



## 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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## 2nd Sunday of Lent

Pray for Ukraine



**5th March 2023**



Click on the moneybox to make a  
secure online donation to the parish!

[St John Southworth's Facebook Page](#)

Click link for live-streamed and recorded Masses.

### World Day of Prayer

The World Day of Prayer was celebrated at Christ Church on Friday evening, organised and presented by the women of the Catholic/Methodist community. The service, this year focused on the country of Taiwan where Christians, although small in number, form a strong community. The prayers for the service were provided by Churches in Taiwan where they hope to hold on to their independence and democracy although



living with a sense of threat from the Chinese superpower as their close neighbours. Our service at Christ Church was very moving as a good number of women stood up to testify as to the how their faith was the power in their lives. Monica then presented three ways in which we might like to pray: to ponder on God's plans and purposes for our lives; to reflect on how he works through our weaknesses and mistakes; and how we can let his light shine in us that others may be attracted to the light which is Christ. Our next Lenten Extra will be the Deanery Mass on Thursday (see below).

May the blessings of Lent be ours, Fr Gerard

[World Day of Prayer Service](#) (Click to watch)

### Joint Property Committee at Christ Church

David Lambert is looking to re-form this group as it has not re-started since *Covid*. We are very lucky that Christ Church is generally a modern building, but there are still building-maintenance tasks that need doing. If you would like to assist him, please send an email by 12th March to: [jdlambert49@gmail.com](mailto:jdlambert49@gmail.com). Thank you!

### Lenten Deanery Masses

The first of the three Lenten Deanery Masses takes place this coming Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March at St Mary's, Oswaldtwistle. Mass will begin at 7.00pm, and will be followed by light refreshments. If you would like a lift, then just let me know on the email above, and that can easily be arranged.

### CAFOD's Big Lenten Walk



Firstly, thank you to everyone who has donated so far, and thank you to all of you for supporting my challenge— I have had lots of encouragement! Since I started my walk on Ash Wednesday, I have walked 77.1 km (not bad for a granny!). Donations to-date are £265, and there are some cash donations to pay in which will make it just over £300. I am amazed! Margaret.



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## Mass schedule for week beginning Monday 6th March, 2023

Monday 6th March	Tuesday 7th March	Wednesday 8th March	Thursday 9th March	Friday 10th March	Saturday 11th March	Sunday 12th March
NO MASS	MASS CC 10.00am	MASS H.S. 7.00pm	CC 10.00am Mass Exposition until 12.00	MASS CC 12 noon Soup Lunch	NO MASS	CC: 9.30am HS: 11.15am

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2
<b>This week:</b> 5th March	Jeremiah Javed	Zechariah Javed
<b>Next week:</b> 12th March	Roger Lee	Margaret Borman

**Children's Liturgy:** Christ Church: **Molly & Margaret B.** Holy Saviour's: **Sarah K, Suzanne K, Lorraine J**

### BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

March 9th Moira Steer (2011)  
 March 10th Thomas Dunne (1988)  
 March 12th Alice Pollard (1994)  
 Reginald Elphick (2003)



*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

Mary Gildea, anniv, 5th March  
 Gordon Parker, 5th anniv.  
 Mary Ingham, anniv.



### The Sacramental Programme

Christ Church on Tues 7th March 6.00pm.

### Lenten CAFOD Mass and Soup-Lunches

Friday Noon Masses and CAFOD soup lunches

Last week, I was speaking to Simon Holleron, the Diocesan CAFOD representative, who commented on the impressive generosity of our parish. I told him about our Friday Masses and soup lunches and said he would like to come up to Nelson to thank us personally for our donations. He is going to be with us for Mass and lunch on Friday 17th March. What, with a special feast day and a special guest, that is something to look forward to!

### Congratulations!

We congratulate Sarah Kelly on her appointment as Deputy Head at Holy Saviour's school. Sarah is a great asset both to the school and parish, and we pray God's blessing on her as she takes up this new responsibility.

### Weekly activities at Christ Church

**Tuesday : 14th March: 2.00pm – 3:30pm**

#### Friendship Group.

Singing, quiz, crafts, tea, coffee and cake. No charge. All welcome

#### Wednesdays: **Toddlers' Club**

9.45 - 11.15am. All ages from babies to toddlers and pre-school. New members welcome - 50p per child. No waiting list!

#### Wednesdays: **"Talk and Do" Group:**

10:30am till 12:30pm, £2 per session.

#### Thursdays: From 10.00 - 12.00 noon

A time of welcome to a **Warm Space** at Christ Church. Tea, coffee, and toast will be provided.

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

#### Fridays: **Bible Study:** 11.00am.

### POUND DRAW

£10.00 Linda Goddard  
 £10.00 Madeline Manley  
 £10.00 Catherine Thornber  
 £10.00 Jack Eccles



£101.00 to parish funds—**another record!**  
 Many thanks!

### CHURCH COLLECTION

26th February: £382.70  
 Standing Orders: approx.: £632 p/w.  
 Thank you!

### Day Retreat for Men, Saturday 29th April

41+ names now confirmed...  
 but always room for a few more!  
*Ay up—it's a free do, lad!*