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MEN'S RETREAT DAY—St Chad's. Whittle-le-Woods, Sat 4th October

We will be collecting names this weekend for the Men's Retreat Day which will take place at Whittle-le-Woods on Saturday 4th October. It's such a life-giving experience to dedicate some time to the Lord and to experience a renewal of our faith. It is even more rewarding to bring along someone else we know, who might not attend if it were not for our invitation!

The Retreat Leader this year will be Fr Kevin McLoughlin, a priest of the Archdiocese of Liverpool, who earlier this year gave a retreat day to the priests of the Salford Diocese.

A retreat day makes a lasting impression on our souls—I can't remember much about last Sunday's Gospel, but I have a clear memory of Fr Mark talking about the Widow's Mite from two years ago! The spiritual 'value for money' is just so unbeatable, that I can't recommend this opportunity more highly.



Monica would like to thank all those who stepped out in faith, and stepped into a new experience of prayer. We might imagine that if we introduced the Rosary to someone for the first time, they would find it very difficult to understand the purpose of reciting fifty Hail Marys! Only sustained practice of a particular method of prayer allows the 'prayer language' to unfold its meaning.

We began to learn that prayer is not just an intellectual exercise but an activity which involves our whole person. Just think how Jesus wept over Jerusalem, sweated drops of blood in the Garden of Gethsemane, and breathed on his disciples—he knew all about embodied prayer!

Further gatherings for embodied prayer will take place at the same time and place on the second Saturday of each month of October, November, and December.

Eucharistic Service schedule for week beginning Monday 15th September

Monday 15th Sept	Tuesday 16th Sept	Wednesday 17th Sept	Thursday 18th Sept	Friday 19th Sept	Saturday 20th Sept	Sunday 21st Sept
NO MASS	Euch Service 10.00am C.C	Euch Service 7.00pm H.S	Euch Service Exposition 10.00am C.C.	Euch Service 10.00am C.C.		C.C. 9.30am H.S. 11.15am

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2
This Sunday: 14th Sept	Monica McArdle	Dawid Zycinski
Next Sunday: 21st Sept	Sarah Ellison	Roger Lee

Children's Church: This week: C.C. Mary M, Amanda H.S. Antonio, James / Monica, Teresa, Karen

Eucharistic Ministry 2nd Sunday (C.C. and H.S.)	
Roger Lee	Barbara Martin
George Winkley	Christine Whalley
Amanda Duckett	Susanne Barnes
Bernadette Whittaker	Marie Parker
Emma Sutcliffe	Paul Stinchon

POUND DRAW WINNERS

£10.00 Eileen Wilcock
 £10.00 Ray Whalley
 £10.00 Antonio Parente
 £10.00 Wilf Eccles
 £92.00 raised for parish funds. Many thanks!

Columban Mission Appeal



Next weekend, 21st September, we will be hosting a Columban mission priest, Fr Patick O'Beirne, who will be covering the weekend Masses while Fr Gerard is away. I'm sure that Fr Pat will find a warm welcome in our parish and a generous response to his appeal on behalf of the Columban Fathers.

MASS INTENTIONS

John O'Hara, died recently
 George Mullarkey, anniv, 8th Sept, 2016
 Mark Almond, b'day anniv, 13th Sept
 Alec Holt, b'day anniv, 21st Sept
 Eamon Curran, sick.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Sept 14th Winifred Waterworth (1999)
 John A Cox (1984)
 Sept 15th Giovanni Ferullo (1985)
 Sheila Clay (2020)
 Paul Needham (2010)
 Joan Hanslip (2016)
 Sept 16th Owen Moran (1981)
 Alice Hodge (2019)
 Maureen Salisbury (2020)
 Sept 20th Rev Terence Schofield (2016)



May the souls of all the faithful departed, though the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Holy Saviour R.C. Primary School

Holy Saviour's School are inviting parents of children who will start school in September 2026 to come and take a look around the school on Tuesday 14th October at 2.00pm. You will be made very welcome and will be able to ask any questions you might have about the school and what is on offer.

CHURCH COLLECTION

7th Sept: £331.20
 Standing Orders: approx: £685 p/w.
 Thank you!