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## PARISH NEWS & INFORMATION

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### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE

|                 | £       |     |
|-----------------|---------|-----|
| Sacred Heart    | £255.45 | 126 |
| SS Peter & Paul | £105.40 | 36  |

## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

It is with sadness that we report that Bob Bamber, organist here for many years, died on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February. Our sympathies go to his daughters and their families. May he rest in peace.

## 22<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY 2026 FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

### MASS TIMES FOR THIS WEEK & MASS INTENTIONS

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| <b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February</b><br><b>FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT</b> | <b>Sacred Heart</b>        | 10.00 a.m. | Ken & Charlotte Maskell RIP<br>Sheila Rowley RIP<br>Dave & Wynn Leighton (60 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)<br>Olive Ferguson RIP (Anniversary)                             |
|   | <b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b> | 11.30 a.m. | <b>Stations of the Cross</b>  |
|   | <b>Sacred Heart</b>        | 3.00 p.m.  |   |
| <b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February</b>                                | <b>Sacred Heart</b>        | 9.30 a.m.  | Ken & Charlotte Maskell RIP   |
| <b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February</b>                               | <b>Sacred Heart</b>        | 6.30 p.m.  | Rita Woods RIP  |
| <b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February</b>                             | <b>Sacred Heart</b>        | 9.30 a.m.  | Sheila Rowley RIP   |
| <b>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February</b>                              | <b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b> | 9.30 a.m.  | Deceased members of the Prince family   |
| <b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February</b><br><b>Lent Fast Day</b>        | <b>Sacred Heart</b>        | 9.30 a.m.  | Sheila Rowley RIP   |
| <b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February</b>                              | <b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b> | 10.30 a.m. | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary (This month's Intention: For those who are suffering from abuse of any kind.)<br>Deceased members of the Leeming & Hindle families |
|   | <b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b> | 11.00 a.m. |   |
| <b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March</b><br><b>SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT</b>    | <b>Sacred Heart</b>        | 10.00 a.m. | Tom & Dorothy Price RIP   |
|   | <b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b> | 11.30 a.m. | Joan Campbell RIP   |

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March – First Holy Communion meeting – Sacred Heart Church 6pm – 7.15pm  
19<sup>th</sup> March – Day of Recollection at Hying Monastery  
7<sup>th</sup> June – Corpus Christi Procession at St Walburge Church @ 2pm – further details to follow

### RETIRING COLLECTIONS

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February – CAFOD Friday fast day – envelopes available at the back of church  
Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March – Please return Friday Fast envelopes

### FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Arthur Kay, Olive Ferguson, Joan Campbell & Barbara Worrell

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:

George Woods, Margaret Rafferty, Peter McGunnigal, Glenn Johnson and Trish McKeever

(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.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** There will be Stations of the Cross held each week alternately in our Churches, starting this week at Sacred Heart Church at 3pm.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – 2026:** The next session of this year's First Holy Communion Programme is on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2026** in Sacred Heart Church at 6pm – 7.15pm. All parents and children must attend each session please.

**CUPBOARD LOVE FOODBANK:** The contents of the last few batches of Cupboard Love envelopes have amounted to £156.80. This is an amazing and uplifting sum and enables so much good to be done through the Foodbank. Thank you all for your generosity. Envelopes are available at the back of church for your donations.

**COFFEE MORNING at SS Peter & Paul church:** The coffee mornings are beginning again at SS Peter & Paul church with the next one taking place on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March after Mass. There will also be an auction during the coffee morning. All welcome.

**EASTER RAFFLE at Sacred Heart church:** Our annual Easter Raffle will be taking place again this year. We would be very grateful for any donations you can give towards making this raffle a success. There will be a basket at the back of church from next week for your donations. Many thanks for your generosity. Tickets will also be on sale today after Mass.

### DAY OF RECOLLECTION AT HYING MONASTERY

This day of recollection is planned for 19<sup>th</sup> March, and the theme is St Joseph, as this is his Feast Day. If you would like to attend this day, please add your name and contact number to the list at the back of the church. Please also state if you need or can provide transport on the day.

Soup and drinks will be provided at lunch time. Feel free to bring sandwiches and the like. Refreshments will be provided during the day.

### ONLINE SCHOOL OF PRAYER FOR THE DIOCESE OF LANCASTER 9<sup>TH</sup> – 13<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 7PM – 8.30PM PLUS A DAY RETREAT ON SATURDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

A small number of volunteers have organised an Online Week of Retreat and a School of Prayer during Lent, run by the Jesuit Institute. Join all or some of the sessions. To receive the zoom link, and a reminder that it's happening nearer the time, email Ursula, our Diocese Spirituality rep [uwalker@uwclub.net](mailto:uwalker@uwclub.net). See the poster at the back of church. This has been arranged with the Blessing of Bishop Paul and there is no charge to join this Online experience.

### CHILDRENS LITURGY GROUP:

The Children's Liturgy group meet during Mass in each church on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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

**CAFOD – LENT FRIDAY FAST DAY** – This Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February. This Lent, live out the Gospel call to love your neighbour. By fasting and giving what you save, you join in Christ's compassion and help another family put food on the table. Your donation can help families around the world grow food in difficult conditions – such as on flood-resistant floating gardens or using solar-powered water pumps in times of drought. Collect a CAFOD envelope to bless others with your support, donate online at [cafod.org.uk/envelope](http://cafod.org.uk/envelope) or call 0303 303 3030. Text CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10.

**O COME LET US ADORE HIM!** St Mary's Church, Lea Town, will be open from 10am – 4pm Monday – Friday for silent adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. See the poster and leaflets at the back of church.

**DAY OF RENEWAL AT ST CLARE'S CHURCH, FULWOOD.** This Day of Renewal is taking place on **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February** at St Clare's church in Fulwood from 10am to 4pm. Please see the poster in the Church Porch.

**DIOCESE OF LANCASTER LOURDES PILGRIMAGE:** 23<sup>RD</sup> – 30<sup>TH</sup> July 2026. Please see the poster at the back of church. Fr Sam has application forms in the Presbytery.