



CATHOLIC CHURCH IN LONGDENDALE

PARISH NEWSLETTER

**SUNDAY XXVIII (b)
13th Oct 2024**



THE PRISONS WEEK PRAYER

Lord, you offer freedom to all people.
We pray for those in prison.
Break the bonds of fear and isolation that exist.
Support with your love prisoners and their families and friends,
prison staff and all who care.
Heal those who have been wounded by the actions of others,
especially the victims of crime.
Help us to forgive one another,
to act justly,
love mercy and walk humbly together
with Christ in his strength and in his Spirit,
now and every day. Amen

Sell all you have; follow me!

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DATE	MASS	OTHER
Sun 13th	SUNDAY XXVIII (Prisoners' Sunday) 9.15 (B) M Byrne RIP 11am (HAD) M&J Cannon RIP	
Mon 14th	feria / St Callistus 9.30 (HAD) Anne Ivison, (<i>foundation Mass</i>)	
Tues 15th	St Teresa of Avila 9.30 (HAD) Tony & Mary Perry RIP (fam)	
Weds 16th	St Hedwig; St Mgt Mary Alacoque no parish Mass today	
Thurs 17th	St Ignatius of Antioch 9.30 (HAD) Norbert Normyle RIP (D&KH)	
Fri 18th	ST LUKE, evangelist 9.30 (BB) Paul Cahill RIP	
Sat 19th	Ss John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues; St Paul of the Cross 9.30 (HAD) Margaret Dale RIP (AM)	
Sun 20th	Sunday XIX (World Mission Sunday) 9.15 (BB) for the parish 11am (HAD) Mary King RIP	

TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY (B)	
Psalter Week 4	
Introduction to the Readings : Christ, the richness of God, became poor for our sake.	
First Reading : Wis 7 : Wisdom to be valued above riches.	
Second Reading : Heb 4 : God`s word judges secret emotions & thoughts.	
Gospel : Mk 10 : Sell everything and follow me.	
COMM. ANT : THE RICH SUFFER WANT AND GO HUNGRY, BUT THOSE WHO SEEK THE LORD LACK NO BLESSING.	

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, Bro Philip Revell, Beatrice & John Eaton, Keith Winston.

Please recall in prayer our deceased priests and parishioners whose

anniversaries occur about this time; Rev Pip O'Mara, John McDermott, Joe Calnan, Brendan O'Sullivan; *Patricia Pasicznik, Don Yates, Betty Grant, Jeannette Dutton, Irene Ward, Tom Berry, Margaret Walmsley: May they rest in peace, and let perpetual light shine on them : Amen*

PARISH NOTES

***THIS SUNDAY** is declared Prisoners' Sunday, the beginning of Prisoners' Week. Prisoners' Week began in England and Wales in 1975. The Prisoners' Week Committee, consisting of Prison Chaplains and other Christians involved in work with prisoners and their families, was formed to encourage prayer within churches and the wider Christian community for the needs of prisoners. A few gift envelopes are at the back of church for those who wish financially to support this cause.*

***THE GOSPEL** After a story about the renunciation of status comes another about the renunciation of wealth. The questioner has a certain age, for he has kept the commandments 'from my earliest days'. He is in the full flush of wealth, and getting rid of his riches is not a mere counsel of perfection. Jesus is stressing the danger of possessions for everyone. It is a curious fact that for many people, the more they have, the more they want. In the history of the Church, from St Anthony of the Desert, St Francis of Assisi and others, people have interpreted these words heroically and stripped themselves of all possessions to concentrate on the Kingdom of God. God's blessing is especially on the poor.*

***SAINTS ALIVE St Teresa of Ávila (1515 - 1582)** and entered the Carmelite convent there at the age of 20, not because of any great attraction to the religious life but because it seemed the most sensible thing to do. At this time Carmelite convents were comfortable places. One was well looked after, had as much contact with the outside world as one wanted, and could keep one's own possessions. With time, and despite ill-health, she made great progress in contemplative prayer and had a number of mystical experiences, which she treated with great suspicion since she felt that she was not nearly holy enough to be accorded them by God. Teresa's prayer life led her to seek a more perfect life, and in 1562, in the face of much opposition, she founded a convent of Discalced Carmelite nuns in Ávila.*

*"Discalced" ("shoeless") signified their devotion to poverty. The rest of her life is a story of the establishment of more and more Discalced Carmelite convents in the face of intense opposition from the unreformed Carmelites but help coming from the highest levels at the same time. Thus in 1566 the General of the Carmelite Order approved Teresa's original foundation and permitted her to make new ones. In 1575 the chapter of the Order decided to dissolve them all, and for the next five years every effort was made to destroy Teresa's reforms and many of her followers (including St John of the Cross) were imprisoned and cruelly treated. At length, in 1580, and with the support of King Philip II, the Discalced Carmelites were made independent and St Teresa was able to found more new convents. She died, worn out by her efforts, on 15 October 1582. **St Hedwig (c.1174 - 1243)** was born in Bavaria and married the Duke of Silesia, by whom she had seven children. She lived a devout life, succouring the poor and the sick, for whom she built hostels. On the death of her husband in 1238 she entered the monastery of Trebnitz, where she died in 1243. **St Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647 - 1690)** joined the Visitation Sisters at Paray-le-Monial. She made rapid progress along the way of perfection and was given mystical visions as a result of*

which she worked hard to institute devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus in the Church. **St Luke, Evangelist** was a Greek doctor who converted to Christianity. He was a companion of the Apostle Paul, and wrote his Gospel in accordance with Paul's teaching. He also wrote the Acts of the Apostles, which narrates the early history of the Church up to Paul's first stay in Rome. As a Greek, he takes care to explain to Gentile readers Jewish customs and the meaning of Hebrew words.

NEW TRANSLATION OF THE LECTIONARY The Catholic Truth Society (CTS) will present a webinar for our diocese on Tues 5th Nov at 7pm to help us explore the new lectionary translation. The CTS has overseen the publication of the new lectionaries and will explore the reason for the new translation, the translation chosen, how we can prepare to hear and proclaim the scriptures in Mass. For more information & registration: www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/our-new-lectionary-explained.

AND MOREOVER! St Anne's parish in Buxton has invited Fr. Joe O'Hanlon, a retired scripture professor, to come and speak to us about this new translation on Mon 11th Nov at 2:00 pm in the Parish Centre. All are welcome.

SUNDAY MISSALS Along side publicity about the new translation comes advertising material seeking to sell updated Sunday missals. I do not recommend buying them. The only change to the missals you have is the slight difference in translation. Better to invest in Magnificat or Universalis.

(**ST CHARLES PARISHIONERS** are able to pick up today a parish questionnaire. They will find chance to answer this simple questionnaire in your places in church towards the end of Mass. You can then folded and put it in the envelopes provided. The Parish council will review the information provided confidentially. Watch this space!

NEXT SUNDAY will be another name label Sunday at St Charles. Parishioners coming to Sunday Mass will be invited to identify themselves by name-label if they wish.

GIFT AID SUPPORT our treasurer has provided an information sheet to encourage more people to take part in gift aiding the contributions to the parish. Please take one of these info sheets and act on it if you can.)

NEW INCUMBENT I was pleased to be invited to attend on Thursday the collation & induction of the new vicar of the church of St Michael & all Angels, Mottram. The bishop of Chester led the ceremony, and many local clergy and congregants attended. A fascinating event, celebrated in this pre-Reformation church. Rev Adele Bridle was duly installed and made welcome. *Prospere Procede!*

RED BOXES please don't forget to bring your red Missio boxes to church during this month for emptying.

OCTOBER DEVOTIONS continue with rosary 20 minutes before Mass.

NEXT SUNDAY is World Mission Sunday. There will be a Pontifical second collection that day. Envelopes are found at the back of church for your use on that occasion. Please be generous to Missio in this once-a-year collection.

RECENT TOTE WINNERS St Charles : R Cranston (£40); D Bernard (£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.

FORTHCOMING SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING EVENTS

* **A QUIZ NIGHT** will be held next **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. 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.

OPPOSING ASSISTED SUICIDE Our Bishops write: 'We are calling on Catholics in England and Wales to unite in prayer and compassionate action to oppose assisted suicide. In early September 2024, Our Lead Bishop for Life Issues, Bishop John Sherrington, called for Catholics to unite in prayer and compassionate action. That call is renewed now as on Wednesday, 16 October, the House of Commons will hear the first reading of a new bill on assisted suicide tabled by Labour MP Kim Leadbeater. This is another attempt to legalise assisted suicide and we need you to contact your MP to voice your opposition.'