



St John Southworth's RC Parish
at Holy Saviour's Church, Vulcan St.
and Christ Church, Carr Road, BB9 7JS
Nelson

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Easter Sunday

Pray for Ukraine



17th April 2022



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Dear Parishioners and Friends,

May I wish you the peace and joy of Easter!

The Resurrection of Christ inaugurates and completes the triumph of light over darkness; of good over evil; of love over fear; of unity over division; of hope over despair, and ultimately, of life over death.

We have been set free from death, doom, and darkness by the intervention of God in human history; we have no need to react in a negative way to hurts, frustrations, and resentments because now the controlling experience in our lives is our faith in Jesus, crucified and risen from the dead.

Here in Nelson, the Church is once more being re-shaped and reformed as Holy Saviour's is drawn into one parish with St John Southworth's. The Parish now includes the church of Holy Saviour's and the shared Christ Church, along with the schools of Holy Saviour's, St John Southworth's, and Holy Trinity.

During the pandemic, we have become quite comfortable with our daily Mass routine at Christ Church; we now have other factors to consider as our one parish is enlarged and expanded.

For the time-being, until further discussion takes place, I will continue with the 11.15am Sunday Mass at Holy Saviour's, and maintain the 7.00pm Wednesday evening Mass which gives those who are working the opportunity for a midweek Mass.

I will be doing the best I possibly can to build on all the good work that has been achieved over many years of Catholic presence in Nelson, Brierfield, and Fence, and I am assured by the Holy Spirit that, if we can immerse ourselves into the power of the Resurrection of Jesus, then the best is yet to come!

May the Lord's Easter blessings be upon us! Fr Gerard.

CAFOD
Catholic Agency for
Overseas Development

£1,918

**Lent Soup Kitchen
at Christ Church**

A huge thank-you to all who made this activity possible on the six Fridays of Lent: preparing the soups, helping in the kitchen, and generally lending a hand.

But thanks, especially, to all who came along in such good numbers to participate in the Mass and the shared lunch. Even some who weren't able to attend donated generously to this CAFOD fund-raising effort.

The amount of money raised, £1,918, is indeed very impressive, and we are delighted to make this wonderful contribution to CAFOD as an expression of our faith in Jesus who asks us to take care of those who have less than ourselves.

Mass schedule for week beginning Monday 18th April, 2022

Monday 18th April	Tuesday 19th April	Wednesday 20th April	Thursday 21st April	Friday 22nd April	Saturday 23rd April	Sunday 24th April
CC 10.00am	CC 10.00am	No Mass at CC HS 7.00pm	CC 10.00am	Funeral Mass H.S. 10.30am	No Mass	CC: 9.30am HS: 11.15am

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2
This week: 17th April	Joan Penny-Heys	Roger Lee
Next week: 24th April	Margaret Needham	Carol Hartley

Children's Liturgy : **This week:** Siobhan & Barbara H **Next week:** Monica & Margaret M

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

April 18th, Sheila Fayle (2005),
 April 19th, Eileen M Sharkey (2021)
 (*Anne Whalley's sister*),
 April 20th, Alice Rushton (1986)
 Rev Louis Purcell (2013) 
 April 21st, Agnes Bulman (1985)
 April 23rd Dennis McDermott (2008)
 (*Head of Holy Trinity School, for many years,
 and Holy Trinity Organist*)
 April 23rd Leonard Quinn, (1979)

*May the memory of the lives of those who have
 gone before us, inspire us to be people of faith
 and prayer; may they rest in peace. AMEN.*

We pray for those who have died ...

Marie Jackson (Ray Whalley's sister).
 Iris Callaghan (John Callaghan and Anne-Marie
 Coppock's aunt)
 Funeral Mass at Holy Saviour's,
 Friday 22nd April, 10.30am.

Vera Cowgill (Margaret Needham's mother)
 Funeral Mass at Holy Saviour's,
 Monday 25th April, 10.00am

*May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful
 departed rest in peace. AMEN*

[Report on the condition of Holy Saviour's church, hall, and presbytery](#) (click)

Please follow the above link for a 63-page report
 on the buildings of Holy Saviour's! It is a daunting
 read, but spells out some of the realities we are
 faced with. May the Lord guide us in all our
 decisions as to how we proceed in our
 stewardship of Holy Saviour's!

CHURCH COLLECTION

10th April, 2022: £186.00
 Standing Orders: approx. £390 p/w.

POUND DRAW WINNERS THIS WEEK

£10 Margaret Needham
 £10 Wilf Eccles
 £10 Caoimhe Welch
 £69.00 towards Parish Funds, thank you!

Confirmation 2022

The Bishop will be conferring the Sacrament of
 Confirmation on candidates from Years 8 and 9,
 (plus any older candidates who would like to be
 confirmed) during a Service which will take place
 at **St Mary's, Burnley on 16th June at 7.00pm.**
 Eligible candidates will have already made their
 First Communion. The preparation sessions will
 take place at Christ Church at 4.00pm on the Sun-
 days of May (1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th) followed
 by presentation of candidates at the Pentecost
 Masses on Sunday 5th of June, and a concluding
 meeting on 12th June before the actual
 Confirmation Service on Thursday 16th June.

Mass Intentions

Vera Cowgill, died recently.
 Tommy Quirke, anniv, 12th April
 Anthony Lee
 Iris Callaghan, died recently.
 Edna Smith, died recently,
 (*requested by Hazel and Iris*)
 Mike Kenny, RIP.

HE IS RISEN
alleluia