

St John Southworth's RC Parish

at Christ Church, Carr Road, BB9 7JS and St John Southworth Church, Vaughan St

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The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

18th July 2021





Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The school year comes to a close in this coming week and I'm sure that staff and pupils alike don't want to experience such a year ever again! 'Staggered starts', 'bubbles', 'masks', 'live-streaming', 'social distancing', 'testing', 'isolating', and so much more have become such a familiar part of our lives and vocabulary.

However, the Leavers' Masses were able to go ahead and we were able to give thanks to God for all our blessings, and ask God's protection upon our Year 6's as they prepare to move on to new experiences and challenges.

I would like to thank all staff, families and children for their witness of resilience and commitment, and I personally look forward to a new beginning with the schools come September.

Take care, and take care of others!

Fr Gerard

Mass Schedule for week beginning Monday 19th July, 2021

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
19th July	20th July	21st July	22nd July	23rd July	24th July	25th July
For times of Masses and booking at Sacred Heart, click here.						HS 11.15am (booking)
No Masses at Christ Church this week						CC 9.30am (booking)

Online booking for upcoming Masses

Sunday Morning Mass at Christ Church, 25th July, 9.30am (click on link)

Sunday Morning Mass at Holy Saviour's, 25th July, 11.15am (click on link for Good Shepherd newsletter)

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2
This week: 18th July	Maggie King	Leroy Philbrook
Next week: 25th July	Monica McArdle	Roger Lee

Book of Remembrance

July 19 Stephen Brady

July 21 William Holden

July 23 Joseph Lambert

July 24 Michael McCarthy

July 24 Rev Robert Smith*



*Father Smith. appointed in 1894 to establish St Joseph's Parish, and, whilst planning to build school and church, was engaged in founding 3 new Parishes, namely, Brierfield, Barrowford and Holy Saviour's, and before long, St George's, each of these parishes to have it's own school, and eventually it's church.

POUND DRAW WINNERS THIS WEEK

£10, Fr Gerard (ice-cream money!)

£10, Harry Hancox

£10, Mollie Lawrenson

£75 towards Parish Funds, thank you!

Church Collection

Last week's collection: £222.10 Standing Orders: approx. £305 p/w.

St John Southworth's Facebook Page

Click link for live-streamed and recorded Masses.

Mass Intentions

Vieva Halpin, b'day anniv, 17th July Veronica Stevens, anniv, 23rd July Bernard Swinson, died recently.

Monica's Children's Liturgy Video

Boris needs to recharge his batteries!



Year 6 Leavers' Prayer

I look to the future and what do I see?

A mountain to climb, it's too steep for me.

I see an ocean so wide and so far,

Will I have the courage to follow my star?

A voice in my heart says, "My friend, do not fear,

All will be well, if you pray, I will hear.

'Just take the next step, you never can tell,

With faith, hope and love, all will be well.

'Yes, all will be well."

Fr Gerard