

  
**CATHOLIC CHURCH IN LONGDENDALE**  
**PARISH NEWSLETTER****THIRTIETH SUNDAY (c)****Oct 23rd 2022*****Prayer to St. Jude***

Most Holy Apostle St. Jude Thaddeus, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honours and invokes you universally as the patron of hopeless cases and of things despaired of. Pray for me who am so needy. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolations and succour of heaven in all my necessities, and that I may bless God with you and all the elect throughout eternity.

I promise you, O blessed Jude to be ever mindful of this great favour, and I will never cease to honour you as my special and powerful patron and to do all in my power to encourage devotion to you. Amen.

*God, be merciful to me a sinner!*

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<b>DATE</b>	<b>MASS</b>	<b>OTHER</b>
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Sun 23rd	<b>THIRTIETH SUNDAY (World Mission Sunday)</b> 9.15 (BB) for the parish 11am (HAD) Harold Midwood RIP (fam)	
Mon 24th	<b>St Anthony Maria Claret</b> 9.30 (HAD) F O'Connor RIP	
Tues 25th	<b>feria</b> 9.30 (HAD) DCA	
Weds 26th	<b>Sts Chad &amp; Chedd</b> 9.30 (HAD) for the parish	
Thurs 27th	<b>feria</b> 9.30 (HAD) K Concannon RIP	
Fri 28th	<b>Ss SIMON &amp; JUDE, apostles</b> 9.30 (BB) John Leneghan RIP (fam) <i>11am HAD funeral service for Margaret Neild RIP</i>	
Sat 29th	<b>feria</b> 9.30 (HAD) Helena's intentions (pers)	
Sun 30th	<b>THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY</b> 9.15 (BB) Angela, Agnes & Rose RIP (CF) 11am (HAD) M Perry RIP (MR)      6pm HAD Fr Sullivan RIP vigil	

## **THIRTIETH SUNDAY (C)**

### **Psalter week 2**

**Introduction:** *Our Lord , the just judge, will ensure justice for the poor and humble.*

**First Reading :** Ecclus 35 : The Lord listens to the cries of the poor.

**Resp.Ps.** THIS POOR MAN CALLED, THE LORD HEARD HIM

**Second Reading :** 2 Tim 4 : Paul has completed his race: the crown awaits him.

**Gospel :** Lk 18 : The story of the Pharisee & the publican teaches the value of humility.

## **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 Bernard Brownbill, Marian Cieseilski, John Buckley, Larry Saunders, Peter Sabela; ***Harold Midwood, Teresa Bolger, Alice Goddard, Mary Whitham, Terence Curran, Ronald Howbrook, Jack Seale, Bernard O'Hare:*** ***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 30th Sunday in ordinary time. The ***Gospel*** is from St. Luke, where Jesus tells the Pharisees once more where their pride will lead them. They will be excluded from the kingdom of God because they will not admit or repent of their pride and their lack of charity. Instead of thanking God for the many gifts He had given them, they almost demanded thanks from God for being such pious people. One thing that we can learn from this sad story of the Pharisees is that, while God approves of no sin, His mercy and His forgiveness is available for all sinners except the proud. It isn't that God cannot or will not forgive the sin of pride but that the proud man will not ask for God's forgiveness.

***World Mission Sunday*** is celebrated this Sunday. It is the day when the whole Church unites in prayer for its missionary activity, and in collecting funds to support Catholic communities across the world living in situations of poverty and privation. The theme chosen by the Holy Father is: 'You shall be my witnesses' (Acts 1:8). In his message for World Mission Sunday, Pope Francis says: 'The essence of mission is to bear witness to Christ, that is, to his life, passion, death and resurrection for the love of the father and of humanity.' All donations go to the Universal Solidarity Fund in order to meet the material needs of Catholic communities too young, too small or too poor to support themselves. Donations help them to live out the mission entrusted to them by the Lord. Thank you for your ongoing support of Missio through prayer today and each day, and charity through your support of today's second collection, and the Missio Red Boxes which many parishioners have. For more information about World Mission Sunday visit [missio.org.uk/wms](http://missio.org.uk/wms) You will find Missio envelopes at the back of church. Please use them to support this vital work, and put your gift into the bag at the time of the collection.

### **MAY THEY REST IN PEACE**

- \* ***Mary Baines*** (90), late of Etherow Way, Hadfield, died on Friday 21st after long hospitalisation. Our prayers are for her eternal rest, and for the comforting of her family. Her funeral arrangements are yet to be arranged. May she rest in peace.
- \* ***Sheila Gerrard*** (Moss Lane, Broadbottom) who also died, unexpectedly, on Friday. May her family and friends be consoled and may she also rest in peace.

***SAINTS OF THE WEEK*** the apostle ***St Jude*** is honoured along with fellow-apostle ***St Simon*** on Friday. We often invoke St Jude for 'impossible causes'. His prayer is found on p. 1.

**SCHOOLS OUT** A welcome half-term break begins for our schools this weekend. I hope both staff and pupils enjoy restful times.

**NEXT WEEKEND** the clocks go back (Spring forward; Fall back) 1 hour on Saturday night.

**THE PATRONAL FEAST** I was invited to celebrate Mass for St Philip Howard school in St Mary's church during the week. My compliments to staff, parishioners and pupils for organising this liturgy, which was reverently and respectfully celebrated.

**THE SYCAMORE COURSE** continued to run its course last Thursday evening. This week, being half-term, it is in abeyance and there will be no gathering.

**THE REQUIEM MASS** for the late **Fr John Sullivan** is planned as follows : Sunday evening 30th October 6pm - his coffin received into St Charles church in a simple ceremony; Monday 31st October at 11.30 am - Requiem Mass, with Bishop Patrick presiding; 1pm, committal at Glossop cemetery. May he rest in peace.

**NOVEMBER LISTS** With November coming upon us shortly with its remembrance of the faithful departed, you'll find the familiar Dead List slips & envelopes at the back of church for your use. Please try to fill them in and return to the rectory before the month-end.

**PUBLICATIONS** As we journey towards next month, the usual monthly devotional booklets are available from the back of church.

**PARISH COUNCIL** The BB parish council met during the week, and a full agenda was explored. My thanks to those who attended and play such a helpful part in parish life. Particularly cheering was the urgency to connect with sick and housebound parishioners. Anyone wishing to join the visiting team is welcome to contact Marie Davies to find out more.

**PARISH TOTE** Recent winners: **Recent winners: St Charles 1st : £40 - M Walsh; 2nd £20 : S Tetlow. Immaculate Conception 1st : £40 - J Burkinshaw; 2nd £20 : E Lonergan.**

**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.

**SAVE THE DATE!**

- Tues next, 25th Oct : trip to RHS Bridgewater; coach 10.30 from St Charles. Contact Denise on 07851 265 230
- Weds 2nd Nov : Wednesday Group meets with shared table. Bring your favourite poem along;
- Mon 19th Dec, Glossop Golf Club; 12.30 for 1pm : Wednesday Group annual Festive meal for the whole parish. £25 for 3-course meal, tea/coffee, and festive trimmings.
- Mon 19th Dec 7pm : Immaculate Conception church : Nine Lessons & Carols.

**'ANTICIPATION** is the better part of pleasure' - or so the aphorism goes. Perhaps a similar phrase might be 'escapism is a basic human urgency'. We live in turbulent times for our nation, politically and economically. They are also unsettling times for many, with a tendency for gloom to take the place of gladness. Many look for an exit door beyond the day's news and dream of balmy beaches and sunny days; we think future thoughts with hopeful expectation and imagination. Urged on by commercialism, the telly tells us to dream of French chateaux, gorgeous gardens, festivals and fun, & fine dining offered by an army of celebrity chefs.

These thoughts were stoked my noticing on October 2nd the sight of house & garden fronts prematurely festooned with Hallowe'en flummery; days before, local shops urgently demanded we buy artificial Christmas trees; and of course travel companies whisking us off to Bahaman bowers beyond even our wildest dreams, and troubled sleep ahead of winter fuel bills. It is instinctive to dream beyond the present, into a sunny new dawn.

Our Lord also teaches us to dream beyond the constraints of day-to-day human life, so often tawdry and transitory. 'A man's reach must exceed his grasp, or what's a heaven for' wrote Robert Browning in his poem 'Andrea del Sarto'. It's a challenge to our faith to dream beyond our earthly life to a heavenly future. "I go now to prepare you a place" our Saviour wrote. That is humankind's deepest, if unacknowledged, quest. Beyond Hallow-e'en, Bonfire Night - and the next prime minister.