

THIS WEEKEND	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time		Year C
Sat 26th January	5.00pm	St O	John Formby Winifred Mary Laraway
	6.30pm	St T	John Grant, Geraldine Valentine John + Delia Cunningham
27th January	8:30am	St MM	Latin Extraordinary Form Mass
	8:30am	St O	Edward Dilworth (ill)
	9.30am	St T	Salomea Rowinska, Leo Bedworth Parishioners
	11.00am	St MM	Brenda Sturrock, Ivor James Clee Costello-Hearn Family
<b>Divine Office Week 3</b>			
Mon 28th January <i>St Thomas Aquinas</i>	9.15am	St T	Nigel Anthony Heath
	9.30am	St O	Priest's Intention
Tues 29th January	9.30am	St O	Mary Leyfield
Wed 30th January	9.30am	St MM	Dorothy Murphy
	11.30am	St T	Requiem Mass: Jean Riley
Thu 31st January <i>St John Bosco</i>	9.30am	St O	Brigitte Price
	7.00pm	St T	Barbara Hankinson
Fri 1st February	9.15am	St T	Teresa Nicklin
	9.30am	St O	Parishioners
NEXT WEEKEND	4th Sunday in Ordinary Time		Year C
Sat 2nd February <i>Feast of the Presentation of the Lord</i>	10.00am	St T	Confessions
	5.00pm	St O	Helen Whiteside (A) John Harrison Jnr (A) Maurice Wilson B'day Thanksgiving
	6.30pm	St T	Margaret Barrek
Sun 3rd February	8:30am	St MM	Latin Extraordinary Form Mass
	8:30am	St O	Parishioners
	9.30am	St T	Bill Houlding+ Parishioners
	11.00am	St MM	Delaney Family + Reid Family RIP

**Confessions:** 1st (St T) and 2nd (St O) Sat at 10.00am.

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## 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 27th January 2019

### The Law of the Lord is perfect

As we step further into our New Year, this Sunday's texts provide us with solid teaching to build up ourselves, our communities, our church, and our society in the light of God's word, and in the clear direction of Jesus's mission. And we are urged to do this with joy and conviction.

Ezra the priest, in the **First Reading**, reads to the people from the Book of the Law. They are newly returned from exile to rebuild the city walls and the Temple. Moved to tears, they are told, 'Do not be sad; the joy of the Lord is your stronghold'.

**Psalm 18 (19)** is a hymn of praise to God's law. His words give spirit and life.

St Paul, in the **Second Reading**, tells us that through baptism, we have all become members of one body, with Christ as our head. We are dependent on each other, sharing our gifts and our sorrows.

The **Gospel** passage begins with St Luke's opening preface, then moves on to show us Jesus, newly returned from the desert after his baptism. In the synagogue, Jesus reads from the prophet Isaiah – this is Jesus's own 'mission statement'.

As we ponder the essential place of God's word in our texts, may we also pray for a deeper appreciation and reverence for it.

**The Romero Room this week:**

**Sundays:** At 9.30am Mass: Children's Liturgy. **After Mass** tea and coffee.

**Mondays: Knit a Bit:** 10.00am until 12 noon.

**6.30pm SVP Meeting.** New members welcome.

**Tuesdays: 7.30pm** All Hallows Community Choir

**Fridays: 1.30pm to 3pm** Exercise Class will be led by an expert, Julian Vescovi, followed by tea, biscuits and chat. All ages and abilities most welcome. Cost £3

**St Teresa Baptisms:** This weekend we welcome Rory McGuigan, Theodore Boyle, Chloe Lloyd, and Joshua Lloyd.

**St Teresa:** Flower bulbs will be on sale after 9.30 Mass on Sunday. Proceeds will go to the Sons of Divine Providence who support children in need in India, Kenya and the Philippines. Thank you.

**St Teresa's Bereavement Tea and Chat:** The next afternoon will be Sunday January 27th 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 Bereavement Care Team:** There will be a meeting of the team on Bereavement Care team on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019 at 7.30pm following the 7pm mass. This is to review the last 15 months and plan head for the future. More help is always needed, If you can help with any of the above or would like to know more about this wonderful Ministry of Consolation, please come along.

**St. Teresa's** Ladies Association - The A.G.M will be held on Tuesday 12 February at 7-30 pm. All Welcome

**St. Mary Magdalen's Church.** The One Voice Choir practice in the church on Wednesday evenings at 6:45pm. We sing at various places locally and for a variety of occasions. We are always happy to welcome new members. Anyone interested, please contact Margaret Greer – Tel: 01772 745029.

**8th Penwortham Scout Group - Penwortham Farmers Market on 2nd February 2019** is held at St Teresa's Scout Hut, Queensway, Penwortham, PR1 0DS on the 1st Saturday of the month. The market sells local produce which includes Eggs, Cheese, Meats, Vegetables, Fruits, Fresh Fish, Jams,

Plants, Chocolate, Cakes, Pies, Veggie Curries, Soaps, Crafts and much much more. Money raised by the market will fund the fitting of a new roof to the Scout Hut, new guttering and the relaying of the Scout Hut footpath. Parishioners support is very much appreciated and the market is now an integral part of Parish activities supporting the Community of Penwortham.

**St Oswald's Baptisms:** This weekend we welcome: Elsie Grace Margaret Swift and Isaac Henry Cobham

**St. Oswald's Caritas Group:** The next lunch will be on Friday 15th February with serving from 12-00pm - 1-00pm. We look forward to seeing you then

**St Oswald's** Ladies next meeting will be a 'Natter Night' on Monday 4 February at 7.30 pm in the Parish Hall. Everyone's welcome to come along to chat, have a cuppa and play a couple of games of bingo.

**St. Oswald's Caritas Group:** Liverpool Cathedrals' trip, Thursday 21st. March. There are information sheets with the details you need regarding this trip at the back of each Church with an envelope for your payment. Please take one of each if you wish to go. Please use the envelope for your £10 and write your name and telephone number either on the envelope or on a piece of paper placed in the envelope. There is also a clip board with a sheet for you to sign if you wish to go - please sign it as soon as possible.

**SYNOD 2020:** There will be a coach provided for parishioners from all three churches who wish to attend the Opening Ceremony of the Synod at the Cathedral on Sunday 3rd February at 3pm. The ceremony will last about an hour and be led by Archbishop Malcolm, the Synod members will be mandated to undertake their training and work on behalf of their parishes and Pastoral Areas. If you wish to avail yourself of the coach please sign up for this at the back of church by Monday 28th January.

**Concert by the South Ribble Concert Band, followed by supper:** Friday February 8th 7.30pm - Hutton Village Hall: "A Rainbow of Hope for Children of Africa". Tickets £7.00 from Liz Henfield (612951) or Cath Greenlees (613500)