



## **St John Southworth's RC Parish**

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

### **Nelson**

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## **25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Pray for Ukraine



**18th September 2022**



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secure online donation to the parish!

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**Dear Parishioners and Friends,**

*When we reflect on the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd, two rather contrasting models of ministry are brought to mind. First of all, we have Jesus at the centre of his flock: leading, guiding, nurturing, and protecting. Secondly, we have the image of the shepherd who goes out alone into the wilds, risking his own life and reputation, searching for the one that has strayed—the one which is lost!*

*The Church is called to reflect these two aspects of the ministry of Jesus: in the first place, we do all we can to build up the bonds of friendship and unity that give us a sense of belonging to each other in the Church; we do want the Church to be a place of security where, together, we gather around Jesus who provides us with all that we need. However, we also need to express in our Christian community, the desire of Jesus to reach out to those in need of experiencing his life-giving touch and to draw them into a living friendship with him.*

*It's with these thoughts in mind that I would like to celebrate a Mass, on the first Saturday of November, with a particular focus on reaching out to those who have never really discovered what the Church has to offer. The Mass will include the formal Sacrament of the Sick for those who are members of the Catholic Church. But, just as importantly, the Mass will also include more informal and personal prayers for those who are burdened by any kind of problem.*

*We could say that this Mass is not particularly for ourselves! It is more particularly for those we invite and for those who we bring along with us. This is the Church operating in the mode of the Good Shepherd: taking a risk and reaching out to those who need that moment of inspiration which brings their faith to life and initiates in their hearts that journey of discipleship.*

*Although the Mass in itself is maybe a little difficult to relate to for a non-Catholic or even a non-practising Catholic, it is at the heart of our Catholic faith that the life-giving power of Christ flows from the Eucharist. Even when we do not receive Communion we are coming as close as we can be to the 'fount of all holiness' which is the celebration of the death and resurrection of Jesus. And this is what we are praying for: that the graces flowing from the Cross, flow into the lives of those who need them.*

*I will say more about this Mass as the weeks go by, but this Mass will take place at 11.00am on Saturday, 5th November. Do we think we can invite someone who is maybe not involved in the Church to give the Lord a chance to help them in their lives? There are always those areas of need that only the Lord himself can address by providing an opportunity, a remedy, or even a miracle if that's what is needed!*

*With love and prayers for all.*

**Fr Gerard**

## Mass schedule for week beginning Monday 19th September, 2022

Monday 19th Sept	Tuesday 20th Sept	Wednesday 21st Sept	Thursday 22nd Sept	Friday 23rd Sept	Saturday 24th Sept	Sunday 25th Sept
<b>Euch Service</b> CC 10.00am	<b>Mass</b> Sacred Heart 10.00am	Euch Service HS: 7.00pm	<b>E.S. at CC</b> 10.00am Exposition until 12.00	<b>Mass</b> Sacred Heart 10.00am	<b>No Service</b>	<b>CC: 9.30am</b> HS: 11.15am

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2
<b>This week:</b> 18th Sept	Roger Lee	Joan Penny-Heys
<b>Next week:</b> 25th Sept	Margaret Needham	Margaret Borman

**Children's Liturgy:** At Christ Church this week:

We hope to start children's liturgy after half-term at Holy Saviour's.

Offers of help are still (and always will be!) welcome!

### BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Sept 20th Rev Terence Schofield (2016)  
 (The last PP at Holy Trinity)  
 Sept 21st Dorothy Fayle (2004)  
 Sept 22nd Joseph Reed (2013)  
 Louise Whalley (2017)  
 Sept 23rd Margaret Allen (1976)  
 Vera Cooper (1997)  
 Sept 24th Anthony Birchall (2004)  
 Sept 25th Nora Skelton (2017)  
*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.*



### ANNUAL RETREAT at the BRIERY, ILKLEY.

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.

Contact Sue Barnes on 01282 618231 for details.

### POUND DRAW WINNERS

£10.00 Roger Lee  
 £10.00 Sheila Hawthornthwaite  
 £10.00 Madeline Manley  
 £103.00 towards Parish Funds, thanks very much.



### Queen Elizabeth II RIP

With all people of goodwill, we mourn the loss of  
 one who, having been born into a situation of  
 privilege, used her position of significant  
 influence to show forth an example of dedicated  
 service to her country. She will be greatly missed,  
 and now we pray that the Lord will receive her  
 graciously before his throne in heaven.

### PAKISTAN FLOODS DISASTER APPEAL

There will be retiring collection this Sunday for the  
 Flood victims in Pakistan. Envelopes will be  
 available for you to donate through  
 C.A.F.O.D. over the next few weeks. Thank you.

### Thank you to Fr Stan!

Fr Stan will be with us for another two Sundays.  
 We are very grateful for his ministry with us for  
 the five Sundays that Fr Gerard has been  
 recuperating. We will have a retiring collection  
 next Sunday for his Society's work in the  
 Missions.

### BAPTISM

On Sunday (18th September), we have two  
 baptisms at Christ Church for Alfie France  
 (1.00pm) and Tobias Paul (2.00pm)

### WEDDING

On Sunday (18th September) at 2.30pm Sabah  
 Variyam and Vishal Jackson will be joined in holy  
 matrimony at Holy Saviour's church. May their  
 wedding day bring joy to Sabah and Vishal, and all  
 the family.

### Building work at Holy Saviour's

On Tuesday, September 20th, work will begin on  
 the roof and barge boards at Holy Saviour's  
 presbytery. This is a first step in making the  
 building watertight which would be an obvious  
 first concern before winter comes along.

### Annual Mass at All Souls Cemetery

Wheatley Lane,  
 Barrowford, BB9 6QW  
**Saturday, 1st October, 11.00am**