

THIS WEEKEND		3rd Sunday of the Year		Year B	
Sat 20th Jan	5.00pm	St O	Roy Tilling		
	6.30pm	St T	Ellen Dooney		
Sun 21st Jan	8:30am	St MM	<i>Latin Extraordinary Form Mass</i>		
	8:30am	St O	Bernard Hamilton		
	9.30am	St T	Carol, Claire + Philip Hartley		
	11.00am	St MM	Thanksgiving for 25 yrs ministry taken to the sick and housebound		
WEEKDAY MASSES		Divine Office Week 3			
Mon 22nd Jan	9.15am	St T	Susan Moira Walmsley		
	9.30am	St O	Holy Souls		
Tues 23rd Jan	9.15am	St T	Bernard Eland		
	9.30am	St O	Marie Bateson		
Wed 24th Jan	9.30am 10.30am	St MM St T	Breda Fox <i>Funeral Mass: Teresa Nicklin</i>		
Thu 25th Jan	9.30am 7.00pm	St O St T	Patricia + Roger Holdcroft John Grant		
Fri 26th Jan	9.15am	St T	Fr Tom Leigh		
NEXT WEEKEND		4th Sunday of the Year		Year B	
Sat 27th Jan	5.00pm	St O	Roy Tilling		
	6.30pm	St T	Leo Bedworth		
Sun 28th Jan	8:30am	St MM	<i>Latin Extraordinary Form Mass</i>		
	8:30am	St O	People of the Parish		
	9.30am	St T	Beli Anna		
	11.00am	St MM	Paddy Killeen, Rachel + Baby Charlotte		

**Confessions:** 1st and 2nd Saturday of the Month

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### 3rd Sunday of the Year

**21st January 2018**

**'Follow me!'**



In the weeks following Christmas, we have been invited to reflect on Jesus's call, beginning with him being drawn out of the waters of baptism and into his missionary life. This week (in St Mark's **Gospel**) we see the fishermen – Peter, Andrew, James and John – respond immediately to that same call. They are drawn from the waters by Jesus to become fishers of people.

The **First Reading** tells of the second call of Jo-

nah, who initially refuses the Lord's request, and tries to run away. Then, in a humorous reversal of fishing logic, Jonah is caught by an obedient fish. The Lord continues to be with him, however, for, at the command of the Lord, Jonah is saved from the water and is empowered to respond to the Word. In the **Second Reading**, St Paul urges the Church at Corinth that nothing should be allowed to interfere with their obedience to the Word. He says that time is short and that everything, from domestic to international affairs, should be seen from the context of Christ.

There is much calling to which we are invited to respond. As with Jonah and the first disciples, we are called by the same voice, inviting us to take steps on the path toward that which is good and true.

Today's **Psalm** also offers a simple, initial response for both new and not-so-new disciples alike. It is a good prayer for the coming week: *'Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths.'*

**Knit-a-Bit:** St T Church meeting Room Monday from 10.00am until 12 noon. The SVP will provide a lift if needed. Phone Catherine on 740569.

**Lay Funeral Ministers:** The next Diocesan Course is Feb 21st and 22nd at LACE. If anyone feels they could help minister in this important way please see Fr Philip or Fr Michael.

**Penwortham Farmers Market:** Is now being held at Penwortham St Teresa's Scout Hut on the 1st Saturday of the month. The 1st market in 2018 will be on Sat 3rd Feb.

**Parish Workers Social Night:** On Friday 2nd Feb 2018 there will be a barn dance and food for all parish workers. This is an opportunity for us all to get together and for the priests of the parishes to say thank you to all those who in any way help with the running of the parishes. This is for all 3 parishes. Tickets available from the sacristy this week.

**Week of Guided Prayer:** Please return your form if you are interested.

**Baptisms:** This week at St T we welcome Jacob Kay, Josua Kay, Oscar Cook and Noah Lambert.

**RCIA:** We resume our preparation for those adults who wish to be baptised, be welcomed into the Church and make their 1st Communion on Tuesday 23rd January at 7.00pm in St Teresa's Meeting Room. It is not too late for anyone else to join. Come along and see!

**Parish Evangelisation Team:** meets at St Teresa's on Tuesday 30th January at 8.00pm.

**With you Always:** Our 1st communion programme continues with the next sessions for Year 4 children and their parents on Monday 5th February (St O), Tue 6th Feb (St T) and Sun 11th Feb (St T and St MM).

**St T Bereavement Tea and Chat:** The next afternoon will be Sunday 28th January 3.00—4.00pm in St Teresa's Church. Please invite those who would find this helpful, not just the recently bereaved, all are welcome.

**Winckley Square Convent School:** Our annual reunion for past pupils and staff will take place on Saturday 10th February 2018 at Our Lady and St. Edward's Parish Centre, Marlborough Drive, Fulwood, Preston PR2 9UE from 1pm to 4pm. We would love to see as many of you as possible there.

**Health and Safety Audit:** You may remember that we reported on the health and safety audit that took place in December. There are a number of things that we have to put right. The first is that we need a list of key holders for all 3 churches. If you are a key holder you need to sign the list in the sacristy this weekend or next weekend. (You may have a key that you no longer use, can we have it back.) We have to send a list of all key holders to the Diocese. We also have to ensure that no chairs are placed in front of fan heaters (in church, halls or meetings rooms.) This is a major health and safety concern. (More things to come I am afraid!)

**Rumours:** There is no truth in the rumour being spread about the closure of St Mary Magdalen's Church. There are weddings booked there for 2018 and 2019! Baptisms and funerals will usually take place in St Teresa's - mainly due to parking difficulties and hall usage difficulties! On weekdays there is no parking and we cannot use the Church at the same time as the hall because of noise. (Remember St MM and St T is one parish with two churches.)

**"A Rainbow of Hope for Children of Africa"** A Concert by the South Ribble Concert Band Big band and popular light music, film themes and music from the shows followed by a Supper Friday February 2nd 7.30pm, Hutton Village Hall, PR4 5SE. Proceeds to FOMO; the Rainbow of Hope, Uganda; Christian Aid. Fairtrade Stall and Raffle. Tickets £7.00 from Cath Greenlees: 01772 613500