

THIS WEEKEND		Easter Sunday		Year A
Sat 11th April <i>Holy Saturday</i>	8.00pm	St O	Parishioners of the Parish, past and present.	
	8.00pm	St T	Parishioners of the Parish, past and present.	
Sun 12th April <i>Easter Sunday</i>	9:30am	St O	Parishioners of the Parish, past and present.	
	9.30am	St T	Parishioners of the Parish, past and present, Tony McGuiness, Margaret & Don Goodwin	
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Mon 13th April	9.30am 9.30am	St T St O	Karen Cassidy Mary, William & William Jnr Jump	
Tues 14th April	9.30am 9.30am	St T St O	Priest's Intention Neil Smith	
Wed 15th April	9.30am 9.30am	St T St O	Priest's Intention Grahame Marshall	
Thu 16th April	9.30am 9.30am	St T St O	Elizabeth Ann Hoggarth Adam Evans	
Fri 17th April	9.30am 9.30am	St T St O	Priest's Intention Priest's Intention	
NEXT WEEKEND		Second Sunday of Easter (Day of Divine Mercy) Year A		
Sat 18th April	9.30am	St O	Priest's Intention	
	9.30am	St T	Josef Bischof	
Sun 19th April	9:30am	St O	Priest's Intention	
	9.30am	St T	Hector Battarbee, Sid Simpson and Parishioners	

Masses will continue to be said in the parish without the faithful, i.e. no public attendance.

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Easter Sunday

12th April 2020

May the risen Lord breathe on our minds and open our eyes.

On this Easter morning, we stand with the first believers at the empty tomb, full of wonder and awe at the enormity of what has taken place. Today we can trust that our whole life lies with Christ.

In the **First Reading**, we hear Peter addressing a group of Gentiles within the household of the centurion Cornelius. His speech is significant: God wants the salvation of *all* peoples.

The **Psalmist** joyfully foresees the resurrection of Jesus and recognises it as the work of God Himself.

St Paul, in contrasting earthly and heavenly realities, urges the Colossians to set their gaze on heaven, where Christ is seated. Now we have been brought back to true life with Christ, we will share in his glory when he is revealed. (**Second Reading**)

The **Gospel** records how Peter and his unnamed companion slowly come to realize that Jesus has risen from the dead. This disciple, 'the one Jesus loved', symbolises where all faithful Christians are invited to be: in a loving, intimate relationship with Christ.

Currently the Church doors are closed at the moment, due to the pandemic of the coronavirus. Also, all church groups are suspended until further notice.

St Teresa Food Bank: Please note you can no longer drop off collections at the church. If you have any donations please check Penwortham Food Bank's Facebook page for drop off times. Thank you for your continued support.
<https://en-gb.facebook.comPenworthamFoodBank/>

Pray As You Go app: provides a daily prayer session, designed to go with you wherever you go, to help you pray whenever you find time. A new prayer session is produced every day of the working week and one session for the weekend. It is not a 'Thought for the Day', a sermon or a bible-study, but rather a framework for your own prayer. Search for "Pray as you go" in the 'Google Play' or the Apple 'App store' to download for free.

To receive the weekly newsletter and other updates by email, please email your details to the parish office: penwortham@rcaolp.co.uk

Celebrations of Holy Mass : Fr. Roy / Fr. Michael will continue to celebrate Mass in a church within our parishes without the faithful on a daily basis. The continuing celebration of Mass ensures that the faithful can join in spiritual communion with the priests of the Church.

Easter Blessings:

Fr. Roy & Fr. Michael would like to wish all our parishioners & their families, all the blessings of the Easter Season. Have a safe and Happy Easter.

Coronavirus Support in Lancashire: This website can be used for anyone who may be in any sort of social need; i.e. food or medicine, during this pandemic.
<https://lancsvp.org.uk/>

For the 'Lancashire Volunteer Telephone Befriending' use this web address,
<https://lancsvp.org.uk/opportunities/community-support-befriender-south-ribble/>

This is to help anyone who isolated or vulnerable and in need of any support.

In Penwortham you can also call: **John on 07557945624 or Alice on 07756940097** for local support or to volunteer.

Please do call John or Alice, they are waiting for your calls. *If either is engaged please call the other number, or try again later.*

Recent Deaths: St. Oswald's: Just to make you aware, at this time of difficult communication, that Joseph Turner has recently died. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



St Mary Magdalen, St Teresa + St Oswald's website:
www.catholic-penowrtham-longton.btck.co.uk
Or access by scanning the QR code left.

An Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.
I love you, my Jesus: never permit me to be separated from You. **AMEN.**

Synod 2020 Prayer:

Father, we thank you for the love you have shown us
in the gift of Jesus, your Son.
We thank you for the gift of the Church, through which you show us
that you are always with us and are always at work in our lives.
As we journey together to Synod 2020
help us to become the Church that you are calling us to be.
May your Holy Spirit be powerfully at work among us.
Strengthen each of us and guide Francis, our Pope and Malcolm, our Archbishop.
Help us to respond to the challenges of our times in new ways
to bring your love to all our sisters and brothers.
We make this prayer through Jesus Christ Our Lord. **AMEN.**

A Prayer in the time of danger and illness:

God Our Father, each person is precious to You. You are the Giver of life. Have mercy on us and protect us at this time, as the Coronavirus threatens health and life. You are an ever-present, helper in time of trouble. Watch over those who are suffering, give strength to those who are aiding the Sick and give courage to all in this time of anxiety. We ask this of you in the name of your Son Jesus Christ. **AMEN.**



Mass at St Teresa can be viewed live through the webcam:
<http://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-teresas-penwortham>
Or by scanning the QR code left.

If the picture 'freezes' then please refresh the screen to resume watching.