

THIS WEEKEND		16th Sunday in Ordinary Time		Year C
Sat 16th July	5.00pm	St O	Christopher Cooper B'Day Remembrance	
	6.30pm	St T	Parishioners	
Sun 17th July	8:30am	St O	Exam Success	
	9.30am	St T	Parishioners	
	11.00am	St MM	Peter Hammond (A)	
<b>Divine Office Week 3</b>				
Mon 18th July <i>St James</i>	9.30am	St O	Thanksgiving Mass for Prayers Answered	
Tues 19th July	10.30am	St O	Requiem Mass: Maureen Moss Prisoners + their families	
	7.00pm	St T		
Wed 20th July	10.00am	St MM	Francis Naylor (LD)	
Thu 21st July	9.30am	St O	Arthur Bunce B'Day Remembrance Hector Battarbee	
	10.00am	St T		
Fri 22nd July <i>St Mary Magdalen</i>	9.30am	St O	Harry Moss (A) Priest's intention	
	10.00am	St MM		
NEXT WEEKEND		17th Sunday in Ordinary Time		Year C
Sat 23rd July	5.00pm	St O	Jim Lowery	
	6.30pm	St T	Pauline Smith (A)	
Sun 24th July	8:30am	St O	Boardman & Eyles families	
	9.30am	St T	Parishioners	
	11.00am	St MM	For Lucy on her 1st B'day, we thank God for all the blessings Lucy Fitton, Gerard 'Gerry' Smith	



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## 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### 17th July 2022

#### Jesus our Guest

This Sunday's readings lead us to ponder the gift of hospitality; the giving and receiving we experience. May we learn to welcome our Lord who wishes to dwell with us.

In the **First Reading**, Abraham gives us the example of Bedouin hospitality. In welcoming three strangers, he welcomes his Lord and receives the good news that Sarah will conceive a son.

In the **Psalms** it is we who are invited to come into the Lord's presence. And what are our dispositions?

In the **Second Reading** from Colossians, Paul speaks of sharing in the sufferings of Christ. It is our choice to receive this message –that of Christ among us, the hope of our glory.

In the **Gospel**, the story of Martha and Mary, we learn of the importance of presence to the other, of stillness, of attentive listening, and of hospitality.

May we be aware this week of our attitude to others. Do we welcome them, do we listen ...?

We continue to pray for the peace of the world, and for all who suffer.

Please adhere to guidelines when entering and leaving the church.  
 Face coverings are now optional for all those coming to a church service.  
 Hand sanitising will remain in place as people arrive.

**This Weekend 16th/17th July there will be a second collection for Provision for Priests in Retirement.**

**Request for July's Foodbank:** During July, the foodbank would like donations of tinned soup, tinned spaghetti/spaghetti hoops and microwavable rice. Your donations are always gratefully received and are most welcome, thank you.

**SVP Rosary** -The next rosary will be on Thursday 21st July at 11am, at St Mary Magdalen's church, everyone welcome.

**SVP Stamp collection:** A parcel weighing 1.9Kg has been sent to St Patrick's Missionary Society, Stirling. Fr Kyran sends his thanks to all the stamp collectors. Please continue to collect for next year.

**The SVP** as a matter of course pray for those who are in an end of life situation, or those who are ill. We would be delighted to add to that list anyone in the parish who needs prayers for whatever reason.

If you want prayers to be said either for yourself, or for a member of your family, or for a friend of yours, please contact the SVP president Cath Jones on 01772 740569, or the SVP secretary Paul Kearney on 0780 1358197.

**The weekly Gospel Faith Sharing Group** will be taking a break over the summer and we will re-convene in late September.

**St. O red Mission Boxes** - Please collect your empty boxes from the side chapel. Many thanks for your generosity. Anthony Chappell

**Knit-a-Bit:** If you fancy joining us, call in any Monday to the parish centre between 10.00 and 12.00 midday. You'll be very welcome.

**Caritas Day of Reflection, Thursday, 22nd September 2022.**

This is our next venture and anyone from each of the 3 churches are invited to attend. We are strictly limited to a maximum of 40 people attending. We are running a Coach and politely ask that everyone attending uses it (no cars). The cost is £12 per person covering the cost of the coach and use of the venue. We will be providing tea/coffee/biscuits. You will need a packed lunch.

The venue is St. Joseph's Prayer Centre, Formby. Fr. John will lead the day. He is very experienced at running days of reflection. There will be no group work or question/answer sessions. He will be available for private consultations if required. This promises to be a thoughtful and prayerful day beneficial to all present. Lists and envelopes will be available in all 3 Parishes on the 23rd/24th July.

**Liverpool4Ukraine:** As part of our #Liverpool4Ukraine appeal, we are planning our third trip to the Ukraine border to deliver essential aid on Friday 22 July. Volunteer drivers from the St Margaret Clitherow Centre will be taking donations specifically requested by Bishop Gregory which include medical items, tools and dried food.

**Please note on Friday 22nd July it is the feast of St. Mary Magdalen. To celebrate this, the 10.00am Mass on Friday 22nd July will be held in St Mary Magdalen's church and not in St Teresa's church.**

**Leaving party Thanks:** Thank you for the lovely afternoon leaving party last Thursday, 14th July. It was good to see so many parishioners from the 3 churches in Penwortham & Longton present, thank you to all who came. Thank you also for the wonderful gifts received from everyone, especially the secret collection (£553) along with the many cards and best wishes. I will still be here for a few more weeks yet, my last Masses here will be the weekend of 13th/14th August. Thank you. Fr. Roy.

**St Bernadette Relic Tour 2022:** In September and October this year, the relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to England, Scotland, and Wales for the very first time. This event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes. For the full national itinerary and more information please go to the Catholic Bishops' Conference website: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/st-bernadette-relic-tour-2022/> Archdiocese of Liverpool

**\*St Mary's R.C. Church:** Mount Pleasant, Chorley, Lancashire, PR7 2SR  
Arrive: 8:30pm Thursday 15 September until 10:00am Saturday 17 September

**\*Cathedral Church of the Risen Christ:** James' Mount, Liverpool, L1 7AZ  
Arrive: 11:00am Saturday 17 September until 2:30pm Saturday 17 September

**\*Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King:** Mount Pleasant, Liverpool, L3 5TQ  
Arrive: 3:30pm Saturday 17 September until 7:00am Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September

**Afghanistan Crisis Appeal:** Christian Aid is supporting the appeal for emergency relief after the earthquake in Afghanistan where approximately 1000 people have died, including many children, and over 360,000 have been affected. The money will help to provide emergency shelters, water and food <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/>

**Prayer for the week:** Our schools break up for the summer holidays during the following week with many pupils moving into the next stage of their education.

May God's blessing follow you all as you find new journeys to travel. May you walk safely along the pathways of your dreams. May His gentle hand guide the decisions you will make and the passions that you follow. May your hearts and lives always reflect His love and truth and may hope be a light within you that you carry each new day.

May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face; the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again may God hold you in the palm of His hand. **Amen**

