

Day **Time and Place** **Intention**
6th Aug 10.30am.
Sunday readings: year A
Please Note: There will be no Holy Mass on Mondays until further notice.

Feasts of the week: Monday - St. Edmund Arrowsmith & Lancashire Martyrs
Tuesday - St. Dominic
Wednesday - St. Teresa Benedicta
Thursday - St. Lawrence
Friday - St. St. Clare
Saturday - St. Jane Frances de Chantal

Anniversaries from our List: Please pray for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time, Edith Margaret Charnley, Constance Veronica Dewhurst, Frederick Joseph Young, Beatrice Matilda Drake, Cecilia Sullivan, James Singleton and Mary Elizabeth Shenton.

Attendance & Collection.
Attendance - 77 Collection - £277.55

Dates for Your Diary

Date	Time	Where	What
15 th Aug			Assumption of Our Lady
4 th Sept			Autumn Term commences



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THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD
6th August, 2017

Parish Mission Statement

Our Parish, guided by the example of our patron, St. Francis, seeks to be a welcoming Catholic Community, by living, sharing and growing in faith. We strive to deepen our own relationship with Christ and meet the needs of others.

Cycle of Prayer: Until September we are asked to pray for: a deeper understanding between Christians and Jews; for Europe especially on 9th August, St. Teresa Benedicta.

Sick of the Parish: If you would like the parish to pray for someone who is currently sick, please email news@stfrancis.org.uk or ring Fr. Sony on 01772 865229. It will then be included on the sick list of the Newsletter. Please pray for all who are sick in our parish. We have an area in church where you can write on a card and hang it up if you prefer it not to go on the parish newsletter. M. Peel.

Vocation Intercession: We pray for the newly ordained priests across the world. We ask God to bless them in their ministry and to give them an awareness of our gratitude for their dedication.

Notes from the Parish Archives: We now have quite a collection of documents and photographs in the parish archive files. The files are stored in the presbytery office and are available to view and, in some cases, to borrow by those interested. However, I feel it might be worthwhile publishing, perhaps once a month, a short extract from the files on the parish bulletin. I am always interested in acquiring any other parish documents or bulletins that you may wish to share from days gone by. My email address is:

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The Battle of Passchendaele

I am sure many of you will have been watching the very moving television coverage this week of the ceremonies from the Tyne Cot, Commonwealth War Grave Cemetery & Memorial in Belgium, held to mark the centenary of the beginning of the Battle of Passchendaele, on 31st July 1917. The battle raged for over a hundred days and approximately 500,000 were either killed or seriously injured. Sadly, amongst those killed was one of our own parishioners, Frank Cooney. He died on 9th October 1917 just two months after being married to Delia O'Connor by Fr. Davies O.S.B. at Hill Chapel. Frank's body was never found but he is remembered with honour on the Tyne Cot Memorial and on our own Parish War Memorials. R.I.P. (MB)

Weekly Saint – 7th August St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross:

Modern Day Saint, Edith Stein, was born of Jewish parents in 1891 and became a philosopher after studying under Edmund Husserl. She taught at Freiburg and elsewhere in Germany, as well as serving as a nursing assistant during the First World War. She became a Catholic in 1922 and a Discalced Carmelite in 1933. Sister Teresa Benedicta was arrested by the Nazi regime on 2nd August, 1942, along with all other Catholics of Jewish extraction, and transported by cattle train to the death camp of Auschwitz.

A Dutch official was so impressed by her sense of faith and calm, he offered her an escape plan. Edith vehemently refused his assistance, stating "If somebody intervened at this point and took away her chance to share in the fate of her brothers and sisters, that would be utter annihilation". Edith died in the Gas Chambers on 9th August.

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In the crematorium of Auschwitz, St. Teresa Benedicta died as she had lived: afire with love for the good of her Jewish people, in communion with Christ on the cross.

Monthly Prayer: *No one is insignificant. God loves all of us with a special love; for him all of us are important. You are important ! Pope Francis.*

Red Missio Boxes: Please could the Red Missio Boxes be brought in for collection over the next week or two. B. Coulthurst.

Next Cleaning and Gardening Day: Saturday, 26th August.

Notices:

Sale of Religious Items: **The Carmelite Convent** on St. Vincent's Road, Fulwood, and the **Repository at Ladyewell, Fernyhalgh**, now have items for sale for Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Rosary Beads, etc., as well as a large selection of cards for various occasions. Other items can be ordered on request.

Facing Depression Together: support group for those with mental health concerns, e.g. anxiety, depression. Central Methodist Church, Lune Street, Preston, PR1 2NL. Thursday evening, 7.30 – 9.00pm. Be heard, respected and accepted, and receive help to work through mental health concerns.

Gentle Approach to Cancer Association: Meetings on 2nd Saturday of every month. Gerrard St., off Bow Lane, Preston. For more information contact Joan Moran on 865024 or www.gentleapproach.org.uk

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham: 26th – 29th September. Cost - £265.

Tea, Coffee and biscuits available after the Sunday Mass.

All parishioners, friends and visitors are very welcome to join us.