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**2ND APRIL 2023
PALM SUNDAY**

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

200 CLUB DRAW

26/3/23 No: 1 Val Ledder £20

Congratulations Val

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE

Sacred Heart	£232.05	101
SS Peter & Paul	£147.00	33

MARTHA BRELLA DEC'D: The family of Marta Brella thank the parish of St. John Paul II for the Mass and prayers that were offered on Wednesday 29th March. Her funeral took place at 10.30am the same morning. Marta is the Mother-in-law of Rev. Chris' brother. Thanks to the good offices of the RMT Chris and Sue were able to attend her funeral.

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. Sam or Rev. Chris and Rev. Jim.

CUPBOARD LOVE FOOD BANK: Thank you once again for your generous support. Envelopes are available at the back of church for your donations.

RED MISSIO BOXES: If you hold a Red Missio Box at home, please could you bring it to church during the next few weeks to have it emptied. This applies to both of our churches – all monies now will be counted in Sacred Heart Presbytery. Please bring into church by Easter Sunday. Many thanks

LENTEN 'STATIONS TO THE CROSS' AND 'THOUGHT FOR THE DAY' Deacon Chris is writing these daily reflections and they are available on the Parish website www.stjohnpaul2preston.org.uk and the Parish Facebook page (St John Paul 2 Preston). Please spare a quiet time during your busy day to read and reflect on his Spiritual Guidance, during this Lenten season.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Stations of the Cross will be held each Sunday during Lent, alternately at Sacred Heart Church & SS Peter & Paul Church. See the Mass times for clarification.

MASS AT ST BERNARD'S SCHOOL: All Parishioners are invited to join with the school children at St Bernard's Primary school for Mass on Tuesday

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND MONTHLY ANNIVERSARIES: Please pass names & month of Anniversary to a member of our clergy.

EASTER TRIDUUM: Volunteers required for the Easter Triduum as detailed in last week's notice. Please help if you can.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND: Mary Lawler

(Names of Sick and Housebound should only be given with the agreement of the family) Please pass any names to the clergy.

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES: Christine Kirkman

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.

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK & MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 1st April	SS Peter & Paul	10.30 a.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary Olive Ferguson RIP
	SS Peter & Paul	11.00 a.m.	Olive Ferguson RIP
Sunday 2nd April PALM SUNDAY	Sacred Heart	10.00 a.m.	Favour Okeke (Birthday)
	SS Peter & Paul	11.30 a.m.	Olive Ferguson RIP
	SS Peter & Paul	3.00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Monday 3rd April	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	Joseph Kellett RIP
Tuesday 4th April	St Bernard's School	9.30 a.m.	Mass at St Bernard's School
	Sacred Heart	6.30 p.m.	Joseph Conroy RIP
Wednesday 5th April	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	Joseph Kellett & Joseph Conroy RIP
Thursday 6th April HOLY THURSDAY	Sacred Heart	6.30 a.m.	Bert & Margaret Swarbrick RIP Followed by Watching at the Altar of Repose until 8.30 p.m.
Friday 7th April GOOD FRIDAY	Sacred Heart	10.00 a.m.	Office of Readings & Morning Prayer
	Sacred Heart	3.00 p.m.	Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Saturday 8th April HOLY SATURDAY	Sacred Heart	10.00 a.m.	Office of Readings & Morning Prayer EASTER VIGIL MASS
	Sacred Heart	8.00 p.m.	Martin Henry RIP
Sunday 9th April EASTER SUNDAY	Sacred Heart	10.00 a.m.	Joan Campbell RIP
	SS Peter & Paul	11.30 a.m.	Julia & Joseph Beno RIP
	Sacred Heart	1.00 p.m.	Baptism: Aiyza Poppy Price

SACRED HEART CHURCH NEWS

OFFERTORY PROCESSION: There is a list in the porch which you could please put your name on if you would like to take part in the Offertory procession. Thank you

BINGO: The next bingo session is **Thursday 13th April**, in Sacred Heart Centre at 2pm – 4pm. Come along and enjoy a warm afternoon of fun. You may be lucky too.

TEA & COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASS: Tea and Coffee will be served in the porch after Sunday Mass. Please stay and enjoy a cuppa and a chat.

EASTER FLOWERS: We will be having sponsored flowers for Easter again this year. The instructions and envelopes are at the back of Church. Fill in the sheet and take an envelope for your donation. You can give the envelope to Marie, Pam or Sue, or put it in the collection. Don't forget to put your name on!

BITS & BOBS STALL: The Easter Bits and Bobs stall will continue TODAY and next Sunday.

EASTER RAFFLE: Raffle prizes are displayed in Church, please check to see if you have won.

LADIES GUILD: The next Ladies' Guild meeting is on Wednesday 5th April at 6-45pm in the Presbytery, **New members are always welcome from both of our Churches. Please consider joining us on Wednesday evening.**

SS PETER & PAUL CHURCH NEWS

BINGO: Please come and join in the Bingo in SS Peter & Paul church hall at 2pm every Tuesday afternoon. Come along, keep warm and enjoy an afternoon of good company.

COFFEE MORNING: Our next monthly Coffee morning will be held in the church hall on TODAY, Palm Sunday.

BOOK STALL: Please bring any unwanted books for our sale of books in the Church Hall.

WE WISH ALL OUR PARISHIONERS A HOLY AND VERY HAPPY EASTER

GENERAL NEWS

SVP: Our thanks for your support as always. If you know of anyone housebound or lonely who would like a visit and a chat, please phone. Bernard Unsworth 01772 875151.

CAFOD: Many people don't know that CAFOD offer a Gap Year opportunity, which is a great chance for young people to learn more about our Faith, learn some great skills and become leaders in our community. See poster in church porch.

FUTURE PARISH EVENTS

BINGO at SS Peter & Paul Church Hall – Every Tuesday at 2pm
BINGO in Sacred Heart Hall – 13th April 2pm (once a fortnight)