



*The readings this week are all about allowing God's love to guide every aspect of our lives. By turning to God for guidance, he will always keep us on the right path.*

### ***True discipleship***

*Jesus is asking that we put him and our relationships with him in the first place and then all other relationships or responsibilities will fall in place.*

The **First Reading** shows the gulf between God's ways and the ways of the world. We are reminded of the importance of staying connected to God's will and wisdom, and encouraged that this will be revealed to us through the Holy Spirit.

In the **Gospel**, Jesus highlights to his followers that the path of the Lord is not without suffering or sacrifice. It requires patience, courage, and an ability to put God's love above all things.

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**Church is open daily from 8am until 6pm for private prayer.**

**MASSES THIS WEEK – Mass book – Sunday page 133.**

**Office Psalter Week: 3 Sundays: Year C: Weekdays Year 1.**

Sunday morning Mass is livestreamed and will be available for viewing later on our parish YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/StClaresChurch>

Date	Time	Occasion	Intention/Details	
Saturday	6pm (Vigil)	<b>TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	People of the Parish	
	7:15(Vigil)		<i>NeoCatechumenal Way</i>	
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9:30am		Roy Rawlinson RIP	
	6pm		Deceased members of the Wilson Family	
Monday	9.15am		<b>NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b>	Gerard Waddingham RIP
	RPH 5.30pm			Hospital patients & staff
Tuesday	7pm		Neil Byrne RIP	
Wednesday	9.15am		Camilla Devanny RIP	
Thursday	9.15am		Deceased Family Members	
Friday	12noon		Irene & Eddy Moody RIP	
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10am	<b>St. John Chrysostom</b>	Wilfred Skingsley RIP	
	6pm (Vigil)	<b>THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS</b>	Kathleen & Edward Swarbrick RIP	
	7:15pm (Vigil)		<i>NeoCatechumenal Way</i>	
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9:30am		People of the Parish	
	6pm		Alan & Teresa Little RIP	

**ROSARY:** Is prayed after the 9:15am Mass, and before the 12noon Mass on Fridays.

**SPECIAL ROSARY SERVICE:** To celebrate the feast of **Our Lady of Sorrows** at St. Mary's, Fernyhalgh on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Michael O'Callaghan, Eileen Woodhead, Brian Sidwell, John Dean, Gerard Christian, Laureen May, John Patten, Teresa Lingard, Jane Martin, Anne Shaw, Rosemary Over.

**PLEASE PRAY:** For all who have died, especially Irene Walmsley who died recently, and for those whose anniversaries are about this time, and for the sick and housebound of our parish.

**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER:** 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.



## THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Registration for the Sacrament of Confirmation for Year 6 children this

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September** in the

**Parish Hall at 7:45pm**

Please bring a copy of your child's **Baptismal Certificate** to the meeting.

**ST. CLARE'S SCHOOL:** Welcome back to the pupils, teachers and staff after their summer break. Please keep them all in your prayers as they begin their new academic year.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION:** Next Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> /14<sup>th</sup> for Catholic Education Services.

**DIOCESAN ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO LADYEWELL:** Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September. Begins with Mass at 11am followed by a Eucharist procession to the Well for Benediction followed by tea and coffee.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** Envelopes for Mass offerings are in the Narthex. Please add your request and contact details and give to Fr. John Mark or post through the Presbytery door.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** If you have a child who requires the Sacrament of Baptism, please speak to Fr. John Mark or contact the parish office.

**FOOD BANK:** Next collection 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> September. The Salvation Army have updated the "Items Needed" list – tins of potatoes and fruit, soup, jam, tea and coffee, packets of noodles, toothbrushes and bars of soap.

**ACN PROJECT FOR THE CHURCH IN NIGERIA:** Please help by praying the Rosary, there is also a prayer card provided by ACN in the Narthex, together with an information sheet giving more details about this initiative.

**THE MARTYR SAINTS OF THE NORTH WEST:** 12<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> September at Stonyhurst. This will be a weekend studying some of the Reformation-era martyrs of the North-West region of England. Part-retreat, part-biographical, the weekend will be led by Mgr. John Allen of Salford Diocese. For more information and to book go to <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/the-martyr-saints-of-the-north-west>

**FAIRTRADE LANCASHIRE:** AGM on Monday 22nd September at 7pm at Fulwood Methodist Church, followed by guest speakers from Papital Gallery, a Fairtrade jewellery supplier from Iran. Fairtrade refreshments. All Welcome.

**FARMERS MARKET:** Saturday 27th September from 9.30am-1pm at Fulwood Methodist Church. See the poster in the Narthex for more information.

**LAST WEEK:** At Mass 30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup> August 438 (73/170/130/NCW 65).

Collections - Last weekend: £556.20. Catholic Trust for England & Wales £331.45.

Collections via bank and card payment terminal in August £2386. Thank you for your generosity.

**Events this week** (occasional/one-off events in bold type)

Day	Time	What?	Where?
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	10:30am	After Mass Tea /Coffee	Parish Hall
	<del>6:45pm</del>	<del>Anointed and Sent groups (Age 11-18)</del>	Parish Hall
Monday	8-8:45am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
	6pm	Cubs	Parish Hall
	8pm	Scouts	Parish Hall
Tuesday	5:30- 6:30pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
	<del>6pm</del>	<del>Seekers (age 8-11)</del>	<del>Parish Hall</del>
	<b>7:45pm</b>	<b>Confirmation enrolment</b>	<b>Parish Hall</b>
	7.45pm	NCW Liturgy of the Word	Side Chapel
Wednesday	8-8:45am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
	9:45am	Parish Coffee morning	Parish Hall
	7.30pm	NCW Liturgy of the Word	Side Chapel
Thursday	8-8:45am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
	6.15pm	Beavers	Parish Hall
	7pm	NCW Liturgy of the Word	Side Chapel
Friday	8-8:45am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
	7pm	Lectio Divina	Side Chapel
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	10.30- 11.30am	Sacrament of Reconciliation with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church

**SAVE THE DATE: Family Bingo Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm.** Tickets on sale soon. Volunteers are needed to support us at this event. Please let the Parish Office know if you can help.

**CASTLERIGG OPEN DAY:** On Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September. Go and see Castlerigg, meet the Team, try some of the activities, and enjoy Mass with Bishop Paul. Doors open at midday and Mass is at 2pm.

### JUBILEE 2025

As **Pilgrims of Hope** in this Jubilee year, we are reminded that God is full of mercy and compassion. May this week's readings inspire and encourage us to take responsibility for understanding, upholding and sharing our Christian mission.