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26TH FEBRUARY 2023

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

200 CLUB DRAW

19/2/23 No: 152 J Swarbrick £20

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE

Sacred Heart	£207.15	90
SS Peter & Paul	£89.10	34



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF OLIVE FERGUSON, WHO SADLY PASSED AWAY THIS WEEK. OLIVE HAS BEEN A VERY ACTIVE LADY IN OUR PARISH FOR MANY YEARS AND WILL BE VERY SADLY MISSED. MAY HER SOUL REST IN PEACE. HER REQUIEM MASS WILL BE HELD ON 14TH MARCH.

THE REQUIEM MASS FOR JOAN CAMPBELL HAS BEEN ARRANGED FOR WEDNESDAY, 8TH MARCH AT 11AM IN SACRED HEART CHURCH.

CHURCH PROJECT: Total donation *this tax year* £285.90 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.

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. **As part of your Lenten observance, please consider reading at Mass on a Weekday morning during the forthcoming season of Lent. If you are able to do this, please contact Fr Sam, Rev Chris or Rev Jim. Thank you.**

CUPBOARD LOVE FOOD BANK: Cupboard Love Foodbank is a community food hub which is held at St Michael and All Angels on Tulketh Road, in collaboration with Sacred Heart parish. The foodbank is held on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month at 10am and the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 9.30am, in St Michaels church hall(s). The foodbank also makes up food parcels for families at Sacred Heart and St Bernard Schools who are on free school meals or struggling on the breadline. There are envelopes for your donations which you can then put into the offertory basket. Thank you once again for your generosity.

The next Foodbank dates are: - Tues 21st Feb, Sat 25th Feb, Sat 11th March, Tues 21st March & Sat 25th March

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. 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.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND: MARY LAWLER

(Names of Sick and Housebound should only be given with the agreement of the family). If you wish names to be included here of sick or housebound, please pass the names to the clergy.

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES:

(Please give the names of the deceased you wish remembered here and the month of their Anniversary, 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.

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK & MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 25th February	SS Peter & Paul	10.30 a.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary Betty Jerome RIP (Anniversary)
	SS Peter & Paul	11.00 a.m.	
Sunday 26th February FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT	Sacred Heart	10.00 a.m.	Joe McKelvey RIP
	SS Peter & Paul	11.30 a.m.	People of the Parish
	Sacred Heart	3.00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Monday 27th February	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	John & Margaret Huggan RIP
Tuesday 28th February	Sacred Heart	6.30 p.m.	Margaret Gilleran RIP
Wednesday 1st March ST DAVID	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	William Hardacre RIP & Dec'd members of the McClusky family
Thursday 2nd March	SS Peter & Paul	10.00 a.m.	Olive Ferguson RIP
Friday 3rd March FAMILY FAST DAY	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	Theresa Wilcock RIP
Saturday 4th March	SS Peter & Paul	10.30 a.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary
	SS Peter & Paul	11.00 a.m.	Olive Ferguson RIP
Sunday 5th March SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT	Sacred Heart	10.00 a.m.	Joan Campbell RIP
	SS Peter & Paul	11.30 a.m.	Olive Ferguson RIP
	SS Peter & Paul	3.00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross

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 on 9th March, 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 RAFFLE: We are holding our usual Easter Raffle at Sacred Heart. A box will be available from this week in the church porch for your chocolate donations and raffle tickets will be on sale from next Sunday. Many thanks

LALDIES GUILD: Our next meeting is on Weds 1st March at 6.45pm in the Presbytery. It is our AGM.

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 and keep warm.

COFFEE MORNING: Our monthly coffee mornings will begin again next Sunday 5th March in the church hall. All welcome.

FUTURE PARISH EVENTS

BINGO at SS Peter & Paul Church Hall – Every Tuesday at 2pm

BINGO in Sacred Heart Hall – 9th March 2pm (once a fortnight)

CAFOD, Family Fast Day coming up next Friday 3rd March – envelopes for your donations are at the back of Church

GENERAL NEWS

SVP: Our thanks to all parishioners for your continuous support. Any needs please contact Bernard Unsworth. 01772 875151

HYNING HALL: The Sisters of Hyning Hall have just released a new programme of events. This programme of events can be found on our website and also on <https://www.bernardine.org/hyning-programme>

CAFOD: Family Fast Day – Friday 3rd March. Envelopes are available at the back of Church for your offerings.

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.

DAY OF RENEWAL: A Day of Renewal is to be held at St Clare's church, Fulwood on Saturday 11th March 10am – 4pm. The speaker is Fr Frankie Mulgrew and the theme 'Come to me'- encountering the God who heals. See the poster in the church porch.

EASTER RETREAT AT CASTLERIGG MANOR – 6-9th April: The popular Easter Retreat at Castlerigg is happening this year from Maundy Thursday through to Easter Sunday. It's open to anyone in Year 10 or above, up to age 25, and it's a chance to journey through the powerful story of Easter, hopefully having some fun and making some friends along the way. It's £65, but those who can't afford this are invited to get in touch and we can probably help out. You can sign up via our website at castleriggmanor.com or you can Email jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk with any questions.