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SUNDAY 22ND AUGUST 2021

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

| Saturday 21st August | | | | |
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| | Sacred Heart | | NO MASS | |
| Sunday 22 nd August TWENTY-FIRST | Sacred Heart | 10.00 a.m. | 0.00 a.m. Maureen Clitheroe RIP | |
| SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | SS Peter & Paul | 11.30 a.m. | People of the Parish | |
| Monday 23 rd August | | | | |
| St Rose of Lima | Sacred Heart | | NO MASS | |
| Tuesday 24 th August St Bartholomew | Sacred Heart | 10.00 am | .00 am Funeral Service for John McNicholas | |
| | Sacred Heart | 6.30 pm | Nora Aherne RIP | |
| Wednesday 25th August | | | | |
| St Louis | Sacred Heart | | NO MASS | |
| Thursday 26 th August Bl. Dominic of the Mother of God | SS Peter & Paul | 10.00 a.m. | Victims of Abortion & Euthanasia | |
| Friday 27th August | | | | |
| St Monica | Sacred Heart | | NO MASS | |
| Saturday 28th August | | | | |
| St Augustine | Sacred Heart | | NO MASS | |
| Sunday 29 th August TWENTY-SECOND | Sacred Heart | 10.00 a.m. | People of the Parish | |
| SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | SS Peter & Paul | 11.30 a.m. | Neil Prince RIP | |

Please pray for all our Parish Sick and Housebound. We pray also for all those who died recently and all whose anniversaries occur about this time. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

BULLETIN: Kindly send in your message/s for the bulletin at the latest Thursday evening for production on Friday. Please when booking your Mass Intention(s) kindly indicate the Church and Time preferred and give as much notice as possible to avoid duplication of times. In cases of duplication Masses will be said on a first received basis.

The weekly bulletin can be viewed on our Parish Facebook page and also on-line @www.stjohnpaul2preston.co.uk

PARISH NEWS

| WEEKLY COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE | | | | | | |
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| DATE | CHURCH | COLLECTION | ATTENDANCE | CHURCH PROJECT | | |
| 15 th August 2021 | Sacred Heart SS Peter & Paul | £171.05 £91.30 | 61(Max 80) 28 _Max 40) | | | |

Please pray for Michael McEnnerney, who died on 16th August. His Funeral is at St Andrew's and Bl. George Haydock on Friday 27th August at 10.30am. Please remember his wife Kath and their daughters Christine and Annie and their Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren and everyone else who knew him. St Vincent de Paul, Pray for him.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of John McNicholas, whose funeral service is on Tuesday this week. May he rest in peace, Amen.

AFGHANISTAN REFUGEE APPEAL: As a Parish, we wish to provide clothing etc tor the Afghanistan refugees coming to this country. We would greatly appreciate your help. If you have any clean items of clothing you can spare, please put them into black bags, labelled clearly either Mens, Ladies, Boys (Age), Girls (Age) and bring them to the Sacred Heart Community Centre on **Wednesday 1**st **September between 10m – 2pm.** We would also be grateful for packs of babies' nappies, women's sanitary products and any unused pairs of spectacles. Thank you very much for your help with this appeal.

CONFIRMATION: The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place in Sacred Heart Church on 23rd November 2021 @ 6.30pm. The candidates, who were previously on the Programme, will be contacted with details and these details can also be found on the Parish Website.

CHURCH PROJECT: Total donation this tax year £120. Many thanks to all who have contributed to this project over the past years. May God bless and reward you generously, through Christ our Lord, Amen. Work is still ongoing, and we look forward to receiving your generous donations.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD: At every Mass we listen to the Word of God being proclaimed to us. The Gospel is proclaimed by either a Deacon or a Priest. The other passages from Scripture **are the remit of Lay People**. This applies to both our Sunday Masses and our weekday Masses as Masses return to normal. Currently, we have a severe shortage of Lay People who are willing to undertake this essential Ministry **during the week**. If any of you are interested in exercising this Ministry, please contact Fr. Francis or Rev. Chris and Rev. Jim.

OFFERTORY: Besides or instead of your weekly offerings in church, you can set up a **STANDING ORDER** or pay by **BACS payment**. The Parish account details are as follows: ST JOHN PAUL II PRESTON 40-27-02 21335251. If you have a Gift-Aid number, please quote as reference along with your name.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH 200 CLUB WINNER:

22/8/21 Wk 21 No. 107 M Howard £20

SACRED HEART CHURCH NEWS

ROSARY GROUP: the Rosary Group calls upon all our parish to collectively join them in praying the Rosary from their homes in order to bring about a swift end to the coronavirus. Hopefully, our combined efforts will be successful.

CHURCH FLOWERS: The flower arrangers are looking for new recruits. The flowers are organised on a rota basis with everyone helping at Christmas and Easter.

You don't need any experience, come along and have a go with one of our existing arrangers: train on the job! Please see Marie, Pam, Sue, or Val in church if you are interested. We would love you to join our team.

SACRED HEART COMMUNITY CENTRE: It is planned to open the Community Centre to small groups to gather, when the Diocese gives permission to do so. Groups such as Coffee afternoons, Pram Group, Bingo, Youth etc have been suggested. Have you any ideas groups you would like to see use the centre? If so, please contact either Janice (07745909869) or Annie (07539100855) for a chat. An open meeting will be planned when

there is more idea of timescale/starting dates. In the meantime, please put on your thinking caps --- **WE NEED YOUR IDEAS**.

SS PETER & PAUL CHURCH NEWS

SS PETER & PAUL RED MISSION BOX HOLDERS: We have received an email thanking you for the Red Box donation of £759.61. Grateful thanks to you all.

GENERAL NEWS

SVP: As with everyone we have been locked down for the last 18 months or so but with 'ways and means' and with care we have been able to provide help and contact where needed and we have now started our regular meetings to enable further activity. Along with this we are able to restore much needed monthly church door collections after Sunday Masses starting on the **29**th **August next**. We are grateful for whatever is given especially in difficult times and thank you for your help. As always if you know of any need where we can help, please contact Bernard Unsworth 01772875151

RWANDA APPEAL: The Rwanda Group Trust, a registered & local Catholic charity based in Preston, is seeking to raise funds for the poorest of the poor in Rwanda. The situation in Rwanda is very serious due to Covid 19, lack of vaccine and serious food shortages. Our charity has no paid employees or overheads. Trustee Michael Donlan is seeking sponsorship to raise money for fishing nets and help rebuild housing after serious flooding. You will find all the details on Just Giving at:

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/fishingnetsforrwanda

A donation can be made through Just Giving or by contacting us by one of the following: www.rwandagrouptrust.blogspot.com or email rwandagrouptrust.org@gmail.com or Telephone Michael Donlan (Trustee) 07864 990941

Thank you for your support.

PRAYER FOR AN END TO THE PANDEMIC.

O God, who arrange all things according to a wonderful design, graciously receive the prayers we pour out not just for our country but the whole world, that, through the wisdom of medical experts and national leaders and the integrity of its citizens, harmony and justice may be assured, lasting prosperity and relief from this pandemic may soon be achieved. Through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.