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 please ring 01772 522435. For the chaplaincy service at Wigan Infirmary T. 01942 822324.

BAPTISMS: Please see Deacon Norman or Fr Marsden after Mass to obtain the Baptism Application Form and Order of Service and discuss the baptism details.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY Liverpool Cathedral Mass for Lourdes Centenary

17.00 Sunday 25th June. 29th June Ss Peter and Paul – Holy Day of Obligation



CONGRATULATIONS to the 41 children and one adult who made their First Holy Communion on the weekend of Corpus Christi. The church was full, the children looked splendid, and parents, grandparents and relations took part in a beautiful occasion that will live on in many memories. People gathered from Poland, Italy, Ireland and Spain. I ask parents to make time in their busy weekend schedules and bring their children to a Sunday Mass. Please give your child an opportunity to receive the

Blessed Sacrament at Mass and deepen their friendship with God.

THE PRIESTS – LIVE IN CONCERT: The Priests will be performing live in concert on Thursday 12 October at the Metropolitan Cathedral. The concert is part of the celebrations to mark the centenary year of the Liverpool to Lourdes pilgrimage. More details can be found in the poster in the narthex.

<u>WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 IN PORTUGAL:</u> The Pope will fly to Lisbon on 2nd August. The welcoming ceremony for WYD will take place on 3rd August in Edward VII Park in Lisbon. There is a scheduled visit to Fatima on 5th August and the Pope will conclude the WYD with Mass on 6th August and then return to Rome. Let us pray that it all goes well and the heat is not too exhausting.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Dad, you mean the world to me, I hope that's something you can see,
Through every up and every down, You've been there to help me rebound.
I thank you for your constant love, And guidance from up above,
For all the times you held my hand, I'm grateful for you, my amazing dad.

~ Kip Alderidge

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ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

18th JUNE 2023



When Jesus saw the crowds he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest.'

He summoned his twelve disciples and

gave them authority over unclean spirits with power to cast them out and to cure all kinds of diseases and sickness.

These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, the one who was to betray him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them as follows:

'Do not turn your steps to pagan territory, and do not enter any Samaritan town; go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel. And as you go, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils. You received without charge, give without charge.'

Matthew 9:36-10:8

Sat 17"	Immaculate Heart of Mary
16.15	Confessions
17.00	Mass – Parishioners
Sun 18th	ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (p.91) Father's Day
10.00	Mass – Elizabeth Jane Firth (birthday remembrance)

Mon 19th St Romuald

09.00 Mass – Kathleen Durkin (A)

Tues 20th St Alban

12.00 Mass – Thanksgiving for prayers answered (RM)

Wed 21st St Aloysius Gonzaga

12.00 Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Thurs 22nd FEAST OF SS. JOHN FISHER AND THOMAS MORE

12.00 Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Fri 23rd St Etheldreda

12.00 Mass – Michael Joyce (A)

Sat 24th SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

16.15 Confessions

Mass – Agnes and Gerard Carter RIP

Sun 25th TWELFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (p.93)

10.00 Mass – Christine Corcoran RIP

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND THE HOUSEBOUND:

Fr Barry McAllister, Canon Brendan Alger, Emily Atkins, Patrick Bolger, John and Margaret Brown, Dorothy Burgoyne, John Campbell, Michael Collins, Kathleen Coyle, Colette Ellis, Rosemary Hough, Jacob Hughes, Archbishop Emeritus Patrick Kelly, Mary Langton, Theresa Martin, Fr Laurence Mayne, Debbie MacFarlane, Molly Redhead, Denis Smith, Joan Smith, Alan Taylor, Terry Tingey, Mike White, Ann Woodruff, and parishioners in The Adelphi, The Gables, Westwood, and Gillibrand Hall.

ANNIVERSARIES: Kathleen Durkin, John Derek Smith, Michael Joyce, Fr Joseph Marsh, Rosie Bolton.

<u>READERS</u>: Sat: 17th 17.00 Eleanor Jenner. Sun: 18th 10.00 Tracy O'Neill. Sat: 24th 17.00. Richard Gillett. Sun: 25th Dr Jane Eccles.

ARCHBISHOP MALCOLM MCMAHON OP. On Monday 26th June, His Grace Archbishop Malcolm McMahon celebrates the anniversary of his Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood in 1982. Please pray for him. Thank you.

SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT: Following the publication of the CSSA (Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency) review about the Safeguarding Failures in the Catholic Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle, please be assured of the priority given to Safeguarding in this parish. Just a reminder that the Safeguarding Team for this parish is Kinga Grzeczynska, Alison O'Keeffe and Simon Eccles. 01257 262537. On 14th June, Pope Francis appointed Rt Rev Stephen Wright as the fifteenth Bishop of

Hexham and Newcastle. He was Auxiliary Bishop in Birmingham Archdiocese operating in the Staffordshire area.

N.B. Anyone seeking support in relation to abuse or harm suffered as a result of their association with the Catholic Church in England and Wales, the Church of England or the Church in Wales, can contact Safe Spaces by email: safespaces@firstlight.org.uk or telephone: 0300 303 1056. Safe Spaces is a free and independent support service that provides a confidential, personal and safe space. The Service operates Mon – Fri (0900-2100 hours), Sat (0900-1300 hours) and Sun (1300-1700 hours). An answerphone is available outside of these times.

<u>Safeguarding Office in Liverpool Archdiocese</u> – <u>safeguarding@rcaol.org.uk</u>

<u>PRESENTATION OF UKRAINE</u> on Saturday 24th June 12.00 – 15.00 at United Reformed Church, Hollinshead Street Chorley. PR7 1EP during refugee week in Chorley: **Exhibitions of music, dance, art, and gymnastics**. Everyone welcome.

LARKHILL GET-TOGETHER Saturday **June 24th**. at 2.00 pm in the chapel at Lark Hill, Newman College. Bring a friend and have a look around the old school and gardens. Open 1–5.30 pm. he History of Lark Hill. Preston. 1797–1989 by Margaret Burscough £5 Contact. Christine Fitzpatrick 01772 424189

SVP MESSAGE: The Committee of SVP – St Mary's, met on 3rd June. It was unanimously decided to put the Conference in obeyance at this present moment (1939 – 2023) with its present members. It is very sad that this has happened. Perhaps in the future, parishioners may wish to form a new SVP Conference in St Mary's. Thank you to all the retiring members of the SVP for their years of dedication and Service to the sick, housebound and the needy.

If you would like to form a new SVP Committee please contact the parish office. There are huge amounts of good work for our community that can be done through the SVP Society. Thank you.

AFTER LOSS GROUP IN CHORLEY: New Friends for You have started a new After Loss group, still on Monday afternoons, at 2.30-4pm, at Hartwood Hall, Preston Road, Chorley, PR6 7AX. This group is for people who are at the start of their grieving journey, whether their loss is through death, divorce, disability or dementia. At the group they will find support from Marjorie Hayward and support from others in a similar position. More information is available on Facebook pages on Friends for You, After – Loss Club or Talkin' Tables.

CHORLEY HERITAGE CELEBRATES the 75th anniversary of the arrival of the Windrush Families in 1950s and 1960s. There is a Windrush Collection and exhibition in the first-floor room in Chorley library. There will also be a Windrush celebration and entry will be by ticket on 23rd June held at St Joseph's Parish Centre, Harpers Lane. Further information available on the poster at the back of the church.

ST JOHN FISHER - QUOTATIONS:

"Contrition is to have sorrow at heart and great repentance of all his sins and to have steadfast purpose to keep and abstain him from all deadly sins. For who has intention to return him to deadly sin, his confession avails him nothing!"

"A good man is not a perfect man; a good man is an honest man, faithful and unhesitatingly responsive to the voice of God in his life."

"I reckon in this realm no one man, in wisdom, learning and long approved virtue together, meet to be matched and compared with him." St Thomas More speaking of St John Fisher

"Penance is a needful thing to the sinner, who desires to recover health of his soul.

And, in doing penance, there be three things to be considered: serious compunction of heart, confession of mouth and satisfaction by deed."

"As St Paul has said, for our justification, He [Christ], gave to man all that was necessary – His Blood to wash us, His Body to redeem us. In His Passion, Justice and peace have met each other."

"Beware of those prophets who speak unto you and deceive you! They prophesy nothing but the imaginations and forgings of their own minds and not the truth of Holy Scripture!"