



## St John Southworth's RC Parish

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

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## Pentecost Sunday

Pray for Ukraine



**28th May 2023**



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secure online donation to the parish!

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

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Dear Parishioners and Friends,

*'Drunken revellers tumble out on to the streets of Jerusalem causing havoc and mayhem!'*

*So might have read the headline news in the Jerusalem Post on that day. The Holy Spirit has fallen upon that first group of disciples, and they are disorientated and euphoric as this new experience of God's presence takes them by such surprise.*

*The Holy Spirit is **eruptive** as he bursts forth from the heart of God, manifesting himself to those who have allowed their heart to be captured by Christ. He is **disruptive** in that he brings about a new order of reality – human goals and achievements pale into insignificance before God's plan of drawing the human race into an eternal Kingdom of love and happiness. And the Holy Spirit is **interruptive** as he comes into our personal lives with ideas, promptings, and plans that do not have their origin in our own hearts, but which spring from the life of Christ, present to us through his Spirit.*

*This is the day of Pentecost when the power of God is made available to the human race. Those insatiable longings for something better, for something more satisfying, for something more meaningful and enduring than all that we experience in this earthly life—wonderful though these things can be—are gathered together and taken up into our faith in Jesus.*

*The release of the Holy Spirit into the life of the early Christians was effected by the death and resurrection of Christ; in the same way, the release of the Spirit into our lives will be proportioned to our willingness to be drawn into the death of Christ that we may rise with him. Or, rather, that he may rise within us!*

*My prayer, for myself and for the parish, is that through the fog of secularism and busy-ness, which define the culture of our day, we may glimpse the truth of Christ and beg him to shine the guiding light of his Spirit into our lives.*

**May the Lord bless us all with a new experience of his Holy Spirit.**

**Fr Gerard**

## PRAYER FOR AN OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Lord Jesus, you send your Holy Spirit to live in our hearts.

May your breath of Life bring us forgiveness and freedom from sin.

May your Spirit of love lead us into new depths of relationship with you and with one another.

May your Church, gifted with signs and wonders, be empowered to bring your Good News to our world.

**AMEN**



## Mass schedule for week beginning Monday 29th May

Monday 29th May	Tuesday 30th May	Wednesday 31st May	Thursday 1st June	Friday 2nd June	Saturday 3rd June	Sunday 4th June
No Mass	<b>MASS</b> <b>C.C. 10.00am</b>	<b>MASS</b> <b>H.S. 7.00pm</b>	<b>MASS &amp; Exposition</b> <b>10.00am C.C.</b>	<b>Requiem Mass</b> <b>H.S. 11.00am</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>	<b>C.C. 9.30am</b> <b>H.S. 11.15am</b>

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2
<b>This week:</b> 28th May	Joan Penny-Heys	Margaret Needham
<b>Next week:</b> 4th June	Jeremiah Javed	Zechariah Javed

**Children's Liturgy:** C.C: **Monica & Elaine Horsfall** Holy Saviour's: **Monica, Venus, Antonio, Lorraine**

### NEXT COMMUNITY LUNCH: TUESDAY, 30th MAY

£4 per person for a 2 course meal plus tea/coffee. ALL WELCOME  
Go on! Give yourself a treat, and have yourself a no-cooking day!

**Messy Church**  
(see attached poster)

### BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

May 28th Colin Starkie (2013)  
May 30th Claude Rushton (1974)  
May 31st Grace Langstroth (2009)  
June 1st John Thomas Hudson 1956)  
Robert McManus (1983)  
June 2nd Ethel Chippendale (2008)



*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!*

### Weekly activities at Christ Church.

Everybody welcome.

**Wednesdays:** 9:45am - 11:15am ... *Toddlers' club.*

Only 50p per child including drink and snack. All ages from babies to pre-school children with parents/carers, all welcome.

10:30am till 12:30pm... *"Talk and Do" group.* £2

**Fridays:** 11am - 12noon, *Exercise class,*  
£5 per session.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Margaret Calderbank, died recently  
Stephen Omerod, died recently  
John Roddy, died recently  
Kieran Walch, died recently  
Mike Kenny, RIP  
James Michael Jennings, 22nd anniv, 25th May

### CHURCH COLLECTION

21st May: £421.80  
Standing Orders: approx.: £632 p/w.  
Thank you!

### POUND DRAW WINNERS

£10.00: David Armstrong  
£10.00: Gill Hartley  
£10.00: Catherine Masih  
£10.00: Linda Goddard



£84.00 to Parish funds. Many thanks!

### REQUIEM MASSES

**Margaret Calderbank (83),** Requiem Mass on Friday 2nd June at 11.00am at Holy Saviour's.

*May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace. AMEN*

### GRAND SUMMER DRAW

**1st Prize £100**

**2nd Prize £75; 3rd Prize £50, 4th Prize £25.**

**Will now take place on 15th July!**

Special boxes will be in place at both Churches for the next five Sundays. As usual, have as many goes as you want. Good Luck!!! Ian

**Summer Trip to Lytham St Anne's**  
**Saturday 15th July**

Please give names to Maureen McDermott or Margaret Needham



**WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR**  
**CIRCUIT MESSY CHURCH AT CHRIST CHURCH**  
**METHODIST CHURCH**

**NELSON**

Friday 5th May 2023

Friday 2nd June 2023

Friday 7th 2023

**4pm - 6pm**

**£1 per child**

**Crafts, food, stories, songs and**

**good fun**

**for families of all ages**

**All children must be accompanied by an adult**

**call Wendy - 07961044563 for more info**