



St John Southworth's RC Parish
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**11th Sunday
in Ordinary Time**



23rd June 2024



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MASS OF HEALING AND NEW LIFE

The Mass of Healing and New Life was by any reckoning a great success, and I do thank all those who enabled it to be such a wonderful experience of joyful celebration. I thank, especially the children who came along to animate the 'opening ceremony' with flags and bells, and who brought to life the gospel-reading of the Gentle Healer with a simple mime.

I also thank those who worked in the kitchen preparing, serving, and finally clearing up so that all would be ready again for Sunday Mass. One parishioner was reminded of the parable of the talents which teaches us that we all have something to contribute, and in working together we were able to produce an occasion which was so uplifting for all who came along.

The Mass included both the Sacrament of the Sick and prayer ministry for those who presented themselves to the prayer teams. And we must remind ourselves that the primary purpose of the event was to invite the Lord into the lives of our parishioners that they might experience his 'amazing' healing touch.

The gospels were not commentaries on the ministry of Jesus, as it happened, but were written as later reflections by disciples who gradually came to a realisation of the absolute significance of their encounter with Jesus. The encounter with Jesus writes a new script into our lives, a script which we come to understand as the real story of what our lives are all about.

I would really encourage you to reflect on the ongoing experience of having attended the Mass of Healing and New Life and search for that place where Jesus has brought about some ongoing change for you. This is the fruit of faith which the Lord then invites us to share with others!

I am reminded of the story of the ten lepers in which Jesus asks, "Weren't all ten healed? Where are the other nine? If you able to share something of your experience of meeting Jesus in the Mass of Healing and New Life, then we would all be taken to a new place in our faith! I'm only an email away!

Take care and God bless,
Fr Gerard

The Knights of St Columba (KSC) - Sponsored Walk

The local branch of the Knights of St Columba, have organised a Sponsored Walk from their club in Forest St., Nelson, up through Barrowford and back along the canal. The walk begins at 11.00am on Saturday 29th June, and should take about two hours, finishing with refreshments back at the club. Everyone is welcome to take part—just find a sponsor or two and come along to the club for 11.00am.

Mass schedule for week beginning Monday 24th June, 2024

Monday 24th June	Tuesday 25th June	Wednesday 26th June	Thursday 27th June	Friday 28th June	Saturday 29th June	SUNDAY 30th June
NO MASS	MASS C.C. 10.00am	H.S. 7.00pm	REQUIEM MASS 10.45am Angela Starkie	MASS C.C. 10.00am	SPONSORED WALK	C.C. 9.30am H.S. 11.15am

Children's Church: C.C. - Margaret M and Mary M **H.S.** - Sarah K, Suzanne K, GIFT TEAM

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2
This Sunday: 23rd June	Tony Finnan	Margaret Borman
Next Sunday: 30th June	Monica McArdle	Joan Penny-Heys

POUND DRAW

£10.00: Michael Taylor
 £10.00: Joe Winkley
 £10.00: Christine Whalley
 £10.00: Tony Finnan
 £81.00 towards Parish Funds, thank you!



GRAND SUMMER POUND DRAW

1st PRIZE: £100.00
 2nd PRIZE: £75.00
 3rd PRIZE: £50.00
 4th PRIZE: £25.00

Draw to take place on Parish trip to Southport, Saturday, 13th July. Boxes at back of both churches from this Sunday. Please have as many goes as you want/can. **THANK YOU!**

CHURCH COLLECTION

16th June: £287.60
 Standing Orders: approx: £607 p/w
 Thank you!

Parish Coach Trip to Southport

If you would like to come along, and as yet have not signed up, then please do so.
 Seats still available!

Food Bank

The demand on the Food Bank continues to be high, so just a reminder that donations of non-perishable food items are always gratefully received. Just put them in the containers provided at the back of both churches. Many thanks for your support!

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

June 23rd Frances Ramsey (1993)
 June 25th Stella Campy (2021)
 June 26th Hubert Stansfield (1981)
 June 27th Rev Thomas Chronnell (1906)
 Jim Jennings (2009)
 June 28th Brian Willan (1994)
 Annie Plant (2006)
 June 29th Edna Quinn. (1989)
 Fred Cooper (1975)
 Caellum Dowling (2006)



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!

MASS INTENTIONS

George Hodson, anniv
 Josephine Kelly, anniv, 17th June (2008)
 Fran Wilby, anniv, 22nd June
 Special Intention

Weekly activities at Christ Church

Tuesday 2nd July 2pm – 3:30pm

Friendship Group

*Singing, quiz, crafts, tea, coffee and cake.
 No charge. All welcome.*

Wednesdays:

Toddlers' Club: 9.45-11.15am

Talk and Do: 10:30 - 12:30pm, £2.00

Fridays : Exercise Class: 11am - 12noon £5.00

Date for the Diary

Saturday 19th October: Men's Retreat Day
 Further details to be announced.

KSC 2024 Sponsored walk route & Map



Route

TL out of Club TL onto Scotland Road. after the Canal Bridge Proceed down the underpass to the College and head into Barrowford. Follow the main road through the village as far as the George and Dragon pub. TR onto Colne Road and precede to the Bridge over the Canal join the Tow Path TR towards Nelson and follow this to the Scotland road Bridge leave towpath Turn left up Scotland road TR to Junction with Forest St TR into Forest St and the Club