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SUNDAY 17TH OCTOBER 2021
TWENTY-NINETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 16 th October	SS Peter & Paul	11.00 a.m.	
Sunday 17 th October <i>TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	Sacred Heart SS Peter & Paul SS Peter & Paul	10.00 a.m. 11.30 a.m. 12.30 p.m.	Janice & Frank Spaulding 50 th Wedding Anniversary People of the Parish Baptism: Flynn Charlie Graham
Monday 18 th October <i>St Luke</i>	Sacred Heart		NO MASS
Tuesday 19 th October <i>St John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues & Comps</i>	Sacred Heart	6.30 pm	Cornelis & Julia Veenstra
Wednesday 20 th October	Sacred Heart	IN PRIVATE	Victims of Abortion & Euthanasia
Thursday 21 st October	SS Peter & Paul	10.00 a.m.	
Friday 22 nd October <i>ST JOHN PAUL II</i>	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	Victims of Abortion & Euthanasia
Saturday 23 rd October <i>St John of Capistrano</i>	SS Peter & Paul	11.00 a.m.	
Sunday 24 th October <i>THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	Sacred Heart SS Peter & Paul	10.00 a.m. 11.30 a.m.	In Thanksgiving People of the Parish

Please pray for all our Parish Sick and Housebound. We pray also for all those who died recently and all whose anniversaries occur about this time. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

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.

The weekly bulletin can be viewed on our Parish Facebook page and also on-line @ www.stjohnpaul2preston.co.uk

PARISH NEWS

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE

DATE	CHURCH	COLLECTION	ATTENDANCE	CHURCH PROJECT
10 th October 2021	Sacred Heart	£255.05	65	
	SS Peter & Paul	£150.75	26	

Today we welcome **Flynn Charlie Graham** into our Parish Family when he is Baptised at SS Peter & Paul Church. Please remember Flynn in your prayers, and may he always walk in Our Lord's footsteps throughout his life. God Bless you Flynn.

CONFIRMATION: The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place in Sacred Heart Church on 23rd November 2021 @ 6.30pm. The candidates, who were previously on the Programme, have been contacted – their prayer session is on **Tuesday 19th October @ 6pm in Sacred Heart Community Centre.**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Names of eligible children (year 4 and upwards) are requested for next year's First Holy Communion Programme. Please see the letter of introduction on the parish website www.stjohnpaul2parish.org.uk and at the back of each church.

CHURCH PROJECT: Total donation this tax year **£120**. Many thanks to all who have contributed to this project over the past years. May God bless and reward you generously, through Christ our Lord, Amen. Work is still ongoing, and we look forward to receiving your generous donations.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD: At every Mass we listen to the Word of God being proclaimed to us. The Gospel is proclaimed by either a Deacon or a Priest. The other passages from Scripture **are the remit of Lay People**. This applies to both our Sunday Masses and our weekday Masses as Masses return to normal. Currently, we have a severe shortage of Lay People who are willing to undertake this essential Ministry **during the week**. If any of you are interested in exercising this Ministry, please contact Fr. Francis or Rev. Chris and Rev. Jim.

OFFERTORY: Besides or instead of your weekly offerings in church, you can set up a **STANDING ORDER** or pay by **BACS payment**. The Parish account details are as follows: **ST JOHN PAUL**

II PRESTON 40-27-02 21335251. If you have a Gift-Aid number, please quote as reference along with your name.

PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY: A date for your Calendar – 11th December in Sacred Heart Community Centre. As we have not enjoyed a Parish event for some time it has been decided to hold a Parish Christmas Party. Food will be provided but please bring your own drinks. It will begin at 5pm and Father Christmas will be joining us too. We are starting early to accommodate the young children of the Parish, but it will go on well into the evening, for those of us who enjoy a night out. Free tickets will be available soon – so we know numbers for catering. Watch this space.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH 200 CLUB WINNER:

17/10/21 Wk 29 No 126 B Beetham £100

SACRED HEART CHURCH NEWS

SACRED HEART CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP: *'The people brought little children to him to lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples scolded them, but Jesus said, 'Let the little children alone, and do not stop them coming to me; for it is such as these as the kingdom of Heaven belongs.'* **Matt 19: 13-14**

Fr. Francis has asked that Children's Liturgy be started again at the 10.00am Mass at Sacred Heart Church. At the moment we only have two people who are able to lead Children's Liturgy, so we do need some more volunteers before we will be able to begin again on a weekly basis. At Sacred Heart Church we always have two named adults who have been DBS checked to lead each week's Children Liturgy; so that is why we need more people to help out. It's a wonderful privilege to be a Children's Liturgy leader, as it's a real joy to be able to share the Gospel with our wonderful children. We would love to see many more children at Mass with their families and Children's Liturgy is a great way to make this happen. If you are interested and would like to know more, please speak to Fr. Francis or Mike Crowther (*Mike's contact details are at the top of this bulletin.*)

ROSARY GROUP: the Rosary Group calls upon all our parish to collectively join them in praying the Rosary from their homes in order to bring about a swift end to the coronavirus. Hopefully, our combined efforts will be successful.

SACRED HEART COMMUNITY CENTRE: From Thursday 4th November the Centre will be open in the afternoon, every 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month, for coffee/tea and a chat. If you fancy a cuppa, please come along for a couple of hours of social time in our 'CHATTERBOX' café. The Scouts are once again using the Centre on a Wednesday and are looking for young lads to join them. It is also hoped to open during the week for other Community Parish groups i.e. Bingo Afternoons etc. If you have any ideas of a group you would like to start in the Parish please contact Janice 07745909869 or Annie 07539100855.

LADIES GUILD QUIZ NIGHT: The Ladies Guild are holding a Quiz Night and Hot Pot Supper on Friday 19th November at 7.30pm. **Tickets £7 inc supper, in aid of Derian House.** Please bring

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your own drinks and glasses. Coffee and Tea will be available. Tickets are on sale from next Sunday in Sacred Heart Church after Mass. All our Parish is welcome to join in. Teams of 4.

LADIES GUILD: Advance notice: a date for your diary: The Ladies' Guild Christmas meal is booked for Friday 10th December this year at Ashton and Lea Golf club, 7pm for 7-30. Details and menu at the back of church.

RED MISSION BOXES: Please bring your red boxes to church for emptying through October from **Sunday 3rd October**. Please leave them with Father Francis or Rev Chris. This is Sacred Heart boxes only please. They will be emptied and left for your collection. Thank you.

SS PETER & PAUL CHURCH NEWS

BINGO: Sheila will be re-opening the weekly Bingo sessions on a Tuesday afternoon from 2pm-4pm as from this Tuesday 19th October. All are welcome to join in. Please come along.

CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING: There will be a Christmas Coffee morning on Sunday 5th December with a bumper Tombola. (Times to follow). Donations of Bottles, Chocolates and Biscuits will be appreciated for prizes. Many thanks. Monica Slater.

CHURCH FLOWERS: Now that we have returned to regular masses and increased attendances, flowers will also return to the altar. Huge thanks to a kind parishioner for a truly generous donation to our depleted flower fund that has guaranteed a constant supply of flowers for months to come. The next problem is the lack of people to help with the weekly church decoration and we need a few volunteers please! I will be leaving the parish after Christmas and would be so grateful if there was somebody to whom I could hand over the "keys and the money"! Please contact me at church or on 0791 802 1328 if you can help - Una Blackburn

GENERAL NEWS

SVP: Many thanks for our collections last week and your much needed continuing support. Bernard Unsworth 01772875151

N.B. Our next collection will be held this **Sunday 7th November** and the following 1st Sunday of each month. Thank you all once again.

PRAYER FOR AN END TO THE PANDEMIC.

O God, who arrange all things according to a wonderful design, graciously receive the prayers we pour out not just for our country but the whole world, that, through the wisdom of medical experts and national leaders and the integrity of its citizens, harmony and justice may be assured, lasting prosperity and relief from this pandemic may soon be achieved. Through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.