



# THE GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH WORSHIPPING AT SACRED HEART CHURCH.

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<b>Saturday 21st</b>	<b>6.00pm. Vigil Mass The Body and Blood of Christ</b>
<b>Sunday 22nd</b>	<b>9.30am. Sunday Mass. (Corpus Christi)</b>
Tuesday 24th	10.00am Mass. The Birth of St. John the Baptist
Wednesday 25th	10.00am Mass
Thursday 26th	5.45 pm. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6.20pm Benediction. 6.30pm Mass
Friday 27th	Titular Feast of the School and Church, <b>The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</b> 9.30am Mass in school 7.00pm Mass in church
Saturday 28th	11.00am - 11.30am. Confessions during Exposition
<b>Saturday 28th</b>	<b>6.00pm. Vigil Mass Sts Peter and Paul Ap M</b>
<b>Sunday 29th</b>	<b>9.30am. Sunday Mass</b>

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

**This week is an extraordinary week of feast days for us.**

Sunday is the **Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ**, formerly known as Corpus Christi (Body of Christ). There used to be a separate feast of The Precious Blood, but both feasts have been combined into the feast of The Body and Blood of Christ.

The 22nd of June would have been the feast of **Saints John Fisher and Thomas More**, the patrons of our High School, but since this year that is displaced by The Body and Blood of Christ, it is being celebrated in the school on Friday 20th June. Friday is the third Friday of the month, and on each third Friday there is a voluntary Mass at 8.00am for both pupils and staff. It is important that we regularly invite Jesus Christ into school as a reality in the Eucharist and on this occasion we can also invoke the patronage of our two patron saints.

Next Friday is the patronal feast of our parish school and the church in Colne, **The Sacred Heart of Jesus**. There will be Mass in school at 9.30am and Mass in the church at 7.00pm. We hope to see a good number come to celebrate our Faith in the parish and to pray together for the wellbeing of the parishioners.

Next Saturday at the Vigil Mass and on Sunday we celebrate the Feast of **Saints Peter and Paul**, who are also patrons of our parish since it incorporates the former parish of that dedication in Barrowford. Again, we will pray particularly for the parish and give thanks for all the people who lived in and worked for that community over 120 years and more that it served as church, school and parish centre.



## **The Catenians**

*Strengthening family life  
through friendship and faith*

### **The Catenian Association**

The local Catenian Association will be celebrating Mass here with us this Sunday, 22nd of June. The thanksgiving Mass is to celebrate the installation of Pius Adefuye as the Circle President for the Catenian year 2025-2026.

We wish Pius a successful and enjoyable year in office and pray for the Catenians that it may be a fruitful and blessed year for them and their activities.

### **New rotas for readers at the weekend masses and eucharistic ministers at Sunday Mass**

New rotas for readers and eucharistic ministers at Sunday Mass are on the website and the sacristy notice board. Please check when you are expected to serve and make a note of it. If you cannot be there, please swap with someone else to ensure your responsibilities are covered.

### **CAFOD representatives book stall**

David and Emily are planning to do a surprise book stall later in the year where books are wrapped in brown paper, marked with the genre. These will be sold to raise funds for both the church and CAFOD. There will be a box in the porch of the church for you to place your books of any genre to help get the book stall up and running. For more information, please contact David or Emily. Thank you in advance.



### **Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation. Monday 7th July at 7pm.**

The Sacrament will be celebrated at Sacred Heart Church by our bishop on Monday 7th July at 7pm. The celebration will be for candidates for Confirmation from the Good Shepherd parish and St. John Southworth parish. The take-up for the sacrament has exceeded our expectations and therefore space in church will be very restricted for the confirmandi with their family or guests. Perhaps only three or four each. Arrangements will be notified at the preparation meeting in Sacred Heart church on Tuesday evening at 6.00pm. Access to the church via the live-stream will be available for the actual service.

### **Sea Sunday annual collection. (a message from Stella Maris)**

Sea Sunday will be on the weekend of 12-13 July. This is the day in the Church's year when we pray and collect funds for all those who live and work at sea. Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. Your parish's support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. Resources will be sent to the parishes including Gift Aid envelopes. All the resources (including foreign-language translations of some of the materials) are also available for download from our website at: <https://stellamaris.org.uk/seasunday/>

### **Advanced Notice of a Sponsored Walk for Caritas.**

Latest government figures show that four children in every ten in the area covered by the Salford Diocese are living in poverty. In addition, as of September 2024, there were 496 people sleeping rough and 5,907 households in temporary accommodation, including 8,546 children. Caritas is trying to do what it can. We are very grateful, too, to the parish community action group for doing far more in our local area than most of us realise.

However, Caritas will be organising a sponsored walk from Hurst Green around the Stonyhurst estate and Ribble Valley to raise money to do even more. There are leaflets at the back of church which give details of the walk including a very detailed map of the spectacular 7 mile route through glorious countryside. The leaflets also give examples of what sponsor money raised will be spent on. If you would like to take a lead in organising a group from this parish or any more information you can email [i.baxter@caritassalford.org.uk](mailto:i.baxter@caritassalford.org.uk) or call 0161 817 2286.