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**9<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2026**

## NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### MASS TIMES FOR THIS WEEK & MASS INTENTIONS

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| <b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August</b><br><b>NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>     | <b>Sacred Heart</b>        | 10.00 a.m. | Thanksgiving to God from the Okeke family<br>Margaret & Bert Swarbrick RIP (Anniversary)<br>Brian Monks RIP (Birthday remembrance) |
|                                                                                      | <b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b> | 11.30 a.m. | Ken Slater RIP (Birthday)                                                                                                          |
| <b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August</b><br><b>St Lawrence</b>                           | <b>Sacred Heart</b>        | 9.30 a.m.  | To save unborn babies from Abortion                                                                                                |
| <b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August</b><br><b>St Clare</b>                             | <b>Sacred Heart</b>        | 6.30 p.m.  | Elizabeth Rose Croft RIP                                                                                                           |
| <b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August</b><br><b>St Jean Frances de Chantal</b>         | <b>Sacred Heart</b>        | 9.30 a.m.  | People of the Parish                                                                                                               |
| <b>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August</b><br><b>St Pontianus &amp; St Hippolytus</b>    | <b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b> | 10.00 a.m. | In Thanksgiving                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August</b><br><b>St Maximilian Kolbe</b>                   | <b>Sacred Heart</b>        | 9.30 a.m.  | Abra Ogike (Birthday on 19 <sup>th</sup> Aug)                                                                                      |
| <b>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> August</b><br><b>The Blessed Virgin Mary</b>             | <b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b> | 10.30 a.m. | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary (This month's Intention: Vocations to the Priesthood)                                 |
|                                                                                      | <b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b> | 11.00 a.m. | Sr Vianney (SHCJ)                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August</b><br><b>ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b> | <b>Sacred Heart</b>        | 10.00 a.m. | Thanksgiving to God from the Okeke family<br>Mary Lynch (Recovery)                                                                 |
|                                                                                      | <b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b> | 11.30 a.m. | Rita Wood RIP (Birthday)                                                                                                           |

### RETIRING COLLECTIONS

Catholic Trust for England and Wales – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2026

### CHILDRENS LITURGY GROUP:

The Children's Liturgy group meet during Mass in each church on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month.

**PLEASE NOTE:** THERE WILL BE NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUPS DURING AUGUST – BACK ON 13<sup>TH</sup> SEPT.

### AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

**Agnes McGuill, Nora Aherne and James Slater**

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND** George Woods, Margaret Rafferty, Glenn Johnson & Trish McKeever (Names of sick & housebound should only be given with the agreement of the family) Please pass any names to a member of 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.

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.

**200 CLUB DRAW**  
2/8/26 Wk 18 No 25 L Ogike £500  
Congratulations Larry

### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE

|                 |         |     |
|-----------------|---------|-----|
| Sacred Heart    | £222.80 | 118 |
| SS Peter & Paul | £123.23 | 41  |

### PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

**CUPBOARD LOVE FOODBANK:** The work of our Cupboard Love Foodbank continues due to your ongoing kindness and contributions. In addition to helping families at our two primary schools, they are enabled to reach out to the struggling families at St Ignatius' primary school, a school which has no parish to support it directly. Many families will be a little more stress free as food is added to their table in times of continued need. Thank you for your prayers and your continued generosity to this good cause. 'I was hungry and you gave me to eat'.

**COFFEE MORNING at SS Peter & Paul church:** The next coffee morning at SS Peter & Paul church is on **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September** after Mass. All welcome.

### CAFOD VENEZUELA APPEAL

The CAFOD appeal for Venezuela over the past couple of weeks amounted to an amazing **£563.22**  
Thank you all so very much for your generosity. A cheque has been sent to CAFOD this weekend on your behalf.

### PARISH PICNIC & CRICKET MATCH ON HASLAM PARK

A Heartfelt Thank You for a Wonderful Cricket Match.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to everyone who helped make our recent parish cricket match such a successful and enjoyable occasion.

A special thank you goes to all the volunteers who gave their time, energy and enthusiasm both before and during the event. From preparing the ground and organising refreshments to setting up equipment and helping everything run smoothly on the day, your support was invaluable. Community events such as this simply would not be possible without the dedication and generosity of volunteers.

We would also like to thank all those who came along to play, support, spectate and enjoy the afternoon. It was wonderful to see so many people of all ages gathering together, enjoying good company, friendly competition and plenty of laughter. The match was a great reminder of the strength of our parish community and the importance of spending time together.

The event was blessed with a fantastic atmosphere, and it was encouraging to see old friends catching up and new friendships being formed. Whether you wielded a bat, bowled an over, helped serve refreshments or simply cheered from the sidelines, you all contributed to making the day memorable.

Thank you once again to everyone involved. Your support, participation and community spirit are greatly appreciated, and we look forward to welcoming you to future parish events.

**With grateful thanks from all the organisers. Donna Finn**

A big thank you to Donna Finn for organising a successful cricket match and picnic. There was a good turnout of players and spectators.

Behind the scenes Donna had to jump through many hoops that the City Council held up.

A collection was held and the proceeds went to the Friends of Haslem Park, who opened their pavilion and the facilities therein.

### 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**  
**O COME LET US ADORE HIM!** St Mary's Church, Lea Town, will be open from 10am – 4pm Monday – Friday for silent adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. See the poster and leaflets at the back of church.

**JOIN BISHOP SWARBRICK ON THE LONDON MARCH FOR LIFE ON 5<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2026.** SPUC Preston Branch want to arrange a coach with pick up in Preston. Please register your interest by contacting the Secretary at spucpreston@gmail.com or on 07523 183758

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LADYWELL: Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September.** Everyone is invited to attend. Mass will begin at St Mary's Fernyhough at 11am followed by a Blessed Sacrament procession down the lanes to Ladywell for Benediction.

The Bishop invites all Altar Servers, young and not so young, to bring their cassocks and walk together in the procession, along with the public. Following the procession there will be a BBQ for all servers in the grounds, prepared by Our Lady and St Edward's Catholic Scouts. Altar Servers should meet at St Mary's at 10.30am. Altar Servers, please let Fr Sam know if you can attend so he can give in numbers for the BBQ.