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(with St Joseph's, Hurst Green)

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THE NEWSLETTER

25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule Evangelli Gaudium Sunday

Date		Time		Mass Intentions	Feast
Sa	20 <sup>th</sup>	5.30pm	St P's	Robert Moran L	The vigil of the 25 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of OT
Su	21 <sup>st</sup>	9.30am	St J's	For the Parish	The 25 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of OT (Year C)
		11.00am	St P's	For the Stonyhurst Community	
Мо	22 <sup>nd</sup>	No Mass			Weekday in ordinary time (Week 25)
Tu	23 <sup>rd</sup>	8.00am	St P's	Our Confirmation Candidates	St Pius of Pietrecina (Padre Pio) P
Wed	24 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am	St P's	Priest's Intention	Our Lady of Walsingham
Th	25 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	SMH	For the School	Weekday in ordinary Time
Fr	26 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am	St P's	Priest's Intention	Weekday in ordinary time

(Each Saturday during term time there are confessions and a Holy Hour from 4.30pm with Benediction at 5.15pm)

L = Lately Dead, A = Anniversary of Death, R = Remembrance

M = Martyr, V = Virgin, B = Bishop, Pp = Pope D = Doctor, P = Priest, R = Religious

P = Personal Intention, S = Sick, B = Birthday F = Founders Mass

Please pray for the following, the anniversary of whose deaths occur at this time: John Embley, Ambrose Houghton, Richard Cross, Denis Green, John (Charlie) Holden, Peter Anwyl, Dorothy Holden, John Berchmans Blake, Philippa (Pippa) Taylor. May they rest in the peace of the Lord.

Praying with the Pope in September 2025 For our relationship with all of creation

Let us pray that, inspired by St Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

Look at <u>www.ThePopeVideo.org</u> for more information

#### Readings at Mass

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	25 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of OT (Year C)	26th Sunday of OT (Year C)			
First	Amos 8; 4 – 7	Amos 6; 1a,4 – 7			
Second	I Tim 2; 1 – 8	I Tim 6; 11 – 16			
Gospel	Luke 16; 1 - 13	Luke 16; 19 - 31			

# **Diocesan Website:**

http://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk

for information on our Diocese and what is happening.



One hundred measures of wheat...
...here, take your bond and write 80

#### Today

Is the 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time and is *Evangelli Gaudium Sunday* (see opposite). In the gospel Jesus tells the parable of the master who praised a steward, even though he had been dishonest.

#### **Home Mission Sunday**

Today is Home Mission Sunday, so there will be a second collection for the Home Missions. Spreading the word of God in this country.

#### OS 1985

Those Stonyhurst students who left in 1985 are gathering this weekend for their 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. They will join us for the 11am Mass.

#### **Annual Mass Count**

Today, and for the next three weeks, we have to count how many people come to Mass. This becomes part of the worldwide statistics of the Catholic Church.

#### **Season of Creation**

Continues until 4<sup>th</sup> October. During this time we are invited to reflect on our care of the world around us.

#### **Parish Confirmations**

Confirmations for candidates from the Ribble Valley churches (Clitheroe, Whalley and Stonyhurst) will be on Tuesday at 7pm at St Mary's, Langho. We have a number from our parish. Congratulations to them as they make this important step in their journey of faith. Parishioners are welcome to attend.

#### **Coffee Stop Special**

This Thursday there is a *Coffee Stop Special* in aid of Macmillan Nurses. It takes place in the Memorial Hall from 1pm to 3.30pm. Please support this event. If you can't attend, it is possible to make a donation online.

#### **Next Sunday**

Is the 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time. In the gospel we hear the parable of the rich man and Lazarus. Next Sunday is also Harvest Sunday where we give thanks to God for the produce of the land.

#### Wedding blessings

Please pray for Jack Gallagher and Tasha Dodd who will be celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage in our church this week.

## Mary Bailey memorial

Half of the retiring collection at Mary Bailey's funeral is to go to St Joseph's Chapel. This has now been received. Fr Tim would be grateful for suggestions as to how this money should be spent. The Parish Council will have the final say!

# **Painting the Cemetery railings**

Niall Macfarlane has been repainting the Cemetery railings. Alas, the weather has not been good and the days are getting shorter. If anyone would like to help him, he would be happy to supply all that is needed. His contact details are at the top of the newsletter.

#### Parishes meeting

All of the Jesuit parishes in the UK will have a residential conference from  $12^{th}-14^{th}$  November. To prepare for this there is a meeting here at Stonyhurst on Saturday  $4^{th}$  October. We will be joined by the parishioners from St Wilfrid's in Preston. The meeting will be facilitated by Danny Curtin. Please keep these dates free. If you would like to attend these meetings, please let Fr Tim know and he will send some preparatory information.

# Evangelii Gaudium Sunday (Home Mission Sunday)

Evangelli Gaudium means "proclaim the gospel with joy".

Today's celebration calls us to be joyous in proclaiming our faith. It is a Sunday more commonly known as Home Mission Sunday, a day for us as the Catholic community in England and Wales to celebrate the beauty of our faith, and our shared commitment to witness to the fullness of life in Christ.

The second collection on this weekend is to support the work carried out by the Bishops' Conference Mission Directorate. Through this directorate, we support our Church in a wide field of service and mission here in England and Wales. Please hold this important work in your prayers.