We welcome into our parish community Theodore Stephen Huddart who was Baptised last weekend at St Josephs Parish. If you wish to have your child Baptised at St Joseph's church, please ring the Parish Office to book a place at the next Baptism Meeting.



## Society for the Protection of the Unborn.

"As the Church has commemorated the Feast Days of All Saints and All Souls these last two days, we ask Almighty God to especially care for all those approaching the end of their lives. May they be granted a peaceful, natural death with dignity and the appropriate palliative care. Lord hear us".



## **Church Cleaning Rota** This week Group 1

Thank you to **ALL** our volunteers who help to clean and prepare our church throughout the year.

#### Last weeks Collection.

Total Collection for the last weekend.

Gift Aid: £515.50 Loose Plate: £333.19 Total: £848.69



Thank you all for your wonderful generosity.

## Do you still have last years **Christmas Jumper?**

We'd like people to donate last years Christmas jumpers to be resold.

Don't be seen in the same Christmas jumper again!

Donate it and choose another recycled one for this year.

Jumpers can be left (clean and washed please) at the back of church after any mass.

They will be available for re sale after coffee mornings on Sundays.

## Tea and Coffee.

Tea and Coffee will resume after 9.30am Mass.

They will be held on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month.



## **Dates for your Diary!**

#### Rugby Shirt raffle

Tickets are on sale for a rugby shirt, The raffle will be drawn on Sunday 24th November.

#### **Christmas Fair**

Sunday 8th December

Look out for More details before each event in the

## Thank you!

Another bumper tea coffee and cake morning with a total of £78.22 takings

The Quiz Night Raffle took a huge £163 and the guiz raised a further £252 so thankyou and well done to all!

We received further donations too of £30 and £50 and a donation from the Fashion Show donation of £150.

#### MISSION STATEMENT OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF LIVERPOOL

"Taking to heart the last words of the Lord Jesus, we will go into the world to proclaim the Good News to the whole of Creation"

# St Joseph's Catholic Church

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# Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time. 3rd November 2024



Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30 am 5.00 pm	Paul Johnson (R.I.P) Pious List
Monday St Charles Borromeo	9.30 am	Mary & Peter Farrell (R.I.P)
Tuesday	No public Mass	
Wednesday	No public Mass	
Thursday St Willibrord	9.30 am	Pious List
Friday	No public Mass	
Saturday Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	No public Mass	
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30 am 5.00 pm	Mary Culligan (Birthday) Pious List

Sacrament of Reconciliation on request. Please contact the Parish Office or Monsignor Phil.

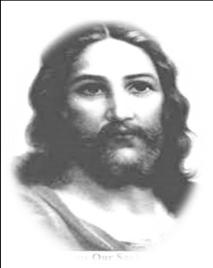


## Readings for Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time



First Reading	A reading from the book of Wisdom.  Deut 6:2-6	
Psalm Response	I love you, Lord, my strength.	
Second Reading	A reading from the letter to the Hebrews. Heb 7:23-28	
The Gospel	Alleluia! Alleluia!	
Acclamation	Your words are spirit, Lord,	
	and they are life:	
	you have the message of eternal life.	
	Alleluia!	
Gospel	A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.	
	Mk 12:28-34	
Communion Antiphon	You will show me the path of life,	
	the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.	

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## Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time.

The prayer found at the end of today's first reading is known in Hebrew as the Shema, the first word of the prayer which means 'hear'. It is a prayer which is very dear to the heart of the Jewish community and each Jew is urged to recite this prayer three times a day: in the morning, during the day and in the evening. Also it is the prayer which the Jews hope will be on their lips in their dying moments. When so many Jews were sent to their death during the Holocaust it must have been recited by those who could bring themselves to think of God under such circumstances.

## Praying for the Holy Souls.

Whist we should always remember and pray for our deceased loved ones, this time of year shines a special light on them. In honour of this feast we ask you to complete the Pious List with the names of all your faithful departed loved ones, parishioners and those who have no one to pray for them, and return it with your offering to the Parish Office.

Holy Masses will be celebrated throughout the month for all those on the lists.

As Padre Pio said,

"We must empty purgatory with our prayers."

"Bury my body wherever you will; let not care of it cause you any concern. One thing only I ask you, that you remember me at the altar of the Lord wherever you may be"

St Monica-Mother of St Augustine



## Sick in our Parish

Please pray the sick of our community, especially
Pauline Fowler, and Peter Banks, remembering also all the
patients in Wrightington and Wigan hospital and our local
Hospice and members of the Royal Family.
Heal thy servants, O Lord, who are sick and put their trust
in Thee. Send them help, O Lord, and comfort from thy
Holy Place.



## **Holy Souls**

In your charity please pray for all who have recently died and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time. We also remember the forgotten Holy Souls who have no one to pray for them including Priests and Religious.

Eternal rest grant on to them,

O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them,
may they rest in your peace.

Amen



## **Haydock Male Voice Choire**

In concert at Our Lady and All Saints church on

## SATURDAY 30<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2024 At 7.30PM

Tickets are priced at £10 can be ordered/purchased from Our Lady and All Saints parish office: (01257) 463248 or by emailing <a href="mailto:parbold@hotmail.com">parbold@hotmail.com</a>.

Address: Our Lady and All Saints Church, Lancaster Lane, Parbold WN8 7HS. There is plenty of parking available in the carpark.



## **Retreats: Christian Heritage Centre**

Praying with St Dominic, 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024

This retreat explores the life and faith of St Dominic de Guzman, founder of the Order of Preachers (the Dominicans), whose objective was to continue safeguarding the Catholic faith. His Marian devotion and the place of the rosary in Christian prayer will be a special focus of this retreat preached by Fr Lawrence Lew, OP. For more information and to register, click here

https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/praying-with-saint-dominic/

#### Be Still and Know that I am God, 21st - 24th November 2024

Join Fr Roger Dawson, SJ, for this retreat exploring the human condition with practices common to mindfulness and to Christian contemplative prayer. The retreat will seek to reclaim those practices that share common ground with the tradition of apophatic prayer and theology rooted in the monastic and the Eastern Orthodox traditions. For more information and to register:

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"Pray, hope, and don't worry.

Worry is useless.

God is merciful and will hear your prayer."

SAINT PADRE PIO

## **Hospital Admissions.**

If you or a member of your family is admitted to hospital, please remember to ask for access to the Catholic Hospital Chaplain.

If you wish to receive the Sacrament of the Sick before you go into hospital, please contact Monsignor Phil.



# Important Message from Catherine Robinson. Right to Life!

Kim Leadbeater has just introduced her assisted suicide Bill to the House Commons. Along with introducing her Bill, she confirmed that the Second Reading date for the Bill will be

## Friday 29 November.

This means that we will be facing a major vote on assisted suicide before Christmas. Please take action and contact your MP immediately to voice your concerns and stop this Bill going through. Given the number of emails MPs are getting in support of assisted suicide, it's crucial that your MP urgently sees that there is a large number of voters in your constituency who don't want this dangerous and extreme change to our laws - a change that would put the vulnerable at risk and see the ending of many lives through