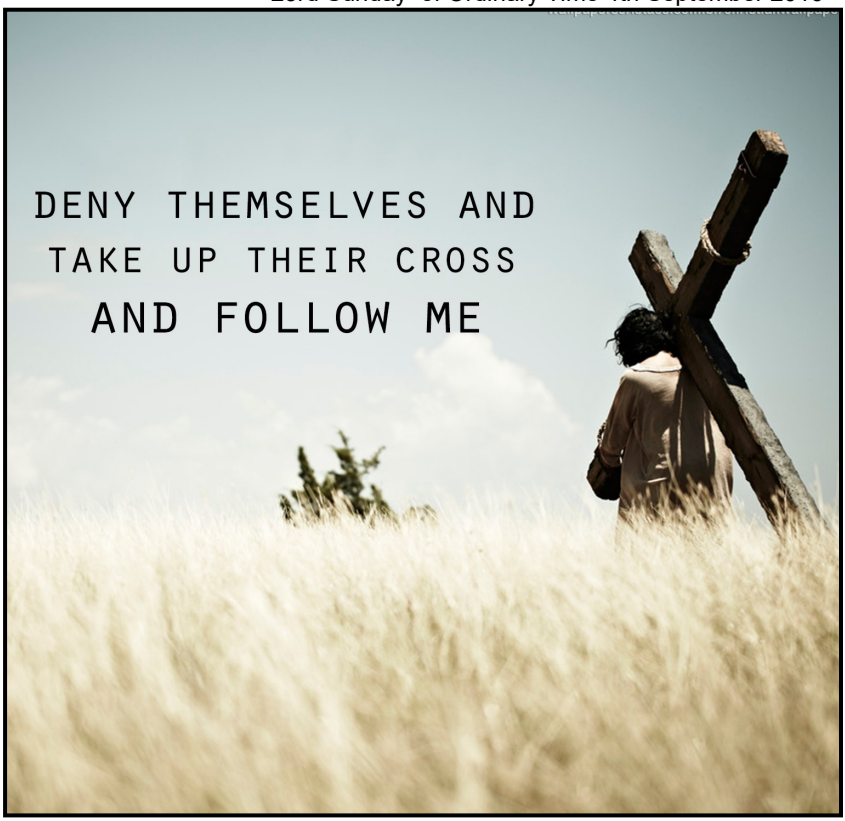
Our Parishes Newsletter

23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time 4th September 2016



This Week's Readings

First Reading	Wisdom 9:13-18
Psalm	89:3-6.12-14.R.v1
Second Reading	Philemon 1:9-10.12-17
Gospel	Luke 14:25-33

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NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading
Exodos 32:7-11,13,14

Psalm
50:3-4.12-13,17,19

Second Reading
Timothy 1:12-17

Gospel
Luke 15:1-32

REFLECTION

It is quite obvious from the over-all context of St Luke's Gospel, that Jesus could not mean us literally to hate our parents, brothers, and sisters. What Jesus is really saying is that we are bound to love our close family members - but not only them. Family members are obviously included, but so are others. If we try to walk on the way with Jesus, without being aware of what is involved, we will miss the joy and happiness of a totally fulfilled life that Jesus is holding out to us.

As true followers of Jesus, we enter a new family, where we recognise every person as a brother or sister. There are times when the needs of others precede family concerns. At the same time, "Charity begins at home"- but charity does not end at home, it is constantly reaching out to others. If we try to walk on the Way with Jesus, without being aware of what is involved, we will miss the joy and happiness of a totally fulfilled life that Jesus, despite the apparently negative language of today's Gospel, is holding out to us.

PSALM

O Lord, you have been our refuge
from one generation to the next

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

I call you friends, says the Lord
Because I have made known to you
Everything I have learnt from my Father
Alleluia

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Like the deer that yearns for running streams,
So my soul is yearning for you, my God;
My soul is thirsting for God, the living God

ALL PARISHES

Shawshank Redemption Trip

Just to remind all those who signed up for Shawshank Redemption theatre trip. It takes place on Monday 5th September. The coach will be leaving All Saints at 6.30pm to take us to The Lowry Theatre. The play starts at 7.30pm. Tickets will be given out on the evening.

R.C.I.A

Are you interested in understanding more about the Catholic faith or maybe becoming a Catholic?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a programme designed to provide guidance for those interested in learning more about the Catholic faith.

OurParishes.church RCIA group will be beginning again in September 2016.

We have a wide range of volunteers taking part in the programme together with Father Ned, Deacon John and Deacon Anthony.

The volunteers are many and varied. They include people who have been Catholic from birth and those who have previously undertaken the RCIA programme themselves.

We invite you to explore this opportunity by coming to our RCIA sessions on Wednesday evenings beginning in September. If you have any questions or would like further information, contact us anytime directly on 0161 962 4444 or via the contact form below and someone will get back to you to address any questions you may have.

We look forward to welcoming you.

If you are a parishioner who knows someone who might be interested in learning more about the Catholic faith be sure to let them know about the programme.

Parish Councils

Our Lady of Lourdes	6th September (New Date)
All Saints	7th September
St Margaret Ward	8th September

All taking place after evening Masses, please ensure you put these dates in your diaries.

Monday Club

This week we have a Talk given by our local professional Photographer Ian Robinson who operates out of Ashton Village.

We will also be taking bookings for our Trip on 3rd October to York

Macmillan Coffee Morning - We Need Your Help

On Sunday 18th September there will be Coffee Morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support 10.30am after Mass. There will be the usual Tea, Coffee and Cakes, plus a small Chocolate and Wine Tombola to raise extra funds. We really need parishioners to come forward to bake cakes or donate Chocolates/Wine please see Joyce, Margaret and Lilian.

S.V.P. Awareness Month – September 2016

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (S.V.P) is a Society of Lay Catholics who seek to offer practical and material help to those in need, both locally in our communities and other countries.

The theme of the Month this year is 'Who Cares?' showing how the S.V.P extends the hand of friendship to those in need within our communities, and the aim of the month is to promote and raise awareness of the S.V.P. especially in this Year of Mercy.

To help us to continue with our work there will be a second Collection on the weekend of 25th September in our three parishes.

St. Vincent de Paul Feast Day

A Mass will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes on Tuesday the 27th September at 7.30 pm to celebrate the Feast Day of St. Vincent de Paul who is the patron Saint of the S.V.P. Society. Everyone is very welcome from all parishes and light refreshments will be available after Mass.

Mandela Trilogy

For all those who have put their name forward for the Mandela Trilogy at the Lowry theatre, this takes place on Friday 23rd Sept at 7.30

This is just a reminder about this theatre trip which is getting closer.

There is an option to meet at the Harvester for dinner at 6pm.

Please contact Fran Moley at (fmmoley@aol.com) to book for the meal or to arrange to pick up your tickets if you are coming separately.

Eucharistic Ministers

We are holding a practical training session for Eucharistic Ministers, it will be informative and interesting, please do try and make it, it is only for one hour. from all parishes on 17 September 2016 (11am to noon) at All Saints.

If you have any questions regarding Eucharistic Ministry please send them in prior to the session via ourparishes.church, email parishes3@yahoo.com to the office or write them down and give them to Father Ned.

We look forward to seeing you all on the day.

All Saints

Church Cleaning - All Saints

A great big THANK YOU to Win and Rose who are retiring after a lifetime of church cleaning....they will be greatly missed!!!!

If you would like to come and join our team for just an hour every fortnight you will be most welcome.

Our next clean is Saturday 10th September at 9a.m. if you're free to come along

Barbara (07990 728 854)

All Saints Bidding Prayers - September 2016

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to contribute bidding prayers for the autumn. Here is a reminder to all of you who signed up for September.

4th Debbie Smalley

11th Mary Williams

18th Bill and Maura Bowdren

25th Grainne Patterson

Please submit your contribution by the Friday before the Sunday either directly to the parish office or via email at parishes3@yahoo.com. A full list of all contributors through to the end of November 2016 can be found on the noticeboard at the back of church and on the three parishes website. Visit http://ourparishes.church and click on church rotas in the drop down menu at the resources tab.

St Margaret Ward

Important Parish Council Meeting

St Margaret Ward - 8th September

All taking place after evening Mass, please ensure you put this date in your diaries.

Our Lady of Lourdes

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Our Lady of Lourdes - 6th September (New Date)

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Other News

Catenians

At the start of a new school academic year, Brooklands Catenians would like to take this opportunity to wish everybody either starting school for the first time or returning after the Summer holidays, a successful and enjoyable year ahead.

Brooklands Catenians continue to work closely with our Catholic youngsters from organising the annual Primary schools cross country competition to the Sixth formers public speaking contest. In addition to this, Catenians also awards bursary grants enabling our youngsters to involve themselves in projects for the benefit of the community at home or abroad. Catenians is all about Friendship, Faith, Family & Fun and if you would like to find out more about us then please see the leaflets on the Church notice boards or contact Graham & Sue Perkins by email: graham.perkins2@ntlworld.com or via the website OurParishes.church and follow the link under “Our community”.

Go on give us a go, we are a friendly bunch…..honest.

Parish Prayers

St Margaret Ward Parish Prayer

Father, pour out your Spirit
Upon our community
And grant us a new
Vision of Your glory,
A new experience
Of Your power,
A new faithfulness to
Your Word, a new consecration to
Your service,
That Your love may grow
Among us and Your kingdom come,
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen

Our Lady of Lourdes

God of all life, joy and love
As we journey in faith together
Open our understanding
To the many signs
of your life at work among us
And may we proclaim that life
In our lives be renewed in
Joy, hope and love.
This we ask through Jesus Christ
Who is one with You and the Holy Spirit
Now and for all time
Amen

All Saints' Parish Prayer

Almighty God,
We pray for your blessing
on our community
and those in need,
on all who share in the
life and work of
our Parish and Church,
in the ministry of word
and sacrament,
in sharing our faith and
pastoral care.
We pray for all members
of our congregation
that in their life
and work they may advance
your kingdom and bear
witness to your love.
Amen

		St. Margaret Ward		All Saints		Our Lady of Lourdes
23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time						
Sat 3rd	5.30pm	Pat O'Connor				
Sun 4th			9.30am	Mary Keane Thanksgiving	11.00am	Chris Downes
Sun 4th			5.00pm	Kathleen and John Smith		
Mon 5th	9.15am	Eucharistic Service	9.15am	Eucharistic Service		No Service
Tues 6th	9.15 am	Eucharistic Service		No Service	7:30pm	Stephen Glynn
Wed 7th	9.15.am	Eucharistic Service	7.30pm	Thanksgiving SVP	12.15pm	Eucharistic Service
Thurs 8th	7.30pm	John and Kathleen Maree		No Service		No Service
Fri 9th	9.15am	Eucharistic Service	9.15am	Linda Clayton and Family	12.00pm	James Bridgeman Funeral Service
24th Sunday of Ordinary Time						
Sat 10th	5.30pm	George and Kay Fitzsimmons				
Sun 11th			9.30am	Jean May Hollywood	11.00 am	Kim Bridgeman
Sun 11th			5.00pm	Kevin Glynn		