

Day/Date	Time	Feast	Intention
Sat, 7 Oct	9.30am		Private Intention
	6.00pm	Vigil	Private Intention
Sun, 8 Oct	9.30am	Syro-Malabar Rite Eucharist at St John's	
	9.30am*	27th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Fred Holland
	11.00am		People of The Parish
Mon, 9 Oct	9.30am	Morning Prayer and Liturgy of The Word Blessed John Henry Newman	
Tue, 10 Oct	9.30am	St Paulinus of York	Private Intention
Wed, 11 Oct	9.30am*	St John XXIII, Pope	Private Intention
	6.30pm	Syro-Malabar Rite Eucharist at St John's	
Thur, 12 Oct	9.30am	St Wilfrid, Bishop and Missionary	Private Intention We welcome Year 4
Fri, 13 Oct	9.30am	St Edward The Confessor	Private Intention
Sat, 14 Oct	9.30am		Private Intention
	6.00pm	Vigil	Joan Rogers
Sun, 15 Oct	9.30am	Syro-Malabar Rite Eucharist at St John's	
	9.30am*	28th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Private Intention
	11.00am		People of The Parish

\* Denotes Services at St Martin de Porres, Carleton

Confessions at St John's every Saturday 10.00-11.00am; 5.15-5.45pm  
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: every Saturday 10.00-11.00am at St John's

#### Please Pray For

Baby Jennifer Holmes, Megan (aged 10), Louis Crowson, Christopher Brown, Pauline Cafferty, John Ireland, Kate Lingard, Antonio Palmer, Laura Patey, Joanne Porter, Mary Robertson, Chris Taylor, Fr Joseph Maley, John Vincent... and all the sick.

#### Anniversaries About This Time

James Faulkner, Joyce Gouldbourne.

#### Lately Dead

Fr Kevin Lowry. *Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord; may he rest in peace.*

# Parish Newsletter

Sunday, 8 October 2017  
27th Sunday of Ordinary Time  
Year A

#### Prayer For A New Bishop

*Almighty God,  
Eternal shepherd and guide.  
In your love for us,  
grant to the Catholic Diocese of Lancaster  
a shepherd who will lead us to be Christ's  
heart of mercy,  
voice of hope, and hands of justice.  
Help him to fill our minds and hearts  
with the truth of the Gospel,  
the power of the sacraments,  
and the desire to build up your holy Church.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*

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**A warm welcome to all parishioners and visitors to our Mass today and throughout the week**

**Wednesday Word**

The first part of our Eucharist is based on hearing God's Word in Holy Scripture and praying it in preparation for being fed with the life of Christ through the Eucharist. To help with this it is important to prepare with this scripture. You will find, at the back of Church, a sheet with *next* week's readings and a reflection which you can take on your way out which will help you pray before next Sunday's Mass - please take one. These are particularly useful for families who are preparing their child for First Holy Communion and Forgiveness. Please speak to each other if you find this helpful.

**Baptism Preparation**

Our next gatherings for parents wishing to prepare for their child's Baptism will be on Tuesday, 28 November and the second on Tuesday, 5 December 2017. Some people ask about this before their baby is born - that's OK, too. Please pick up a leaflet at the back of Church with details or speak to Fr Peter, Veronica Kelly or Cath Thompson.

**First Communion and First Forgiveness Preparation**

If you have a child who is in Year 3 or above and you think they are mature enough and ready to prepare for these Sacraments, please pick up a leaflet at Church and return the form. The initial parents and children meeting is on Saturday, 21 October at 5.00pm in the Parish Hall.

**This Week** we pray for people living in Westby Way, Westwood Ave, Wharfedale Court and Whiteholme Drive.

**Syro Malabar Community** Will be praying the Rosary and celebrating Mass each day from 2nd to 11th October in St John's Church from 6.30pm.

**Fr Kevin Lowry RIP** Fr Kevin, parish priest of Holy Family Freckleton and Westby, died of a huge heart attack last Sunday. His requiem Mass is on Wednesday, 18 October at St Joseph's Ansdell at 11.30am. If you knew Fr Kevin you will know what a loss he is to us - look after your priests!

**Songs Of Praise** Blackpool Salvation Army have, in recent years, led Songs of Praise at various local churches. On Sunday, 15 October it will be at St John Vianney's Church at 4.30pm. All welcome.

**Poulton And Carleton Churches Together – Celebrating 25 Years**

You are invited to a special service of celebration for 25 years of Churches Together, to be held at Poulton Methodist Church on Wednesday, 11 October at 7.30pm. Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the service. Everyone welcome.

**Hospital Chaplaincy Mass** There is a new time of 4.00pm on a Monday afternoon in the Chapel at Blackpool Victoria Hospital. All are welcome.

**SVP Foodbank** Please continue to donate dried or tinned foods to the foodbank. They are much appreciated by those who struggle to cope with the necessities of life. Clothing and blankets can also be donated. Many thanks.

**Day Of Recollection** Our local connection with what was the "Thanksgiving Shrine" near the Victoria Hospital is that Fr Raphael, Blessed Sacrament Father, visits the area twice a year to lead a day of prayer and reflection. The title of the day is "Our Lady of Fatima and the Rosary" - on Saturday, 14 October at St John Vianney's Parish Centre from 10.00am (Bring a packed lunch).

**Reminder** Work in St John's Church on the damp areas of the church will take place over the weeks beginning 23 October and 30 October. If all goes well this will mean only one Sunday will be affected. The usual weekday Masses and holyday Masses will be transferred to our other Parish Church of St Martin during this period. We will, however, need to gather a team to help us celebrate St John's Sunday Masses in the Parish Centre. More details later.

**Tea and Coffee** is served every Sunday after the 11.00am Mass at St John's and after the 9.30am Mass at St Martin's every second Sunday of the month.



**Coffee Morning For Macmillan Cancer Support**

Thanks to everyone who came to, supported and provided cakes for the coffee morning for last Sunday. We raised the magnificent sum of £245. Brilliant!

**Music For All**

A concert to be held on Saturday, 21 October at St Martin's and St Hilda's commencing at 2.30pm featuring guest artists and the Ecumenical Choir. Refreshments will be served after the concert. Admission is free but donations in aid of Ronald McDonald House, Manchester Children's Hospital would be much appreciated. An afternoon of varied and beautiful music. Please come along.

**Marriages**

Please pray for these two couples who are to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage very soon in our Church.

- Julianne Mongan and Terry Collins on Monday, 16 October at 2.00pm
- Gloria Jolly and Andrew Ball on Saturday, 21 October at 1.30pm.

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention For October**

*Rights of workers and the unemployed:* that all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good.

**Mmm...A Chocolate Tasting Party**

Friday, 20 October at 7.00pm  
Come along, bring a friend and watch chocolate being made by professional chocolatiers. You also get to taste some of the products and can place orders. Tickets on sale at the back of Church. All tickets £5: includes tea/coffee and biscuits. A special chocolate prize will be included in the raffle.