



CATHOLIC CHURCH IN LONGDENDALE



PARISH NEWSLETTER

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY (c)

Oct 2nd 2022



"O Angel of God
my guardian dear
to whom God's love
commits me here
ever this day be at my
side
to light and guard,
to rule and guide.
Amen."

Increase our faith!

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Sun 2nd Oct	TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY 9.15 (BB) M McKeever 11am (HAD) for the parish	
Mon 3rd	feria 9.30 (HAD) Alistair Burns	
Tues 4th	St Francis of Assisi 9.30 (HAD) Christopher Deakin	
Weds 5th	St Faustina 9.30 (HAD) DCA	<i>Wednesday Groups meets after Mass</i>
Thurs 6th	St Bruno 9.30 (HAD) Chapter ints	<i>7pm (HAD) 'Sycamore' course continues</i>
Fri 7th	Our Lady of the Rosary (First Friday visits today DV) 9.30 (BB) Elizabeth Fielding	
Sat 8th	feria 9.30 (HAD) DCA	<i>noon (HAD) : bapt, d'Souza</i>
Sun 9th	TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY (Prisoners' Sunday) 9.15 (BB) for the parish 11am (HAD) DCA	

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Psalter Week 3

Introduction: *At the root of our religious conviction and connection is Faith.*

First Reading : Hab 1 & 2 : The upright man lives by faithfulness

Resp.Ps. O THAT TODAY YOU WOULD LISTEN TO HIS VOICE! HARDEN NOT YOUR HEARTS.

Second Reading : 2 Tim 1 : The Spirit of power, love and self-control.

Gospel : Lk 17 : If only you had faith!

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND and ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH

Please remember to support and pray for those listed as sick and housebound in our parish: Peter James, Pauline Anderson, Isabella Phillips, Joe Singleton, Joan Killeen, Una Wilkinson, Christine Wild, David Healey, Dennis Brady, Jacob Ibbotson, Alice Canning.

Please recall in prayer our deceased priests and parishioners whose anniversaries occur about this time: Revv Hermann Sabela, Ambrose Steen, John Troop; ***Margaret Lathwood, Edward Baumber, Patricia Brookes, Anne Ivison, Liam Handley, Michael Sutton, Margaret Durman, Harold Tweedie, May Green, Josie Cannon :*** ***Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine on them: may they rest in peace. Amen***

PARISH NOTES

THIS SUNDAY we celebrate the 27th Sunday in ordinary time. The focus for God's holy Word this Sunday is on the need to be grateful. "Since the initiative belongs to God in the order of grace, no one can merit the initial grace of forgiveness and justification, at the beginning of conversion. Moved by the Holy Spirit and by charity, we can then merit for ourselves and for others the graces needed for our sanctification, for the increase of grace and charity, and for the attainment of eternal life. Even temporal goods like health and friendship can be merited in accordance with God's wisdom. These graces and goods are the object of Christian prayer. Prayer attends to the grace we need for meritorious actions." (CCC 2010)

THE MONTH OF OCTOBER comes suddenly upon us this weekend. The feast of the Holy Guardian Angels is overlooked this year by Sunday. This of course would not prevent any of us in our daily prayer for angelic support in our lives.

HOLY ROSARY MONTH It is our custom where possible to pray the rosary in our churches before each public Mass during October (and May). This devotional prayer is so much part of Catholic life and identity, I hope you will not let it slip away. I find when caught in yet another traffic jam that a decade of the rosary is an aid to keeping patient. 'Pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death: Amen.'

SAINT OF THE WEEK St Francis of Assisi is honoured on Tuesday. His prayer for peace and harmony would be well heeded by many world leaders, in Russia and elsewhere. Please find time to pray that prayer (or sing the hymn) on that day.

MAY SHE REST IN PEACE we noted the death recently of an erstwhile parishioner of St Charles. Dame Hilary Mary Mantel who was born in 1952 in nearby Bank Bottom. She was baptised on the 27th of July that year in the font at Charles as Hilary Thompson. Some years later she made her First Holy Communion in the same church. She later changed her surname to Mantel. May she rest in peace.

THE WEDNESDAY GROUP meets on the 5th after morning Mass. There is a slight change in plan. This will be a time to trip down memory lane in our parish lives. If you have mementoos of parish occasions, Wednesday group trips or other memorabilia bring them along to share amongst friends. All are welcome.

SYCAMORE This course continues on Thursday in the oratory at 7pm.

FAMILY FAST DAY comes up on us this week on Friday. Doubtless the name of the day has changed over the years, but it is our Catholic way twice a year to pledge support for the hungry

thirsty and needy through CAFOD. Please take an envelope from the back of church and return it filled full at next weekend.

FIRST FRIDAY VISITS resume at the end of the week. If you know of anyone who would welcome a visit from me with the Blessed Sacrament, please let me know.

FAIR TRADE COFFEE MORNING next Saturday at Bradbury house 10 212 all are welcome to this event. Please support this worthy initiative if you can.

PUBLICATIONS ARE PLENTIFUL at the back of church.

A poster remind the gents of the parish of next Saturday's event. Gentlemen, you are invited to meet and the Goyt valley car park at 11:00 o'clock, and walk in a mini pilgrimage together to the shrine of St Joseph in that lovely area, and then adjourn for a pub lunch. The poster gives more details.

THE DIOCESAN CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER has appeared with its tribute to our late queen and fealty to our new king.

FURTHERMORE we have received delightful prayer cards in honour of her late majesty. These are available in every Catholic Church in the country, and I hope you will take these home and maybe share with friends. Free of charge of course.

ADDITIONALLY, of course you will find copies of 'My Day by Day' & 'Magnificat' for October at the back of church. Why not treat a friend or neighbour with a copy of these spiritual Vade Mecums?

MARTHAS AND MARYS of our parish there is an event on the Saturday the 29th of October taking place at the Catholic Church in Bulwell on the outskirts of Nottingham. It is entitled 'Women in Leadership in the Church', presented by Mrs Karen Foong. It will also involve taking tea together. More details on the leaflets at the back of church.

PIETY STALL at Saint Charles is open for orders for Catholic Diaries and calendars for next year. Lola is waiting to welcome you.

NEXT SUNDAY is day marked as 'prisoners Sunday' when we are invited to spare a prayer on behalf of prisoners and their families.

'ONE LIFE: LIVE IT!' Was emblazoned on a Land Rover frequently journeying around our holiday resort. It caused me and paused me to wonder what the depths of the message might be. I suppose there's only one alternative to living our life, but perhaps that thought is too dark. This travelling message was complemented somehow by a notice hovering over the pedestrianised area which indicated that a life was much more worthwhile living if he had a Divine centre in it. Discuss!

MY THANKS to Frs Kevin and Jim who came to help during these last two weekends, and to all of those parishioners who kept the parish flotillas afloat, and without whom parish life would be so much the less. My heartiest thanks!

PARISH TOTE Recent winners: **St Charles recent winners:** 1st : £40 - Pat Pasceiznik, Fr Don & Christine James; 2nd £20 : Judith Martin, Jean Ashton & Edith Green.

STANDING ORDERS: Immaculate Conception : Sort Code 30-13-32 A/c "St Margaret's church/collection" 00510567 ; St Charles : Sort Code 30-13-32 A/c "Charles church/collection" 00269177.

Some notes from our Bishop:

PETER'S PENCE The Apostolic Nuncio, Archbishop Claudio Gugerotti, has written to thank me, and through me all the parishes and parishioners in our diocese, for the sum of £997.30 which was received by the Holy See from the Peter's Pence collection in 2021. He has asked me to pass onto you the Holy Father's thanks for this support in enabling the Holy Father to carry out his universal ministry throughout the entire Church

MISSIO I have received a letter of thanks from Missio for the money received through the Red Boxes which many of our parishioners have in their homes, and through which money is raised for the spread of the Gospel throughout the world. A combination of the red Boxes, together with the collection taken at Masses on World Mission Sunday, has seen the following amounts donated from our diocese: 2019 - £161,760; 2020 - £138,082; 2021 - £162,050.

I add my thanks for this generosity.