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28TH SEPTEMBER 2025 TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS TIMES FOR THIS WEEK & MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 28th September TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Sacred Heart SS Peter & Paul	10.00 a.m. 11.30 a.m.	Chris & Martin Turner RIP (Anniversary) Thanking God & praying for His continued mercies for life, good health and progress
Monday 29th September SS Michael, Gabriel & Raphael - Archangels	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	NO MASS
Tuesday 30th September St Jerome	Sacred Heart	6.30 p.m.	Chris & Martin Turner RIP (Anniversary)
Wednesday 1st October St Therese of the Child Jesus	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	NO MASS
Thursday 2nd October The Holy Guardian Angels	SS Peter & Paul	10.00 a.m.	NO MASS
Friday 3rd October (Family Fast Day)	Sacred Heart	9.30 a.m.	NO MASS
Saturday 4th October St Francis of Assisi	SS Peter & Paul	10.30 a.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary (This month's Intention: <i>That the Human Rights of Asylum Seekers and Refugees will be respected.</i>)
	SS Peter & Paul	11.00 a.m.	Sheila O'Leary RIP
Sunday 5th October TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Sacred Heart	10.00 a.m.	People of the Parish
	SS Peter & Paul	11.30 a.m.	Brian Mills RIP

PLEASE REMEMBER CICELY WILSON AND HER FAMILY IN YOUR PRAYERS. CICELY PASSED AWAY EARLIER THIS WEEK. SHE WAS A LONG-STANDING PARISHIONER IN SACRED HEART PARISH AND CONTRIBUTED A LOT OF HER TIME OVER THE YEARS. HER FUNERAL WILL TAKE PLACE IN SACRED HEART CHURCH ON 9TH OCTOBER.

CENTENARY PRAYER

God our Father, we thank You for all the graces and blessings You have bestowed on our Diocese since its foundation one hundred years ago on ground made fertile by the blood of the martyrs.
Nourished by your Son, Jesus Christ, in Word and Sacraments, and led by your Holy Spirit, may we move forward with hope and trust, helping future generations to discover the 'pearl of great price' which will bring them eternal life. And when time shall be no more, may our Diocese rejoice as the 'mother of countless children', and given her place in heavenly glory. This we ask of you who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

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, Glenn Johnson and Anna Kasan
(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 – LRCDTR. 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
21/9/25 Wk 25 No 151 G Hargreaves £500
Congratulations Geraldine

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE

Sacred Heart	£202.93	119
SS Peter & Paul	£103.10	34

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – 2026: The next session of this year's First Holy Communion Programme is on Thursday 23rd October in Sacred Heart Church at 6pm – 7.15pm. All parents and children must attend each session please.

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 THIS Thursday 2nd October at 2pm. N.B. Bingo will continue on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each Month.

COFFEE MORNING at SS Peter & Paul Church: SS Peter & Paul's next coffee morning will be postponed until further notice due to redecoration of the hall.

FAMILY FAST DAY – Friday 3rd October: There are envelopes at the back of church for your much needed donations. Thank you.

BOOK SALE @ SS PETER & PAUL CHURCH: Thank you for the £10 received for the sale on books in the church hall

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.

RETIRING COLLECTIONS

TODAY 28th September – Bishop's Administration Fund
5th October – Family Fast Day collection – envelopes at the back of church
19th October – World Mission Sunday

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 2nd October – Bingo in Sacred Heart Hall – 2pm
Sunday 5th October – Coffee Morning - SS Peter & Paul Hall after 11.30am Mass
Saturday 18th October @ Lancaster Cathedral – Ticket only – see Chris
Thursday 23rd October – 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 next week £8 with hot pot
Friday 28th November – Parish Christmas Meal in Sacred Heart Hall – Menus (3 course meal) available soon - £22ph

CHILDRENS LITURGY GROUP:

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

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

CAFOD: Family Fast Day Appeal this Harvest

Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection to share God's abundant gifts with our global neighbours as they find lasting solutions to poverty and climate challenges. Your generosity offers "signs of hope" in this Jubilee Year, helping build more water tanks in communities like Waré's in Ethiopia where women have to walk for hours to get water. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030. You can also text CAFOD to 70560 to donate £10.

PRO-LIFE PETITION: Please consider signing this petition against assisted dying and abortion.

<https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/738764>

DAY OF RENEWAL at St Clare's Church Hall, Fulwood, Preston, PR2 9HH: The next day of Renewal will be held on Saturday 18th October from 10am – 4pm. It will be led by Fr Chris Thomas who will be speaking on 'Being guided by the Holy Spirit'. See the poster in the church porch.