

Penwortham & Longton Catholic Community

incorporating the Churches of St Mary Magdalen, St Oswald & St Teresa

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Upcoming Mass & Service Details

This Weekend:		Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time		Year A
11 th February <i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i>	5.00pm 6.30pm	St O St T	Joan Rainford, Phyllis Wilkins LD John Connolly (Birthday Remembrance), Bernard Hothersall	
12 th February	8.30am 9.30am 11.00am	St O St T St MM	Parishioners Jason Nickford (A) Catherine Jones	
				Divine Office Week 2
13 th February	9.30am	St O	For the Sick and their Carers	
14 th February <i>St Cyril, St Methodius</i>	9.30am 6.15pm 7.00pm	St O St T St T	Priest's Intention Adoration + opportunity for Confession concluding with Evening Prayer In Thanksgiving	
15 th February	9.40am 10.00am	St MM St MM	Recitation of the Rosary Eileen Bunce (LD)	
16 th February	9.30am 10.00am	St O St T	John Fiddler (A) Ester + William Waddington (A)	
17 th February	9.30am 1.30pm	St O St T	Priest's Intention Funeral Mass: Neil Worden	
Next Weekend:		Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time		Year A
18 th February	5.00pm 6.30pm	St O St T	Roy Allen (A) Betty Gayenagh	
19 th February	8.30am 9.30am 11.00am	St O St T St MM	Parishioners Geoff Locke, Parishioners Michael Gale	

Your prayers are asked for: The Sick – those who have died recently: Neil Worden, Fr Dave Melly, Brian Aspin, Sharon Noblet, Jean Andrews, Eileen Bunce, Kevin Kelly and those who are bereaved. *Please let us know of any sick parishioners who would like to be kept in prayer.*



St Teresa Parish Centre *Tel:* 07377 341993

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

'Warm and Cosy': During winter the parish centre will be open every Monday between 1.00pm-3.30pm. Free tea, coffee, TV and Wifi are available.

Palm Crosses St MM + St T: Please could you return any old Palm crosses and place them in the box at the back of church. The crosses will be burnt, and the ashes then distributed on Ash Wednesday.

January and February Foodbank Request: During January and February, we would like donations of tinned fish and tinned meat e.g.: tins of stewing meat, tinned curry, anything which can be heated up on a stove. Numbers are increasing at the foodbank, and we are always overwhelmed by your generosity. Thank you once again for your continued support.

Lenten Book Club: On the Tuesdays of Lent after 7pm Mass (7:30 start) you are invited to join a book club in the Romero Room, and we will read "Finding the language of grace: rediscovering transcendence" by Christopher Jamison OSB. One of the reviewers said: "Don't let the title, with its mention of 'grace' and 'transcendence' put you off. This is an extremely readable book, pretty up to date in terms of contemporary life and its problems and with simple exercises for those who wish to deepen their spiritual engagement with the world around them. Lovely - of course, a work of grace itself." Fr Ian has some copies of the book at the reduced price of £10 (actual price £14.99) if you would like a copy. Before each meeting we will read a chapter of the book and there will be an opportunity to discuss what we have read when we gather. First meeting on Tuesday 28 February.

Confirmation: Registration for the Sacrament of Confirmation is now open and will close on the 17th March. Any young person in year 8 can register at www.liverpoolcalled.co.uk. If attending a Non-Catholic / Non-Diocesan School, then you can still register, and an online session will be provided so all information is received.

SVP- My term as President of St Mary Magdalen and St Teresa's SVP has concluded. I feel privileged to have led the SVP for the past 6 years. I would like to thank all parishioners for their continuing support of prayers, numerous donations of furniture, clothes, other items and funding to enable us to help those in need. I continue to be a member of the SVP and active in my role as SVP Youth Volunteer Support Officer for Liverpool Archdiocese. Thanks again Catherine (Jones)

The SVP would like to thank the kind individual who recently made a donation of £100. The money will be used to facilitate the work of the SVP in the parish.

Contemplative Prayer: A warm invitation is offered to the parishioners of our 3 churches to experience the wonder and beauty of Contemplative Prayer Monday 13th Feb 7.30pm – 8.00pm in St Teresa's Romero Room. In Contemplative Prayer we seek to become the person we are called to be, not by thinking of God but being with God. Simply to be with God is to be drawn into being the person God calls us to be.

St. Oswald Sacrament of Reconciliation: Confessions
There is an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on **Saturday 18 February, 3.30-4.30pm**

St. Oswald: Please pray for Marie Steele and Eddie Ashley who are both ill in hospital.

Caritas: The next Caritas Lunch will be on Friday, 17th February at St Teresa's Social Centre starting at 12-00pm. We look forward to seeing all our friends there. Thank you.

Flower bulb sales Please continue to support The Sons of Divine Providence missions are working in the Philippines, Kenya and India building water wells and feeding and educating children. So far 5 wells in the Philippines and 3 wells in Kenya have been built at a cost of £12,000 per project. If you would like any bulbs, please contact Joseph on 01772 743637 or Anna-Marie on 07970098323 who can arrange collection or delivery.

Winckley Square Convent School Reunion: The annual reunion will take place on Saturday February 18th, 2023, from 1pm - 4pm at Our Lady and St Edward's Parish Centre, Marlborough Drive, Fulwood. PR2 9UE All past pupils (and Staff) are welcome to attend and bring along memorabilia and photographs to share. If anyone is struggling to get there and needs a lift, please contact Diane 07546 173802 or let us know on the Facebook group page.

Intro to Ignation Prayer - Using our imagination to open up a space to be attentive to God.
The programme will be delivered and hosted by Donna Worthington and will start at 11:15am and finish at 3pm on Friday 10th February 2023 - The venue for the Retreat Day programme is the new centre behind Our Lady of Lourdes and St Gerard's Church, and is situated on Brownedge Rd, Lostock Hall PR5 5AA. Please bring along a packed lunch and refreshments of tea and coffee will be available at break time intervals. To book, please contact Anna Thornhill, Parish Secretary for Our Lady & St Gerard Majella: 01772 335387 (between 9am and 12noon)
07442 385553 (between 9am and 3pm)
office@saintgerards.org.uk

Prayer for the week: A prayer for family life

God of compassion,
whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,
shared the life of a home in Nazareth,
and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself:

strengthen us in our daily living
that in joy and in sorrow
we may know the power of your presence
to bind together and to heal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

