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4th OCTOBER 2026

TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS TIMES FOR THIS WEEK & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 4th October <u>TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY</u> <u>IN ORDINARY TIME</u>	Sacred Heart	10.00 a.m.	Chisom Jr Ogbu – Birthday celebration and thanksgiving
	SS Peter & Paul	11.30 a.m.	Francis Ezulike (Birthday)
Monday 5th October <i>Dedication of the Cathedral</i>	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	
Tuesday 6th October <i>St Bruno</i>	Sacred Heart	6.30 p.m.	
Wednesday 7th October <i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	
Thursday 8th October	SS Peter & Paul	10.00 a.m.	
Friday 9th October <i>St John Henry Newman</i>	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	Patricia Wilby RIP
Saturday 10th October <i>St Paulinus of York</i>	SS Peter & Paul	10.30 a.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary (This month's Intention: For those who work in the Missions and for the people they serve)
	SS Peter & Paul	11.00 a.m.	Donaldson Family – Special Intention
Sunday 11th October <u>TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY</u> <u>IN ORDINARY TIME</u>	Sacred Heart	10.00 a.m.	Peter McGunnigal RIP (Birthday)
	SS Peter & Paul	11.30 a.m.	For a successful operation

CHILDRENS LITURGY GROUP:

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

THINKING OF BECOMING A PRIEST - Thinking of being a priest? Come to the Day of Discernment! The day is for single men 16 years or over who are considering priesthood: Saturday 31 October 10am - 3.30pm at St Peter's Cathedral, Balmoral Rd, Lancaster LA1 3BT. Enter at Cathedral House on Balmoral Rd. The day includes Mass, adoration, reflections and lunch with Bishop Paul. To book, email Heather: heather.watts@lrcd.org.uk or Tel: 01524 841190. There is no charge for the day. As well as meeting the Bishop, you will have the opportunity to get to know how discernment works and who can assist you. You will also meet many others from across the Diocese of Lancaster exploring vocation to priesthood.

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.

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

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
27/9/26 Wk. 26 No 169 P McKeever £20

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE

Sacred Heart	£218.95	131
SS Peter & Paul	£126.68	44

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Following a well-attended meeting on 16th September our next meeting of this year's First Communion Programme is on **Wednesday 21st October at 6pm in Sacred Heart church** for all the enrolled children and their parents. Please remember all our First Holy Communicants in your prayers.

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: There is a coffee morning and Mini Tombola TODAY **Sunday 4th October** after Mass – ALL WELCOME.

BISHOPS LETTER – SAVE OUR SPIRE

With reference to the letter from Bishop Paul today, if you would like to help with the 'Save Our Spire' appeal, please visit the website www.saveourspire.com - Copies of the Bishop's letter are at the back of church.

PARISH QUIZ NIGHT

Tickets are now on sale at the back of church for our next Parish Quiz night and Hot Pot on Friday 6th November at 7.30pm in the Sacred Heart hall. The cost of the tickets is £8.50.

Please note you must bring your own drinks (Alcohol etc) but Tea and Coffee will be served. All teams should be 4 people. Tickets MUST be produced to get your delicious hot pot so please remember to bring them with you. We hope you can join in this enjoyable evening.

SACRED HEART CHOIR

The choir ask if you would consider joining them in song during Mass on a Sunday Morning.

If you are interested in joining the choir, please come and sit with them on a Sunday to see how you get on. They hold a rehearsal fortnightly on a Monday evening to choose and run through the hymns for the following 2 Sundays – there is no commitment to attend these rehearsals though.

Please consider joining choir as the numbers now are quite small and they need your voice.

Thank you

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Parish Quiz night & Hot Pot – Friday 6th November – tickets on sale after Mass £8.50

Parish Christmas Meal – Friday 27th November – Details to follow

SS Peter & Paul Christmas Coffee morning & Tombola – Sunday 6th December after Mass

RETIRING COLLECTIONS

Family Fast Day – 4th October ***THIS SUNDAY – Envelopes available at the back of church***

World Mission Sunday – 18th October

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.

CAFOD SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Could you visit your local Catholic school to talk about the work of CAFOD? We are looking for volunteers to deliver school assemblies and workshops and inspire children and young people to make a difference and take action. For further information please contact Anna Letizia on 07710 094449 or email alletizia@cafod.org.uk

FAMILY FAST DAY (CAFOD): Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection TODAY - **4th October**. Put your faith into action and share the Lord's love by supporting our global neighbours experiencing shortages of food and safe water. Your gift can support children like Tayla in Zimbabwe to stay in school by helping communities and schools provide nourishing meals, improve access to water and grow food in school gardens.