

Penwortham & Longton Catholic Parishes

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

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Upcoming Mass & Service details from the weekend 25th – 26th March 2023

This Weekend:		Fifth Sunday of Lent		Year A
25th March <i>Annunciation of the Lord</i>	5.00pm	St O	Bernadette Clark (LD)	
	6.30pm	St T	Jean Brown, Parishioners	
26th March	8.30am	St O	Parishioners	
	9.30am	St T	John Grant (B'day Rem)	
	10.30am	St O	Sacramental Programme Mass	
	11.00am	St MM	Martin Henry, Gerard 'Gerry' Smith	
	3.00pm	St G	Reconciliation Service: St Gregory, Weld bank, PR7 3NW	
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27th March	12.30pm	St O	Requiem Mass: Catherine Hamilton	
28th March	9.30am	St O	Doreen Moss B'Day Remembrance	
	6.15pm	St T	Adoration + opportunity for Confession concluding with Evening Prayer	
	7.00pm	St T	Peter Gavin (A)	
29th March	9.40am	St MM	Recitation of the Rosary	
	10.00am	St MM	Successful Operation, Julia Hession (B'day Rem)	
	7.00pm	St M	Reconciliation Service: St Mary's Leyland, PR25 1PD	
30th March	10.00am	St T	Denise Doyle	
	10.30am	St O	Requiem Mass: Kathleen Margaret Ward	
31st March	9.30am	St O	Rainford Family DFM – <i>Stations of the Cross follows Mass</i>	
	10.00am	St T	Dorothy + Arthur Cooke	
	7.00pm	St MM	Stations of the Cross	
Next Weekend:		Palm Sunday		Year A
1st April	12.00Noon	St T	Wedding Service of David + Kelly	
	5.00pm	St O	Violet Singleton B'Day Remembrance	
	6.30pm	St T	Frank Mawdsley	
2nd April	8.30am	St O	Mary Lidis (A)	
	9.30am	St T	Parishioners	
	11.00am	St MM	Joseph Jenkinson, Arthur + Margaret Warbuton	

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.*



St Teresa's Webcam:

<https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-teresas-penwortham> or by scanning the QR Code



Lenten Visits to the Housebound: Fr Ian is happy to visit housebound parishioners if they would like Confession or the Sacrament of the Sick. Please have a word with your eucharistic minister or call the presbytery on 370539.

On the Tuesdays of Lent at 7pm we have our **Book Club**. Please read the next chapter.

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:

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

Lourdes Pilgrimage Reminder: Your full balance of the remaining cost is due around Easter. You can either pay by Bank Transfer (details on your invoice) or you can send a cheque along with your invoice direct to Northern Star. Or if you wish, return your invoice and cheque to myself the week beginning 27th March. Thank you. Dorothy 742927

Gift Aid & Standing Orders ST MM + St T: Gift Aid. Many thanks to all who responded to the Gift Aid presentation by picking up an application form. Please return it (and your Standing Order mandate, if you'll be paying automatically), either to a Welcomer at Mass or direct to the Presbytery. If you want further information, click Finance on the Parish website menu to see the Gift Aid page, or call the Parish Office any Weds. or Fri. on 370539. Sign-up forms are still available at all Masses.

Eucharistic Ministers – Penwortham: If possible, please stay after the Mass you attend this weekend for 10 minutes to look at Holy Communion to the Housebound and the gradual re-introduction of the Chalice at Mass.

Offertory Collection: 19 /03/2023: £805.25

Weekly Standing Orders: £345.85

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.

From St MM School: On Monday 13th March, 8 children from Years 5 & 6 along with two members of staff visited Parliament and then attended the Commonwealth Service in Westminster Abbey. They then had a walking tour of St James's Park, Buckingham Palace and Trafalgar Square and a slice of pizza before returning home to Preston. What an amazing and tiring day with many memories to be shared with the rest of the school community.

St MM: On Wednesday the 29th March, after the 10am Mass, the Year 3 Mini Vinnies are planning to host some special Prayer stations for the Parish. A group of children will serve you tea/coffee and biscuits in the hall and then another group would like to invite you to pray together at stations set out around Church. We very much hope that you will join us if you can.

Stations of the Cross for Children at St Teresa's Church: Good Friday at 3pm children and their parents are invited to walk with Jesus on his final journey to the cross. There will be a short reflection at each station suitable for children. Please meet in St Teresa's Scout Hut (behind the Church) and on completion of the stations we will walk to church and join the community for the kissing of the cross.

Deanery Lenten Reconciliation Services: Sunday 26th March St Gregory's, Weld Bank, PR7 3NW 3.00pm. Wednesday 29th March St Marys Leyland 7.00pm

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.

All Hallows High School: Congratulations to all students, staff, and governors on receiving an outstanding OFSTED Report after their January Inspection. In particular, Ofsted noted that 'pupils are the strongest advocates of their happy and successful community,' which is a testament to the positive and supportive environment that is fostered at All Hallows.

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

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 are **Sacramental Programme Masses on Sunday 26th March at 10.30am** followed by **Session Four on Monday 27th March starting at 6.30pm**. There is an expectation that there will be full attendance at both the Sacramental Programme Masses and teaching sessions. Please remember our families in your prayers.

Penwortham Farmers Market at St Teresa's Car Park, Queensway, Penwortham, PR1 ODS, will take place on Saturday 1st April. The Market sells a variety local produce and refreshments are served inside the Scout Hut with breakfast barmes and cakes available. Also, there are a variety of craft stalls. The Market is run by 8th Penwortham St Teresa's Scouts and monies raised goes towards the running cost of the Group.

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.

Also, a limited Food Bank will operate from Monday 20th March. The SVP will be in attendance.

Prayer for the Week

God of mercy,
help us to listen to your voice,
a voice that speaks of peace to all people.
Let the sound resonate within us,
until a whisper becomes a shout
which cannot be ignored.
Move us with your love,
so that our actions echo your peace,
and we may bring comfort
to those touched by conflict.
Fill us with your hope, O Lord, and
quiet the fear and hatred which divides us,
as we seek to build a future together,
of true and lasting peace. **Amen**

