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This week 11th September.

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Vigil Mass, 6.00pm, Sunday Mass, 9.30am.

Tuesday No service at Sacred Heart

10,00am Requiem Mass at Holy Saviour for Kathleen McCarthy RIP.

Wednesday 10,00am Requiem Mass at Sacred Heart for Kathleen Church RIP.

(Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross)

Thursday 5.45.pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction

6.30pm. Mass Our Lady of Sorrows

Friday 10.00am Mass. Ss Cornelius Pope M and Cyprian Bp M. Saturday 11.00am - 11.30am. Confessions St. Robert Bellarmine Bp D

6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday.

next week 18th September 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Mass: Saturday Vigil 6.00pm,

Sunday, 9.30am.

Annual Cemetery Mass

The Annual Cemetery Mass will be celebrated at **All Souls**, **Wheatly Lane**, on Saturday **1st October** at 11.00am.

If the weather makes that impossible it will be celebrated at Sacred Heart at 11.15am on the same day.

Ministries in Church

Volunteer WELCOMERS

I am grateful to the four people who volunteered last weekend for this vital role. Others will be welcome. If you would like to volunteer, please see one of the welcomers in church and give your name and contact details or you can email enquiries@goodshepherdpendle.co.uk

Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Welcomers and Hospitality volunteers. In case you misplace your rota you will find that an extra page 'ROTAS' has been added to the menu on the home page of the parish website. This will give you access to the current rota.

Statement by Cardinal Vincent Nicholls, Archbishop of Westminster on the death of Her Majesty the Queen.

On 21 April 1947, on her twenty-first birthday, Princess Elizabeth said, 'I declare before you all that my whole life whether it be long or short shall be devoted to your service.'

Now, seventy-five years later, we are heartbroken in our loss at her death, and so full of admiration for the unfailing way in which she fulfilled that declaration.

Even in my sorrow, shared with so many around the world, I am filled with an immense sense of gratitude for the gift to the world that has been the life of Queen Elizabeth II.

At this time, we pray for the repose of the soul of Her Majesty. We do so with confidence, because the Christian faith marked every day of her life and activity.

n her Millennium Christmas message, she said, 'To many of us, our beliefs are of fundamental importance. For me the teachings of Christ and my own personal accountability before God provide a framework in which I try to lead my ife. I, like so many of you, have drawn great comfort in difficult times from Christ's words and example.'

This faith, so often and so eloquently proclaimed in her public messages, has been an inspiration to me, and I am sure to many. The wisdom, stability and service which she consistently embodied, often in circumstances of extreme difficulty, are a shining legacy and testament to her faith.

Our prayer is that she is now received into the merciful presence of God, there to be reunited with her beloved Prince Philip. This is the promise of our faith, and our deep consolation. Queen Elizabeth II will remain, always, a shining light in our history. May she now rest in peace.

We pray for His Majesty the King, as he assumes his new office even as he mourns his mother.

God save the King.

Cafod Pakistan Floods appeal

Devastating floods have hit Pakistan, leaving millions in urgent need of help to survive. A third of the country is now underwater, (that is an area almost the size of Great Britain). Your donation will help CAFOD's local partners support communities with clean drinking water, food, emergency medical assistance and shelter. Please pray for those affected and donate at cafod.org.uk/give or you can donate in church. If you are able to use an envelope and complete the Gift Aid section, this will increase your donation by the amount of tax you have paid on what you give. (About 25% extra)

Do you want to know more about the Catholic Faith?

If you are interested in knowing more about the Catholic Faith, and possibly considering joining the Church, please have a word with me. We are now finalising our arrangements for the coming months.

Fr. Peter

Christmas Fair - It is planned to hold our first Christmas Fair in several years after the 9.30am Mass on **Sunday**, **27th November**. Please put the date in your diary. Further details will follow nearer the time, we will probably start collecting donations a few weekends before.

Sacramental Programme 2022/2023

The next Programme to prepare children, 7yrs old or over, for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion is now being planned.

There will be an introductory meeting at 6pm in Sacred Heart Church on Wednesday 2nd November for parents and children.

The first Sunday Masses and Instructions will begin the following Sunday, 6th November, with the 9.30am Mass.

Further dates will be indicated on the Sacramental Programme of the parish website.