



CATHOLIC CHURCH IN LONGDENDALE

PARISH NEWSLETTER

**Twelfth ordinary (b)
June 23rd 2024**



*O Saviour, whose almighty word
The winds and waves submissive heard,
Who walked upon the foaming deep,
And calm amid the rage did sleep;
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea.*

Even the wind & sea obey him!

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DATE	MASS	OTHER
Sun 23rd	Sunday XII in ordinary time 9.15 (BB) for the parish 11am (HAD) Marie Jubb RIP (fam)	
Mon 24th	NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST 9.30 (HAD) Finnerty family	
Tues 25th	feria 9.30 (HAD) Colman Flaherty	
Weds 26th	feria school Mass in church 9.30 (HAD) Ellen Farrell RIP (fam)	
Thurs 27th	feria / St Cyril of Alexandria 9.30 (HAD) Frances & Aine McDonagh	
Fri 28th	St Irenaeus 9.30 (BB) Laurence Farrell RIP (fam)	
Sat 29th	feria 9.30 (HAD) Mary Dempsey	
Sun 30th	SOLEMNITY OF Ss PETER & PAUL, apostles 9.15 (BB) Sheila Thornton RIP (fam) 11am (HAD) for the parish	

TWELFTH SUNDAY (B)	
Psalter Week 4	
Introduction: Christ may seem to be asleep but he is always there.	
First Reading : Job 38 : Here your proud waves shall break.	
Resp. Ps. O GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD, FOR HIS LOVE ENDURES FOREVER.	
Second Reading : 2 Cor 5 : Now the new creation is here.	
Gospel : Mk 4: Even the wind and the sea obey him.	
Communion ant: I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD, AND I LAY DOWN MY LIFE FOR MY SHEEP, SAYS THE LORD.	

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, Winifred Cook, Rita Dwyer, Una Wilkinson, Christine Wild, David Healey, Mike Lally, Eric Gebbett, Jacob Ibbotson, Beatrice & John Eaton, Keith Winston.

Please recall in prayer our deceased priests and parishioners whose anniversaries occur about this time; Revv John Dowd, Bishop Brindle; Olive Kiely, Alison Maguire Baker, Evelyn Matthewman, Bernard Booth, Eileen Halsall, Peter Urquhart, Annie Kane : *May they rest in peace, and let perpetual light shine on them: Amen*

PARISH NOTES

THIS SUNDAY *journey further into ordinary time, and wonder with the disciples where Jesus got his mighty power from?*

THE GOSPEL *Jesus certainly seems to have chosen a pretty dim and unappreciative group of disciples. They do call him 'Master', but after all these wonders they still don't really trust him, and have no hesitation about addressing him rudely and brusquely. Did you say, 'Just like me'? Well, perhaps I am just as untrusting. We often behave as though Jesus were quietly snoozing, quite unconcerned about our troubles and concerns, as we struggle hopelessly, up to our necks in the mud and sinking rapidly. However, once Jesus' attention has been roused, once they have put their trust in him, he effortlessly remedies the situation. There is surely an echo of the prophet Jonah, who was sleeping through the storm and was awakened by the sailors to provide a solution.*

SAINTS ALIVE *St John the Baptist has two feasts to himself. One, in August, celebrates his death, and one, in June, celebrates his birth. And this is as it should be, for as Christ himself said, John was the greatest of the sons of men. The greatest, but also the most tragic. A prophet from before his birth, leaping in the womb to announce the coming of the incarnate God, his task was to proclaim the fulfilment of all prophecies – and thus his own obsolescence. And he did it: with unequalled courage he spread the news that he, the greatest of all men, was the least in the kingdom of heaven. His disciples, and the devil, would have preferred him to fight, to build his sect, to defeat this upstart whom he himself had baptized, to seize his place in history. But he did not – and so, rightly, he has his place, and he has glory in heaven. St Irenaeus (130 - 202) was born in Smyrna, in Asia Minor (now Izmir in Turkey) and emigrated to Lyons, in France, where he eventually became the bishop. It is not known for certain whether he was martyred or died a natural death. He played a decisive role in fixing the canon of the New Testament. It is easy for people nowadays to think of Scripture – and the New Testament in particular – as the basis of the Church, but harder to remember that it was the Church itself that had to agree, early on, about what was scriptural and what was not.*

FOR WORSHIPPERS AT ST CHARLES *This Sunday is our first 'Label Sunday'. Some helpful notes on its organisation are freely available from the back of the church. We hope you will be able to participate. My thanks and yours to those who have planned this enterprise, aimed at getting to know each other better.*

RECENT TOTE WINNERS *St Charles* : £40: D Jordan; £20 : I Phillips; BB: £40: T Cass; £20 : M Dyson.

PUBLICATIONS You will find abundant copies of the Missio magazine, listing last year's collections and distributions. Thanks to Maureen B for facilitating this distribution. Furthermore, 'My Day by Day' and 'Magnificat' for July are found at the back of church.

NEXT SUNDAY we have the second collection for Peter's Pence.

THE NEW LECTIONARY The Scripture readings we hear at the celebration of Holy Mass and the Sacraments will soon sound different. The Lectionary, the set of books that contain the readings, is changing as part of the continuing process of revising the liturgical translations. The use of the new Lectionary will be mandatory from 1st December this year. The new translation will use the English Standard Version – Catholic Edition of the Bible and the Abbey Psalter. The change is intended to make the biblical translations more faithful to the original languages, in keeping with the best biblical scholarship, and to provide a text that is more 'proclaimable' and, where appropriate, more inclusive. Each parish needs to send in their prepaid order for the Lectionary by 30th June, and this will involve a considerable outlay for every Catholic church in the country. Members of Catholic congregations are being invited to make a donation towards the purchase of the new Lectionaries for their church. Some people might like to make a donation, perhaps in memory of a loved one, to completely cover the cost of one set of the books we will need in our parishes. There is a provision for a bookplate to be added to a book as a lasting memorial of the name of a person in whose name the book was donated. Other people may wish to contribute a smaller sum to be pooled with other donations.

£148 will cover one of the four books (Lectern-sized) needed in each church. £84 will cover one of the four books needed for use in the Oratory, and smaller places of worship. The Book of the Gospels costs £234. Donations by cheque ("St Charles church" or "St Margaret's church") or cash can be put in an envelope marked "New Lectionary" which can be put in the collection at Holy Mass. If you wish to remain anonymous, please put your contact details in with your donation. For donation by bank transfer, please note parish bank account details below. If you choose to donate enough to cover a complete book, you may wish to include a note for the bookplate (for example, "In loving memory of [name]" or "Presented by the [name] family". Thank you!

NATIONAL BEREAVED PARENTS' DAY is declared for Wednesday 3rd July. Many will know of people that have lost children, either through miscarriage, stillbirth, abortion or death in their earliest days. It is proposed to celebrate a Taize service from 6.45 to 7.45pm at St Charles church : half an hour devotion and gentle music; half an hour tea and cakes. So nothing too formal, simply a time to remember, reflect, listen & pray - and share company. All will be welcome!

STANDING ORDERS: Immaculate Conception : Sort Code 30-13-32 A/c "St Margaret's church/collection (or tote)" 00510567. St Charles : Sort Code 30-13-32 A/c "Charles church/collection (or tote)" 00269177.

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH Hadfield celebrates its 150th anniversary. They kindly invite one and all to Flower Festival, Fri 28th to Sun 30th June. Lots of party food to enjoy as well. Please see the poster at the back of church.

A CAKE SALE will be held after Mass at St Charles on Sunday 7th July.

A MESSAGE FOR BB PARISHIONERS "Totals for the last two fundraisers are Garden fayre : £795.00; Home bake : £187.50. A kind parishioner has made the totals round up to £1,000 in total. Congratulations to all who took part in these fundraisers!".

WELL!WELL! Found time to clear out the accumulations of cans and bottles and worse from the well on St Charles' drive. Was distracted by occasional glintings, and fished out an abundance of small coins. Clearly over many years, good folk have come doubtless to make a fervent wish at the well. Until hooligans ripped it down and stole it, many had noted the devotional plaque of the Holy Family enshrined above the well. I managed to gather the coins and headed off to the votive stand in church, deposited the coins, and lit a number of candles, whispering a prayer for the intentions of those who had wished at the well.