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12TH JANUARY 2025

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

MASS TIMES FOR THIS WEEK & MASS INTENTIONS

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| Sunday 12th January THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD | Sacred Heart | 10.00 a.m. | James Montgomery RIP (Anniversary) |
| | SS Peter & Paul | 11.30 a.m. | Christmas Blessings for Martin & Roisin Harkin and Johnny & Margaret Higgins |
| Monday 13th January St Kentigern | Sacred Heart | 9.30 a.m. | NO MASS |
| Tuesday 14th January | Sacred Heart | 6.30 p.m. | Birthday thanksgiving |
| Wednesday 15th January | Sacred Heart | 9.30 a.m. | NO MASS |
| Thursday 16th January | SS Peter & Paul | 10.00 a.m. | NO MASS |
| Friday 17th January St Anthony | Sacred Heart | 9.30 a.m. | NO MASS |
| Saturday 18th January The Blessed Virgin Mary | SS Peter & Paul | 10.30 a.m. | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary (This month's Intention: Fr Sam) |
| | SS Peter & Paul | 11.00 a.m. | Bert & Margaret Swarbrick RIP |
| Sunday 19th January SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | Sacred Heart | 10.00 a.m. | Martin Burke RIP |
| | SS Peter & Paul | 11.30 a.m. | Special Intention RSW |

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE A REQUIEM MASS, FOR THE LATE HAZEL PRYCE, IN SACRED HEART CHURCH ON MONDAY 20TH JANUARY AT 11.15am.

YEAR OF PRAYER

Lord, give us the grace to be concerned about the sufferings of our less privileged brothers and sisters. Endow us with the virtue of humility and strengthen our weak faith, so that we may trust in your power, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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.

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Martha Taylor, Cath Nickson, Barbara Kay, Phillip McGuill, Terry Ward, Tom Price, Ken Slater & Kay Slater
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 and Margaret Rafferty
(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
5/1/25 wk 40 No. McKeever £20
Sorry, number given next week

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE

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| Sacred Heart | £91.00 | 52 |
| SS Peter & Paul | £60.00 | 20 |

HILARY SUTCLIFFE RIP

PLEASE PRAY FOR HILARY WHO DIED ON MONDAY 6TH JANUARY. REMEMBER BILL, HER HUSBAND, AND ALL HER FAMILY IN YOUR PRAYERS. FUNERAL DETAILS TO FOLLOW

FIRST CONFESSION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: The next Thursday Session of the First Holy Communion Programme will be held in Sacred Heart Church on **Thursday 23rd January 2025** at 6 p.m.

CUPBOARD LOVE FOODBANK: To all our parishioners..... to let you know that with a combination of grant funding and your generous donations, the Cupboard Love Foodbank was able to provide all the provisions for over 80 food bags. These were made up at Sacred Heart Primary School and distributed to families in need. Your continuing generosity enabled the true meaning of Christmas to spread to our neighbours who are finding life a struggle during the Christmas season and onwards. Your kindness has made a difference. Blessings to you one and all for your donations and your prayers.

PARISH EVENTS

CHILDREN'S LITURGY at Sacred Heart Church: A special thankyou to the amazing parents who have reorganised their plans to bring their children along for the nativity tableau on Christmas Eve. A big thank you to our children and parents who will participate on the evening. They make Hilary, Favour and I very proud. Not forgetting our wonderful Hilary who wrote the script and tableau design. Wishing everyone a merry and peaceful Christmas. We look forward to seeing all children for Sunday liturgy again in 2025. We will start again **TODAY Sunday 12th January 2025**

BINGO in Sacred Heart Community Centre: The next Bingo afternoon will be on **16th January at 2pm** for a Christmas Party – **ALL WELCOME**

COFFEE MORNING at SS Peter & Paul Church: Sunday 2nd February after Mass – All Welcome

GRAND CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE at Sacred Heart Church: The numbers and prizes are at the back of church. Please collect your prizes. Anything left after this Sunday will be recycled.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY at SS Peter & Paul Church: A Children's Liturgy group is starting at SS Peter & Paul church on **Sunday 12th January** during 11.30am Mass (next Sunday) This group will continue on each 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month.

TRASH & TREASURE STALL in Sacred Heart Church: The flower arrangers are decluttering. Find yourself a treasure for a small donation.

RETIRING COLLECTION

Next Sunday 19th January 2025: White Flower Appeal – The Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child

(Please take an appeal card from the back of church)

REMINDERS FOR YOUR DIARY – see details above

COFFEE MORNING AT SS Peter & Paul: Sunday 2nd February after Mass – All Welcome

TEA/COFFEE AFTER MASS at Sacred Heart: No coffee morning until further notice

BINGO at Sacred Heart Hall: Thurs 16th January at 2pm – ALL WELCOME

PARISH DAY OF RECOLLECTION at Hyning 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
If anyone is interested in being a governor for English Martyrs Catholic Primary School, Preston then contact the headteacher, Mrs Howarth on 01772556092.

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.