

The Parish of the Good Samaritan



NEWSLETTER

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

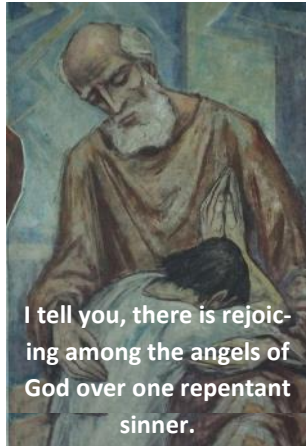
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- ♦ Christ the King
- ♦ St Mary of the Assumption
- ♦ St John the Baptist Burnley

FR DAVID'S REFLECTION ON THE WEEKEND'S LITURGY

The parable in today's Gospel is obviously about people not sheep. Every person is important and precious and unique and therefore very much matters to God. All the more so because surely God will love them more if they are lost, not less.



The Pharisees saw themselves as being righteous and they had no time for sinners. They assumed that God would share their way of thinking and that he would also have no time for sinners. The three parables we hear in today's Gospel were said in response by Jesus who was criticised for spending time with tax collectors and sinners and even ate with them. He tells us that God was not like them in their thinking, he did welcome sinners and had time for them, because everyone matters to God. Jesus was gentle and loving in his approach to sinners. He knew that rejection and judgement never helped anyone to change. He provided the kind

of approachability in which people felt accepted and loved and created an atmosphere where they could respond and change. Each of the three parables contains some sort of celebration at the end when the coin, the sheep and the son which were lost have been found. This is a sign of the joy God feels when someone who has strayed from his love, strayed from his care and protection. As Jesus says there is more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner.

We can all be like the lost sheep from time to time when we sometimes get tempted to sin and wander away from the path that the Lord has shown us. Through his life and teaching and his Gospel, Jesus told us that He is the way to the Father. He himself is therefore the one we need to listen to, to imitate and to grow with him in friendship and trust.

CAFOD NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2022—PAKISTAN APPEAL

Pakistan Emergency Appeal – As you are most probably aware, the situation in Pakistan is dire for millions of families in the flood stricken regions of the country. Thirty million people have been affected by the floods, with 10 million people left homeless. CAFOD workers have reported that there have been estimates of 1 million houses having been washed away, over 200 bridges and roads collapsing, and around 800,000 livestock having perished. To read more about the situation, CAFOD's response and to donate, visit the website: <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news/Pakistan-floods-appeal>

CAFOD
Catholic Agency for
Overseas Development

The CAFOD group wants to thank everyone in the parish for all your previous generosity and appreciate that the current financial pressures for folk in this country are considerable, therefore, we ask you to donate only what you can afford. Please keep the people of Pakistan in your prayers.

MASS INTENTIONS

Lately Dead: David Cocker, Eileen Dickmann, Sr Margaret McGrath FMSJ, Leonard Ashworth, Patrick Healey, Kathleen Church, Steven Reynolds,

Other Intentions: Fr Emmanuel, 30th anniversary of Ordination.

Anniversaries: William and Gerda Greenhalgh, James Kinsella, Michael Holmes, Peter Walton, Russell and Norah Ingham, Paula Helm, Liam McLaughlin,

In Memoriam: Irene Fell, Michael Horrocks, Michael P Reynolds, Peter Reynolds, Michael Cunnie, Kathleen and James Worden, Francis Carter, Jimmy Carter, Winifred Masure Catherine Masure, John Worden, Josephine Carter,

Birthday Mem; Margaret Williams,

STRUNG SUNG SUPPER ~ DEANERY HOPE IN THE FUTURE

The next Deanery Hope in the Future event will be another Strung Sung Supper evening at St Joseph's hall, Accrington to be held on Friday 21st October. To facilitate the singing, there will be live music provided by a band featuring Fr David. Tickets are priced £5.00 per person which includes your song sheet and a pie and pea supper. These can now be ordered from Siobhan tell 01254 232920, Mon 8.30 to 12.30 Tues and Thurs 8.30 to 1.30pm



ST MARY'S HOME PRODUCE STALL—A RESTARTS ON SUNDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER

It's starting this Sunday! There will be cakes aplenty, and any other donation is welcome. We would welcome more makers / bakers / producers if you're out there please! Any allotment or fruit tree surpluses also very welcome.

We have a four-week rota of 'stall-holders', but would welcome more to spread the load. Call Frank on 07930 508 209 to join us.

If you're at St Mary's at the 10.00 Mass, pop in and enjoy you friends' goodies!

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST REPOSITORY

We would like to remind everyone that the repository at St John the Baptist is still open. We have a large selection of cards for many different occasions, together with lots of other items such as rosary beads, medals prayer, cards and many other items.

Please ask any of the stewards to unlock the repository door before/after any of the Masses.

CAR PARK MARSHALLS FOR BURNLEY FC HOME MATCHES



During Burnley FC home games, the car park at St Mary's provides a good service to the wider community. It is also an enormous source of income for the parish, raising over £10,000 each season! It's important to be able to continue this income, but it also needs input from parishioners please. There's a nice team of marshals, who will welcome you.. Customers are generally happy to pay up what they consider a good price, so no hassle there. It means, every two or three matches, starting about two/three hours before a match and if you're going onto the game, you can always get away in time. If you would like join the rota for the new season, please contact Fr David or Bernard on 07800 867 554.

QUEEN'S AWARD FOR VOLUNTARY SERVICE

Do you know a voluntary group that deserves recognition? The closing date for nominations for the 2023 Queen's Award for Voluntary Service is 15 September 2022. New Neighbours Together (based at St John's) were successful this year. Please visit <https://qavs.dcms.gov.uk/> for more information.



FOODBANK—GIVING IN CASH OR IN KIND!

Sadly the need for the Foodbank is likely to grow, so the appeal has to continue. They have sent out over **7,000 food packages to 1.600 people (600 children)**. A terrible state of poverty in our midst. Many supermarkets and banks have drop-off points, and you can also contribute online via Blessed Trinity at <https://tinyurl.com/BlessedTrinityJustGiving> by making one-off or monthly payments. Congratulations to Blessed Trinity—their **Just Giving webpage has passed the £12,200 marker!! Well done young'uns!!** You can donate cash at St John's Presbytery, drop it off in a clearly marked envelope. This led to **£60.00** being donated during August.



Thank you for your continuing generosity.

RELICS OF ST. BERNADETTE

This September, the relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to England, Scotland and Wales for the very first time. This will include two days at Salford Cathedral on Tues 20th Sept and Wed 21st Sept. This very special event will provide a unique opportunity for people across the diocese to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes from our very own cathedral. Throughout the two day period, parishioners will have the opportunity to visit the relics, in addition to joining us for a number of Masses, services and other events. Please visit; www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/saint_bernadette-relic-tour/ to find out more and to book your visit.



KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA—CHARITY CONCERT THIS FRIDAY



The local Knights continue their excellent work raising money for various charities. Building on their recent donation of £4,000 on 16th September there will be a Charity Concert at the KSC 110 Club supporting Holly Grove School Burnley & Catholic Handicapped Fellowship. It features top guitarist and vocalist TJ Kelly—mainly 60's and 70's music for an entertaining evening. Tickets at only £6 including light refreshments are available from Bernard (07800 867 554) or Pat (07947 151 931).

KSC 110 CLUB WEEKLY QUIZ NIGHT: Don't forget the weekly quiz starting at 8.30pm every Monday! Bring a team, or come and join a team. Lots of fun

THE CARITAS 'BIG SLEEP OUT' - 16TH SEPTEMBER 2022

The Caritas Big Sleep Out is our Homelessness Services' major fundraising event! Your support means that we can continue to provide practical help and intensive 1:1 support for people experiencing homelessness and to help us prevent others becoming homeless. Help us to raise money so that we can ensure people have the support they need to prevent them from becoming homeless; that people who do become homeless are helped to secure safe accommodation with the support they need to make a new home; and that no one has to sleep rough. There are centres in Manchester and Blackburn. Full Information at <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/big-sleep-out-2022/>



ESCORTED PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK—LATER THIS MONTH

The Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, starting 26th September 2022. £699.00 per person sharing, £799 single. Includes return flight, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Single supplement £100.00. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com More information at www.knockpilgrimages.com



HANDY-PERSON FROM BURNLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL—CORRECTION OF PHONE NUMBER



This scheme is eligible for those aged over 60 years, or disabled or vulnerable. They offer to do affordable small jobs in the home. The charge for labour is just £10 per hour and they usually accept jobs that take up to 2 hours. Enquiries by telephone **01282 477234**. Sincere apologies for having previously published the incorrect number.

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER 2022

For the abolition of the death penalty

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.



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.



MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES: MONDAY 12TH TO SUNDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER 2022

Please note the changes to the usual schedule, noted in **bold**.

Monday	<i>Most Holy Name of Mary</i> 12.00 noon St. Mary's	Only one Mass Today
Tuesday	<i>St John Chrysostom</i> 12.00 noon St John's	Only one Mass Today
Wednesday	<i>Exaltation of the Cross</i> 9.30am Christ the King	Only one Mass Today
Thursday	<i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i> 10.00am Requiem Mass at St Mary's for Patrick Healey Only one Mass Today	
Friday	<i>Ss Cornelius & Cyprian</i> 11.30—11.55am: Reconciliation and Exposition at St Mary's 12.00 noon St Mary's	Only one Mass Today
Saturday	<i>St. Robert Bellamine</i> 9.30am St Mary's 10.30am to 11.30am — Reconciliation and Exposition at St Mary's 5.15pm to 5.55pm — Reconciliation and Exposition at St John's Vigil Masses: 6.00pm St John's 6.30pm St Mary's	
Sunday:	<i>25th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Christ the King: 9.15am and 5.00pm St Mary's: 10.00am (This Mass will be live-streamed on the parish website). St John's: 10.45am	



Exposition

There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament starting 30 minutes before each weekday Mass, Monday to Friday (except before Funerals)

"The Eucharist is essential for us: it is Christ who wishes to enter our lives and fill us with his grace."

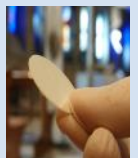
COVID GUIDANCE IN OUR CHURCHES

In accordance with Advice from the Bishops of England and Wales we have very recently introduced some relaxations to Covid regulations in the parish:

- ~ We continue to request that adults wear face coverings and sanitize their hands before entering church.
- ~ Holy Communion can again be received in the hand or in the mouth.
- ~ Our stewards will continue to welcome us and cleanse the church.
- ~ The Distribution of Holy Communion will revert to how it was pre-Pandemic (i.e. Processing from the front and unsupervised by the stewards)
- ~ Please say 'Amen' when receiving Holy Communion.

HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME

Eucharistic Ministers are now once more able to visit people in their own home in order to give Holy Communion to anyone who is unable to come to church. All our ministers have been DBS checked and will have taken precautions to ensure they do not carry the COVID virus. If you know of anyone who would like to receive Holy Communion, please ask the person's permission and then give their name, address and phone number to either of our priests. We will then make contact by phone to arrange when we can visit.



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