



St John Southworth's RC Parish

at Holy Saviour's Church, Vulcan St, BB9 8HE
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Nelson

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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pray for Ukraine



15th January 2023



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Dear Parishioners & Friends,

As the New Year gets underway, it's time for us to think about the Sacramental Programme once again. This year we will invite the Year 3 children, and any children from Years 4, 5, or 6, who have yet to make their first Holy Communion, to attend our programme of preparation. For the first time, we will be including children from Holy Saviour's school along with the children from St John Southworth's and Holy Trinity.

If there are any children from Year 3 or above who would like to take part in the programme, but are attending non-Catholic schools, then please let me know by sending an email to the gmail address above.

Because the presentation of a child to receive first Holy Communion is a serious responsibility on the part of the parents, the programme this time round will be presented in a different way. The catechists will work with the children during the preparation sessions, and meanwhile, I will spend some time with the parents. If anybody would like to help me in this important task, then please let me know.

Yours, in the Lord,

Fr Gerard

More tea, Vicar?

The 7.00pm Mass on Wednesdays at Holy Saviour's tends to be quite well attended, in spite of the shocking weather we have experienced over the last couple of months. It always seems such a shame that we all have to dash off without a short time of just catching up with each other. So, in future, I will be making a cup of tea after Mass and inviting anybody who wishes, to come along.

No rotas, no expectations or obligations, just a cup of tea and a chat for anyone who wants to stay for a short while!

ALL WELCOME!



Day-Retreat for Men

The first date to put in your 2023 diary!

Saturday 29th April

*(I've already checked Burnley's fixtures—
they are away at Bristol City!)*

We will be leaving Nelson at 10.00am to arrive at Whittle-le-Woods (near Chorley) to begin our Retreat-Day at 10.30am with tea and coffee.

The Day will be led by Fr Mark Beattie who is parish priest at St Chad's, Whittle-le-Woods. We will need to bring a packed-lunch, and we will be home before 5.00pm.

Retreat-Day Progress!

Target number: **40**

Names confirmed: **14**

Mass schedule for week beginning Monday 16th January, 2023

Monday 16th Jan	Tuesday 17th Jan	Wednesday 18th Jan	Thursday 19th Jan	Friday 20th Jan	Saturday 21st Jan	Sunday 22nd Jan
NO MASS	MASS CC 10.00am	MASS HS: 7.00pm	CC 10.00am Mass Exposition until 12.00	CC 10.00am	NO MASS	CC: 9.30am HS: 11.15am

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2
This week: 15th Jan 2023	Maggie King	Gerard King
Next week: 22nd Jan 2023	Monica McArdle	Gerard Spain

Children's Liturgy: Christ Church: **Barbara & Amanda** Holy Saviour's: **Monica, Amber, Antonio**

A message from Fr Peter Wilkinson former parish priest of Holy Saviour's

This week we managed to get round to handing over to Fr Peter the gift that was collected for him as an acknowledgement of his five years of service as parish priest of Holy Saviour's parish. Fr Peter expressed his delight and gratitude for such an unexpected and generous gift. He asks us to pass on the message that although he feels a sense of loss in no longer being involved at Holy Saviour's, he is very pleased that we are moving on as a Nelson parish and developing the parish as we recover from the Covid days. We pray God's blessing on him and all our friends at Sacred Heart.

POUND DRAW

£10.00 Angela Starkie
£10.00 Karen Holman
£10.00 Sarah Kelly
£10.00 S Smith
£98.00 to parish funds. Thank you very much!



CHURCH COLLECTION

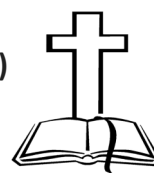
8th January: £404.50
Standing Orders: approx.: £635 p/w.
Thank you for your generosity!

Baptism

This Saturday (14th) we welcome
Viktorija Belajeva
who will be received into the family of the
Catholic church at Christ Church

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Jan 16th Rev Fr Wm Brierley (1976)
Paul Edmund Brady (1992)
Jan 18th Esther Rourke (1973)
Brian Campy (2006)



(Fr Brierley served as the 11th PP of Holy Trinity for 32 years - the longest-serving priest in the parish's 107 years)

We pray for the repose of the souls of all who have died, that the Lord will receive them into his eternal embrace of love.

MASS INTENTIONS

John Hartley, 2nd anniv, 16th Jan
Mary Anne Jennings, anniv (21st), 7th Jan
Jim Jennings, b'day anniv, 17th Jan
John Hawthornthwaite, anniv, 26th Jan
Catherine Hawthornthwaite, anniv, 28th Jan

Weekly activities at Christ Church

Wednesdays: **Toddlers' Club**
9.45 - 11.15am. New members welcome 50p per child. No waiting list!

Wednesdays: **"Talk and Do" Group:** 10:30am till 12:30pm, £2 per session.

Fridays: **Exercise Class:** 11am - 12noon, £5.00

Fridays: **Bible study** at Christ Church, 11.00am.

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