

## St John Southworth's RC Parish

at Holy Saviour's Church, Vulcan St, BB9 8HE and Christ Church, Carr Road, BB9 7JS

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## Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The newsletter this week is a little late because, having received news of an expected hospital appointment, which has come, however, at rather short notice, I have had to change everything! On Tuesday, I'll be going into Blackburn Hospital for an operation which, without going into too much detail, means surgical intervention into the ureter. This is another step in my battle with cancer which has now been in process for over two years!

The Diocese had been advised of this eventuality, so a supply priest will cover the forthcoming weekend Masses. Monica will organise volunteers to lead Eucharistic Services on three days of the week. Damian Buggie, a newly ordained permanent deacon from Sabden, will take care of the baptisms which are in the diary, and I am grateful to Fr Peter in Colne, and the priests in Burnley who will take care of any funerals which might arise.

I have been told that I will be in hospital for two or three nights but will then need a recuperation period of up to six or even eight weeks!

I remain, as ever, by God's grace, strong in mind and spirit, and I am free from any anxiety which is a great blessing. I have come to realise in a more realistic way that sickness, though horrible in itself, provides an opportunity to grow in faith and to experience a deeper security than is possible in times when life is less burdensome!

Take care all, Fr Gerard.

Annual Mass at All Souls Cemetery Wheatley Lane, Barrowford, BB9 6QW Saturday, 1st October, 11.00am

You are advised to bring a folding chair if possible

In the event of inclement weather, the Mass will be located to Sacred Heart church at 11.15am.

## **BAPTISM**

Next Saturday (27th August), we welcome Marley Ansley into the parish community as he is baptised at Holy Saviour's. We assure mum and dad—Faye and Matt—of our prayers, and pray that through the church they will be able to experience the love of God.

# St Bernadette Relics Tour

In September and October of this year, the relics of St Bernadette will journey through England, Scotland, and Wales. The visit will include a stop at Salford Cathedral on Tues 20th Sept and Wed 21st Sept. For more information click here:

**St Bernadette Relics Tour** 

#### **'FOOD ON TABLES'**

The Good Shepherd Parish SVP are organising a fundraising concert to take place in Sacred Heart parish hall on Saturday, 17th September. Entertainment and light refreshments. Tickets £8.00

# Mass schedule for week beginning Monday 22nd August, 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
22nd August	23rd August	24th August	25th August	26th Aug	27th Aug	28th Aug
MASS CC 10.00am	No Service	HS: 7.00pm Euch Service	E.S. at CC 10.00am Exposition until 12.00	No Service	Baptism 11.00am HS	CC: 9.30am HS: 11.15am

Date		Reader 1	Reader 2	
This week: 2	21st August	Roger Lee	Joan Penny-Heys	
Next week: 2	28th August	Monica McArdle	Margaret Needham	

Children's Liturgy: There will be no children's liturgy during the summer holiday.

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

Anne Pemberton, died recently.
Margaret Phelan, died recently.
Margaret Boothman, died recently.
Edward Reilly, 4th anniv, Bernadette Reilly and family, Jimmy O'Neil, 21st August.
McGuinness Family, anniv, 22nd August.
Birthday anniv, Ann Mary Ingham, 20th August.
Birthday blessing.

## **POUND DRAW WINNERS**

£10 Gerald Howorth

£10 Julie Taylor

£10 Christian Vesty????

£68.00 towards Parish Funds, thanks very much.

The weekly Parish Pound Draw is being extended to include entries from Holy Saviour's.

If you would like to participate, then just put a pound in the brown envelopes provided, and put your name and telephone number on the front. envelope in the blue box at the back of church. If you prefer, you can put £10 in the envelope and you will be entered for ten weeks and then reminded after ten weeks to renew your subscription. Anyone from Holy Saviour's who would like to help run this please contact Fr Gerard or Ian Dempsey (615057) for more info.

We will let the draw run a month and see how many more enter from Holy Saviour's - great start last week! Then we will review the prizes to see if we can add more!

## **CHURCH COLLECTION**

14th August, 2022: £454.10 Standing Orders: approx.: £635 p/w.

## **BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE**

Aug 22nd, Rev Alexander Smith (1922) (PP Holy Trinity, 1916 to 1919) Janet Wilkinson (2011)

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Aug 23rd, John Dempsey (1975)
Aug 25th, Dorothy Harrison (1967)

Aug 28th, Milton Duckworth (1936)

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.

## **CATHOLIC ENQUIRIES**

Beginning with an introductory meeting on 17th September we will run a series of instruction sessions for those who might be interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. We can only awaken curiosity and enthusiasm in others when we are curious and enthusiastic ourselves! In the Church, we ourselves are the advertising campaign! We can begin by praying for someone, and then offering to accompany them!

# ANNUAL RETREAT at the BRIERY, ILKLEY.

This year, the parish retreat will take place in October, Friday 21st (5.00pm) - Sunday 23rd (2.00pm). £140.00 for the weekend: single, double, twin rooms - all ensuite - with lift access available. £20.00 deposit required.

Transport by own car - lifts can be arranged.

Dietary requirements—inform Sue on booking.

Saturday afternoon free in town.

Refresh your soul as well as your body!

Contact Sue Barnes on 01282 618231 for details.

