



St John Southworth's RC Parish
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**17th Sunday in
Ordinary Time**



2nd August 2026



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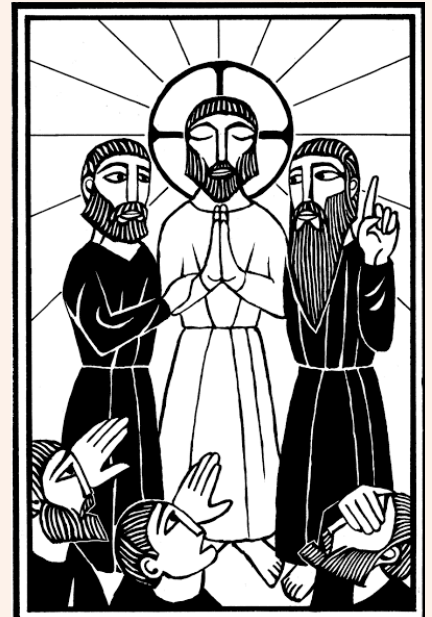
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The Feast of the Transfiguration, occurring on 6th August each year, is only celebrated on a Sunday when it comes round every seven years or so. Therefore, for those who attend Mass only on Sunday, this feast day would usually pass them by!

The reading of the Transfiguration is actually used on every 2nd Sunday of Lent which lends it a certain mood, but the Feast itself captures a glorious moment in the life of Jesus when he dazzles Peter, James, and John with an experience of his divine identity.

This mountain-top experience is a prophetic moment in which the three favoured disciples are privileged to see beyond the Cross of Jesus and are encouraged in their following of Jesus by a glimpse of the Resurrection.

The Transfiguration is celebrated this coming Thursday, and after the 10.00am Mass we have a time of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. In effect, we become those favoured disciples who are given that wonderful opportunity to spend time alone with Jesus that he may touch our hearts and strengthen our faith in his loving presence in our lives. Fr Gerard



Knights of St Columba

For men seeking to express their faith in charity, unity, and fraternity. New seekers and enquirers always welcome—just come along to our meeting at the Catholic Club on Forest St, Nelson, on the second Tuesday of each month at 8.00pm!

Sponsored Walk

In aid of the HCPT and KSC Council's charities

On **Saturday 8th August**.

Starting and finishing at the KSC Club 10/12 Forest St, Nelson. Meeting at the Club at 10.30am.

Shorter route: 3.5 miles; Longer route: 4.5 miles

Refreshments available at the finish

Just pick up a sponsor sheet at the back of church; collect a few names to sponsor you; and come along next Saturday. Community-building, exercise, and fundraising all in one go! What is there not to like?!

*Let's do what we can to support these Catholic events, organised by the
Knights of St Columba, and taking place in the local community.*

Mass schedule for week beginning Monday 3rd August 2026

Monday 3rd August	Tuesday 4th August	Wednesday 5th August	Thursday 6th August	Friday 7th August	Saturday 8th August	Sunday 9th August
NO MASS	MASS C.C. 10.00am	MASS H.S. 7.00pm	MASS C.C. 10.00am Exposition	MASS C.C. 10.00am	KSC Sponsored Walk 10.00am	C.C. 9.30am H.S. 11.15am

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2
Next Sunday: 2nd August	Zechariah	Jeremiah
Next Sunday: 9th August	Dawid	Luke

Children's Church—School's out for summer! And so is Children's Church!

Eucharistic Ministry 1st Sunday (C.C. and H.S.)	
Francis Ryan	Sarah Kelly
Ewa Zycinska	Joanne Thompson
Khuram Javed	Sheila Cooper
Siobhan James	Venus Ghulam
Margaret Morgan	Dawid Zycinski

MASS INTENTIONS

Farzand Masih, anniv, 30th July (2005)
 Rob Barber, anniv, 7th August (2021)
 Nora Helmn, anniv, 6th August (2012)

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

August 4th Rose Shutt (1997)
 August 5th Catherine Hayes (2015)
 Anne Rossall (1986)
 August 6th Jean Heap (2012)
 Nora Helmn (2012)
 August 7th Rita Rodwell (2014)



*May the souls of all the faithful departed
rest in peace!*

Christopher Dunleavy, RIP

It is with a sense of shock and sadness that I share with you the news of the death of Chris Dunleavy of Charles St. He was in a very bad way last Sunday due to an infection that had developed in his gall bladder. He was taken to hospital where he died of sepsis on Tuesday. His Requiem Mass will take place at Holy Saviour's church on Monday 17th August at 1.45pm. We keep Chris in our prayers and we pray for his family in their time of loss - may the Holy Spirit comfort them in their grief.

Catholic and Methodist Prayer Time

This coming Wednesday, time of shared prayer at Christ Church at 11.30am. "Where two or three gather in my name, I am with you." (Matt 18:20)

CHURCH COLLECTION

Standing Orders: approx: £765 p/w
 26th July 2026: £313.30

Many thanks for your generosity!

PART-TIME LAY CHAPLAIN REQUIRED AT FISHER MORE HIGH SCHOOL

[Vacancy - Lay Chaplain -
Ss John Fisher Thomas More](#)

POUND DRAW WINNERS

£10.00 Selina Blacklaw
 £10.00 Barbara Broadley
 £10.00 Anne Callaghan
 £10.00 Josephine Robinson



£84.00 raised for Parish funds. Many thanks!

HOLIDAY BIBLE CLUB

Taking place from Mon 10th - Thur 13th Aug
 Mornings from 10.00am to 12.30pm at Christ Church, Carr Road.

For children of primary school age.

Please see Monica for a registration form or email the parish at address at the top of this newsletter.