

THIS WEEKEND		19th Sunday in Ordinary Time		Year C
Sat 10th August <i>St Lawrence</i>	5.00pm	St O	Jessie Knowles, John Harrison	
	6.30pm	St T	John Masterson, Parishioners	
Sun 11th August	8:30am	St MM	<i>Latin Extraordinary Form Mass</i>	
	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	
<b>Divine Office Week 3</b>				
Mon 12th August				
Tues 13th August	9.15am	St T	Margaret Stringfellow	
Weds 14th August <i>St Maximilian</i>	9.30am	St MM	Priest's Intention	
Thurs 15th August <i>Assumption of the Virgin Mary</i>	9.30am	St O	John Colin Wildman	
	9.30am	St MM	Priest's Intention	
	7.00pm	St T	Mark Drake	
Fri 16th August	9.15am	St T	Joan Burn	
	9.30am	St O	Frances Winifred Walmsley	
NEXT WEEKEND		20th Sunday in Ordinary Time		Year C
Sat 17th August	5.00pm	St O	Allan Whipp	
	6.30pm	St T	John Wilson, David Helm	
Sun 18th August	8:30am	St MM	<i>Latin Extraordinary Form Mass</i>	
	8:30am	St O	Bert + Barbara Sheepwash	
	9.30am	St T	Parishioners	
	11.00am	St MM	Jill Webster ( nee Hardman)	

**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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## 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time 11th August 2019

**'Watch, Wait, Be ready!'**

Today's readings continue last week's theme. We are to be ready when the Lord comes.

In the **First Reading** from the book of Wisdom, the people recall that it was at night that the Exodus to the promised land began. They were watchful and ready when the Lord called them.

These are the qualities the Lord is expecting from his disciples in the **Gospel** passage we read today. They, too, are ready for action, ready to meet the Lord when he knocks at their door, even in the middle of the night.

The **Psalm** is a song of confidence in God. It reflects on the concern the Lord has shown for his people over the generations. In trust and hope our soul is waiting for the Lord.

The **Second Reading** from Hebrews reminds us that faith is essential. It sustained Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Sarah, who all believed in the promises made to them. It is faith which enables them to keep watching and waiting for the coming of the Lord.

In my prayer this week, I may want to consider that every time I attend the Eucharist, I am invited to the Lord's Supper – and that, like the Master in the Gospel passage, he waits on me with love and compassion.

**The Romero Room this week:**

**Sundays: After 9.30am 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

**Wednesday: 7.30pm** KSC Meeting

**Holy Day of Obligation 15th August Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.** Mass Times : St Mary Magdalen: 9.30am, St Oswald's: 9.30am, St Teresa: 7.00pm

**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:** Thank you to those who volunteered their time to support those who are grieving.

**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, 4th 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 .

**KSC:** There will be a meeting, held in the Romero Room on Wednesday 14th July after prayers at 7.30pm in the church.

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

**St Oswald's :** Sunday 18th August: There will be tea and coffee served after 8.30am Mass in the parish hall. All welcome !

**St Oswald's Retiring collection** weekend 17th/18th August: To support the work of St Oswald's Bereavement Team.

**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.

**Synod 2020:** A very important stage in our Synod Journey takes place between 15th and 17th August when the Synod Working Party gather under the guidance of Fr Eamonn Fitzgibbon and Dr Jessie Rogers (Limerick Diocese) who will lead a three day process of discernment and prayer. Fr Peter McGrail will present the data from our listening at this gathering and we hope that our discernment will lead to a number of *Themes* emerging which indicate the way forward for us on our Synod Journey. ***Please keep the Synod Working Party group in your prayers particularly during this time.***

**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.

**Marriage Enrichment:** The REFOCCUS Marriage Enrichment Inventory is designed to help a couple focus on key topic areas and enrich their marriage through rediscovery of the depth of a couple's love and desire to continue to grow together. Visit <https://www.focccus.com/refocccus-inventory.aspx>

**Sponsored Walk for Christian Aid: The Wye Valley, Tintern Abbey and the Forest of Dean** On August 12th I am planning to start a Sponsored Walk of approximately 70 miles from Ross on Wye to the Forest of Dean. Proceeds will go to Christian Aid. Donations may be made, please, to: Christian Aid c/o Mrs C Greenlees 16 Franklands, Longton PR4 5PD. Thank you very much for any support you are able to give. Cath Greenlees: 01772 613500 [cathgreenlees@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:cathgreenlees@hotmail.co.uk)