

THIS WEEKEND		18th Sunday in Ordinary Time		Year C
Sat 3rd August	10.00am	St T	Confessions	
	5.00pm	St O	Fr Michael Murray	
	6.30pm	St T	Jean Nickford	
Sun 4th August	8:30am	St MM	Latin Extraordinary Form Mass	
	8:30am	St O	Teresa Eland	
	9.30am	St T	Emily + Audrey	
	11.00am	St MM	Michael Airey, Parishioners Deceased members of the Conlon + Garry Families	
<b>Divine Office Week 2</b>				
Mon 5th August				
Tues 6th August <i>Transfiguration of the Lord</i>	10.30am	St T	Requiem Mass: Joan Burn	
Weds 7th August	9.30am	St MM	Parishioners	
Thurs 8th August <i>St Dominic</i>	7.00pm	St T	Priest's Intention	
Fri 9th August <i>St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross</i>	9.15am	St T	Derek Matthews, Teresa Nicklin	
NEXT WEEKEND		19th Sunday in Ordinary Time		Year C
Sat 10th August <i>St Lawrence</i>	5.00pm	St O	Jessie Knowles	
	6.30pm	St T	John Masterson, Parishioners	
Sun 11th August	8:30am	St MM	Latin Extraordinary Form Mass	
	8:30am	St O	Eddie May	
	9.30am	St T	Frank Maddow, Patricia Gallagher	
	11.00am	St MM	Ronnie Snape Paul Fletcher sick + for a safe heart operation	

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

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## The CATHOLIC CHURCH in PENWORTHAM + LONGTON



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## 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time 4th August 2019 'Greed ... is the same thing as worshipping a false God.'

Today's readings are about material things and our attitude towards them. Are they at the centre of our lives? The texts also suggest that what we *are* is more important than what we *have*.

Qoheleth, 'the Preacher', who wrote the Book of Ecclesiastes 300 years before Christ, gives a pessimistic view of the world. Is it worth working hard and worrying about our wealth, since we have to leave it to others after our death? He declares: 'All is vanity!' (**First Reading**)

**The Gospel** develops the same theme. The main problem with wealth is that it risks taking centre stage in our life, and displacing God from His rightful position. What really matters is making ourselves rich in the sight of God.

St Paul, in the **Second Reading**, develops similar ideas. As Christians, we should put aside our former preoccupations – in particular greed – and turn our thoughts to 'heavenly things', for Christ is 'in everything'.

As the **Psalm** encourages us, we ought to praise and thank the Lord in words and songs rather than grumble and worry. We should listen to his voice *today*.

So this week, I might want to make some time each day to listen to what the Lord is telling me about myself, and about my relationship with others and with money.

**The Romero Room this week:**

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

**Sunday:** St Teresa Tea and Chat 3.00—4.00pm

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

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

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

**St Mary Magdalen Fairtrade:** Teas, coffees, cocoa, ginger cookies, chocolate covered raisins, & chocolate bars available.

**LOURDES FINAL PAYMENTS:** Just a reminder that all final payments are due by August 20th. Dorothy will be sending 'invoices and cheques' together (cheques make payable to Northern Star'). If anyone wants to pay Direct to N.ST. they are free to do so. A coach will be booked from St.Teresa's church to the Airport (a small fee) We have an early flight 7am! Any questions ring Dorothy 742927

**St Teresa + St Mary Magdalen Bereavement Team:** Volunteers are needed to help with welcoming those who are attending the funeral, singing in the choir and providing refreshments after the funeral. If you feel you could assist in any of these roles then please call: 07396 597517

**St Teresa + St Mary Magdalen Children's Liturgy:** The team are recruiting members of the parish to help deliver Sunday sessions (dates are flexible and maximum of one per month). DBS clearance will be provided. Training/shadowing is also available. If you are interested, please call Andrea on 07734776946

**St Teresa Exercise Class** led by Julian Vescovi will restart on Wednesday, 7th September at 11am in the Romero Room. The cost will be £3 including tea/coffee and biscuits. The class is suitable for all ages and abilities .

**Food Bank:** As August is school holiday season and children are at home, the foodbank is in need of: Tinned fish, Cereals (Weetabix), Tinned veg (peas, carrots, mixed veg), Pasta sauce and curry sauce, Tinned spaghetti hoops, Tinned macaroni cheese and Plain biscuits.

**St. Oswald's Caritas Group Lunch Club:** the next lunch will be on Friday 9th August, Serving between 12-00 and 1-00pm. we look forward to seeing you all.

**St Oswald's Bereavement Tea and Chat:** Sunday 10th August 3 –4 pm in the parish hall. All welcome

**St. Oswald's Caritas Group Family Walking Treasure Hunt** Sunday 18th. August. Starts from the St. Oswald's Parish Hall from 1-30pm onwards with everyone hopefully returned to the Parish hall by 4-00pm. The distance is 1.5 miles using pavements. There is plenty of time for everyone to enjoy a pleasant walk with no busy roads to cross and no hills or steps. Entry is £2 per family and all you need to bring is a pen/pencil and perhaps something to rest your question sheet on as you write the answers. All members of all three Parishes are invited together with friends.

**Wanted for the Homeless Drop-in** at St Wilfrid's church run by Metanoia Project, Men's clothes and shoes especially men's trainers, jeans (32 or 34 in waist) Toiletries, sleeping bags etc. Please see poster at the back of Church. Contributions should be taken to St Wilfrid's church where there is a blue collection box in the church porch, or ring Helen on 07790342187.

**Classical Guitar Concert** by John O'Connell Metropolitan Cathedral 1st Aug 2019 1.00pm -2.00pm. Join us on the first Thursday of every month for an intimate classical guitar performance from musician and singer songwriter John O'Connell. Entrance is free.

**A message from Irenaeus.** Book your places for 'COME AND SEE' which is being held on Sat 12th -13th Oct 2019 at Christ the King School, Southport, PR8 4EX. The Keynote speaker is Peter McVerry SJ. For further information contact Irenaeus on 0151 949 1199 or visit the website: <https://irenaeus.co.uk/come-see/>