

THIS WEEKEND	Solemnity of Christ the King		Year C
Sat 19th Nov	5.00pm	St O	Malcolm Connor (A) Pious List
	6.30pm	St T	Deceased members of the Knights of St Columba council A68 Penwortham Pious List
Sun 20th Nov	8:30am	St O	Linda Grant (ill), Pious List
	9.30am	St T	Leslei Birkbeck (LD), Pious List
	10.30am	St O	Sacramental Programme Mass
	11.00am	ST MM	Michael + May O'Connor (RIP), Pious List
<b>Divine Office Week 1</b>			
Mon 21st Nov	9.30am	St O	In Thanksgiving AH, Pious List
Tues 22nd Nov	9.30am	St O	Thomas Steele B'Day Rem, Pious List
	6.15pm	St T	Adoration + opportunity for Confession concluding with evening prayer
	7.00pm	St T	Vera Conway, Pious List
Wed 23rd Nov	9.40am	St MM	Recitation of the Rosary
	10.00am	St MM	Kathleen Sharples, Pious List Joan Rose 90th Birthday
Thu 24th Nov	9.30am	St O	John & Bridie Murray (LD), Pious List
	10.00am	St T	Repose of the Soul Christina Smith, Pious List
	7.00pm	St MM	Service for those who have died in the last 12 months
Fri 25th Nov	9.30am	St O	James & Joan Smyth (A), Pious List
	10.00am	St T	Freda, Pious List
NEXT WEEKEND	First Sunday of Advent		Year A
Sat 26th Nov	5.00pm	St O	Pious List
	6.30pm	St T	Sister Olivia Sandham (LD) Pious List Anne Sumner
Sun 27th Nov	8:30am	St O	Jean Coupe (A) Michael Gough, Pious List
	9.30am	St T	Gerard + William Singleton (A) Ken Rufus (LD), Pious List
	10.30am	St O	Sacramental Programme Mass
	11.00am	ST MM	Dorothy + David Dunlop Fraser Yvonne Roberts RIP (A) Pious List

St Mary Magdalen + St Teresa Offertory Collection 5th + 6th Nov: £724.56  
St Mary Magdalen + St Teresa Planned Giving September: £921

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## Solemnity of Christ the King

### 20th November 2022

### ‘Lord Jesus, remember me’

This Sunday we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. As we prepare to crown a new King for the United Kingdom, we pray to learn what being ‘King’ means for Jesus. We may be surprised!

The **First Reading** describes the anointing of David as King of Israel. His people describe him as ‘one of us’, a person who has led and shepherded them.

The **Gospel** describes the reactions of people to the crucifixion of Jesus. We witness the humility of the thief who recognises his poverty and wrongdoing, and quietly asks Jesus to remember him.

The **Psalms** is one of rejoicing and praise as the people of God come to the house of the Lord to celebrate their freedom.

St Paul speaks of the grace and joy that has come to us through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. In Christ, we gain our freedom through the forgiveness of our sin (**Second Reading**).

Today I pray to know from the depths of my heart that I am a loved and forgiven sinner, welcomed by God into the light of his glory and joy.

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



**Online Giving / Text giving:** If you wish to make a donation, please follow this link <https://www.catholic-penwortham-longton.co.uk/finance/> or the QR code on the right:

## Second collection this weekend for Animate Youth on weekend 19th/20th November

**St Mary Magdalen + St Teresa First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion:** Parents of children who do not attend our two schools but would like to enrol in our programme should make an appointment to discuss this with Fr Ian. Enrolment Mass will take place 26th and 27th November

**November Pious Lists:** November is the Month of the Holy Souls when we pray particularly for those who have, gone before us marked with the Sign of Faith. Mass will be offered each day for their intentions. If you wish your deceased loved ones to be included in these Masses please take a pious list envelope, write their name(s) on a piece of paper and hand it in at Mass or post it in the presbytery letter box together with your donation. Envelopes are available at the back of church.

**SVP-** There will be an SVP collection this weekend 19th/ 20th November. Thank you for continuing support.

**SVP Christmas Hotpot-** Thursday 8th December 12.30-2.30pm, St Teresa's Parish Centre, please add your name to the list at the back of church.

**St Mary Magdalen:** Bingo every Tuesday. Doors 7.00pm for 7.30pm start. Tea/coffee with biscuits half time 20p. Who knows you might even win!

**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 (by end of December)

**Foodbank: November foodbank.** This month we are requesting plain biscuits (digestives and rich tea), microwave rice and instant noodles. All donations greatly appreciated. Thank you.

**St Oswald's Lunch Club:** The December lunch will be on Friday December 9th at St Teresa's beginning at 12pm and the children from St Oswald's Primary School will be attending and singing some carols. We look forward to seeing you there.

**Christmas Coffee Morning:** Sunday 27th Nov 10.00am—12.00 (after Mass) Coffee + mince pies, Chocolate tombola, win a Teddy, potted bulbs, visit Father Christmas in his Grotto. Cake contributions can be brought in on the day. Raffle prize donations appreciated. Please support.

**Church Piety Shop:** Christmas cards now on sale and don't forget your advent calendars and candles.

**Thank you** to everyone who supported our coffee morning on Monday. Alison had filmed a special message for the knitters at St Teresa's, telling us how our knitting, crocheting and sewing was put to good use in Laos. It was lovely to be able to identify some of our knitted teddies and bags in her film. Beautiful Hands raised £266.50 from the sale of craft goods, made in Laos, as well as Virtual Gift Cards that will support Alison's work of improving the health and survival rate of mothers and babies there. Please visit [beautifulhands.org.uk](http://beautifulhands.org.uk) for more information and how you can support them. Along with our latest batch of nearly 300 items we donated £60 towards their postage costs. Do not forget that we meet every Monday morning in the Parish Centre 10 -12midday. Everyone is welcome to join us for a brew and natter. You DON'T have to knit!

**Christmas Shoe Boxes:** A big thank you to all who made up a shoe box. These were greatly received by International Aid and are now on their way to Ukraine/Sierra Leone/Moldova. They will bring a smile to lots of little faces, being the only gift they will receive.

## 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.

**Parish Centre and SVP** have joined together -Please consider a Mini Vinnie project- "Reverse Advent calendar" instead of receiving a gift, donate a food item or toiletries each day of Advent, you should have a collection of 24 items in a box/bag at the end of Advent these can be dropped off at the Parish centre for collection by the food bank. Any Christmas items, need to be donated by 16th December for distribution before Christmas

Please leave donations for the foodbank, on the table near the entrance..

**Caritas Christmas shopping Trip to Bents Garden Centre:** Friday, 25th November Cost £12 The coach will leave St Teresa's at 10am and pick up at St Oswald's at 10.15am.

We plan to arrive at Bent's around 11am and leave at 4pm to arrive back at St. Oswald's and St Teresa's for approximately 5pm. The coach will remain outside Bent's and purchases can be stored there to avoid unnecessary carrying around. Lunch can be either taken with you or purchased at the various food outlets. The cost per person is £12 with names and contact details entered on the attendance sheets as usual. The attendance sheets and envelopes will be in all churches.

**St. Oswald's: Sacramental Programme:** Sunday Mass on 20th November at 10.30am. First session of the programme: Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November 6.30pm 7.30pm in church. Please remember the children and their families in your prayers.

**St Oswald's Blessing of Graves: Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm.** There will be a short prayer service starting in the church followed by the blessing of graves in our cemetery.

**Primary school** online admissions are now open. [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools) The deadline for Primary admissions is 15/01/2023. Please note that you still need to complete the school supplementary form in addition to the online application

**Churches Together Friends:** Please note that the joint Advent Service will be held at St Mary's Parish Church at 4 pm on Advent Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> November.

**Preston Opera** presents Act 2 of Strauss' Die Fledermaus alongside Festive Classics. 2.00pm 4th December 2022 St Leonard's, Penwortham PR1 9JA. Tickets available at: [www.prestonopera.co.uk](http://www.prestonopera.co.uk)

**St. Oswald's:** Help required to join our valiant team of church cleaners! Fr. M

### **Prayer for the week - Youth**

Turn your loving gaze, O God, upon young people.  
They carry in their hearts a great hope: make them strong and pure, so that they can build their tomorrow with confidence.  
Let them receive freely the gift of the faith, accept it with gratitude, and develop it with generosity.  
Mother of Christ, and our Mother,  
help them to be now and forever faithful  
to Christ and the Church. **Amen.**

