

Penwortham & Longton Catholic Parishes

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

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Upcoming Mass & Service Details

This Weekend:		First Sunday of Lent		Year A
25th February	5.00pm	St O	Bernard Dobson (LD)	
	6.30pm	St T	Repose of the Soul of Jean Andrews, Parishioners	
26th February	8.30am	St O	Martin O' Malley (LD)	
	9.30am	St T	David Rigby (A), Tom Rigby (A)	
	11.00am	St MM	May O'Connor, Agnes O'Sullivan (A)	
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27th February	9.30am	St O	Mark Oldrid LD	
28th February	10.00am	St O	Mary Russell (LD)	
	6.15pm	St T	Adoration + opportunity for Confession concluding with Evening Prayer	
	7.00pm	St T	Mary Ellen Ward (A)	
1st March <i>Feast of St David</i>	9.40am	St MM	Recitation of the Rosary	
	10.00am	St MM	Gerard 'Gerry' Smith	
	11.00am	St MM	Funeral Service: Kevin Kelly	
2nd March	9.30am	St O	Katherine Tipping (B'day Remembrance)	
	10.00am	St T	The Intentions of the SVP	
	11.00am	St T	Funeral Service: Joseph Scahill	
3rd March World Day of Prayer	9.30am	St O	Priest's Intention – <i>Stations of the Cross follows Mass</i>	
	10.00am	St T	Terry Conway, Barbara Hankinson	
	1.00pm	St MM	Funeral Service: Anthony Saynor	
	7.00pm	St T	Stations of the Cross	
Next Weekend:		Second Sunday of Lent		Year A
4th March	12 Noon	ST O	Nuptial Mass: Ruth Mary Ashcroft + Alex Jordan Smith Goldsmith	
	5.00pm	St O	Barbara Hope (B'day Rem), Terence + Frank Jones (B'day Rem)	
	6.30pm	St T	Bill Houghton (LD), Parishioners	
5th March	8.30am	St O	Marie Potts	
	9.30am	St T	Denis Slater (B'day A)	
	10.30am	St O	Sacramental Programme Mass	
	11.00am	St MM	Maudie Kiely (LD), Marguerita Bamber	

Your prayers are asked for: The Sick – Fr Michael O'Dowd and those who have died recently: Brian Aspin, Jean Andrews, Eileen Bunce, Kevin Kelly, Ann Francis, Joseph Scahill, Anthony Saynor and those who are bereaved. *Please let us know of any sick parishioners who would like to be kept in prayer.*



First Communion Families : The families will be joining us for Mass this weekend at St Mary Magdalen's and St Teresa's Churches as part of their preparation. Some children did not stay for the session after last month's Masses, so they need to stay after Mass this time to complete their work.

On the Tuesdays of Lent (beginning on 28th February at 7pm) we will have our **Book Club** looking at "Finding the language of grace" by Christopher Jamison OSB. Please read the first chapter before the meeting.

On the Fridays of Lent at 7pm, we will have the opportunity to visit different Catholic Churches in the area to celebrate the **Stations of the Cross** together:

3rd Mar - St Teresa's Penwortham PR1 0DS

10th Mar - St Catherine's Farington PR25 4QG

17th Mar - St Oswald's Longton PR4 5EB

24th Mar - St Mary's Leyland PR25 1PD

31st Mar - St Mary Magdalen's Penwortham PR1 9QD

CAFOD Family Fast Day – Lent Appeal

This Lent, CAFOD is supporting families with the skills and tools they've asked for to fight the climate crisis. In Bangladesh, 14-year-old Dristy and her mum Rupali are building raised seed beds and planting palm trees to protect their crops from flooding and cyclones. John Woods will be speaking at Masses in Penwortham this weekend. Please give generously this weekend to help by using CAFOD's envelope or by giving online at cafod.org.uk/lent (there will be a collection next weekend after Family Fast Day). We are also looking for people to help CAFOD a little in the parish. To find out more, please speak to John or contact Ged Edwards on 07779 804241 or gedwards@cafod.org.uk

Caritas Lunch: The next Caritas Lunch will be held at St Teresa's social centre on Friday, 17th March beginning at 12pm. We look forward to seeing all our friends there to enjoy a good meal and chat.

St. O Stations of the Cross will be said after the 9.30am Mass each Friday during Lent.

St O: Congratulations to Ruth Mary Ashcroft and Alex Jordan Goldsmith who were joined in marriage this weekend when Christ blessed the love that binds them together. Please remember them in your prayers.

St O Sacramental Programme: Following the children receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Advent we are now focusing on their journey towards their First Holy Communion in May.

There is a **Sacramental Programme Mass on Sunday 5th March at 10.30am** followed by **Session Two on Monday 6th March at 6.30pm**. There is an expectation that there will be full attendance at both the Sacramental Programme Masses and teaching sessions.

March Foodbank Request: During March we would especially like donations of breakfast cereals, tinned soup and tinned tuna. Numbers requiring help remain high and your donations are appreciated. Could we also ask for used but still sound carrier bags. Thank you once again for your support.

Penwortham Finances:

Offertory Collection: 19/02/2023 £775.46

Crib Offering for Nugent care: £67.62

World Day of Prayer Service: Friday 3rd March 2.00pm at Penwortham United Reform Church – all welcome!

St. Teresa's Ladies Association: Please come and join us for coffee, chat, and catch up on Tuesday 14th March at 10.00 am in the Parish Centre. Everyone will be most welcome.

St Teresa Parish Centre Tel: 07377 341993

Advance notice- St Teresa's Parish Centre- is holding a safety presentation by Lancashire County Council Safe and Healthy travel team on TRAVEL FOR LIFE aimed at residents aged 50+ with advice on how to stay safe and independent whilst travelling, on foot, by car or public transport. The short interactive presentation is designed to be enjoyable and includes various topics such as; Keeping yourself safe, maintaining your fitness to drive and vehicle safety for you, your passengers and pets. Date Tuesday 21st March at 1.30pm at St Teresa's Parish Centre. Refreshments will be available. Everyone welcome.

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.

Penwortham Farmers Market, which is held at St Teresa's Car Park, Queensway, Penwortham, PR1 0DS, will take place on Saturday 4th March. The Market sells local produce which includes Eggs, Cheese, Meats, Vegetables, Fruits, Fresh Fish, Jams, Plants, Cakes, Pies, Veggie Curries, Soaps, Wine, Gin, Fudge and hot coffees. On nice days it's held outside, if the weather is not so great then some of the stalls are inside. There is tea and coffee served inside with breakfast barmes and cakes available from the stalls. With a variety of craft stalls, the Market makes for an interesting Saturday morning shopping experience and is a great asset to the daily life of Penwortham.

Prayer for the Week

Lord Jesus,

You understand what it is like to be hungry.

Teach us to have grateful and generous hearts.

Forgive us when we make selfish choices or remain silent in the face of injustice.

Lord Jesus,

You welcomed all to your table.

May we recognise that we God's people with our common home and our global neighbours, so all are invited to share the feast.

Lord Jesus,

You come to us as bread and wine.

Fill us with your compassion.

Nourish us as we care for each other,

and seek to make your Kingdom a reality in our world.

Amen.