

# Parish Newsletter

Sunday, 25 June 2017

Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Day/Date	Time	Feast	Intention
Sat, 24 Jun	9.30am		Fr John's Intentions
	6.00pm	Vigil	Holy Souls
Sun, 25 Jun	9.30am*	12th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Joanne Porter
	11.00am		The Parishioners
Mon, 26 Jun	9.30am		Theresa Faulkner
Tue, 27 Jun	9.30am	St Cyril of Alexandria	Leonard Porter
Wed, 28 Jun	9.30am*		Roy Clarke
	7.00pm	Vigil of Sts Peter and Paul	
Thur, 29 Jun	9.30am	Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles	Holy Souls
	12.45pm	Requiem Mass: Maureen Gorman	
Fri, 30 Jun	9.30am		Holy Souls
Sat, 1 Jul	12.15pm	Mass of Ordination to the Priesthood at Lancaster: Daniel Etienne	
	6.00pm	Vigil	Holy Souls
Sun, 2 Jul	9.30am*	13th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Joanne Porter
	11.00am		The Parishioners

\* Denotes Services at St Martin de Porres, Carleton

## Please Note

St Peter and St Paul (Thursday) is a Holy Day of Obligation. All those who can should attend Mass. There will be a retiring collection for "Peter's Pence".

No Confessions or Exposition on Saturday, 1 July due to Ordination Mass at Lancaster

Confessions at St John's every Saturday 10.00-11.00am; 5.15-5.45pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: every Saturday 10.00-11.00am at St John's

## Please Pray For

Megan (aged 10), Louis Crowson, Christopher Brown, Pauline Cafferty, Laura Patey, John Ireland, Kate Lingard, Antonio Palmer, Joanne Porter, Mary Robertson, John Vincent and all the sick.

## Lately Dead

Maureen Gorman. *Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord; she they rest in peace.*

## Anniversaries About This Time

David Culshaw, Allan Hargreaves.



Do Not Be Afraid  
Matthew 10: 26-33

## St John The Evangelist

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## St Martin de Porres

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**A warm welcome to all parishioners and visitors to our Mass today and throughout the week**

**Twelfth Sunday of the Year**

The phrase “Do not be afraid” occurs 365 times in the Bible. It was also the clarion call of St Pope John Paul II. Today’s Gospel addresses a certain kind of fear - the fear of witness or testimony. The twenty-one Coptic Christians killed in Libya in 2015 were invited to renounce their faith but they refused and were beheaded. Men and women around the world suffer persecution, fear and intimidation because of their faith. Every believer is called to give testimony for Christ. Not many of us will be called upon to be martyrs, but we are all called to proclaim the name of Jesus. We are simply men and women who are always prepared respectfully and with love in our hearts to share the reason for our love and joy.

**Pope Francis’ Prayer Intention For June**

*Eliminate the Arms Trade* - that national leaders may firmly commit themselves to ending the arms trade, which victimises so many innocent people.

**First Holy Communion 2017**

We celebrate with thirteen of our children who are making their First Holy Communion on Saturday, 24 June. Please keep them, their families and all who have supported them through their journey in your prayers: Gracie Williamson, Bethany Sumner, George Walker, Seren Morris, Samuel Mati, Daniel Gray, Nancy Walker, Scarlett McCann, Louisa Goddard, Rayan Al Badawi, Imogen Tipler, Cole Redman, Patrick Casey. Please also keep in your prayers Annie Rose Thomas who has been preparing with us but will be making her First Holy Communion in India.

**This Week** we pray for people living in Oldfield Carr Lane/Coppins Green, Oldfield Close and Oldfield Crescent.

**Luncheon Club Trip: Monday, 3 July**

For those people going on the trip, the pick-up times are as follows:

■ St Martin’s & St Hilda’s, Carleton: 9.45am

■ St John’s, Poulton: 10.00am  
Please be there on time. We hope to be blessed with good weather!

**Catholic Newspapers** If you want a Catholic newspaper please speak to Fr Walsh and order your copy.

**SVP Society** If anyone requires regular transport to the 6.00pm Vigil Mass, please contact Neville Booth on Tel: 884325 and this can be arranged.

**The Food Bank Box** Please keep up your donations to the Food Bank - they are much appreciated. Donations of warm clothing and blankets would also be appreciated. The container in the porch is there to receive your items. These will be distributed to families in the Fleetwood area who lack the bare necessities of life.

**Tea and Coffee** is served every Sunday after the 11.00am Mass at St John’s and after the 9.30am Mass at St Martin’s every second Sunday of the month.



**St Martin’s & St Hilda’s**

The Ecumenical Choir (St John’s, St Chad’s, St Martin’s, St Hilda’s & St Anne’s) is meeting again on Friday evenings at St Martin’s & St Hilda’s Church from 7.00pm to prepare for a summer event. Please join us – it’s great fun!

**Requiem Mass** for Maureen Gorman will be held at St Martin’s & St Hilda’s on Thursday, 29 June 2017 at 12.45pm. All are welcome to attend.

**Marriage Care: Volunteers Needed**

Are you a good listener, or good with words? Marriage care needs YOU. We are passionate about supporting healthy enduring relationships & are looking for:

■ Volunteer Relationship Counsellors (Full training & Support will be given)

■ People willing to work “behind the scenes” to support the service

Please remember, small amounts of time can produce big results.

Marriage Care is a National Organisation with a local office based in Blackpool covering the Blackpool, Fylde & Wyre areas. For more information, contact: [www.marriagecare.org.uk/volunteers](http://www.marriagecare.org.uk/volunteers) or email [volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk](mailto:volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk)

**Parish Review Notes – St John’s & St Martin’s**

At the recent gathering on Sunday, 28 May some 25-30 groups were identified and had produced a small poster outlining the aims and details of each group. These are now being processed for display at a later date. Many thanks to all who have contributed to this effort. If your group has not been included so far, there is still time to produce a few lines about your group and it can be included in the next stage of the process. The faith-sharing group will let you know what the next stage will be once this preliminary stage is complete. So, watch this space!

**Ordination To The Priesthood**

Deacon Daniel Etienne will be ordained priest for the Lancaster Diocese on Saturday, 1 July at 12.15pm at St Peter’s Cathedral, Lancaster. All are invited to share in this special event for our diocese. Many congratulations to Daniel on his Ordination and give thanks to God that Daniel has answered His call.

**St Peter And St Paul**

We celebrate their feast day this week. They bore powerful witness to lives transformed by the grace of revelation. Peter’s declaration that Jesus was the Christ, the Son of the Living God, was not just an incredible moment in his life, but also an incredible moment for humankind. Human reasoning alone is unable to grasp that in Jesus of Nazareth, God became man. Paul was also the recipient of the grace of revelation on the road to Damascus. The Catholic Church is founded on the rock of Peter and the pillar of Paul. Just as these two “giants” of the faith received the grace of revelation, we too can be expectant that God will give us - through the Holy Spirit - insight in ever greater measure into the mystery of Christ.