



CATHOLIC CHURCH IN LONGDENDALE



PARISH NEWSLETTER

**SUNDAY XXIV (b)
15th Sept 2024**



“We cannot forget that evangelisation is first and foremost about preaching the Gospel to those who do not know Jesus Christ or who have always rejected him. Many of these are quietly seeking God, led by a yearning to see his face... Christians have the duty to proclaim the Gospel without excluding anyone.”

Pope Francis : “*Evangelii Gaudium*”

Get thee behind me, Satan!

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DATE	MASS	OTHER
Sun 15th	SUNDAY XXIV 9.15 (BB) welfare of the Hambleton family 11am (HAD) E Gebbett RIP (SL)	TAKE NOTE : NO PARISH MASSES ON DATES NOT INDICATED
Mon 16th	Ss Cornelius & Cyprian 9.30 (HAD) (School Mass in church) E Gebbett RIP	
Thurs 19th	St Januarius 9.30 (HAD) A Gebbett RIP (AH)	
Fri 20th	St Andrew Kim & comps 9.30 (BB) Angela Clayton RIP (AU)	
Sat 21st	ST MATTHEW, apostle 9.30 (HAD) J Leneghan RIP (AU)	
Sun 22nd	SUNDAY XXV 9.15 (BB) welfare of J & S Hickinson (AC) 11am (HAD) B & M Jones RIP (AW)	
Thurs 26th	Ss Cosmas & Damian 9.30 (HAD) E Gebbett RIP (MR)	
Fri 27th	St Vincent de Paul 9.30 (BB) private int	
Sat 28th	St Wenceslaus; St Lawrence Ruiz 9.30 (HAD) E Gebbett RIP (D&KH)	
Sun 29th	SUNDAY XXVI 9.15 (BB) welfare of Angie Cass (SB) 11am (HAD) John Eusebius Maloney RIP (fam)	
Fri 4th	St Francis of Assisi FIRST FRIDAY VISITS TODAY DV 9.30 (BB) E Gebbett RIP (D&CN)	
Sat 5th	St Faustina 9.30 (HAD) E Gebbett RIP (MB)	
Sun 6th	Sunday XXVII 9.15 (BB) A Clayton RIP (MD) 11am (HAD) for the parish	
<p>TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY (B) Psalter Week 4</p> <p>Introduction to the Readings : Bear the cross, wear the crown.</p> <p>Comm. ant : HOW PRECIOUS IS YOUR MERCY O GOD! THE CHILDREN OF MEN SEEK SHELTER IN YOUR WINGS.</p>		

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, Mike Lally, Jacob Ibbotson, Beatrice & John Eaton, Keith Winston.

Please recall in prayer our deceased priests and parishioners whose anniversaries occur about this time;

Rev Oswald Lofthouse, Paul Casartelli, Bishop Thomas Dunne, Alfred Baldwin, Joe Carty, Hugh Doherty, Terry Fellows, Joe Jones, Patrick O'Doherty, John Sullivan; *Peter Felstead, Paddy Farrell, Michael Byrne, Michael Reddington, Kevin O'Brien, Ted Dugdale, John Maloney, Billy Redmond, Iness Binks, Kevin Wilson, Philip Dowling, Vincent Gibson, Eleanor Hickinson, Charles Clarke, Julie Ryan, Margaret Lathwood, Edward Baumber, Patricia Brookes, Anne Ivison, Liam Handley*, : May they rest in peace, and let perpetual light shine on them : Amen

PARISH NOTES

THIS SUNDAY is also dedicated as "Evangelii Gaudium" Sunday. A few years ago, the Bishops of England and Wales gave Home Mission Sunday a new title, 'Evangelii Gaudium' Sunday. This was to reflect the changing focus of evangelisation presented by Pope Francis in the Apostolic Exhortation of the same name. The threshold of a Jubilee year seems to me to be a good time to remind ourselves of what Pope Francis wrote about in 2023 about Evangelii Gaudium – themes which still resonate in the life of the Church and still have their influence on our current synodal process. I feel sure that as we deepen our appreciation of Evangelii Gaudium we can find a good way of entering our Jubilee Year 2025 as "Pilgrims of Hope." At the very beginning of the letter Pope Francis sets out the trajectory when he states that 'the joy of the Gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus. Those who accept his offer of salvation are set free from sin, sorrow, inner emptiness and loneliness.' He goes on to say that in this exhortation he hopes to 'encourage the Christian faithful to embark upon a new chapter of evangelisation marked by this joy, while pointing out the new paths for the Church's journey in years to come.'

THE GOSPEL This is the turning-point of Mark's gospel: Peter comes to the realisation that Jesus is the Messiah, the Anointed of God, for whom everyone was waiting. However, Peter still does not understand what this implies. Jesus begins to show his disciples that the road to fulfilment is through suffering. Three times Jesus repeats this prophecy, and three times the disciples fail to grasp the lesson. Nor are we, later followers of Jesus, any quicker than the first disciples to learn this lesson. We greet with indignation and resistance any suffering that comes our way.

SAINTS ALIVE **St Pio of Pietrelcina (1887-1968)** was born in southern Italy, and joined the Capuchin friars at the age of 16. He became a priest seven years later and spent fifty years at the monastery of San Giovanni Rotondo, where he was very much sought after as a spiritual advisor, confessor, and intercessor. Many miracles were popularly ascribed to him during his lifetime. He died a few days after the fiftieth anniversary of his receiving the stigmata, and over 100,000 people attended his funeral. **Our Lady of Walsingham** The shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham in Norfolk was one of the great pilgrimage centres of mediaeval times. The lady of the manor of Walsingham, Richeldis de Faverches, had a vision in which the Virgin Mary instructed her to build in her village an exact replica of the house in Nazareth where the Annunciation had taken place. The original shrine was destroyed at the Reformation, but in the 19th and 20th centuries, pilgrimage to Walsingham was revived not only for Catholics but also for Anglicans. **St Vincent de Paul (1581 – 1660)** was born in Aquitaine and

became a priest. He devoted his whole life to the service of the poor. He founded a congregation of priests for missionary work, groups of laymen to help paupers and galley-slaves, and, with St Louise de Marillac, the Sisters of Charity. **St Jerome (340 - 420)** was born in Dalmatia. He studied in Rome, then went to Bethlehem, where he founded a monastery, a hospice, and a school, and settled down to the most important work of his life, the translation of the Bible into Latin, a translation which, with some revisions, is still in use today. He died at Bethlehem. **St Thérèse of the Child Jesus (1873 - 1897)** was born in Alençon, in France, on 2 January 1873. Her mother died when Thérèse was four, and the family moved to Lisieux. Thérèse became a nun at the Carmelite convent there at the age of 15, after a long battle against the superior, who insisted that 16, or even 21, would be a more sensible age. She died of tuberculosis at the age of 24. She was canonized in 1925, the Pope having suspended the rule that forbids canonization less than 50 years after someone's death.

ON SUPPLY Please note p.2 with care. This indicates when Fr Daren hope to celebrate parish Masses. He will publicly announce any variations.

RECENT TOTE WINNERS **St Charles** : P Anderson (£40); Fr Don (£20).

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.

THE REPOSITORY STALL Lola is taking orders for next year's Catholic diaries. Please sign up if you want to join the list.

A VEGGIE FEAST Thanks to Simon C for providing such a cornucopia from his vegetable garden.

HEARTFELT THANKS "Val and all the Gebbett Family wish to thank Fr Don and the many parishioners, friends and neighbours who helped us to celebrate Eric's life and our sad loss. We thank God for his long years with us and all the many Mass intentions, cards and messages of condolence we have received from near & far. We also thank God for the moving celebration of Requiem Mass. We are comforted by all the love & care we have received. God Bless you all."

THANKS TO TOM The estate of the late Tom Berry RIP has left a welcome legacy to the benefit of the parish. May he rest in peace,

FORTHCOMING SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING EVENTS

* **BRADBURY HOUSE COFFEE MORNING** : Saturday 28th September from 10 till noon. Helpers welcome from 9am. All items are welcome for the stalls, including: Homebake, Gifts, Jewellery, Clothing, Bric-a-brac, Coffee, teas & toast, Tombola & Raffle.

* **A QUIZ NIGHT** will be held on **Sunday 20th October** in St Charles Oratory from 5 until 7.30 pm;

* **A CHEESE AND WINE EVENING** will be held on **Sunday 3rd November**, again from 5 until 7.30 pm in the Oratory. Tickets will go on sale from Sunday 22nd September. If anyone would like to help at these events, or if they would like to join us on the Social Committee at St Charles, please contact either Christine James or Anne Heard.

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY These are some upcoming events which take place before the next newsletter (Oct 6th):

- * **Sun 22nd : Harvest thanksgiving Sunday.** Please bring any produce to church for display. These provisions will be offered to the food bank thereafter.
- * **PUBLICATIONS** 'My Day-by-Day' and Magnificat for October are found at the back of church.
- * **Mass Counts.** Also on 22nd there will be the first of the four successive head-counts. Would collectors please note the number on the sheet provided week by week;
- * **Missio Red Boxes** should be brought to the church for emptying during October.
- * **CAFOD FAMILY FAST ENVELOPES** will be available from the back of church from Sun 29th, and returned after the fast-day (4th Oct)
- * **OCTOBER DEVOTIONS** (rosary 20 minutes before Mass) begin on Tues 1st Oct.

Catherine Pease (née Cowden) is soon doing a nighttime marathon walk for Cancer research. This is in tribute to her sainted mother Josie. She asks if anyone would support her endeavour : <https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/catherines-giving-page-1984>