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26TH OCTOBER 2025

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS TIMES FOR THIS WEEK & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 26th October THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Sacred Heart	10.00 a.m.	McKeever & Wickwar families
	SS Peter & Paul	11.30 a.m.	Julia Benova RIP Olive Ferguson RIP (Wedding Anniversary)
Monday 27th October	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	William Woolley RIP (Lately dead)
Tuesday 28th October Sts Simon & Jude	Sacred Heart	6.30 p.m.	Rita Bogumil (91 st Birthday)
Wednesday 29th October	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	Members of the McKeever & Wickwar families
Thursday 30th October	SS Peter & Paul	10.00 a.m.	Michael Lee RIP
Friday 31st October	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	People of the Parish
Saturday 1st November The Blessed Virgin Mary	SS Peter & Paul	10.30 a.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary (This month's Intention: Those on our November List RIP.)
	SS Peter & Paul	11.00 a.m.	Brian Morris RIP
Sunday 2nd November ALL SAINTS DAY	Sacred Heart	10.00 a.m.	For all the children who have died in the womb, at birth or in their early months and for their parents.
	SS Peter & Paul	11.30 a.m.	Jacqueline Murphy RIP

CHILDRENS LITURGY GROUP:

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

RETIRING COLLECTIONS

TODAY 26TH October – Sick & Retired Priests Fund
Lancaster Diocesan Youth Services – 23rd November

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 30th October – Bingo in Sacred Heart Hall at 2pm – All welcome
Thursday 6th November – First Holy Communion meeting – Sacred Heart Church 6pm – 7.15pm
Friday 7th November – Quiz night in Sacred Heart Hall from 7.30pm – Tickets on sale after Mass £8 with hot pot
Friday 28th November – Parish Christmas Meal in Sacred Heart Hall – Menus (3 course meal) - £22ph
Sunday 7th December – Christmas Coffee morning & Bumper tombola at SS Peter & Paul Church – after 11.30am Mass

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. Amen

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND:

Sheila Pullman, George Woods, Margaret Rafferty, Peter McGunnigal and Glenn Johnson
(Names of Sick & Housebound should only be given with the agreement of the family) Please pass any names 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.

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.

PARISH NEWS & INFORMATION

200 CLUB DRAW
19/10/25 Wk 29 No 137 J Swarbrick £100

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE

Sacred Heart	£243.17	131
SS Peter & Paul	£119.50	30

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – 2026: The next session of this year's First Holy Communion Programme is on **Thursday 6th November** in Sacred Heart Church at 6pm – 7.15pm. All parents and children must attend each session please. No more children can be accepted on this year's programme.

CUPBOARD LOVE FOODBANK: Your generosity continues month after month. The last batch of Cupboard Love Donation envelopes revealed £235.10 in support of our local foodbank. As these donations are not ringfenced by grant restrictions, those who manage the foodbank can use them in ways that address perceived needs within our area. Both of our primary schools benefit significantly from this freedom, ensuring that our needy families receive support in a manner upholding and respecting their dignity. Thank-you for your continued kindness. Many blessings for sharing what you have with those who struggle to feed their families

BINGO in Sacred Heart Community Centre: The next Bingo session will be on **Thursday 30th October** at 2pm. N.B. Bingo continues on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each Month.

COFFEE MORNING at SS Peter & Paul Church: The next coffee morning at SS Peter & Paul's is on Sunday 2nd November after 11.30am Mass – **ALL WELCOME**

RED MISSIO BOXES: We are collecting the Red Missio Boxes, during October, to be emptied. Please bring your box and give it to a member of the clergy. It will be emptied and returned to you the following week. Thank you.

QUIZ NIGHT at Sacred Heart Hall: Our yearly quiz night will take place in Sacred Heart Hall on **Friday 7th November**. Tickets available this week - £8 including Hot Pot Supper. Teams of 4. All welcome to come along and enjoy this fun night.

PARISH CHRISTMAS MEAL in Sacred Heart Hall: After the success of our Parish meal last year, this year's meal has been booked for **Friday 28th November**. It will take place in the Sacred Heart Centre, with outside caterers cooking and serving the food. The cost will be **£22 for a 3-course meal**, plus an evening of dancing and fun. Please consider coming along and enjoying a social evening. There are menus at the back of church with envelopes. Please put your menu choices and payment in the envelope and pass them to **Janice or Sue**, at Sacred Heart Church or Kath Taylor at SS Peter & Paul Church by **16th November**. **N.B. THERE IS NO ALCOHOL SUPPLIED SO PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN.** All (not just the ladies) are welcome so please come along for a pre-Christmas get together with good food, music and laughter.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE at Sacred Heart Church: We will be holding our usual Christmas raffle at Sacred Heart Church. It will be drawn the weekend before Christmas, so plenty of time to buy your tickets. The tickets are on sale after Mass on Sundays at the back of church. We ask you all for donations of Christmassy items to make up the hampers e.g. wine, sweets, chocolate etc please. There will be a basket at the back of church for your donations. With your generosity this is always a great fund raiser for our Parish. Thank you.
CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING & BUMPER TOMBOLA at SS Peter & Paul Church: This exciting yearly event will be held on Sunday 7th December after 11.30a.m. Mass in the church hall. ALL WELCOME Donations of bottles, biscuits, chocolates & toiletries would be appreciated. Thank you – Monica.O

NOVEMBER HOLY SOULS ENVELOPES: The envelopes for your Mass Intentions for deceased family and friends are at the back of church. Please enclose your Mass Intention and donation and either place into the offertory collection or give to a member of 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

CASTLERIGG NEWS:

FAMILY AND GROUP STAYS AT CASTLERIGG MANOR THIS OCTOBER HALF TERM

Castlerigg Manor is a Retreat Centre in the Lake District, owned by the Diocese of Lancaster, and they are opening their doors to family groups, individuals and other small groups once again during October Half Term (Oct 27-31). A good option for anyone looking for a budget get-away in a beautiful part of the country. Book at <https://castleriggmanor.com/stay-with-us/> or contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk

SPUC: Letters to the Lords gathering: Join Us in Making a Difference. You're warmly invited to our friendly letter-writing gathering! We'll be handwriting letters to members of the House of Lords to encourage them to vote against the Assisted Suicide and Abortion up to Birth bills. Come along on Saturday, 1 November at 15:00 to: **The Lancaster Room, St Joseph's Church, Skeffington Road, Preston, Preston, PR1 5UQ** Everyone is most welcome! We will have stationary, stamps, and letter templates ready for you to use or personalise. **For more info, contact Nicola on 07523 183758 or email spucpreston@gmail.com**

THINKING OF BEING A PRIEST? Come to the day of recollection and discernment! The day is for single men 16 years or over who are considering priesthood: Saturday 22 November 10am – 4pm at the Cathedral in Lancaster. The day will include Mass, adoration, guided prayer, talks to assist discernment, lunch. To book email Heather: Heather.Watts@lrcd.org.uk or Tel: 01524 841190. There is no charge.