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**19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2023**

**FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT  
MOTHERING SUNDAY**

**PARISH NEWS & EVENTS**

**200 CLUB DRAW**

12/3/23 No: 157 F Seed £20

**THE DRAW IS £500 NEXT WEEK – GOOD LUCK**

**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE**

Sacred Heart	£254.75	124
SS Peter & Paul	£119.40	34

**CUPBOARD LOVE FOOD BANK:** Thank you once again for your generous support. Envelopes are available at the back of church for your donations.

The next Foodbank dates are: - Tues 21<sup>st</sup> March & Sat 25<sup>th</sup> March.

**RED MISSIO BOXES:** If you hold a Red Missio Box at home, please could you bring it to church during the next few weeks to have it emptied. This applies to both of our churches – all monies now will be counted in Sacred Heart Presbytery. Many thanks.

**LENTEN 'STATIONS TO THE CROSS' AND 'THOUGHT FOR THE DAY'** Deacon Chris is writing these daily reflections and they are available on the Parish website [www.stjohnpaul2preston.org.uk](http://www.stjohnpaul2preston.org.uk) and the Parish Facebook page (St John Paul 2 Preston). Please spare a quiet time during your busy day to read and reflect on his Spiritual Guidance, during this Lenten season.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Stations of the Cross will be held each Sunday during Lent, alternately at Sacred Heart Church & SS Peter & Paul Church. See the Mass times for clarification.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND MASS AT ST BERNARD'S SCHOOL:** All Parishioners are invited to join with the school children at St Bernard's Primary school for **Stations of the Cross on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 9.00am and also Mass on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April at 9.30am.**

**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL THE MUMS IN OUR PARISH**

**EASTER TRIDUUM:** Volunteers required for the following Ministries:

Please put your best foot forward and have it washed on **Holy Thursday Night**. We need twelve willing volunteers for this truly wonderful act of literally following in the footsteps of the Apostles.

We also need **volunteers to read** at the various liturgies: **Holy Thursday Night, Good Friday morning at the Office of Readings, Good Friday afternoon, Holy Saturday morning at the Office of Readings, Holy Saturday Night at the Easter Vigil.**

We will let you know which readings well in advance. Please let any of the clergy know if you wish to volunteer. Many thanks for considering these wonderful ministries.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND:** Mary Lawler

(Names of Sick and Housebound should only be given with the agreement of the family) Please pass any names to the clergy.

**MARCH ANNIVERSARIES:**

**Gordan Kay RIP & Eileen Goss RIP**  
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.

**MASSES FOR THIS WEEK & MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>	<b>10.30 a.m.</b>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary Joan Campbell
	<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>	<b>11.00 a.m.</b>	
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March</b> <b>FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT</b> <b>Mothers Day</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b> <b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b> <b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>	<b>10.00 a.m.</b> <b>11.30 a.m.</b> <b>3.00 p.m.</b>	Joan Campbell RIP Olive Ferguson RIP Stations of the Cross
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March</b> <b>ST JOSEPH</b>	<b>St Bernard's School</b> <b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>9.00 a.m.</b> <b>11.00 a.m.</b>	Stations of the Cross <b>Requiem Mass</b> for Martin Henry
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>6.30 p.m.</b>	Special Intention
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>9.30 a.m.</b>	Martin Henry RIP
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March</b>	<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>	<b>10.00 a.m.</b>	Olive Ferguson RIP
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>9.30 a.m.</b>	Margaret Gilleran RIP
<b>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March</b> <b>THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD</b>	<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b> <b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>	<b>10.30 a.m.</b> <b>11.00 a.m.</b>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary Olive Ferguson RIP
<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March</b> <b>FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b> <b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b> <b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>10.00 a.m.</b> <b>11.30 a.m.</b> <b>3.00 p.m.</b>	Martin Henry RIP Olive Ferguson RIP Stations of the Cross

**SACRED HEART CHURCH NEWS**

**OFFERTORY PROCESSION:** There is a list in the porch which you could please put your name on if you would like to take part in the Offertory procession. Thank you

**BINGO:** The next bingo session is **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March**, in Sacred Heart Centre at 2pm – 4pm. Come along and enjoy a warm afternoon of fun. You may be lucky too.

**TEA & COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASS:** Tea and Coffee will be served in the porch after Sunday Mass. Please stay and enjoy a cuppa and a chat.

**EASTER RAFFLE:** We are holding our usual Easter Raffle at Sacred Heart. A box is available in the church porch for your chocolate donations and raffle tickets will be on sale after Mass **today**. Many thanks

**EASTER FLOWERS:** We will be having sponsored flowers for Easter again this year. The instructions and envelopes are at the back of Church. Fill in the sheet and take an envelope for your donation. You can give the envelope to Marie, Pam or Sue, or put it in the collection. Don't forget to put your name on!

**BITS & BOBS STALL:** The Easter Bits and Bobs stall will start **TODAY**, Mother's Day.

**SS PETER & PAUL CHURCH NEWS**

**BINGO:** Please come and join in the Bingo in SS Peter & Paul church hall at 2pm every Tuesday afternoon. Come along, keep warm and enjoy an afternoon of good company.

**COFFEE MORNING:** Our monthly coffee morning last week raised £52. Many thanks to all who joined us.

**BOOK STALL:** The book stall in the hall has raised £5 for church funds.

**FUTURE PARISH EVENTS**

**BINGO at SS Peter & Paul Church Hall – Every Tuesday at 2pm**

**BINGO in Sacred Heart Hall – 30<sup>th</sup> March 2pm (once a fortnight)**

**GENERAL NEWS**

**SVP:** Our thanks for your support as always. If you know of anyone housebound or lonely who would like a visit and a chat, please phone. Bernard Unsworth 01772 875151.

**CAFOD:** Family Fast Day envelopes has now amounted to £164.90 which will be forwarded to CAFOD. Thank you to you all.

**CAFOD:** Many people don't know that CAFOD offer a Gap Year opportunity, which is a great chance for young people to learn more about our Faith, learn some great skills and become leaders in our community. See poster in church porch.