

The Parish of the Good Samaritan

Christ the King

St Mary of the Assumption

St John the Baptist

Burnley



NEWSLETTER

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

16TH MAY 2021

YEAR B



Year of St Joseph

FR DAVID'S REFLECTION ON THE SUNDAY GOSPEL

In this last week of the season of Easter, between Ascension and Pentecost, the Church invites us to be praying for a fresh out-pouring of His love upon us. Jesus gives an example and takes the initiative as we see in today's Gospel from John. He gives us the priestly prayer for his disciples and of course he is praying for us as well. He knows what is important for them and for us. When the Spirit comes Jesus wants them to be strengthened, and He is utterly confident that he has chosen well.

Jesus prays for our faithfulness to him: we know that life is always changing and uncertain and we get many knocks and set-backs along the way. We know too



that these can be tests of our faith, so a great prayer for us is that the Spirit strengthens us in our faith this Pentecost, because our faith is a source of strength through the knock-backs in life. As those of us who have lost loved-ones know, our Easter faith gives us peace of mind and gives us hope too.

Jesus sees for us as he foresaw for his disciples that life as a Christian will be challenging and far from comfortable at times. As Pentecost approaches let us use these days to pray that we too may be like the Spirit-filled Apostles and prove to be worthy of the name Christian and therefore like them be up for the mission he has entrusted to us and be on course for eternal life in his presence.

*"as long as we love one another
God will live in us
and his love will be complete
in us".*

PUBLIC MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES

Public Masses for the parish as follows. They may be subject to change at short notice so, if you can, check daily on the parish website for updates.

There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament starting 30 mins before all the weekday Masses.

Masses

Monday	9.30am St Mary's	7.00pm Christ the King	
Tuesday:	9.30am St Mary's	12.00 noon St John's	
Wednesday	9.30am St Mary's	7.00pm St John's	
Thursday:	9.30am St Mary's	10.30am St John's	
Friday:	9.30am St Mary's	12 Noon Christ the King	
Saturday:	9.30am St Mary's	6.00pm Vigil Mass St John's	6.30pm Vigil Mass St Mary's
Sunday:	9.30am St Mary's	10.45am Mass St John's	5pm Mass Christ the King

We have reinstated the 6.30pm Vigil Mass at St Mary's

Exposition and Reconciliation

Every Saturday there will be Exposition and Reconciliation at St Mary's from 10.30 to 11.30am. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will take place in the Sacred Heart chapel.



MASS INTENTIONS

Lately Dead: Tarcissio Tangub, Louise Greenwood, Joseph Coughlan, David Williamson, Kath Horsfall,
Anniversary: Fr James Pilling SDB, Vincent Ford

Birthday Memorial: Mary Featherstone, Michael Ennis,
Candle in Towneley Chapel: Fr David Featherstone, Andrew Harrison, Monica Cain
Other intentions: Special intention, Good Samaritan clergy, Donor's intentions, Margaret Robinson, Luke Bradbury. Jennie Wood, John Gardiner, Trevor Gardiner

CAFOD APPEAL FOR INDIA COVID CRISIS

CAFOD is working hard in India in the very difficult circumstances as we have all seen daily on our TVs. They has already pledged £200,000 to Caritas India. Donations to our Coronavirus Appeal are URGENTLY needed please. It will allow us to reach more families around the world and to help support Caritas India's response. For further updates or to make a personal donation visit, <https://cafod.co.uk>. To make a donation in your church, please mark an envelope CAFOD Coronavirus appeal and leave in the baskets at the back of our churches. Please make out any cheques to "CAFOD Coronavirus Appeal" and they will be forwarded direct to CAFOD HQ.



We acknowledge recent donations of £100 by cheque and £53 cash. Sincere thanks for your support

STEWARDS IN OUR CHURCHES

We are very dependent on the generosity of our wonderful stewards. We are very grateful for the dedication they have shown throughout. If anyone would like to become a steward please contact Fr David.

With a Father's Heart—The Year of St Joseph

"The faith Christ taught us is what we see in Saint Joseph. He did not look for shortcuts, but confronted reality with open eyes and accepted personal responsibility for it. Joseph's attitude encourages us to accept and welcome others as they are, without exception, and to show special concern for the weak, for God chooses what is weak"
 From Pope Francis' letter introducing this special year of devotion to St Joseph



FOODBANK—PLEASE KEEP GIVING



Sadly the appeal has to continue. You can drop food off at most Spar stores. You can also contribute online (via Blessed Trinity at <https://tinyurl.com/BlessedTrinityJustGiving>)

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You can donate cash at St John's Presbytery, drop it off in a clearly marked envelope. This led to £200 being donated during April. Congratulations to everyone at Blessed Trinity—their website has exceeded the £8,600 marker!!

KSC 110 CLUB

The Club will re-open at 5.00pm on Wednesday or the BFC vs Liverpool game on Wednesday evening and Monday to Friday evenings from then on. More information next week.

Stay with us Lord on our journey

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY



*The World of Finance
 Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.*

FEAST DAYS WEEK COMMENCING 17TH MAY

Monday	Easter Weekday	Friday	St Christopher
Tuesday	Pope John I		Magallanes
Wednesday	St Dunstan	Saturday	St Rita Cascia
Thursday	St Bernadine of Siena		

Sunday 23th May Pentecost Sunday

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