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Saturday 14th
Sunday 15th

6.00pm. Vigil Mass 24th Week in Ordinary Time
9.30am. Sunday Mass

Tuesday 17th

10.00am. Mass
St. Robert Bellarmine. Bp D

Wednesday 18th

10.00am Mass

Thursday 19th

Exposition and Benediction 5.45pm - 6.25pm
Mass 6.30pm. St Theodore of Tarsus Bp

Friday 20th

10.00am. Mass
Ss Andrew Kim Taegon and companions Martyrs

Saturday 21st

11.00am. - 11.30am Confessions during Exposition
St. Matthew Ap

Saturday 21st
Sunday 22nd

6.00pm. Vigil Mass 25th Week in Ordinary Time
9.30am. Sunday Mass

Key:	Ap.	Apostle
	Ab	Abbott
	Bp	Bishop
	D	Doctor
	M	Martyr
	P	Priest
	R	Religious
	V	Virgin

Sacramental Programme 2024-2025

If your child will be aged 7 by next Easter then you are invited to enrol your child on our next Sacramental Programme preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. Completion of this programme will lead to receiving these Sacraments around Easter next year.

To enrol your child you will need to attend the **registration meeting** which is for PARENTS OR CARERS ONLY, not the children. This meeting will be in church on Wednesday 27th November at 7.00pm.

Children who are **registered** for the programme will be **Enrolled** on the programme at the 9.30am Mass on Sunday 1st December. This is the First Sunday of Advent, the beginning of the Church's Liturgical Year.

For more information and the dates of the Programme Masses and Instructions please see the Sacramental Programme page on the parish website or ([click this link](#)).

Prayer and Discussion Group Tuesday 17th September

There will be a discussion and prayers from 7pm to 8pm in the St. Peter and Paul's room in the Presbytery. The focus will be "Our caring God".

Diocesan Synod

Four themes emerged from the "Big Listen" last winter. A summary leaflet on **theme 1 (Nurturing faith in tomorrow's world)** has been made available to you to read, reflect on, and pray about. You can also access it via this link:-

<https://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/Theme-One-Summary-Leaflet-final.pdf>

We are all invited to make responses to be considered at the Synod in March 2025. How can you participate? By attending a parish meeting (**Sunday 15th September, after the 9.30 mass in the St Peter and St Paul's room in the Presbytery**) where you can explore the first theme and propose actions, OR, by proposing actions directly in writing and placing them in the suggestion box provided at the back of the church.

Three further meetings are planned to cover each of the remaining themes, on **20th October, 17th November, and 15th December**. A summary leaflet on each theme will be made available to you at the beginning of each month.

Synod Prayer:

Loving Father,
be with us as we seek new ways of being your people in our Diocese.
May each new day bring us closer to your son Jesus,
as we follow his teaching and become disciples of love.
As we continue our Synodal journey, draw us closer to each other.
May the truth of your Spirit enlighten us.
Open our hearts, as we listen to each other and reach out in love to your people.
Stay with us, Lord, on our journey. Amen.
Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Pray for Us. St Joseph, Pray for Us.

St Bernadette's Relics Pilgrimage, Knock Escorted Tour to Ireland to include venerating St. Bernadette's Relics. **Sunday 3rd November 2024. £899.00 pps.** Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 5 nights' in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on certain days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit St Bernadette's Relics, Knock Shrine, Galway City, Croagh Patrick, Ballintubber Abbey & Fr. Peyton Centre. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

A Mens' Retreat Day - organised by St. John Southworth parish, Nelson.

Our Men's Retreat Day will take place at St Chad's Whittle-le-Woods, Chorley on Saturday 19th Oct. Our retreat guide will be Ken McCabe, a layman from Liverpool with a background in education, chaplaincy, and prison ministry. Even if you are not a parishioner of SJS parish, then you are very welcome to join us - if you can just let me know, I will provide you with more details. Here in the parish, I'll be collecting names on my return from holiday. Men of the Parish... please do come along! Fr. Gerard

I'll be going, I'm looking for men from Good Shepherd to join me. Let me know if you are interested and I'll pass your name on to Fr. Gerard. Fr. Peter