

Day	Time and	Place	Intention
24th Sept.	10.30am		
Sunday readings: year A			
Please Note: There will be no Holy Mass on Mondays until further notice.			

Feasts of the week:

Tuesday	-	Sts. Cosmas & Damian
Wednesday	-	St. Vincent de Paul
Thursday	-	St. Wenceslaus
Friday	-	SS. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels
Saturday	-	St. Jerome

Anniversaries from our List: Please pray for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time especially John Wareing, Margaret Moon, Andrew Holden and Hubert Crook.

Attendance & Collection:

10 th Sept.	Attendance - 106	Collection - £270.12
	Catholic Education Fund Collection -	£35.00
17 th Sept.	Attendance - 72	Collection - 257.70
	Home Mission Day Collection -	£55.95

Dates for Your Diary

Date	Time	Where	What
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St. Francis Hill Chapel Newsletter

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(newsletter items)

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
24th September, 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.

Today there will be a Special Collection for the Bishop's Administration Fund.

Cycle of Prayer: (September to Christ the King)

The Harvest and Care of Creation on – World Day for Care of Creation, 24th Sept or whenever our Harvest Festival is held: World Mission Day, 22nd Oct.; Justice and Peace on Harvest Fast Day – 6th Oct.; Prisoners & Dependants Day, 8th Oct.; All Victims of War Remembrance Day, Sunday 12th Nov.; Young People – Christ the King, 26th Nov.

Vocation Intercession: We pray for the religious sisters working in our Diocese, especially those who serve the needs of the sick and the elderly. May their example of love and service inspire us to give ourselves generously to those in need.

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. 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.

Notes from the Parish Archives: You may have heard of the Dutch Saint, St Willibrord; but do you know the connection this saint has with our parish and school here at St Francis? As our school begins a new academic year I thought it appropriate this month to go back in the archives 78 years to September 1939; Britain had declared war on Germany and the country was in crisis. Plans were being hastily made to evacuate children from our large cities to the safer environment of the countryside. The teachers and parents of St Willibrord's Catholic School in Clayton, East Manchester, were particularly concerned as their school was sited near to the AVRO airplane factory where the components for the Lancaster Bomber were being manufactured. Arrangements were made, therefore, for thirty-seven pupils from St Willibrord's to be evacuated to Goosnargh and for them to attend St Francis' School. They were taught by the teachers of The Hill and accommodated by local families. Some of our parishioners may remember these events and may even have been a member of a family who gave them shelter. St Willibrord's is still a thriving catholic school and rumour has it that the Parish Priest of St Willibrord's is prepared to speak at great length about their patron Saint!

Details of the school can be found at www.st-willibrords.manchester.sch.uk
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Red Missio Boxes: Many thanks to the parishioners who have collected the sum of £95.00 in their red boxes to help the mission fund.

B. Coulthurst

Monthly Prayer: *The Lord wants to work one of the greatest miracles we can experience; he wants to turn your hands, my hands, our hands into signs of reconciliation of communion, or creation. He wants your hands to continue building the world of today.*

Pope Francis.

Next Cleaning and Gardening Day: Saturday, 30th September

Notices:

Carpet – Free to a good home. Three reasonable sized offcuts were left on completion of the church re-carpeting. The pieces are approximately
2.8m x 2.6m 3.2m x 1.9m 2.8m x 2.6m

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.

**Tea, Coffee and biscuits available after the
Sunday Mass.
All parishioners, friends and visitors are very welcome to
join us.**