

THIS WEEKEND	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time		Year C
Sat 8th October	5.00pm	St O	Patrick Shevlin (A)
	6.30pm	St T	Anne Rieble (LD), Parishioners
Sun 9th October	8:30am	St O	Brian Cox (LD), For Successful Operation RM
	9.30am	St T	For an elderly sick couple
	11.00am	St MM	Geraldine Hays (LD)
Divine Office Week 4			
Mon 10th October	9.30am	St O	Maureen Conlon LD
Tues 11th October	9.30am	St O	Mollie Abbott (LD)
	2.00pm	St T	<i>Funeral Service:</i> Dennis McKee
	7.00pm	St T	Parishioners
Wed 12th October	10.00am	St MM	Gerard 'Gerry' Smith (RIP)
Thu 13th October	9.30am	St O	James & Philomena Mellows Jack
	10.00am	St T	Priest's Intention
Fri 14th October	9.30am	St O	Srs. Kathleen Lawson, Carmel William Hough (A) McNicholas, Anne O' Connell. Lawrence Cartmell, Mary Rawcliffe (A)
	10.00am	St T	Mass of Thanksgiving
NEXT WEEKEND	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time		Year C
Sat 15th October	5.00pm	St O	Cathy Roper LD
	6.30pm	St T	Anne Rieble (LD)
Sun 16th October	8:30am	St O	Mollie Abbott LD
	9.30am	St T	Parishioners
	11.00am	St MM	Silvia Coupe (A)

St Mary Magdalen + St Teresa Offertory Collection 24th/25th Sept: £719.79



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28th Sunday Ordinary Time 9th October 2022

Sing a new song to the Lord!

The scripture readings this week highlight the importance of gratitude. It is shown to be that perfect response to the Lord's constant goodness to us. Whatever cleansing we are seeking or hardships we are bearing (**First Reading**), the Lord has been, is, and will work for our good. He will do this on our behalf through his right hand and holy arm (**Psalms**).

And however wavering our own stance to God might be, God is always faithful to us (**Second Reading**).

For St Ignatius, ingratitude was 'the most abominable of all sins' and in the **Gospel** we see it is the 'foreigner' – a Samaritan – who turns back to give thanks for his healing. Jesus appreciates this and encourages him in his faith, something the other nine miss.

This coming week, I might quietly reflect upon the ways my gratitude can be seen to be simply an echo of grace – my response to what God has already given.

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.*

CAFOD Family Fast Day: there will be a second collection at masses this weekend 8th/9th October.

Parish Forum: All parishioners are invited to an open parish meeting on Tuesday 1 November at 7:30pm in the parish centre on Queensway (immediately after the holyday Mass in St Teresa's Church). This will be the first opportunity since Fr Ian arrived for us to look at matters affecting us as a parish community. Please send any items for the agenda to the parish email address and then you can present that item at the meeting. Tea and coffee will be served.

Foodbank: During September, the Churches Together foodbank would welcome donations of breakfast cereals, tinned fish and tinned soup. There is a high demand on this service and our offerings make a real difference to tens of families.

SVP Rosary: Thursday 29th September at 11am, St Mary Magdalen's church. The Rosary will be recited at 9:40am before Wednesday morning Mass in St Mary Magdalen's Church during October, the Month of the Rosary

Monday Morning Meet-Up: Fancy getting your week off to a start with a chat and a cup of tea/coffee? There may even be some biscuits! Come and join us in the parish centre, Queensway between 10.30 and 12.00 midday. All welcome.

All Hallows Community Choir: Meet on Tuesdays at 7.30 - 9.00pm at the Parish Centre, St Teresa's. New members are very welcome (no need to be able to read music/no auditions)

Ladies Association: Pom Pom Christmas wreaths. There will be two sessions: Tuesday 25th October and Tuesday 8th November. Both commencing at 1.30pm in the Parish Centre. Lots of wool is needed, if everyone could bring some—3 colours and 2/3 balls of each colour. Please donate any if you can. £5 charge for all other items required. Please Tel: Sue 741633 or Jennifer Tel: 742471 to book as it will be helpful to know the number of people wishing to attend. All welcome for a fun session with coffee and scones.

Shoe Box Appeal: "Send a Smile" to a child in poverty. Fill a shoe box with an appropriate gift—toiletries, toys, clothes, stationary and practical gifts eg: mini sewing kit, string, plasters etc. The boxes will then be delivered to International Aid for distribution abroad.

Can you Knit a Teddy (pattern available from the Piety Shop) or make a draw string teddy bag 10" X 13" with a draw string top?
Please leave at the back of church.

St Mary Magdalen: We would like to restart the choir at St MM for the Sunday 11am Mass and wish to invite parishioners to join our (currently) small group. We would sing on the first Sunday of each month and practice twice a month. There will be a short get together after Mass on the 16th October where new members would be most welcome.

Secondary and Primary online admissions are now open. www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools The deadline for Secondary admissions is 31/10/2022 and Primary admissions is 15/01/2023. Please note that you still need to complete the school supplementary form in addition to the online application

St Teresa's Primary School: are holding their Open Afternoon/Evening, for September 2023 New Starters, on Wednesday 19th October at 2:00pm or 5:30pm.

Caritas Lunch at St Teresa's, Penwortham on Friday the 21st October. The lunch will begin at 12pm. We look forward to seeing all our friends there.

St Teresa Parish Centre 'Warm and Cosy' : During the winter months the parish centre will be open every Monday between 1.00pm-3.30pm . The centre will be welcoming people to enjoy free tea, coffee and biscuits and have free use of TVs and wi-fi in a safe space.

The centre is also taking donations for the foodbank, with a table near the entrance where goods can be left.

Medjugorje: Travel Documents will be sent to you, direct from Northern Star. Euros are widely accepted in Medjugorje and of course Bosnian Mark, Croatian Kuna, all major bank cards too, even dollars can be used. The Rep. suggests we take Euros. The coach departs St. Teresa church approximately at 03.05. Luggage allowance: Hold 15kg. Hand luggage 5kg. The price for the coach, return, is £23 each (includes tip) please pay Dorothy, either before we go or afterwards, but not on the coach. Thank you.

New Eucharistic Minister Rota: New rotas and Deacon John's rotas, for Eucharistic Ministers, are in the Sacristy for collection this weekend. Please note that the new rota starts this weekend.

St. Oswald's – Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confessions will be heard on Saturday 8th October between 10am-11am or by arrangement.

Liverpool Archdiocesan Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Applications are now open for the annual youth pilgrimage to Lourdes. The pilgrimage which runs from 20th - 29th July 2023 is open to young people aged between 15 and 22. Seven youth coaches will be running from around the Archdiocese and Coach 5 takes young people from the following schools and their feeder parishes: *St. Peter's High School, Orrell *Holy Cross High School, Chorley *St. John Rigby College, Orrell *St. Mary's High School, Leyland *All Hallows High School, Penwortham *Cardinal Newman College, Preston
The cost for each young person is £600. If you know any young person who may be interested, please take a leaflet from the back of church. If you have any questions, please contact Ben McMullen, Coach Leader and Deputy Headteacher of All Hallows, Penwortham at lourdescoach5@hotmail.co.uk

Contemplative Prayer : This coming Monday 10th October 7:30 pm to 8:00 pm in St Teresa's Romero Room, a warm invitation is offered to the parishioners of our three churches to experience the wonder and beauty of Contemplative Prayer. In Contemplative Prayer we seek to become the person we are called to be, not by thinking of God but by being with God. Simply to be with God is to be drawn into being the person God calls us to be. It is in our daily lives and especially in our relationships that we notice the fruits of Contemplative Prayer in what St Paul called the "harvest of the spirit"

Prayer of the Week: For Prisoners and their Dependents

Lord Jesus Christ, You have come so that we may have life to the full,

Listen to our prayers for all in prison and their families,

Touched by your spirit, May they find newness of heart and be open to that new life that is found only in you. May they know care and receive support from those around them.

May they find new purpose in serving you in their brothers and sisters. **Amen**