

The Parish of the Good Samaritan



NEWSLETTER

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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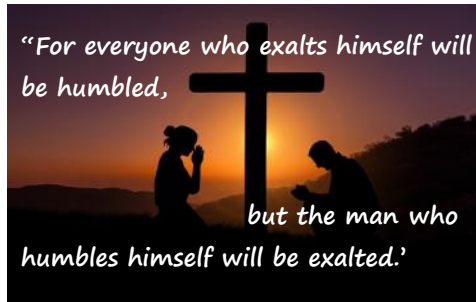
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- ◆ Christ the King
- ◆ St Mary of the Assumption
- ◆ St John the Baptist Burnley

FR DAVID'S REFLECTION ON THE WEEKEND'S LITURGY

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the story of the Pharisee, who in prayer before God, saw himself as doing his duty by fasting and, giving to charity, but his heart was full of pride. He tells us rather that we should

model ourselves on the Tax-Collector, the public sinner and outcast. He comes before the Lord beating his breast. This is something we do during Mass, at the penitential Act when we strike our breast in sorrow and as a sign of being contrite for our sins. We beat our heart because it's the heart where God dwells. It's in the heart where we can make choices to love or to hate, to do good or to be selfish. The tax collector was aware of being in the presence of God who is without sin and totally aware of his unworthiness and need for mercy. At the end of the Gospel Jesus tells us that the tax collector went



away at rights with God. Surely that's what we all desire, which is surely why we come to Mass. The purpose of any time of prayer with God is to enable us to know that we are at rights with him and that surely

brings us a deep sense of peace.

Pope Francis asks us to examine our consciences at the end of each day but before thinking of what we are sorry for let us firstly think of a couple of things we want to thank God for.

Let us pray in the coming week to be prayerful, grateful and contrite people. May the Lord fill our hearts with his love and give us his peace. May he take away pride and replace within our hearts a gentle and humble spirit. May we be open in our desire for his mercy and compassion that Christ so fervently wants to grant us.

COST OF LIVING CRISIS: DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO NEEDS HELP?

Most households are feeling the pinch in these difficult times. There's a range of help available, delivered with dignity, and provided by people who care. Here are two options, but you will learn about other sources if you get in touch with these providers.

The Foodbank: This is a good starting place. They can help you to obtain a food parcel and any additional support you may need. Please call them on 01282 686402 to find out how they can help.

The Community Grocery: The Grocery bridges the gap between the Foodbank and supermarkets. They offer a wide range of goods, like a supermarket, but you only pay £4 per 'shop'. They estimate you save £25 per visit! There is a membership fee of £5 per year. Phone 01282 901511



PARISH ADVENT BEREAVEMENT MASS

The Mass for the bereaved will be at St John's church on Saturday 12th November at 12.00 noon. The Mass will be followed with a light lunch in the Parish Hall - everyone welcome!

OFFERTORY AND COLLECTION

In each of the three churches in the parish, as from Sunday 6th November we will return to the collection basket being passed around in church during the Preparation of the gifts. This will coincide with the return of the Offertory Procession.

MASS INTENTIONS

Lately Dead: John Marley, Sheila Stockton, Bill Foley, Francis O'Hara, Monsignor Tom Mulheran, Fr John Mackie, Zac Kolaitis (aged 15), Omana Thomas.

Birthday Memoriam: Hubert Stansfield.

In Memoriam: Eunice Morgan.

Towneley Chapel Lamp: Simon Sweeney

Other Intentions: Fr Leo Heakin, Joe Lord, Walter Lister, A V joy, Ehode Blandine, Isaac, Thomas Walsh, Patrick O'Connell.

Anniversaries: Fr Humphrey McMahon, Jose D'Silva, Anthony James Turner, Eileen Hyde, Peter Freyne, Alf Duffield, Evelyn Gleeson, Ernest and Winifred McKnight, Martha Hollingworth, Sheila Macaulay (1st Ann).



Annual Masses for Deceased Brothers



Catenians: Wednesday 9th November at 6.30pm at Blessed Trinity College. Celebrant Fr Damien Loudon. Musical Director Bro Peter Marsland.



Knights of St Columba: Monday 21st November at 7.00pm at Christ the King church. Celebrant: Fr David Featherstone.

COST OF LIVING CRISIS—PROVIDING HELP IN THE PARISH—INCLUDING A NEW INITIATIVE

WARM SPACES
FOA GATESHEAD

PROVIDING SPACES WITH
RESPECT, HEARTY & WARMTH

"Warm Spaces" Initiative: The Council's initiative "Warm Spaces" plans to set up places where people can gather in a warm welcoming place for a brew / light lunch / chat in response to cost of living challenges we face. **It has been proposed to open up St. John's Parish Hall** on a Mondays 10-30 till 2-30. beginning Monday 7th November. **If you feel you can help in any way please phone 433832.** If we have enough volunteers then a rota can be put in place. Please pass on this information to anyone you feel would benefit. Many thanks.

Foodbank: The people of the parish have given donations and goods, through and in addition to the excellent work of Blessed Trinity College, who have raised over £13,000 since they started. You are asked to continue to put food into the collection point in many supermarkets, as well as using the Blessed Trinity site for financial donations at <https://tinyurl.com/BlessedTrinityJustGiving> by making one-off or monthly payments. St John's will continue to accept money gifts, in an envelope clearly marked dropped into the presbytery letterbox. Last month they donated £60 through this means.

Well done to all the generous people of the parish!



A CHILD IN GERMANY 1939 TO 1950

One of our parishioners, Klaus Lamle, gives an account of his recollections in war-torn Germany, and in the terrible disruption that followed. Klaus grew up in the situation and gives a fascinating and poignant account of his experiences. He will present his talk on Saturday 19th November at 2.30pm in St Mary's parish rooms. Admission is free, but you will be able to make a donation which will go to the Ukraine Relief Fund. There will be refreshments. Everyone welcome!



GOOD SAMARITAN SVP HOUSEBOUND MASS—10TH DECEMBER



The first post-lockdown SVP Housebound Mass will be on held on Saturday 10th December, 12:00 noon in St John's Parish Hall. It will be a Mass for Advent and will be followed by our usual Christmas party luncheon.

We offer an open invitation across all of our three churches for any housebound or elderly person who would like to join us, especially any new people who now find themselves housebound and may be lonely. Transport can be provided both there and back if required.

If you would like to attend you can contact an SVP member on 07929256406 or email mariaboys46@gmail.com leaving your name, address and telephone number.

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION FOR OCTOBER 2022

For a Church open to everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.



Stay with
us Lord

on our
journey

BURNLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY LECTURES

Burnley Historical Society start their season on Wednesday, November 9th at 2.00pm with a talk by Christine Booth about 'Anne Lister, the life and loves of a lady'. The venue is St. John's Parish Rooms Non-members are welcome. £2.00.

DEANERY MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY

This concelebrated Mass led by Fr David will be celebrated at 7pm on Tuesday 8th November at St Mary's **Clayton le Moors**. Please come along to support us.

TEA DANCE AT ST JOHN'S—THIS WEDNESDAY!

Thanks to all those who came to last week's meeting and for all who have offered to help. The next Tea Dance ('Strictly' Revisited?!!) will be held at St John's Parish Rooms on **Wednesday 26th Oct at 1.15 to 3.15pm**. Price of admission is £1.50. All are welcome.

ST MARY'S COFFEE MORNING

The Coffee Morning is proving to be very popular, alongside the Home Produce stall. They have contributed over £300 to Parish funds—sincere thanks for this. **However** this has created a need for more helpers, especially for the Tea and Coffee Making Team. Are there any people who would like to volunteer to be part of the rota please? Maybe one or two of the gents might like to get their pinnies on? It's a superb source of fellowship and we should keep it going for the people for whom it is a major opportunity to meet and chat with friends. Call Maureen on 07807

BRASS BAND CONCERT AT ST MARY'S

The nationally competitive BMP Goodshaw Band (featuring St Mary's organist!) will present a concert of mixed music at St Mary's church on Sunday 27th November 2022 starting at 2.00 until 4.00pm **Admission is free**, with a voluntary collection, and refreshments and a raffle. Come, relax and enjoy!



KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA—CHRISTMAS CRACKER!



The Knights continue to raise money for charity. Their next is a Christmas Cracker Concert on Friday 2nd December at 8.00pm. With the proceeds will go to two local organisations. It will feature the top vocal entertainer, Andrew Knight, Tickets are just £6.00 which includes refreshments. Call Pat on 07947 151 931 or Bernard on 07800 867 554 for tickets for this fun evening.

KSC 110 Club Weekly Quiz Night: Every Monday at 8.30pm. Bring a team, or join one on the night.

AFTERNOON TEA

Many thanks for the donation of £111 from this greatly enjoyed event!

CAFOD NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2022



Millions of families are facing a food crisis that could be the worst in living memory. Your donations can help CAFOD's provide emergency supplies to families in the worst affected countries of East Africa following 4 years of drought. They are also supporting families in Pakistan following the dreadful floods there.

The Harvest CAFOD appeal was also launched in all 3 churches at every Sunday Mass and we hope that you safely took your envelopes home to be returned if possible this week-end. We will of course be happy to receive your donation throughout October, just return in an envelope marked CAFOD and leave in the box or basket at the church entrance. Donations can also be made directly to CAFOD via their website. www.cafod.org.uk.

MISSIO RED BOX HOLDERS—CHRIST THE KING

For the Christ the King Community October is the month for the collection of the Missio Red Boxes. Please call Stephen and Francesca on 07593 854661 or 07874 882132 to arrange collection or bring your boxes to Church if possible.



Daily Prayer for Peace in Ukraine

*It is clear that the need for peace in the world is great, and little sign that it will happen through worldly means. A parishioner has suggested that say **the Our Father at 9.00pm every evening, until the war ends.** Please join in!*

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PARISH BY STANDING ORDER

You can make your contributions to the parish online by Standing Order; Please contact your bank and inform them that payment should now be made as follows:

Name: The Salford Diocesan Trust :The Good Samaritan Parish.

Sort Code: 205558

Account number: 50404640

Thank you.



