



## 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 Easter

Pray for Ukraine



**16th April 2023**



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

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Dear Parishioners and Friends,

In this coming week, I will be away on a Priests' Retreat at the Christian Heritage Centre in the grounds of Stonyhurst College. I am looking forward to spending some time away, to listen to my heart and to listen to the Lord. Meanwhile, I'm grateful for those who are leading Services of the Word and Holy Communion in the parish while I am away. May the joy of the Risen Lord be our strength. Fr Gerard.

### A Message from Margaret Needham

At the beginning of Lent, Anne-marie Coppock, knowing that I liked to go walking, suggested to me that I might like to sign up to the Big Lent Walk raising funds for CAFOD. I was hesitant to begin with, however, I looked into what the challenge involved—200km over the 40 days of Lent, to raise a minimum of £200. My thoughts then were, "Why not?" So I signed on the dotted line!

The support of the Parish of SJS with Holy Saviour's, my friends and family has been absolutely amazing, not just in donations but in encouragement to achieve the target. The target was met... and surpassed! Your donations have reached a fantastic **£1094**. I have walked officially 275.4km (171miles) but can add a bit more to that as some of my mileage was not recorded.

I would like to say a sincere **THANK YOU** to all of you. Without your support this would not have been possible. God bless all of you. Margaret Needham.

## MEN'S RETREAT DAY

The **Men's Retreat Day** is now just two weeks away on **SATURDAY 29th April**. We will meet at **St Chad's parish hall, Whittle-le-Woods** from 10.30am (tea and coffee) in order **to begin at 11.00am**.

You will need to bring a packed lunch! We will finish at 4.30pm, so you will be home just after 5.00pm.

**The full address is:** St Chad's parish hall (which is next to the church), 235 Town Lane, Whittle-le-Woods, PR6 8AJ, which is just north of Chorley.

I have put up a list, in both churches, of those who have told me that they are attending—if you could tick whether you need transport, then that would be helpful; and, if you have a car, please tick and then write down any number of passengers you might be able to take. If you find you are no longer able to join us, then please put a cross (x) against your name; if your name is not on the list, and you would like it be, then please write your name at the bottom of the list.

You can always email me to let me know anything I need to know, or of any questions you might have. Let's pray that the Holy Spirit will be with us on this Day!

Fr Gerard

## Service schedule for week beginning Monday 17th April, 2023

Monday 17th April	Tuesday 18th April	Wednesday 19th April	Thursday 20th April	Friday 21st April	Saturday 22nd April	Sunday 23rd April
	<b>Euch Service C.C. 10.00am</b>	<b>Euch Service H.S. 7.00pm</b>	<b>Euch Service &amp; Exposition 10.00am C.C.</b>	<b>Euch Service C.C. 10.00am</b>		<b>CC: 9.30am HS: 11.15am</b>

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2
<b>This week:</b> 16th April	Maggie King	Gerard King
<b>Next week:</b> 23rd April	Tony Finnan	Roger Lee

**Children's Liturgy:** Christ Church: **Barbara H & Siobhan** Holy Saviour's: **Lisa S, Venus, Antonio**

### BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

April 18th Sheila Fayle (2005)  
 April 19th Eileen Sharkey (2021)  
 April 20th Alice Rushton (1986)  
 Rev Louis Purcell (2013)  
 April 21st Agnes Bulman (1985)



Fr Purcell was a Mill Hill Missionary,  
originally from Nelson.

*We pray for the repose of the souls of all who  
have died, that the Lord will receive them into the  
fullness of his resurrection life!*

**The next Sacramental Programme Meeting** will be  
at Christ Church on Tuesday, 25th April at 6.00pm  
as we prepare for First Holy Communion.

### CHURCH COLLECTION

9th April: £707.80  
 Standing Orders: approx.: £632 p/w.  
 Thank you!

### MASS INTENTIONS

Peter Cichocki, died recently.  
 Michael Jennings, b'day anniv.  
 Jordan Gildea, died recently.  
 Tommy Quirke, anniv.  
 Rev Keith Butterworth, 25<sup>th</sup> ordination anniv.  
 Barbara Cave, Easter blessings.

### POUND DRAW WINNERS

£10.00 Joyce Shea  
 £10.00 Maureen Waddington  
 £10.00 Gail Hargraves Day  
 £10.00 Monica McArdle



£85.00 to Parish funds  
 Many thanks!

### CATHOLIC & METHODIST SHARED PICNIC

On Coronation Bank Holiday Monday, 8th May, at  
11.00am, we are all invited to come to Victoria  
Park to share in a picnic. Catholics and Methodists  
together sharing food, fun, family...  
and a litter-picking team to demonstrate our  
Christian faith and our care for the environment!

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

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 do a little  
fund-raising to bring ticket prices down to £10/  
person, and children will travel free.

**Heaven Sent Gospel Duo** concert at Christ church,  
2pm on 21st April. Entry £5 includes tea / coffee ,  
cake and biscuits.

### Feast of Divine Mercy

This Sunday 16th April  
 A special celebration at  
 St Mary's Church,  
 Devonshire Drive  
 Clayton le moors.  
 BB5 5RJ

1.30pm Exposition  
 and Confessions.  
 Talk by Tony Hickey  
 3.00pm Holy Mass  
 Refreshments after.

**ALL WELCOME**



# A Message for its own time



## Book Launch

We invite you the launch of our new book  
and a discussion time about its themes.

- Is the Church as the spiritual revolution the start of a new phase in the church?
- What is contemplation, and the prayer of the heart?
- Good adult faith formation in every parish  
Is an essential key.

On

Saturday

20<sup>th</sup> May 1.30 p.m.

At St. Anne's C of E Church Hall,  
Manchester Rd., Clifton  
M27 6PP

Or

On

Wed 24<sup>th</sup> May 6.30 p.m.

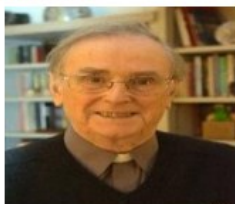
St. Veronica's Church Hall,  
Helmshore Rd., Helmshore  
BB4 4JT

*Our new book is available on the day*

*for a Special purchase price £5.00 (cash only)*

Also available in shops £10.99 or as an ebook £4.99

### Authors



Fr. Brian  
Murphy  
Diocesan priest  
for 54 years



Anne Bardell  
Chief Catechist and  
Pastoral Assistant  
for 32 years





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

