

Day/Date	Time	Feast	Intention
Sat, 23 Sept	9.30am		Fr Peter's Intention
	6.00pm	Vigil	Private Intention
Sun, 24 Sept	9.30am*	25th Sunday of Ordinary Time	People of The Parish
	11.00am		Graham McPhee
Mon, 25 Sept	9.30am		Morning Prayer & Liturgy of The Word
Tue, 26 Sept	9.30am		Sami Haapanem
Wed, 27 Sept	9.30am*	St Vincent de Paul	Angela Rogers
Thur, 28 Sept	9.30am	Saint Wenceslaus (Waclaw), Martyr	May Christ <i>We welcome Year 5 today</i>
Fri, 29 Sept	9.30am	Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael	Patrick Monaghan
Sat, 30 Sept	9.30am	St Jerome	Maria & Jerry's Family
	6.00pm	Vigil	People of The Parish
Sun, 1 Oct	9.30am*	26th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Sinan Gural
	11.00am		People of The Parish

\* Denotes Services at St Martin de Porres, Carleton

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, John Ireland, Kate Lingard, Antonio Palmer, Laura Patey, Joanne Porter, Mary Robertson, Chris Taylor, Fr Joseph Maley, John Vincent... and all the sick.

#### Anniversaries About This Time

Mary Elizabeth Grime, Francis Gerard Nelson, May Christ, Patrick Monaghan

#### Lately Dead

Fr Michael Kirkham (details of funeral to be announced). *Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord; may he rest in peace.*

# Parish Newsletter

Sunday, 24 September 2017  
25th Sunday of Ordinary Time  
Year A



The Parable of the Workers  
in the Vineyard  
Matthew 20: 1-16

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

### Prayer For A New Bishop

*Almighty God,  
Eternal shepherd and guide.  
In your love for us,  
grant to the Catholic Diocese of Lancaster  
a shepherd who will lead us to be Christ's heart  
of mercy,  
voice of hope, and hands of justice.  
Help him to fill our minds and hearts  
with the truth of the Gospel,  
the power of the sacraments,  
and the desire to build up your holy Church.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*

### Church Mass Count

In October each year the Church counts how many people are at Sunday Mass. I'm not sure who counts and how in our Parish, but could I ask those involved to be especially vigilant during October and ensure the details are available in the Presbytery. With thanks. Fr Peter.

### Work In St John's Church

I had confirmation that the work on the damp areas of the church will take place over the weeks beginning Monday, 23 October and 30 October. If all goes well this will mean only one Sunday will be affected(!?). We will need to gather a team to help us celebrate Sunday Mass in the Parish Centre. More details later.

### Pope Francis' Prayer Intention For September

*Evangelisation - parishes at the service of mission:* that our parishes may be animated by a missionary spirit and may be places where faith is communicated and charity seen.

**This Week** we pray for people living in St Martin's Close, Stafford Ave, Stanley Ave, Station Rd, Stocks Court & Taylor's Close.

**St Mary's, Fleetwood** 150th Anniversary Evening of Light & Popular Music. The Fylde Concert Orchestra. Friday, 29 September from 7.30pm. Tickets £5 or pay at door. (Bill Wright: 01253 779301. All Welcome.

**Diocesan Education Mass** If you are involved in any sort of education (Schools, youth work, adult, catechesis, etc) this Mass dedicates our endeavours to God. Friday, 6 October at 7.00pm at the Cathedral, Lancaster.

### Poulton And Carleton Churches Together – Celebrating 25 Years

You are invited to a special service of celebration for 25 years of Churches Together, to be held at Poulton Methodist Church on Wednesday, 11 October at 7.30pm. Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the service. Everyone welcome.

**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.



**SVP Foodbank** Please continue to donate dried or tinned foods to the foodbank. They are much appreciated by those who struggle to cope with the necessities of life. Clothing and blankets can also be donated. Many thanks.

**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.

**Hospital Chaplaincy Mass** There is a new time of 4.00pm on a Monday afternoon in the Chaple at Blackpool Victoria Hospital. Fr John-Paul is the celebrant. All are welcome.

**Parish Email Address** Just a reminder for you use saintjohnpoulton@gmail.com from now – and I am sorry if some of you have sent me stuff through the previous address as I have not been able to receive it. Thanks for this. Fr Peter.

**Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'connor** There are some very nice memorial cards available at the back of church. Please take some for yourself and those who may appreciate one.

**Items For The Newsletter** Please contact Elaine Brownwood on 01253 886219 (evenings 6.00 - 9.00pm) or email them to elainebrownwood@hotmail.com by 9.00pm Wednesday evening. Thank you.

**THE LORD IS  
CLOSE TO ALL  
WHO CALL**

Psalm 144

### Coffee For Macmillan Cancer Support

On Sunday, 1 October after 11.00am Mass at St. John's we will be raising funds for Macmillan Cancer Support and will be providing not only tea and coffee but cakes and a raffle as well. So please come down, enjoy the food, try and win a prize, chat with your friends, make new ones and support Macmillan. You will be made most welcome.  
If you can provide a raffle prize or bake a cake please contact Anne on 890763.

### CAFOD Harvest Fast Day: Friday, 6 October

On this years Harvest Fast Day (a week next Friday) CAFOD will be standing with, among others, Edelmira, a farmer in El Salvador, as she seeks to maintain her family, with good crops and harvests. With your help CAFOD will give her fruit trees, training and strong seeds. Please take an envelope at Mass next weekend (they will be given out with the bulletins) and give as generously as you can to assist CAFOD in supporting Edelmira - and the millions of others of our brothers and sisters living in poverty throughout the world.

### Feasts Of Epiphany & Ascension

Our Bishops have decided to move the dates of two feasts of the Lord back to where they were in our country (Unless on Saturday or Monday when they will be transferred to Sunday). The next celebration of the Epiphany will be Sunday, 7 January and The Ascension on Thursday, 10 May.

### Preparation For First Forgiveness and First Holy Communion

If you have a child in Year 3 or above and you think they are mature enough to prepare to celebrate these sacraments over the year please speak to them about this as we will be asking for details of those families interested soon.