



**St John Paul II Parish  
Preston**  
Tel: 01772 726674  
Priest: Rev Fr. Sam Ofia MSP  
The Sacred Heart Presbytery, 44 Beech  
Grove,  
Ashton-on-Ribble, Preston, PR2 1DU  
[www.stjohnpaul2preston.org.uk](http://www.stjohnpaul2preston.org.uk)  
email: [stjohnpaul2preston@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnpaul2preston@gmail.com)  
Deacon: Rev. Chris Barwise  
Tel: 01772 760045



**18<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2024**

**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**

**MASS TIMES FOR THIS WEEK & MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>	<b>10.30 a.m.</b>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary
	<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>	<b>11.00 a.m.</b>	Prayers Answered
<b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>10.00 a.m.</b>	In Thanksgiving for favours received.
	<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>	<b>11.30 a.m.</b>	Delia Heyes RIP
	<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>3.00 p.m.</b>	<b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b>
<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>9.30 a.m.</b>	In Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart and Our Lady for Prayers answered
<b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>6.30 p.m.</b>	Olive Ferguson RIP (Anniversary)
<b>Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>9.30 a.m.</b>	In Thanksgiving for the Safe Delivery of a Grandchild
<b>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February THE CHAIR OF ST PETER THE APOSTLE</b>	<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>	<b>10.00 a.m.</b>	In Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart and Our Lady for Prayers answered
<b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February Family Fast Day</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>9.00 a.m.</b>	People of the Parish
	<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>10.00 a.m.</b>	<b>Funeral Service</b> for David Arkwright
<b>Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>	<b>10.30 a.m.</b>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary ( <b>Intention this month: The Missionary Society of St Paul</b> )
	<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>	<b>11.00 a.m.</b>	Deceased members of the Blackburn family
<b>Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>10.00 a.m.</b>	Dolores Connelly RIP (Birthday & Anniversary)
	<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>	<b>11.30 a.m.</b>	Les Perry, Les Perry Jnr, John & Agnes Perry RIP
	<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>	<b>3.00 p.m.</b>	<b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b>

**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  
**RWANDA GROUP TRUST NEWSLETTER:** There are printed copies of this month's Rwanda Group Trust Newsletter at the back of the church along with a Lenten Almsgiving poster.  
**DAY OF RENEWAL:** The next Day of Renewal will be held at St Clare's Church on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March from 10am – 4pm. Please see the poster in the church porch.

**FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES:**

**Olive Ferguson and Arthur 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**  
(Names of Sick and 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.

**PARISH NEWS**

**200 CLUB DRAW**

4/2/24 Wk 45 No. 142 J Lorden £500  
11/2/24 Wk 46 No. 31 M R Bogumil £20

**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE**

<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>4/2/24 £311.82</b>	<b>188</b>
<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>	<b>4/2/24 £159.20</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>11/2/24 £170.33</b>	<b>114</b>
<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>	<b>11/2/24 £142.50</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>Collections by BACS/SO in January</b>		<b>£563.00</b>

**THE FUNERAL SERVICE TAKES PLACE ON FRIDAY THIS WEEK FOR DAVID ARKWRIGHT. PLEASE REMEMBER HIM AND HIS FAMILY IN YOUR PRAYERS.**

**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](mailto:Paul.j.taylor345@gmail.com)

**FIRST CONFESSION AND HOLY COMMUNION:** The next meeting for the First Holy Communion children and parents is on **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February** in Sacred Heart Church at 6pm.

**CAFOD:** There will be an appeal on behalf of CAFOD after each Mass today. **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February is Lent Family Fast Day.** Please take an envelope for CAFOD from the back of the church.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Stations of the Cross will take place alternately in our churches each Sunday from this afternoon. Please see the notice enclosed with this bulletin of all times for Stations of the Cross and the Easter Triduum.

**CARDS & RELIGIOUS ITEMS:** There are a number of religious items and cards on the table at the back of Sacred Heart Church. If you would like any of them, please help yourself and put a small donation in the box.

**CAR PARKING:** Over the last few weeks there have been issues around Sacred Heart church with carparking. Can we ask that you are all mindful where you park, please, especially in the area of the Newton Rd junction and the entrance to the car park, not to block the view of other drivers. The car park at the back of the church is available for all to use – space permitting. Thank you.

**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:** On **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** there will be an appeal at the end of Mass for MISSIO, and a retiring collection. Please could you also bring your red boxes to church to be emptied. Please give them to one of the clergy, they will be returned to you the following Sunday. Many thanks. Janice

**PARISH EVENTS**

**TEA & COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASS in Sacred Heart Church** Tea and Coffee is served in the porch after Sunday Mass. Please stay on a Sunday and enjoy a cuppa and a chat.

**BINGO in Sacred Heart Community Centre:** The next bingo session will be held on Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> February Sacred Heart Centre at 2pm – 4pm. Please come and join in a fun afternoon.

**COFFEE MORNING in SS Peter & Paul's Church Hall :** Our next Coffee morning will be held on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, after 11 am Mass. All welcome.

**LADIES GUILD EASTER RAFFLE in Sacred Heart Church:** We will be having our usual Easter Egg and chocolate raffle this Easter. There is a box for donations at the back of Church. Raffle tickets are on sale after 10am Mass at Sacred Heart Church.

**REMINDERS FOR YOUR DIARY**

**BINGO in Sacred Heart Hall – Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> February, 2pm – 4pm...ALL WELCOME.**  
**COFFEE MORNING at SS Peter & Paul Church – Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March after 11am Mass. ALL WELCOME.**