



St John Southworth's RC Parish

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Nelson

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pray for Ukraine



3rd September 2023



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secure online donation to the parish!

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Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Forgive me a little summer madness... maybe I need a holiday!

Cleanse my heart, O Lord, from where dust and dirt have obscured the image of your face.

Restore the shine that lights up my inner being, and radiates your joy to the world.

*May I submit to your cleansing action, as you strip away that which, unbidden, clings to my soul;
may the stains of habitual sin no longer blight the beauty of that which was once made to be pure.*

May the Holy Spirit sparkle from every hidden corner of my life.

AMEN



The good news is that we have some interest in the cleaning position at Christ Church!

O God, I ask you to tend the garden of my soul.

*May I not be complacent in allowing weeds to consume from the goodness of my soil,
sapping my strength and restricting your creative design.*

May I clear some space that you may plant new seeds of life.

May I be open to your light, and patiently receive your rain.

*O Lord, transform the wasteland into a holy space where I can commune with you,
joyfully in a garden of delight.*

AMEN



The good news on the weeding front is that Julie Taylor has agreed to lead a task force to tackle the weeds around Holy Saviour's church. She suggests a time of 10.00am next Saturday if you would be able to join her. Julie will be around after Mass on Sunday at Holy Saviour's if you could just let her know that you will be coming. You can also contact her on: julietaylor_2010@yahoo.co.uk

Julie is also doing **THE GREAT MND WALK** which is a twenty-one mile walk around the Preston Guild Wheel, on Saturday, 23rd September. This is to raise funds for the Motor Neurone Disease Care and Research Centre. Let us be speaking the language of generosity in our parish!

[Support Julie by clicking here!](#)

Mass schedule for week beginning Monday 4th September

Monday 4th Sept	Tuesday 5th Sept	Wednesday 6th Sept	Thursday 7th Sept	Friday 8th Sept	Saturday 9th Sept	Sunday 10th Sept
NO MASS	Euch Service C.C. 10.00am	Euch Service H.S. 7.00pm	Euch Service & Exposition 10.00am C.C.	NO SERVICE	NO MASS	C.C. 9.30am H.S. 11.15am

Children's Church: C.C. - **Sarah & Margaret M**

H.S. - **Annika, Shannon, Amber**

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2
This Week: 3rd Sept	Zechariah Javed	Jeremiah Javed
Next Week: 10th Sept	Luke Mendoza	David Zycinski

Fr Gerard away!

On Sunday, 3rd Sept, I go away for 12 days, returning on Saturday 16th September. On the intervening weekend we welcome a Mill Hill mission priest who will be making an appeal. On the Tues, Wed, Thurs, of each week there will be a Eucharistic Service at the usual times. I thank those who have agreed to lead and to read, and I hope that they will be generously supported in their ministry.

MASS INTENTIONS

Rehmat Masih, 33rd anniv, 30th August.
Michael Sharples, (died recently).
Miss Susan Ellis, (died recently).
A sick person.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Sept 2nd, Renee Burrows (2007)
Sept 3rd, Ken Parkinson (2021)
Sept 6th Mary Ellen Shutt (1976)
Sept 9th Mary Nicholas (2004)



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!

POUND DRAW WINNERS

£10 Maureen Fannon
£10 Helen Keating
£10 Margaret Hillary
£10 Sean Jennings



£83.00 towards Parish funds. Thank you!

CAFOD UPDATE

The Parish support for CAFOD continues to be very generous:

At Holy Saviour's, the tea and coffee money for the seven weeks from the beginning of July to mid August came to £244.70 which averages out at £34.90 per week. (Our parish room was not in use in June!)

At Christ Church, monies from the CAFOD box, together with the tea and coffee donations amounted to £351.00 since our last payment to CAFOD made on 23rd May.

Altogether we have raised, and paid into CAFOD, the grand total of **£595.70** since 23rd May.

Many thanks for keeping the poorest people of the world in mind!

CHURCH COLLECTION

27th August: £297.30

Standing Orders: approx.: £632 p/w

Thank you!



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SYNOD TRAINING
Thurs 7th September
6:00pm-9:30pm in
Accrington

Linda Goddard and Monica McArdle have agreed to be the Synod Representatives for our parish, but it really is a communal activity. There is a training evening this Thursday for anyone willing to help with this important work over the next two years.

[Contact Monica for more details on this link](#)



As the children return to school this week, we pray every blessing on all those who are involved in our school communities.