



THE GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH WORSHIPPING AT SACRED HEART CHURCH.

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Saturday 22nd	6.00pm Vigil Mass	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 23rd	9.30am Mass	
Monday 24th	10.00am Eucharistic Service	St Bartholomew Ap
Tuesday 25th	10.00am Eucharistic Service	St Louis
Thursday 27th	5.45pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
	6.15pm Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament	
	6.30pm Mass	St Monica
Friday 28th	10.00am Mass	St Augustine Bp D
Saturday 29th	11.00am - 11.30am	Confessions during Exposition
		The Beheading of St. John the Baptist
Saturday 29th	6.00pm Vigil Mass	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 30th	9.30am Mass	

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

Volunteering opportunities available:

1) Parish Community Support Group- three volunteers needed for a Wednesday morning for about an hour

Have you got an hour or so to spare on a Wednesday morning? We need more volunteers to help with the food bank. For more information please ring Jo on 07946 532209

2) Parish Office - volunteers to assist

There are various routine jobs that need doing and it would be good to share these out to others who might want to play a part in keeping the parish going. Have you a few hours to spare to help with Cemetery administration, this will involve dealing with funeral directors, reading and updating cemetery plans, allocating grave and ashes spaces and taking and recording payments and expenses and anything else that pops up. Perhaps you could check if any registers need updating or certificates issuing eg. Baptism registers. Are you interested in collating information for the newsletter, uploading it onto the website and preparing it for printing? Could you process invoices or record bookings for the hall? For more information about any of this please ring the office on **01282 942228** or email enquiries@goodshepherdpendle.org.uk

3) Become a CAFOD School Volunteer

Do you have a passion for faith, justice, and inspiring young people? CAFOD is seeking volunteers to visit local Catholic schools to lead assemblies and workshops about our work and mission. Could you help children and young people learn how they can make a positive difference in the world full training and support provided.

For further information, please contact Anna Letizia on 07710 094449 or email aletizia@cafod.org.uk.

RCIA We will be starting our sessions for non-Catholics who want to know more about our faith in September. If this is you please speak to Fr. Peter or get in touch with AnnMarie@wobblybob.com for more information.

Fundraising for the church roof - please note the following dates as we need your support

1) Church open days during the Blues Festival - Friday 28th, Saturday 29th, and Sunday 30 August 2026

We will open the church to any visitors to come in and rest in our beautiful church during set times during the day on Friday, Saturday and Sunday next weekend. They can pray, light a candle, look at the mosaics and maybe make a donation to the perspex boxes for the church roof. **However, we need your help. Could you give approx half an hour to be in church whilst we are open? Please choose slot(s) to be here and put your name on the sheets at the back of the church. We need two people at each session. Thank you.**

2) Quiz night at the Hippodrome - Friday 30th of October 2026 - save the date

Quiz, bingo, bar, prizes - all in a good cause in Colne on a Friday night!! Gather your team, book a ticket and save your cash to take with you to play bingo. Check the digital display for more details and how to book. May the best team win.

3) Christmas Fair - Sunday 29th of November 2026 - save the date

All profits will go towards the cost of roof repairs.

4) Christmas lunch at Colne Golf Club - Sunday 4th of December 2026 - save the date

The Roof Fundraising committee has organised a Christmas lunch to celebrate the birth of Christ and raise money for our roof project. The lunch will be held at Colne Golf Club on **Sunday 4th December starting at 12:30 pm**. There will be a substantial raffle and donations of raffle prizes would be greatly appreciated. Prices and more details will be announced soon.

Welcomers rota

A new rota for those welcoming at the weekend Masses from September to November is on the sacristy noticeboard and the website. Please check when you are on and make arrangements for someone else to cover for you if you cannot do a particular week.

A Day of Healing and Prayer - St Mary's, Oswaldtwistle – Tuesday 8th September 2026

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

On Tuesday 8th September, the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Mary's Parish, Oswaldtwistle, will celebrate a special Day of Healing and Prayer, and everyone is warmly invited to join them.. This is an opportunity to bring ourselves, our families and those we love before the Lord in prayer. You may wish to come seeking healing for yourself or for someone you love, or to pray for those experiencing difficulties in body, mind or spirit. Sometimes illness, suffering and the difficulties of life can become a barrier or stumbling block in our relationship with Our Lord Jesus. This day offers an opportunity to place these burdens before Him and to seek His mercy, peace and grace.

Programme

12.00 noon – Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Adoration, with several visiting priests available to celebrate the Sacrament of Confession.

1.00pm – Holy Mass

Mass for the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. There will be an opportunity during Mass to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

7.00pm – Evening Healing Service

An evening of prayer for healing, with the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and individual prayer ministry.

Everyone is warmly welcome. Please feel free to come for all or part of the day, and particularly consider bringing a family member or friend who may be experiencing a difficult time physically, emotionally or spiritually. Let us entrust this special day to the intercession of Our Blessed Lady, asking her to lead us ever closer to her Son, Jesus Christ.

Parish Community Support group. We sent twelve large boxes of clothes in response to our appeal for clothes to send to Nigeria. We would like to thank you for your most generous response to our appeal.

Opposing Assisted Suicide

Ahead of the Second Reading and vote in the House of Commons for the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill on Friday 11 September, the Communications Directorate of the Bishops' Conference has produced a poster to encourage Catholics to write to their MPs. The poster includes a QR code which links to the *Oppose Assisted Suicide* section on the Bishops' Conference website: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/>

Caritas Research Project

Have you been affected by the cost of living crisis?

Have you struggled with money and paying your bills?

Caritas Salford are looking at how the cost of living is impacting our parishes. We would like to hear about people's experiences so that we can better understand what people are going through and use this to help with our campaigning.

If you want to know more or would be happy to speak to us, please contact Annabeth Taylor:

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or call 0161 817 2250