



CATHOLIC CHURCH IN LONGDENDALE



PARISH NEWSLETTER

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY (B)

Aug 29th 2021



A PRAYER FOR WORLD CREATION DAY

Living God, have mercy on us,
for the times we forget
that we belong to each other.

You call us to be still,
to hear the whisper of our Sister Wind,
to feel the radiance of our Brother Sun,
and to be nourished by our Mother Earth.

Renew us in your healing love.

Inspire us to water the earth,
and nurture one another,
so all may flourish.

Together, as one family,
may we always sing your praise.
Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

You must do what the word tells you

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Sun 29th	SUNDAY XXII 9.15 (BB) Gertrude McSherry RIP (fam) 11am (HAD) for the parish (2.30 HAD : Wakeling bapt)	
Mon 30th	DEDICATION OF ST BARNABAS CATHEDRAL 9.30 (HAD) Kathleen Moran RIP (MG)	BANK HOLIDAY
Tues 31st	feria /St Aidan & saints of Lindisfarne 9.30 (HAD) t'giving to St Francis (JM)	
Weds 1st Sept	feria DAY OF PRAYERFUL REFLECTION ON CARE FOR CREATION 9.30 (HAD) the O'Malley family (fam)	
Thurs 2nd	feria 9.30 (HAD) Nora Hibbert RIP (D&KH)	
Fri 3rd	ST GREGORY THE GREAT (First Friday visits today DV) 9.30 (BB) J & M Hambleton, Golden Wedding anniversary	
Sat 4th	feria /St Cuthbert 9.30 (HAD) Christina Kempster RIP (D&KH)	
Sun 5th	SUNDAY XXIII 9.15 (BB) for the parish 11am (HAD) Joan Haley RIP (D&KH)	

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Psalter week 2

Introduction to the Readings : We rejoice in the Law of God which is pure religion, totally different from any man-made law or human tradition.

First Reading : Dt 4 : Add nothing to what I command you, keep the commandments of the Lord.

Resp Ps: THE JUST WILL LIVE IN THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD

Second Reading : Jas 1 : You must do what the word tells you.

Gospel : Mk 7 : You put aside the commandments of God to cling to human traditions.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND and ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH

Please remember to support and pray for those listed as sick and

housebound in our parish: Mary Perry, Peter James, Harold Midwood, Pauline Anderson, Isabella Phillips, Monica Krommendijk, Una Wilkinson, Liam Handley, David Healey, Josie & Peter Cowden, Nella Lewyckyj, Evelyn Matthewman, Neil Appleton, Alice Canning.

Please recall in prayer our deceased priests and parishioners whose anniversaries occur about this time: Revv Brian Welsh, James Monaghan; James Garlick:

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, may they rest in peace. Amen

PARISH NOTES

THIS WEEKEND we celebrate the twenty-second Sunday in the church's year. We are invited to fidelity to God's commandments. St James points the direction of that fidelity in serving the needy. . .

and I hope the sun shines for you this last Bank Holiday before Christmas week.

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY OF THE CHURCH Reeva Marie & Mila Monica Connolly; and Eric Wakeling : all three baptised this weekend at St Charles. May your Guardian Angels watch over you.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE The funerals have been arranged at St Charles for

◇ ***Joan Mitton*** (92) (Church St Hollingworth) on Thurs 9th Sept at 2pm; and

◇ ***Kathleen Flanagan*** (85) (Pennine Care Centre) on Mon 6th Sept at 11am.

... AND SINCE THE LAST NEWSLETTER We have been saddened by the death (Mon 16th Aug) of Fr John Cairns (62), the much-loved parish-priest of Marple Bridge and New Mills from 2002. May he rest in peace—and having borne too many crosses for too long—may he earn the Crown of Glory.

FIRST FRIDAY VISITS I hope to keep company with the housebound parishioners on Friday, and bring them Holy Communion. More than a few of those good folk sing the praises of our Eucharistic Ministers who week-by-week knock on the same doors, and bring the same Divine Gift. Thank you for your ministry.

If you know of someone who would welcome a 'Eucharistic visit', please let me know.

'MAGNIFICAT' and 'MY DAY BY DAY' : there are some copies of these monthly devotional booklets still available for the back of church.

BISHOP PATRICK welcomes altar servers from throughout the diocese on Saturday next, 4th September to an 11am Altar Servers Annual Celebratory Mass at the Cathedral. A chance to give thanks publicly to all who serve the Lord in this ministry And a pat on the back from us to Dominic, Ethan and Natalie who so faithfully serve at St Charles.

ST CHARLES TOTE Recent winners: £30 D Holtom; £20 J Ashton. Thank you to all who support our parishes through the totes, and greater thanks to those who administer them.

MASS BOOKING SYSTEM Thanks to Angie (BB) (07977202639) for organising the bookings for

Immaculate Conception church. There is no need for the time being to book a place for Mass at St Charles.

“MEETING POINT” *The next date for this companionable event is Saturday 11th Sept 10.15—noon in the oratory at St Charles. Hearty thanks to those who coordinate this excellent gathering.*

OUR NEIGHBOURS *have invited us to consider:*

Glossop Catholic Parishes Study Day

“How the Holy Spirit empowers us to be Missionary Disciples”

Saturday 18th September 11am-3pm at St Mary's Hall, Glossop.

Please bring a packed lunch. Free admission.

Led by Fr Eamonn Mulcahy, a Spiritan missionary.

FUNDRAISING BODY-PART QUIZ *The indefatigable fund-raisers of the BB/GAM congregation have devised a quiz. 50 Questions to do with parts of the body / £2.00 entry fee / Prizes : A cheese and onion pie for 2 and lemon drizzle cake (one of each for three months running). Either contact Angie or pick up a copy at church.*

“GRAPEVINE” *is the diocesan social justice / ‘Caritas’ publication. It is advertising two Zoom meetings: this Thursday, 2nd Sept : 3.30-5pm to bring together those organising ‘drop-in’ occasions throughout the diocese; and Monday 6th Sept, 7-8.30 ‘The Cry of Creation’, focussing on environmental/climate issues. Why not join in?*

POPE FRANCIS WRITES ABOUT WEDNESDAY’S IMPORTANCE:

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Each year, particularly since the publication of the Encyclical *Laudato Si’* (LS, 24 May 2015), the first day of September is celebrated by the Christian family as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation and the beginning of the Season of Creation, which concludes on the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi on the fourth of October. During this period, Christians worldwide renew their faith in the God of creation and join in prayer and work for the care of our common home. We need to strengthen the conviction that we are one single human family.

The Earth, our home, is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth. In many parts of the planet, the elderly lament that once beautiful landscapes are now covered with rubbish.

Never have we so hurt and mistreated our common home as we have in the last 200 years. We are not God. The Earth was here before us and was given to us.

The idea of infinite or unlimited growth, which proves so attractive to economists, financiers and experts in technology ... is based on the lie that there is an infinite supply of the earth’s goods, and this leads to the planet being squeezed dry at every limit.

Yet all is not lost. Human beings, while capable of the worst, are also capable of rising above themselves, choosing again what is good, and making a new start.

“UNLESS YE BECOME LIKE LITTLE CHILDREN” *At a clergy gathering this week, one of the members lamented that ‘cradle Catholics’ missed out on a lot of ‘non-Catholic’ prayers and hymns. He recalled Sunday School days before he converted, and quoted a hymn he learnt there. Just enough room for a couple of verses. Quite touching . . . !*

Jesus bids us shine, with a clear, pure light,
Like a little candle burning in the night;
In this world of darkness we must shine,
You in your small corner, and I in mine.

Jesus bids us shine, first of all for Him;
Well He sees and knows it if our light is dim;
He looks down from heaven, sees us shine,
You in your small corner, and I in mine.