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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

MASS TIMES FOR THIS WEEK & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 24th March PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	Sacred Heart SS Peter & Paul Sacred Heart SS Peter & Paul	10.00 a.m. 11.30 a.m. 1.00 p.m. 3.00 p.m.	Joe & Mary Barwise RIP For a Swift Recovery Baptisms: Bobby Cook, Thea Holly & Miley Evelyn Travis STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Monday 25th March	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	Christopher Lunden RIP, Harry Pickles & Dorothy RIP
Tuesday 26th March	St Bernards School Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m. 6.30 p.m.	A Passover Mass – All Welcome All deceased family members and Friends of Eleanor RIP
Wednesday 27th March	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	NO MASS
Thursday 28th March HOLY THURSDAY	Sacred Heart	6.30 p.m.	Deceased members of the Beetham & Swindlehurst families
Friday 29th March GOOD FRIDAY	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	10.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 3.00 p.m.	Office of Readings & Morning Prayer Ecumenical Stations of the Cross – followed by an Ecumenical Walk of Witness with Ashton Covenanted Churches Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Saturday 30th March HOLY SATURDAY	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	10.00 a.m. 8.00 p.m.	Office of Readings & Morning Prayer Easter Vigil Mass – Joan Campbell
Sunday 31st March EASTER SUNDAY	Sacred Heart SS Peter & Paul	10.00 a.m. 11.30 a.m.	Favour Okeke Birthday & Henry Bogumil RIP (Anniversary) & Gerard Hodgson RIP (Birthday) Anne Helliwell RIP

Please consider if you are able to take part in the following over the Easter Triduum.

- Sacred Heart Church – 6.30 pm Maundy Thursday – Washing of Feet – 12 People required.**
- Sacred Heart Church - 11 a.m. Good Friday – Ecumenical Stations of the Cross – Readers Required**
- Sacred Heart Church - 8 p.m. Holy Saturday – Easter Vigil Mass – 4 Readers required.**

PLEASE GIVE YOUR NAME TO A MEMBER OF THE CLERGY IF YOU CAN TAKE PART ON ANY OCCASION

LADIES GUILD: An enormous change was decided by the current Ladies Guild members. The Ladies Guild has now been updated, and from this month a new group has been established called 'Friends of St John Paul 2 Parish' and it will be a all-inclusive group. So, this group will now be open to all Parishioners for the planning of Outings, Fundraising and some fun events. Please consider becoming part of this new group and bring your ideas of how you would like to move forward with events in your Parish. The first meeting will be held in the Presbytery on Wednesday 3rd April at 6.45pm. Please come along.

REMINDERS FOR YOUR DIARY

BINGO in Sacred Heart Hall – Thursday, 28TH March, 2pm – 4pm...ALL WELCOME.

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.

PARISH NEWS & INFORMATION

200 CLUB DRAW 17/3/24 Wk 51 No. 122 Pat Seed £500 Congratulations Pat	LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE	
	Sacred Heart	£273.57
	SS Peter & Paul	£120.00
		131
		35

MILEY & THEA TRAVIS AND BOBBY COOK BECOME PART OF OUR PARISH FAMILY WHEN THEY ARE BAPTISED IN SACRED HEART CHURCH TODAY. PLEASE REMEMBER THEM AND THEIR FAMILIES IN YOUR PRAYERS.

THE FUNERAL SERVICE FOR ANGELA MCLAREN, WHO DIED ON 14TH MARCH, WILL BE AT SACRED HEART CHURCH ON 2ND APRIL AT 1030. PLEASE PRAY FOR HER AND HER FAMILY.

SADLY, DUE TO THE BOILER PROBLEMS AT SS PETER & PAUL CHURCH ALL EASTER TRIDUUM MASSES AND SERVICES WILL NOW BE HELD AT SACRED HEART CHURCH

CUPBOARD LOVE FOOD BANK: Please see the poster in the church porch showing the work made possible by your continued donations. Thank you, once again, for your continued generosity. For the dates, please follow St Michaels website and Facebook pages <https://www.facebook.com/stmichaelschurchpreston> and <https://www.stmichaelswithstmarkpreston.co.uk/> Anyone new wishing to volunteer at the foodbank should contact Paul.j.taylor345@gmail.com

FIRST CONFESSION AND HOLY COMMUNION: The next meeting for the First Holy Communion children and parents is on **Thursday 11th April** in Sacred Heart Church at 6pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Stations of the Cross will take place today in SS Peter & Paul Church at 3pm

SCAFFOLDING AROUND SACRED HEART CHURCH: Scaffolding is being erected around Sacred Heart Church in readiness for the work on the guttering. Please take care when walking past the church. It will be in place for several months.

FOOD DONATIONS in SS Peter & Paul Church: Any food donations brought to church will now go to **Refugees at Talk English**. Cash donations will still go to the Cupboard Love food bank.

MISSIO: Please could you also bring your red boxes to church to be emptied during March. Please give them to one of the clergy, and they will be returned to you the following Sunday. Many thanks. Janice

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE: Our Parish is in urgent need of a Safeguarding Rep. We must have one as it is a stipulation from that Diocese. Please could you consider whether you could take on this important Parish role. Full training and support will be given to you. If you feel you could fulfil this role please see Fr Sam, Deacon Chris or Deacon Jim. Many thanks for your consideration.

PARISH EVENTS

TEA & COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASS in Sacred Heart Church: To all of you who enjoy a cuppa, biscuit and a sweet after Mass, thank you for your support, donations and kind words. However, we need some help. Due to other commitments, from Easter Sunday, tea after mass will be every fortnight and not every week – unless you can come to our assistance and look after the alternate weeks. If we can work together, refreshments could be every week but the individual commitment could be once a month. If you can, please chat to any of us before or after mass. Thanks from Nicola, Alan, Paul and Catherine.

BINGO in Sacred Heart Community Centre: The next bingo session will be held on **Thursday, 28th March** in Sacred Heart Centre at 2pm – 4pm. Please come and join in a fun afternoon.

EASTER RAFFLE in Sacred Heart Church: The winning tickets have been drawn and there is a list of winners at the back of the church. The raffle raised £237.50 for Parish Funds. Thank you all for your generosity.

SPONSORED FLOWERS FOR EASTER in Sacred Heart Church: There will be Sponsored flowers again this Easter in Sacred Heart Church. Details available this week at the back of church. Please select your chosen arrangement and put the money an envelope. Many thanks. This money helps to provide the flowers in church during the year.

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES:

Eileen Goss & Gordon Kay
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND:

Sheila Pullman, George Woods and Bernard Coupe
(Names of Sick and Housebound should only be given with the agreement of the family) Please pass any names to the clergy.

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**

DIocese CENTENARY CELEBRATIONNS: As part of the Centenary Celebrations, Dr Paul Severn has written a booklet called 'The Roman Catholic Bishops of Lancaster'. This will be launched on Tuesday 9th April – see the poster at the back of the church.

PILGRIMAGE TO WASINGHAM: This is a Diocese event, which is taking place from 2nd – 6th September 2024. Dependent on accommodation type the all-inclusive cost is no more than £500.00 per person. Coach collection/drop off will take place in Workington, Carlisle, Penrith, Lancaster and Preston. For more information and booking details contact the pilgrimage organiser Deacon Charlie Conner on 07895 742732 or email charlie.conner@lrdc.org.uk. Please See the poster at the back of church.