

**The Romero Room this week: Sundays:** At 9.30am Mass: Children's Liturgy. After Mass tea and coffee.

**Mondays:** Knit-a-Bit: 10.00am - 12 Noon.

SVP Meeting: 6.30pm New members welcome.

**Fridays:** Exercise Class: no exercise this week on the 5<sup>th</sup> October. Will resume as normal Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October. Sorry for any inconvenience caused.

**St Teresa's Bereavement Tea and Chat:** The next afternoon will be Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September 3.00pm-4.00pm St Teresa's Church in the Romero Room. Please invite those who would find it helpful, all are welcome.

**St Teresa's Primary School** Open Event for September 2019 Starters Our open event for September 2019 starters is Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October between 2-3pm and 5-6pm. You are welcome to bring your child along as child care will be provided. Our Tinies will commence after half term in November, details and application forms will be available from the 17<sup>th</sup> October.

**St. Teresa's Ladies Association:** Next meeting Tuesday 9 October "Location, Location, Location" by Pat McGuinness Adm £1.50 to include refreshments. All Welcome

**St. Teresa's Christmas Fayre** - Sunday 25 November. A meeting for all volunteers 7.30pm Tuesday 2 October in the Romero Meeting Room.

**St T Christmas Shoe Boxes:** Now is the time to think about filling a shoe box for the annual Christmas Appeal. Suitable items would be stationery, toiletries, skipping rope, ball, small cuddly toy, small items of clothing - hat scarf gloves, etc. bag of sweets. Please wrap box and lid separately in Christmas paper and secure with an elastic band - finally label who the box is suitable for. Thank you.

**St Oswald's Ladies** next meeting is on Monday 1 October at 7.30 pm in the Parish hall. Stuart McNulty is visiting to give a talk on 'A Brief History of Liverpool and the Humour of Its People'. Interested? Please come along to find out more and have a laugh - everyone's welcome.

**Find Your Voice:** a Charity Concert by students of Joyce Tindsley, singing a variety of songs for your entertainment, Longton Methodist Church, Marsh Lane Longton PR4 5ZJ Friday October 5<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm with light refreshments, a raffle and a Fairtrade stall. Admission £5.00 at the door or by ticket from Cath Greenlees. All proceeds will go to Christian Aid. For further details please contact Joyce 01704 896583 or Cath 01772 613500

### **St Teresa's Scout Group - Penwortham Farmers Market**

Penwortham Farmers Market: Is held at St Teresa's Scout Hut, Queensway, Penwortham, PR1 0DS on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month. The next market is Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2018. The market sells local produce which includes Eggs, Cheese, Meats, Vegetables, Fruits, Jams, Plants, Chocolate, Cakes, Pies, Veggie Curries, Soaps, Crafts and much, much, more. 8<sup>th</sup> Penwortham Scouts use money raised from the market, to maintain and develop their scout hut facilities and buy new equipment, so support for the market is very much appreciated.

**SVP Kerala Appeal:** The SVP would like to thank everyone for the generosity of their response to the recent appeals for help for the disaster in Kerala. The amount raised was £635.27 and this has been sent to Kerala. Thank you again.

### **St. Oswald's Caritas Group:**

Thank you to all the people who have already signed up to go to Tabor on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October. Could we please ask that anyone else who would like to go to let us know as soon as possible as we have to finalise arrangements. Full details are given below and there are handouts at the back of each Church. You can also phone Steve or Anne for details on 01772 816310 (answer phone if we are out). This is an opportunity to spend some personal time reflecting on the theme of the day either quietly in one of the many quiet, comfortable spaces or whilst enjoying the company of like-minded friends in pleasant surroundings.

**St. Oswald's Caritas Group:** invite you, (members of all three Churches), to a DAY OF 'REFLECTION' on the topic of 'UNCONDITIONAL LOVE'. The date is WEDNESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER at Tabor (Fulwood). The day will start with Mass at St. Oswald's (9-15am) if you wish to go and conclude at Tabor at 3-00pm. A coach is available, and it will leave Longton at the end of the Mass and return by 3-45pm. You can, of course, make your own transport arrangements. In the morning there will be a presentation on 'Unconditional Love' by Fr. Bideri (author of books on the subject) followed by a period of quiet reflection. You are asked to bring your own packed lunch with tea/coffee and biscuits provided on arrival and at lunch-time as well as whenever you want. The afternoon will consist of a more involved session (but not demanding) on the same theme. This will be thought-provoking but light-hearted and enjoyable. Finally, there will be a short prayer session. There is a single charge of £10 per person. Please place the money in a sealed envelope with your name and contact number as well as whether you require the coach or not written on the outside. These can be placed in the collection baskets during Mass or in the Sacristies of each Church or given to a Member of the Caritas Group - which is probably easier at this stage. If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact Steve or Anne either directly after Mass or via the phone on 01772 816310.

This Weekend		26th Sunday of the Year		Year B
Sat 29th Sept	5.00pm	St O	Harry & Pauline Haslam	
	6.30pm	St T	Eileen Murphy, Sharon Forde (A) Norah McEnaney,	
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept	8.30am	St MM	<i>Latin Extraordinary Form Mass</i>	
	8.30am	St O	Frank Ward, Joan Clarkson Vi + Harry Singleton	
	9.30am	St T	Frances Hart, Maureen Stuart (A)	
	11.00am	St MM	Sid Simpson, Peter Stone	
<b>Divine Office Week 2</b>				
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> October	9.15am	St T	Deceased Priests + Religious	
	9.30am	St O	Katherine Mort	
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	9.30am	St O	Michael O'Donnell	
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	10.30am	St T	Funeral Mass: George Ridgeway	
	2.00pm	St MM	Funeral Mass: Patrick Masterson	
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> October <i>St Francis of Assisi</i>	9.30am	St O	Nancy Pope	
	7.00pm	St T	Thomas Mills	
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> October	9.15am	St T	Arthur Bunce	
	9.30am	St O	Ann Boyle	
Next Weekend		27th Sunday of the Year		Year B
	10.00am	St T	<i>Confessions + Exposition (ends 10.30)</i>	
Sat 6th October	5.00pm	St O	Parishioners	
	6.30pm	St T	Jack Cunningham	
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> October	8.30am	St MM	<i>Latin Extraordinary Form Mass</i>	
	8.30am	St O	John Nickson	
	9.30am	St T	Michael Russell	
	11.00am	St MM	Thanksgiving 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday (Jean)	

**Confessions:** 1<sup>st</sup> (St T) and 2<sup>nd</sup> (St O) Sat at 10.00am

**Website:** [www.catholic-penwortham-longton.btck.co.uk](http://www.catholic-penwortham-longton.btck.co.uk)

**Web Cam:** [Http://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-teresas-penwortham](http://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-teresas-penwortham)

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## 26th Sunday of the Year 30th September 2018

**“Anyone who is not against us is for us.”**

God's Spirit is offered to all. The power of God's transforming love has no boundaries and is at work in all things.

In the First Reading Moses instructs Joshua not to set limits on how God's love is shared with the community. Joshua thinks that God's Spirit is only for the chosen few. Moses expresses a more inclusive vision for the community, imagining what it would be like if all people were filled with the Spirit of God.

In a similar way, Jesus teaches John that his healing power is not only for his close followers (Gospel). He has to remind them that God's power is not limited by the rules and authority that the disciples may want to set upon it. The Spirit will blow wherever it likes. Jesus reminds his disciples of their need to care for the least powerful in society and not let their actions cause harm to anyone.

This message speaks powerfully to our times.

The Psalm meditates on the heart of God's law. The truth and wisdom of God's law of love will be our guide.

The Second Reading warns of the dangers of material wealth and is a call to act justly and with fairness. It reminds us that we are in relationship with those less fortunate than us. Our wealth impacts on the needs of the poor.

May we have the grace to recognise God's Spirit moving in our life and throughout the world. Let us pray for each other that we will remain open and faithful to the movement of the Holy Spirit.