

CHORLEY AND PRESTON HOSPITALS: Please contact St Joseph's Chorley (262713) if any member of your family is admitted into Chorley Hospital and needs a visit. In urgent cases or emergency please ask the ward staff to call the duty Chaplain on his bleep/phone. For the chaplaincy service at Royal Preston Hospital Tel: 01772 522435. For the chaplaincy service at Wigan Infirmary Tel: 01942 822324

LARKHILL GET-TOGETHER: Saturday 28th June @ 2 pm. in the chapel at Larkhill (Cardinal Newman College). Bring a friend and have a look round the old school and gardens. Open. 1pm — 5.30 pm. Contact. Christine Fitzpatrick 01772 424189

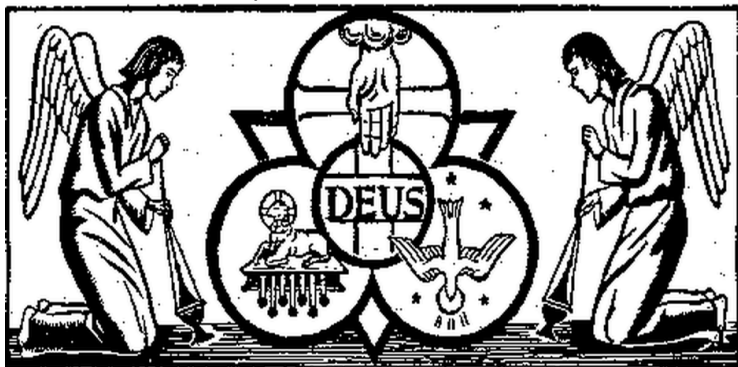
DAY FOR LIFE COLLECTION will take place this weekend. Please pray that the Assisted Dying Bill is thrown out. The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill 2024-25 is scheduled to have its report stage in the House of Commons on 16 May 2025. What we really need more funding in palliative care and hospices. We don't want someone killing us off with injections or drips.

GUILD OF ST STEPHEN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:

The Liverpool Archdiocesan Guild of St Stephen's Pilgrimage to Lourdes is currently **accepting bookings**. The pilgrimage will take place **Sunday 26th October – Saturday 1st November 2025**. For more information, please contact **Rose Curry** on 07932 729896

SACRED HEART CHORLEY 150th ANNIVERSARY: Sacred Heart parish is celebrating their special anniversary on the solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Friday 27th June. Mass will be at 09.30 and there are two full days of special activities followed by the children's First Holy Communion on Sunday 29th June. The activities are all advertised on our notice board at the back of the church. The parish office has 10 bingo tickets at £2.00 each for the family bingo in the Sacred Heart school on Friday evening at 18.30. Please support Sacred Heart in their celebrations. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS to Dcn Norman for serving 15 years in the Diaconate. His is a very important role in the life of the parish.



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St Mary's Catholic Church, Chorley

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

15th JUNE 2025



***At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.'* John 16:12-15**

Sat 14th

17.00

Mass – Patrick Bolger RIP

Sun 15th

Day

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY Father's

Day for Life Prayers and collection

Mass – Vera Kenyon RIP

09.30

Mon 16th

12.00

Communion

Liturgy of the Word with Holy

Tues 17th

12.00

Mass – Private Intention (PK)

Wed 18th

12.00

St John Rigby

Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Thurs 19th

12.00

Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Fri 20th

No Midday service

19.00

Confirmation Mass with Archbishop Sherrington and Fr Marsden, Fr Crowther, Fr Ball

Sat 21st

17.00

St Aloysius Gonzaga

Mass – James Clarke (LD)



Sun 22nd
09.30

12.00

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Mass – Parishioners

Chorley Churches Walk of Witness (starting from Cunliffe St)

Please note the different times of Services for this week.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND THE HOUSEBOUND: Margaret Arrowsmith, Emily Atkins, Michael Collins, Colette Ellis, Rosemary Hough, Jacob Hughes, Archbishop Emeritus Patrick Kelly, Theresa Martin, Fr Laurence Mayne, Debbie MacFarlane, Norah O'Donoghue, Molly Redhead, Joan Smith, and parishioners in The Adelphi, The Gables, Westwood, and Gillibrand Hall.

ANNIVERSARIES: Rosie Bolton, Archbishop Richard Downey, Fr Kevin Mulhearn,

READERS: **Sat: 14th 17.00** Kinga Grzeczynska **Sun: 15th 09.30** Richard Gillett
Sat: 21st 17.00 Eileen McCarrick **Sun: 22nd 09.30** Simon Eccles

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A CATHOLIC? We are running a course during summer for people who wish to become Catholics. If you have not been baptised, then the course is a little different for you. People who have been baptised and if the baptism is valid, can be prepared during the summer to receive the Sacraments and become Catholics. Please see Fr Marsden or email the parish office.

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CHORLEY CHURCHES WALK OF WITNESS: will take place on **Sunday 22nd June**, starting in Cunliffe Street at 12.00 noon. Please come and support St Mary's. There is a poster in the narthex with more information.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION: Young people who are being Confirmed at St Mary's on Friday 20th June at 7pm by His Grace Archbishop Sherrington, have hopefully attended the preparation session this weekend. Please note all confirmation cards with your details must be completed before the Confirmation Mass on Friday 20th June. If you need additional assistance, please contact the parish office. 01257 262537.

FATHER'S DAY: Wishing all Fathers, stepfathers, grandfathers and any man who works hard to look after the family, a very happy Father's Day. Thank you for looking after everyone. Thank you for problem solving, listening and advising, childminding and making sure that the little ones who stole your hearts are well looked after. Today is your turn to be spoiled and thanked. We pray for the Fathers who are now in God's Heavenly Kingdom, may their reward be great. To the priests who are the Fathers of their parishes, thank you for what you do.

THANK YOU TO MR LINDLEY headteacher at Holy Cross Catholic High School for his assistance in the preparation of the Confirmation Mass. Also, thank you to Trish Wallis – organist, Bernadette Oakes (Sacred Heart) and Kieran Huddy for their preparation work for the Mass.

IMPORTANT DATES IN MAY FOR YOUR DIARY: Sunday 15th June – The Most Holy Trinity. Friday 20th June – Confirmation Mass at 19.00. Sunday 22nd June – Corpus Christi. Sunday 22nd June - Chorley Churches Walk of Witness
Friday 27th June – The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Friday 27th June – Sacred Heart Chorley, 150 Anniversary celebrations 09.30 Mass

SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Wisdom: With this gift the Christian is given a special grace to “ponder divine realities” in his/her speculative reason. We are able to see the big picture, to understand human life from God's point of view, and know how best to be an instrument of peace and harmony in our world. Wisdom implies a human maturity, whereas mere cleverness is agility of intellect but not necessarily to a good purpose.



Understanding: This is the ability to have a supernatural assurance of the matters of faith. Life makes sense. We can make sense of the deeper parts of Revelation, make sense of suffering and understand those things that tempt us to doubt. With this gift we come to see how everything in life can work for good in accordance with God's plan.

Knowledge: With this gift the Christian knows, more in the practical intellect, what God's will is in this or that situation. We can understand the Scriptures and the Church's teachings better. We know how to live, how to discern God's will and what decision to make in our daily life. It also enables us to learn from our past mistakes.

Counsel or prudence: wisdom in practical situations. With this gift the Christian sees him/herself as a link in a chain which makes up the entire Church. God uses each one of us to help and support one another on our journey. We know what to say and how to act so as to do our part to build up one another.

Fortitude: Simply put, it is a firmness of mind and spirit to do good and avoid evil. It's a sort of Christian courage. It also denotes perseverance, stamina, grit, the ability to suffer in the course of doing what is right and good, and not giving up. The Gospel calls all of us to a radical life of love. Fortitude gives us the strength we need to follow through.

Piety: This gift enables us to first reverence and love God as our loving and caring Father, but also to see the dignity of one another and reverence each other as children of God.

Fear of the Lord: With this gift the Christian becomes keenly aware of anything that may hurt his/her relationship with God. There is a holy “fear” of hurting this relationship, and grace is given to avoid these things at all cost.

Let us pray this week especially for the confirmandi, who will receive these gifts of the Holy Spirit on Friday evening, and also for the children making their First Holy Communion on Saturday. The seven gifts of the Holy Spirit belong in their fullness to Christ, Son of David. They complete and perfect the virtues of those who receive them. They make the faithful docile in readily obeying divine inspirations.

TWELVE FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

The fruits of the Spirit are perfections that the Holy Spirit forms in us as the first fruits of eternal glory. the tradition of the Church lists twelve of them: "charity, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty, self-control, chastity." CCC 1832