



**CATHOLIC CHURCH IN LONGDENDALE**

## **PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY (c)**

**Oct 12th 2025**



Thanks be to thee, my Lord Jesus Christ,  
for all the benefits thou hast given me,  
for all the pains and insults thou hast  
borne for me.

O most merciful redeemer, friend and  
brother,

may I know thee more clearly,  
love thee more dearly,  
and follow thee more nearly, day by day.  
Amen.

*Prayer of St Richard of Chichester*

*If we hold firm, we shall reign with him*

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| Sun 12th                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY</b><br>9.15 (BB) for the parish<br>11am (HAD) M&J Cannon RIP (fam)                              |       |
| Mon 13th                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>St Edward the confessor, king</b><br>9.30 (HAD) Christine Wild, birthday int                                         |       |
| Tues 14th                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>feria / St Callistus</b><br>9.30 (HAD) Anne Ivison RIP, foundation Mass                                              |       |
| Weds 15th                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>St Teresa of Avila, doctor of the church</b><br>9.30 (HAD) Bro Philip Revell RIP (Weds gp)                           |       |
| Thurs 16th                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>St Hedwig; St Mgt Mary Alacoque</b><br>9.30 (HAD) for the parish                                                     |       |
| Fri 17th                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>St Ignatius of Antioch</b><br>9.30 (BB) Stephanie Bailey welfare (fam)                                               |       |
| Sat 18th                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>ST LUKE, evangelist</b><br>9.30 (HAD) C&P Smith welfare (CF)                                                         |       |
| Sun 19th                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY World Mission Sunday</b><br>9.15 (BB) Juan Guerrix RIP (SQ)<br>11am (HAD) P & C Ginnis RIP (fam) |       |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY (C)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Psalter Week 4</b></p> <p><b>Introduction:</b> <i>Jesus offers salvation to those `beyond the pale`.</i></p> <p><b>1st Reading :</b> <b>2 Kings 5</b> : Naaman the leprous outsider is cured.</p> <p><b>Resp.Ps.</b> THE LORD HAS SHOWN HIS SALVATION TO THE NATIONS</p> <p><b>Second Reading :</b> <b>2 Tim 2</b> : God is always faithful.</p> <p><b>Gospel :</b> <b>Lk 17</b> : Stand up! Go on your way! Your faith has saved you!</p> <p><b>Comm. ant:</b> <b>WHEN THE LORD APPEARS, WE SHALL BE LIKE HIM,</b><br/><b>FOR WE SHALL SEE HIM AS HE IS.</b></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, Arthur King, Maura Farrell, Joan Killeen, Rita Dwyer, Christine Wild, Mike Lally, Jacob Ibbotson, Diane Wilson, Gordon Handley, Jean Ashton, Keith Winston.

***And our deceased clergy & parishioners whose anniversaries occur about this time;*** Revv Paddy Blackwell, Pip O'Meara, John McDermott, Joe Calnan, Brendan O'Sullivan; *Patrick McMyler, Pat Pasiecznik, Don Yates, Betty Grant, Jeannette Dutton:*

May they rest in peace, and let perpetual light shine on them : Amen

## ***PARISH NOTES***

***THIS SUNDAY*** We all need to be more grateful to God every day of our lives—more grateful than we have been. He has not only given us life on this earth with its joys and its sorrows, but He has prepared for us a future life where there will be no admixture of sorrows. It is for that life that we are working. It is because there is a heaven after death that we are Christians. God has already done His part in preparing this heaven for us. He is assisting us daily to get there. We need a lot of that assistance and one of the surest ways of getting further benefits from God (as well as from others) is to show true gratitude for the benefits already received.

***THE GOSPEL*** There was a cordial hatred between Jews and Samaritans – a wretched hybrid race, who accepted only part of the Jewish Bible, and had their own ideas about the coming Messiah. Yet we have already had the story of the Good Samaritan, who succours the wounded traveller, neglected by Jewish priest and Levite. Now only a Samaritan comes back to thank Jesus for the cure from leprosy. Samaritans are the foreigners geographically nearest to Jesus, but hated by the Jews. If the Samaritans can set an example to the Jews, so can many other foreigners. In his initial proclamation Jesus promises salvation to the gentiles, and Luke misses no opportunity to show us gentiles ripe for salvation, the centurion of Capernaum who built the synagogue and whose son is cured, the guests for the banquet, called in from highways and byways. He is preparing for the second volume, the Acts of the Apostles, where the Good News will spread to the ends of the earth, to Rome itself. One of the most important moves before Vatican II was to invite non-Catholic representatives as honoured guests to the Council. One of the most important moves of Vatican II itself was to study how members of other faiths could be saved, and saved by Christ, even without explicit belief in him, and in what way we are all embraced by Christ together. The healing of the Samaritan and his thanks set off an irreversible train of thought.

***This Sunday*** marks the start of '**Prisoner Support Week**'. It is supported by **PACT: Prison Advice and Care Trust** : "On 16th September 1898 the first meeting of the Catholic Prisoners' Aid Society (CPAS) was held. We wasted no time in getting down to the business of supporting prisoners, people with convictions, their children and families. 125 years later, our name has changed more than once. Yet our mission remains the same. We continue to support the children of prisoners and champion their right to a happy, healthy family life and a bright future. We continue to support both men and women in prison, and on release. We support prisoners' families, in all their diverse shapes and sizes. We now deliver services in more than 60 prisons thanks to the many thousands of people who have made PACT what it is today, and whose legacy lives on in our work."

***MAY HE REST IN PEACE*** We have learnt of the death last Sunday of **Brother Philip Revell Cfx (68)**. He died in the Xaverian Brother house in Danvers, Massachusetts USA. Philip came from the family of Dick & Mary Revell, pillars of St Charles parish. Having studied at Xaverian college in Manchester, he applied for and became a brother of that fraternity in his early 20s. He suffered a gradual decline from cancer during most of this year. His funeral took place in USA on Saturday.

***CANDIDACY*** we are content that Damian Norton journeyed officially towards ordination to the

Diaconate at Oscott College on Saturday.

**OCTOBER ROSARY** As part of our October Devotions to the Holy Rosary, Rob Cranston will host an **Online Rosary Session every Tuesday evening at 7pm**. This invitation is open to anyone from either of our Churches. If you wish to participate please email Rob (or have a word with him if you see him) at the following address: [cranston1948@aol.com](mailto:cranston1948@aol.com) and Rob will contact you with the relevant details.

**THE MASS COUNT** has been taking place these last three weekends. The final count takes place this Sunday.

**MISSIO UPDATE** Maureen B has asked that you bring your **Red Boxes** to church for emptying during this month. She is hoping that new boxholders will be happy to support the missions in this way. You'll find application forms & boxes at the back of church.

**NEXT SUNDAY** is World Mission Sunday, and there will be a Pontifically-mandated second collection.

**MAKING MUSIC** This Sunday from 2.30pm, 'Baroque un the North' will be presenting a live concert of baroque music in Immaculate Conception church. Tea and cake will follow, and donations are welcome!

**SAINTS ALIVE** **St Edward the Confessor (1003 - 1066)** became King of England in 1042. He was regarded as a saint during his lifetime, renowned for his generosity to the Church and to the poor and for his readiness to listen to his subjects' grievances. He died on 5 January 1066, the last of the old Anglo-Saxon line, and his death precipitated the dynastic quarrels that led to the conquest of England by William of Normandy later the same year. On 13 October 1163 his relics were translated to a new shrine in Westminster Abbey. **St Teresa of Ávila (1515 - 1582)** was born in Ávila in Spain and entered the Carmelite convent there at the age of 20. 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. 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 Ignatius of Antioch (- 107)** was the third bishop of Antioch, the first being St Peter until he moved to Rome, and the second being Evodius. He was arrested (some writers believe that he must have been denounced by a fellow-Christian), condemned to death, and transported to Rome to be thrown to the wild beasts in the arena. In one of his letters he describes the soldiers who were escorting him as being like "ten leopards, who when they are kindly treated only behave worse." In the course of his journey he wrote seven letters to various churches, in which he dealt wisely and deeply with Christ, the organisation of the Church, and the Christian life. They are important documents for the early history of the Church, and they also reveal a deeply holy man who accepts his fate and begs the Christians in Rome not to try to deprive him of the crown of martyrdom. He was martyred in 107 and his feast was already being celebrated on this day in fourth-century Antioch. **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. We might pray for the return of 'St Luke's Little Summer' before we ease further into the cold season.

**RECENT TOTE WINNERS** **St Charles** 1st (£40) D Wilson ; 2nd (£20) N Garlick.

**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 "St Charles church/collection (or tote)" 00269177.

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