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**SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021**  
**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	<i>Sacred Heart</i>	IN PRIVATE	
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept <i>TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	<i>Sacred Heart</i>	10.00 a.m.	Gerald Hodgson RIP
	<i>SS Peter &amp; Paul</i>	11.30 a.m.	People of the Parish
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept <i>Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon &amp; Paul Chong Ha-sang</i>	<i>Sacred Heart</i>	IN PRIVATE	
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> Sept <i>St Matthew</i>	<i>Sacred Heart</i>	6.30 pm	Victims of Abortion & Euthanasia
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	<i>Sacred Heart</i>	IN PRIVATE	Margaret Wilson
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept <i>St Pius of Pietrelcina</i>	<i>SS Peter &amp; Paul</i>	10.00 a.m.	Patricia Sullivan RIP
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> Sept <i>Our Lady of Walsingham</i>	<i>Sacred Heart</i>	IN PRIVATE	
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> Sept <i>The Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	<i>Sacred Heart</i>	IN PRIVATE	
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> Sept <i>TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	<i>Sacred Heart</i>	10.00 a.m.	In Memory of Chris & Martin Turner
	<i>SS Peter &amp; Paul</i>	11.30 a.m.	People of the Parish

Please pray for all our Parish Sick and Housebound. We pray also for all those who died recently and all whose anniversaries occur about this time. 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.

*The weekly bulletin can be viewed on our Parish Facebook page and also on-line @ [www.stjohnpaul2preston.co.uk](http://www.stjohnpaul2preston.co.uk)*

## PARISH NEWS

### WEEKLY COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE

DATE	CHURCH	COLLECTION	ATTENDANCE	CHURCH PROJECT
12 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	Sacred Heart	£197.00	87 inc choir (Max 80)	
	SS Peter & Paul	£181.79		
			<u>30</u> Max 40)	

**CONFIRMATION:** The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place in Sacred Heart Church on 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2021 @ 6.30pm. The candidates, who were previously on the Programme, will be contacted with details and these details can also be found on the Parish Website.

**CHURCH PROJECT:** Total donation this tax year **£120**. 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, and we look forward to receiving your generous donations.

**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. Francis or Rev. Chris and Rev. Jim.

**OFFERTORY:** Besides or instead of your weekly offerings in church, you can set up a **STANDING ORDER** or pay by **BACS payment**. The Parish account details are as follows: **ST JOHN PAUL II PRESTON 40-27-02 21335251**. If you have a **Gift-Aid** number, please quote as reference along with your name.

**THIS WEEK'S PARISH 200 CLUB WINNER:**

**19/9/21 Wk 25 | Johnson £500**

**SACRED HEART CHURCH NEWS**

**HARVEST MASS:** Next Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September our Harvest Mass will be celebrated at 10sm. We would be grateful of any donations you could please, bring in the form of either tinned or packet food. There will be a basket for your donation in the porch on your arrival in church. Thank you for your donations.

**SACRED HEART CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP:** *'The people brought little children to him to lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples scolded them, but Jesus said, 'Let the little children alone, and do not stop them coming to me; for it is such as these as the kingdom of Heaven belongs.'* Matt 19: 13-14

Fr. Francis has asked that Children's Liturgy be started again at the 10.00am Mass at Sacred Heart Church. At the moment we only have two people who are able to lead Children's Liturgy, so we do need some more volunteers before we will be able to begin again on a weekly basis. At Sacred Heart Church we always have two named adults who have been DBS checked to lead each week's Children Liturgy; so that is why we need more people to help out.

It's a wonderful privilege to be a Children's Liturgy leader, as it's a real joy to be able to share the Gospel with our wonderful children. We would love to see many more children at Mass with their families and Children's Liturgy is a great way to make this happen.

If you are interested and would like to know more, please speak to Fr. Francis or Mike Crowther (*Mike's contact details are at the top of this bulletin.*)

**ROSARY GROUP:** the Rosary Group calls upon all our parish to collectively join them in praying the Rosary from their homes in order to bring about a swift end to the coronavirus. Hopefully, our combined efforts will be successful.

**CHURCH FLOWERS:** The flower arrangers are looking for new recruits. The flowers are organised on a rota basis with everyone helping at Christmas and Easter. You don't need any experience, come along and have a go with one of our existing arrangers: train on the job! Please see Marie, Pam, Sue, or Val in church if you are interested. We would love you to join our team.

**SACRED HEART COMMUNITY CENTRE:** It is planned to open the Community Centre to small groups to gather, when the Diocese gives permission to do so. Groups such as Coffee afternoons, Pram Group, Bingo, Youth etc have been suggested. Have you any ideas groups you would like to see use the centre? If so, please contact either Janice (07745909869) or Annie (07539100855) for a chat. An open meeting will be planned when there is more idea of timescale/starting dates. In the meantime, please put on your thinking caps --- **WE NEED YOUR IDEAS.**

**LADIES GUILD:** Advance notice: a date for your diary: The Ladies' Guild Christmas meal is booked for Friday 10th December this year at Ashton and Lea Golf club, 7pm for 7-30. Details and menu later. Watch this space! All welcome.

**RED MISSION BOXES:** Please bring your red boxes to church for emptying through October from **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October**. Please leave them with Father Francis or Rev Chris. This is Sacred Heart boxes only please. They will be emptied and left for your collection. Thank you.

## **SS PETER & PAUL CHURCH NEWS**

### **GENERAL NEWS**

**SVP:** Our recent collections totalled the wonderful sum of £169.37 and we thank everyone for your generosity. Any needs where we can help, please contact Bernard Unsworth on 01772 875121.

N.B. Our next collection will be held on **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October** and then on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month. Thank you all once again.

### **PRAYER FOR AN END TO THE PANDEMIC.**

*O God, who arrange all things according to a wonderful design, graciously receive the prayers we pour out not just for our country but the whole world, that, through the wisdom of medical experts and national leaders and the integrity of its citizens, harmony and justice may be assured, lasting prosperity and relief from this pandemic may soon be achieved. Through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.*