



St John Southworth's RC Parish

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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pray for Ukraine



1st October 2023



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October is the Month of the Rosary!

Maybe the most well-known of all Catholic prayers, after the Mass itself, is that of the Rosary which is a prayer of meditation on the mysteries surrounding Christ's birth, death, and resurrection. In the Rosary, we call upon the intercession of Mary who was the one who shared uniquely and most intimately in the momentous events of the life of her son.

During October, we will pray one decade of the Rosary before each of the daily Masses. You might want to arrive a few minutes earlier than usual, and the prayer will begin five or six minutes before the start of Mass.

Our prayer intention will be that of the Universal Synod which moves into a new phase in October as the bishops of the world gather in Rome to reflect on the feedback that they have received, so far, from Catholic parishes and communities throughout the world.

*Another opportunity to pray the Rosary will be at **St John Southworth School** where the GIFT Team are inviting parishioners who would like to join them, to come to the school on the **Wednesdays of October at 12.00noon**. It would be a great encouragement to the children in the school, for them to know that their prayer is important to the parishioners and to the life of the parish!*

MASS OF HEALING AND NEW LIFE

On **Saturday 14th October at 11.00am**, we will celebrate a **Mass of Healing and New Life at Christ Church**. The Mass will include the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of the Sick and personal prayer for whatever might be the cause of our deepest anxieties. The Mass of Healing and New Life is just one way in which we can respond to our calling to be 'missionary disciples' building a 'missionary parish'. Let us begin to ask the Lord whom he would like us to invite to a wonderful gathering of faith and love in which "we ask the Holy Spirit to renew his wonders in our time as though for a new Pentecost!" (Words spoken by Pope John XXIII in 1962 before the Second Vatican Council).

Hope in the Future Celebration Event

Tuesday 3rd October 2023, 6:30pm - 9.00pm. The Edge, Riveredge, Wigan WN3 5AB

At the Celebration Event on Tuesday 3rd October, we will have the opportunity to hear about what has taken place in other parishes throughout the Diocese, and to listen to young people talk about their experience of faith. I will be attending this evening, and if anybody would like to have a lift, then just let me know!

Click the link to find out more, and to register your place at: [Hope in the Future Event](#)

Mass schedule for week beginning Monday 2nd October

| Monday 2nd Oct | Tuesday 3rd Oct | Wednesday 4th Oct | Thursday 5th Oct | Friday 6th Oct | Saturday 7th Oct | Sunday 8th Oct |
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| NO MASS | MASS C.C. 10.00am | MASS H.S. 7.00pm | MASS & Exposition 10.00am C.C. | MASS C.C. 10.00am | NO MASS | C.C. 9.30am H.S. 11.15am |

Children's Church: C.C. - Linda & Amanda

H.S. - Sarah K, Suzanne K, & H.S. GIFT team

| Date | Reader 1 | Reader 2 |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| This Week: 1st October | Jeremiah Javed | Zechariah Javed |
| Next Week: 8th October | Luke Mendoza | David Zycinski |

MASS INTENTIONS

Christine Churchman, died recently.
Raymond Dupreez, b'day anniv.
Aline Burton, for health and special intentions.
Fr Michael Gallagher, b'day intentions



CAFOD

The CAFOD Harvest Family Fast Day is on Friday 6th October. Envelopes will be provided this Sunday which can be returned over the next few weeks.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Oct 1 Allen Brooker-Carey (1991)
Oct 2 *Rev L A Casey (1952)
Oct 4 Florence Richardson (1995)
*Fr Casey, PP Holy Trinity, 1937 to 1938



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 Helen Keating
£10 Sarah Kelly
£10 Selena Blacklaw
£10 Linda Shutt



£99.00 towards Parish funds. Thank you!

CHURCH COLLECTION

24th September: £269.40
Standing Orders: approx.: £632 p/w
Thank you!

Annual Mass for the Dead

It has now been decided that the annual Mass for those who are buried in All Souls cemetery will take place on Saturday 7th October, 11.00am at Sacred Heart Church. This is due to the rather wet weather forecast for this coming week.

Harvest Festival: Service and Shared Meal

On Sunday 1st October at 11.00am, the Methodist congregation are holding a Harvest Service at Christ Church. The Catholic congregation are invited to attend the Service and to share in a meal which will follow. If you could contact [Sheila Chadwick](#) to let her know you wish to attend, then this would be very helpful for catering purposes. Thank you.

MND WALK

I would just like to say a massive thank-you to Fr Gerard and the parishioners of St John Southworth parish for all your support and sponsorship money, for the MND walk which, along with two friends, I completed last Saturday. I am truly humbled to be part of this kind and supportive parish. Last time I looked, I think we had raised together **£850** - again thankyou!
Julie Taylor



CONGRATULATIONS!

This weekend, we celebrate the Nuptial Mass for Yoel Hakim and Melissa Variyam as they are united by the holy bond of marriage. We pray that they will be abundantly blessed by the Lord, and that their families may be brought together more deeply by this joyous family occasion.