

The Parish of the Good Samaritan

NEWSLETTER

PENTECOST SUNDAY

8TH JUNE 2025 YEAR C

JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE 2025



Churches of

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

On that first Pentecost Day, the Apostles were together experiencing bewilderment over how to move forward. The Holy Spirit is simply the love between the Father and Son. The Pentecost event awakened them to know they had spent three years with the Lord Jesus who had taught them everything they needed to know. When the Holy Spirit comes among them, he breathes courage into their hearts. They were called to be on fire with the Lord's love, and a fire is contagious, it spreads. Being on fire with the Lord's love was going to re-awaken that desire to share the Lord's love with others. After receiving the Holy Spirit, the disciples were so full of divine love which filled them with courage and boldness, that they were able to over-



come their timidity and fear, that debilitated them so much.

Pentecost marks the beginning of the Church's journey, guided through time by the Holy Spirit himself. It is really the

Church's birthday because the Spirit breathed life into the early Church and has continued to do so faithfully these last 2000 years on its journey through life.

Let us ask the Lord this day for the gifts of the Spirit that really help us and empower us and lead us to be on fire with the Lord's love for us. May the Spirit also re-energize us and renew us so that we are a bit more ready to go with the desires that get us to have the necessary generosity, courage and confidence to bring the Lord's love to all those we meet.

"Holy Spirit, Love Divine, full of new life and hope give us a fresh way of seeing our life as well as your true freedom to live forever in your love."

PENTECOST CELEBRATION

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BURNLEY SERVICE AT ST MARY'S—THIS SUNDAY AT 6.30PM

Come and celebrate the great feast of Pentecost, **THIS Sunday 8th June 6.30pm in our parish.** We will welcome people from many of the other Christian churches in Burnley to join in praise and celebration of the Holy Spirit. It would be wonderful to have lots of Good Samaritan parishioners represented on this joyous and hugely important spiritual occasion.



KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA



Commemoration Mass for the feast of St Columba: Brothers are reminded that the Mass will be celebrated at St Mary's on Monday 9th June at 9.30am. Everyone welcome.

Weekly Quiz: Our next quiz night will be on Monday 9th June at 8pm, **led by Deacon Theo** in St Mary's parish rooms.

MASS INTENTIONS

Lately Dead: Marie Quinn, Teresa Corrigan, Michele Arcangelo, Christopher Quinn, Paddy Davies, Cath Jurianz, Ted Martin, Mary Dunne, Barry Cowell, Andrzej Martynuska.

Other Intentions: June Berry

Birthday Memoriam: Claire Marie Halstead,
In Memoriam: Irene Fell, Tressa Byrom,



Anniversaries: Barbara Reimus, Stanley Arthur Roskell (50th Ann), Rita Duerden.

GOOD SAMARITAN SVP CONFERENCE



Thank you for The Strung Sung Supper Donation: The Parish Conference would like to say a very big THANK YOU to the Parish for gift of £900 which was raised during the Strung Sung Supper evening. I think I can say a brilliant night was had by all and we even had dancing in the aisles. Thank you to Fr David and his merry band for the entertainment and to the helpers for supplying and serving the pie and peas. Rest assured the money raised will go to good causes. The work that we have done over the past year will be highlighted in the news letter shortly.

Housebound Mass: The SVP's latest Housebound Mass on May 17th was a great success with twenty seven people, some with carers, taking part in the celebration of Mass with Fr David and Fr Job. This was followed by our usual lunch but this time we even had trifle. Looking forward to our next celebration. Thank you to everyone involved.

AFTERNOON TEA IN ST MARY'S PARISH ROOMS

Our next afternoon tea will be on Wednesday 25th June at 12.30pm. The theme will be "Wimbledon". Payment will be gratefully received by 15th June so food can be ordered. All are welcome. For further information contact Elaine 01282 413127.



CONCERT FEATURING DEACON THEO



Burnley Orchestra (including our own Deacon Theo!) will hold a Concert **at 7:30 on Saturday 14th June at St Thomas's, Barrowford (BB9 6QS)**. It will be a wonderful joyful evening of dance music, with everything from Tchaikovsky to ABBA to West Side Story. Tickets available at burnleyorchestra.org.uk

Prayer for Pentecost

*Come Holy Spirit and make us Pentecost people.
Let your wisdom and right judgement guide our
decisions and temper our impulses
Let knowledge and understanding increase our ca-
pacity for empathy and compassion.*

*Let reverence and awe fill us with gratitude and
respect for all creation*

*Give us the courage to witness boldly to our faith
in word and deed.*

*Through and with and in Jesus Christ we pray
Amen*

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.



THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

We continue to enjoy working with the young people as they prepare for this important landmark in their Christian journey.



PARISH BONUS BALL GAME—WINNERS!



Thanks to all who have supported the bonus Ball game in each of the three churches, which will continue each week. The winning Bonus ball number for Wednesday 4th June **31** was number . Congratulations to this week's winners:

St John's ~ Myles St Mary's ~ Kath Christ the King ~ Rollover

Please claim your prize from the appropriate sacristy.

CAFOD NEWS – PENTECOST SUNDAY – 8TH JUNE 2025

Jubilee Pilgrimage Walk for CAFOD and Parish - A Jubilee year is a sacred time of renewal, reflection, and grace celebrated every 25 years. In this holy year, our beloved Pope Francis called us to be "Pilgrims of Hope", inviting all Catholics to embark on a journey of faith and transformation. With this in mind, the parish CAFOD group cordially invites all members of the parish to join us in a **short pilgrimage walk from St Mary's Church to Towneley Hall on Sunday 6th July**. St Mary's is a designated diocesan Jubilee Church so it's apt that we start and finish our walk there. We will gather at 2pm and walk to Towneley Hall, an important historical site for the Catholic faith in our town. On our return to St Mary's, afternoon tea refreshments will be served in the parish rooms to celebrate the end of our pilgrimage, and there will be an opportunity to make donations in aid of parish funds and CAFOD's work.



Please do support this event so that we can journey together as "Pilgrims of Hope", enriching our own faith and the lives of those in need.

MODERN SLAVERY—A REMINDER

Modern slavery and human trafficking is a problem that isn't just happening miles away from our own homes, but right here in our local communities and parishes and that's why it's so important that we continue to be aware of it and to be willing to report anything which "just does not feel right". See leaflets at the back of each church, and details on the Caritas page on the parish website.



NEWS FROM CHRIST THE KING SCHOOL



Christ the King Summer Fair: School will be holding its annual summer fair on Friday 27th June at 3.15pm. Everyone welcome. If you would like to have a stall at this year's fair, tables are £15 each. All proceeds will be going to raise money for a school trim trail.

School Inspections - a message from the Governors at Christ the King: Congratulations to Mrs Webster and all at Christ the King school on the successful outcome of not one but two school inspections (Catholic Schools Inspection & OFSTED) during the Spring Term. Should you wish to read how amazing our school is please head on over to the schools website.

<https://www.king-pri.lancs.sch.uk/parents/ofsted>

<https://www.king-pri.lancs.sch.uk/catholic-life/section-48-inspection>

GAMES ON THE LAWN / '1ST OF THE MONTH'

Our "1st of the Month" chocolate tombola with cakes and raffle raised £72 for Parish funds and was good fun - unclaimed raffle prize red number 11 - Thanks to all! Our next '1st' is July 6th We are thinking a Smelly Tombola would be interesting??!!



POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE

"That the world may grow in compassion"



There are two sources of help for people and families who need support.

You pay a registration fee of £5 for the year, and can then shop weekly (or more often if need be) for £4 per visit — the usual 'shop' is equal to about £20/£30 in any other supermarket. The two shops are 1) in the shopping centre square above New Look, and 2) Valley St near the cemetery. They're open Monday to Friday 9.30am to 4.30pm. Just drop in, see and buy!

COST OF LIVING SUPPORT



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 **almost £14,500** 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>.

Thank you all!

MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES: MONDAY 9TH JUNE TO SUNDAY 15TH JUNE 2025

Please note the changes this week

- Monday** *Mary, Mother of the Church*
9.30am at St Mary's **with the Knights of St Columba**
- Tuesday** *Weekday*
11.00am Requiem Mass at St Mary's for Michele Arcangelo RIP
12.00 noon St John's
- Wednesday** *St Barnabas*
9.30 Christ the King 7.00pm St John's
- Thursday** *Our Lord Jesus Christ Eternal High Priest*
9.30 St Mary's **12.00 noon St John's**
- Friday** *St Anthony of Padua*
10am Funeral Mass at St Mary's for Teresa Corrigan
Nb No Reconciliation or Exposition today.
- Saturday** *Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
9.30am St Mary's, followed by Reconciliation with Exposition: 10.30 to 11.30am
12.30pm Wedding Mass of Victoria Dawson and Anthony Fisher at St Mary's
- Vigil Masses**
6.00pm St John's
6.30pm St Mary's
- Sunday** ***Trinity Sunday***
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 30 minutes before each weekday Mass (except before Funerals)

(*A recording of the Mass should be available later from Sunday afternoon)

Stay with us Lord on our journey.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations, Rose with love from all the parish on your 103rd birthday!

ECCLESIASTICAL EDUCATION FUND

Thanks to all those who have donated to this fund which goes towards the training of priests for the Diocese of Salford. Thank you.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PARISH

WEEKLY COLLECTION The offertory collection, not including standing orders, from the three churches in the parish for weekend of 31st May/1st June was for £1492.22 for for which many thanks.

FOREIGN COINS AND NOTES, OLD ENGLISH COINS AND NOTES, MEDALS AND GOLD

If you have any of these items please bring them to church and place them at a box at the back of each church. The parish has received over £500 from what has already been raised. Thank you.

Clergy Team

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