



## St John Southworth's RC Parish

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

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**The Thirty-Second  
Sunday in Ordinary  
Time  
(Year B)**

**7th November 2021**



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Dear Friends and Parishioners,

I'm very pleased to be leading the Methodist community in their Sunday Service this weekend.

The Methodist Movement was brought into being by John Wesley, an English man, who lived from 1703-1791. John was a most effective preacher, and his brother, Charles, was a prolific hymn-writer. Together, they initiated a massive revival in the Christian faith, and the Methodists, now thirty-three million strong worldwide, are to be found in ninety-six countries.

I am pleased to see that in today's Gospel, the widow is commended by Jesus because she contributed to the treasury "all she had to live on." Although Wesley was a deeply Spirit-filled preacher, his 'best sermon' was that of his own life and witness - on his death, it was written that, "there was not much to leave in his will; over the years he had given away almost all his money to those in need."

At Christ Church we have the unique privilege of sharing closely with the Methodist community, and we ask the Holy Spirit to continue to create relationships of respect and friendship, and to bring about the growth of God's Kingdom among us.

Yours in the love of Jesus, Fr Gerard.

### **NIGHT FEVER!**

Just to keep in our minds, and our prayers, the **Night Fever** event which will take place on the evening of Friday 3rd December from 6.00—8.00pm. As described in last week's newsletter, this event is a time of prayer and evangelisation. The prayer is the prayer of adoration and intercession before the Blessed Sacrament. The evangelisation aspect is ever so simply inviting those passing by in the local streets to take a moment to light a candle in the church.

### **Looking Ahead**

On the Fridays of Advent, we will reintroduce the CAFOD soup-lunch which will follow on from Mass which will be at 12.00 noon on those days. We will begin on Friday 26th Nov, just before Advent begins.

### **Becoming a Catholic**

We have two people who would like to begin finding out more about the Catholic faith, with a view to being received into the Church next Easter.

This might be a good time to put the word out to others who may be interested in joining us. Some people might be Catholics already, but in search of a renewed contact with the Church, and a new beginning with the Lord.

In Advent, we will begin a formal process of introduction to the life of the Church, and instruction in the ways of Faith.

If you know of anyone who might be interested, then do invite them to think about taking up this invitation and opportunity.

**Parents and Toddlers:** Each Wednesday from 9.45am - 11.00am at Christ Church.

## Mass schedule for week beginning Monday 8th November, 2021

Monday 8th November	Tuesday 9th November	Wednesday 10th November	Thursday 11th November	Friday 12th November	Saturday 13th November	Sunday 14th November
<a href="#">For times of Masses at Sacred Heart, Colne, click here.</a>						Holy Saviour's 11.15am
CC 10.00am	Mass at Sacred Heart 12.00noon	CC 10.00am	CC 10.00am	CC 10.00am	CC No Mass	CC 9.30am

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2
This week: 7th November	Jeremiah	Zachariah
Next week: 14th November	Margaret Needham	Margaret Borman

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** Not this week, next time: 14th November

**The annual Requiem Mass for the deceased clergy and people of the Deanery**  
This Mass will be celebrated at Sacred Heart, Colne at 12 noon on Tuesday, 9th November.  
**If you would like a lift to get to Colne, then just let me know!**

### BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Nov 9th May Syers  
Nov 9th Leonard Burrows  
Nov 10th Geoffrey Burnett  
Nov 11th Harry Brittle  
Nov 13th Walter Wilson



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

### CHURCH COLLECTION

31st October: £234.80  
Standing Orders: approx. £335 p/w.

### POUND DRAW WINNERS

£10.00 Marie Clark  
£10.00 Angela Starkie  
£10.00 Margaret Morgan  
£66.00 towards Parish Funds, thank you!



### CHRISTMAS POUND DRAW

This Sunday will be the first chance for you to start putting in entries to the special Christmas Pound Draw with £100 being first prize and other prizes of £50, £25 and £15. The box will be near the usual Weekly Pound draw box at the back of church.

The special draw will take place after Mass on the 19th December in the cafe area - a good reason to stop for a cup of tea! Once again, thanks for your support, and for making this year's Pound Draw a resounding success. Good Luck! Regards - Jack, Wilf, and Ian (The Last of the Summer Wine gang!)

### CHRISTMAS FAIR at CHRIST CHURCH

Sat 13<sup>th</sup> Nov, 11.00am-2.00pm.

Stalls: Cakes & Preserves, Crafts, Toys, Jewellery, Books, Bric-a-Brac. Lunches. Entry £1 includes a hot drink and biscuits. Proceeds for mission.

### Community Lunch

Christ Church, Tuesday 9th Nov, 12 noon.  
Two-course hot meal, £3. All welcome.

Michael Hargreaves will be returning to Christ Church on **Saturday 11th December** from 10.00am till 12.00noon to continue working with our readers. Michael describes these sessions as 'Master Classes' in which even the best readers can be improved!

### Mass Intentions

Margaret Howarth, anniv, Oct 28th (2012)  
A special intention.  
David Pemberton, anniv, 20th Nov