BINGO & Cream Tea at Sacred Heart Hall: Thursday 24th October at 2pm – ALL WELCOME
PARISH FEAST DAY BUFFET in Sacred Heart Hall: Sunday 27th October at 12.30pm – ALL PARISHIONERS WELCOME
QUIZ NIGHT in Sacred Heart Hall: Friday 1st November at 7.30pm – Tickets £8 including Hot Pot Supper – Tickets on sale this 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 of 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@lrca.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.
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