



St John Southworth's RC Parish

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

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Passion Sunday

Pray for Ukraine



2nd April 2023



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Dear Parishioners and Friends,

We begin Holy Week with the celebration of Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem. The excited crowds are preparing for some kind of showdown between Jesus and the religious leaders and Roman authorities. Jesus, meanwhile, is preparing for something quite different - to confirm, by enduring his passion and death, all that he has taught and demonstrated. His teaching on radical selflessness and unbounded forgiveness will now be put to the test. As we make the liturgical journey through Holy Week, we pray that when our hour of testing arrives, we will find that same strength which is, ironically, the strength to surrender our will to the will of God.

Wishing you all, every grace and blessing of this Holy Week. Fr Gerard

C.A.F.O.D. LENTEN SOUP KITCHEN

A big thank you to the soup team for making some spectacular soups again this Lent. Also to all those who turned up in great numbers (apart from when it SNOWED!!!) to support these worthy Lenten occasions over the six weeks. The soup kitchen, this Lent, raised for C.A.F.O.D:

£1,352.50 - a truly marvellous result.



Thank you also to those who were not able to attend but sent in donations. We'll be back in Advent God willing! Thank you all very much! Cheers, *Ian*

In addition to the Soup Kitchen proceeds, **£504** has been donated for the **Lent Family Fast**, bringing us up to a total of **£1,856.50**. Meanwhile, our parish walker, Margaret Needham, has now covered 245.5km in her **BIG Lent Walk for CAFOD** and has raised **£799.00**. Can we help her to get up to £1000? Just click on the link to make a donation! [Sponsor Margaret on this link](#)

FLOWERS FOR EASTER

Donations will be gratefully received in both churches for the decoration of the altar and sanctuary. Please use the small brown envelopes and label 'FLOWERS'. Thank you!



BIG SPRING-CLEAN

Cleaning today (Saturday 1st April)
at Holy Saviour's between
10.00am and 12 noon.

ALL WELCOME to lend a hand!



HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

Holy Thursday, 6th April: Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7.00pm, Holy Saviour's

Good Friday, 7th April: Liturgy of the Passion, 3.00pm, Holy Saviour's.

Holy Saturday, 8th April: Easter Vigil, 7.00pm, Christ Church.

Easter Sunday, 9th April: Morning Masses as usual: 9.30am, Christ Church; 11.15am, Holy Saviour's

Mass schedule for week beginning Monday 3rd April, 2023

Monday 3rd April	Tuesday 4th April	Wednesday 5th April	Holy Thursday 6th April	Good Friday 7th April	Holy Saturday 8th April	Easter Sunday 9th April
NO MASS Stations 7.00pm H.S.	MASS CC 10.00am	MASS H.S. 7.00pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.00pm	Liturgy of the Passion 3.00pm H.S.	Easter Vigil 7.00pm C.C.	CC: 9.30am HS: 11.15am

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2
This week: 2nd April	Jeremiah Javed	Zechariah Javed
Next week: 9th April	Joan Penny-Heys	Margaret Needham

Children's Liturgy: Christ Church: **Sarah & Margaret M** Holy Saviour's: **Sarah K, Suzanne K, Joanne T**

Opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Monday: 6.30pm, before Stations of the Cross at Holy Saviour's (and afterwards)

Tuesday: after 10.00am Mass at Christ Church

Wednesday: 6.30pm, before Mass at Holy Saviour's (and afterwards)

Thursday: 11.00am - 12.00noon, during Exposition, at Christ Church

Extra Mass on

Wednesday at
10.00am at Holy
Saviour's school.

All Welcome

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

April 1st, Mary Eillen McCarthy (1976)

April 3rd, Marie Jackson (2022)

April 4th, John Richardson (1966)

Lillian Baldwin (2007)

April 5th Rev Thomas Dillon (1928)

(pp Holy Trinity, 1919 to 1928)

Robert 'Bob' Spillane (2021)

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.



Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross will take place at 7.00pm at Holy Saviour's church on the Mondays of Lent. Confessions from 6.30pm

CHURCH COLLECTION

26th March: £382.70

Standing Orders: approx.: £632 p/w.

Thank you!

MASS INTENTIONS

Veronica Cowgill, 1st anniv, 2nd April.

Dot Holden, died recently.

Reena Guru Curran, died recently.

Bob Spillane, 2nd anniv, 5th April.

We remember in our prayers: Peter Bradshaw, whose Requiem Mass will take place on April 11th at 10.45am, in St John's Church, Ivy St, Burnley. Peter was an active member of the K.S.C., locally and also at St. John's parish.

Next Sacramental Programme Meetings

Christ Church on Tuesday, 4th April at 6.00pm.

And then the First Holy Communion children will participate in the liturgy of the Washing of the Feet on Holy Thursday at Holy Saviour's at 7.00pm

We're all going on a summer holiday...

Following on from our lovely day-out in Morecambe last year, we have now organised with the priest at St Peter's, Lytham, for the use of his church and parish hall on **Saturday, 15th July**, for our next parish coach trip to the seaside. We will leave from Nelson at 10.30am and be back home for 6.30pm. We will do a little fund-raising to bring ticket prices down to £10/person, and children will travel free. Bring a packed lunch—tea and coffee provided.

POUND DRAW WINNERS

£10.00 Siobhan Welch

£10.00 Charlie Eccles

£10.00 Carl Hammond

£10.00 Sheila Ashton

£88.00 to Parish funds
Many thanks!



Calling all parishioners! We are the children from St John Southworth primary school and we are asking for your help!

We want to pray more at our school in different ways (listening to a bible story/arts and crafts/reflective time) and we need your help!

If you are interested, then please let Father Gerard know and he will get in touch with us. We will then arrange a meeting for you with our teacher Mrs Bushell and we can talk about how we can do this moving forward!

We look forward to hearing from you!



The children at
SJS XXX

Thank you



