

THE PARISH OF ST JOHN XXIII, PRESTON

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TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [B]

12th/13th October 2024



THIS WEEK'S MASSES & SERVICES:

Sunday 13th October

Twenty-Eighth Sunday of the Year [B]

6.00pm [Sat] [EM] – War Dead

11.15am [SJ] Mass – Wilfrid Noblett

4.00pm [SJ] Rosary & Benediction

For St Joseph district

5.00pm [SJ] Mass – Kevin Campbell

Monday 14th October *St Callistus I*

6.30pm [EM] Mass – Baby Loss

Tuesday 15th October *St Teresa of Avila*

6.30pm [SJ] Mass – Christina Skerritt

Wednesday 16th October *St Margaret Mary*

9.30am [EM] Mass – Kevin Campbell

Thursday 17th October *St Ignatius of Antioch*

6.30pm [SJ] Mass – St Augustine Foundation 3

Friday 18th October *St Luke*

6.30pm [SJ] Mass – Canon Eugene Dolan

Saturday 19th October *BVM*

9.30am [SJ] Mass – Leela & Natalie

Sunday 20th October

Twenty-Ninth Sunday of the Year [B]

6.00pm [Sat] [EM] – Kevin Campbell

11.15am [SJ] Mass – Brian Hughes

4.00pm [SJ] Rosary & Benediction

For St Teresa district

5.00pm [SJ] Mass – Kevin Campbell

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION:

St Joseph's: Fri: 6 - 6.20pm Sat 10 - 10.30am

Sunday: 4.30 - 4.50pm

English Martyrs: Saturday: 5.30 - 5.50pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

St Joseph's: Thurs & Fri: 6 - 6.20pm

Saturday: 10 - 10.30am

English Martyrs: Mon: 6 - 6.20pm Wed: 9 - 9.20am

OUR PRAYERS

We pray for all our sick and housebound parishioners. We also pray for all the lately dead especially: Marie Redmond and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time: Michael Burke, Christina Skerritt, Eddie Curzon, Derek Gregory, Joseph Burrows, Michael Murphy, and Gabriel Fisher.

APF MISSION BOXES

If you have a *Missio*/Red Mission Box at home, please do bring them to Church to be emptied and counted. If you would like a Box in your home, speak to the priests who can put you in contact with the *Missio* secretary.

BABY LOSS MEMORIAL [9th - 15th October]

We remember those children lost in the womb and in infancy. We pray for their grieving parents also. Perhaps remember your own, or others' lost children and their families when lighting a candle at Our Lady's Altar or visiting St Gerard Majella's shrines [in both our churches], patron of the pro-life movement, unborn children, and expectant mothers. A Mass of the Angels will be offered to remember these children in the parish on Monday 14th October.

ASSISTED SUICIDE

This coming Wednesday, 16th October, the House of Commons will hear the first reading of a new bill on assisted suicide tabled by Labour MP Kim Leadbeater. This is an attempt to legalise assisted suicide, a direct challenge to our Catholic Faith and our God-given gift of life. Catholics are strongly encouraged to contact your MP to voice your opposition. Please read Cardinal Vincent Nichols' Pastoral Letter, found at the back of our churches or at www.cbcew.org.uk/cardinal-calls-on-catholics-to-take-action-to-oppose-assisted-suicide/ and visit www.righttolife.org.uk/ASthreat Pray for our country at this time and those who govern us. Pray for those whose voices will be lost and those voices which we might never hear.

'SOUL LIGHTS'

One November custom is to have a candle lit for deceased loved one on All Souls and for this candle to be kept burning for the next five days following. These 'Soul Lights' can be purchased from St Joseph's Holy Shop for £2.50 each and will be light at St Joseph's Altar.

FIRST CONFESSION & HOLY COMMUNION

Enquiry forms remain at the back of both churches for those concerned [8yrs of age+] to be completed and returned to the parish office by **Sunday 17th November 2024**.

An initial information session for parents will be held before weekend Masses on Saturday 2nd November and Sunday 3rd November.

N.B: Fr Etienne is delighted that catechists from last year are willing to accompany our children on this sacramental journey. New additional catechists would be very welcome, please do speak with Fr Etienne.

DIOCESAN CENTENARY BALL

Friday 3rd January 2025, at 6.00pm, at The Villa at Levens [near Kendal]. Book your tickets at lancastercentenaryball.com or speak with our priests.