

## **SACRED HEART CHURCH NEWSLETTER**

**Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B), 7<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

### **MASS TIMES THIS WEEK :**

<b>Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> October :</b>	<b>12 noon</b>
<b>Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> October : Blessed John Henry Newman</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> October : St Paulinus of York</b>	<b>12 noon</b>
<b>Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> October :</b>	<b>12 noon</b>
<b>Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> October : (Exposition from 11 a.m.)</b>	<b>12 noon</b>
<b>Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> October : St Edward the Confessor</b>	<b>12 noon &amp; 6.15 p.m. (Vigil)</b>
<b>Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> October :</b>	<b>10.30 a.m.</b>

### **FEASTS OF THE WEEK:**

**Blessed John Henry Newman (Tuesday) :** Beatified by Pope Benedict in Birmingham in 2010, he was born in London in 1801. Educated at Oxford, John Henry Newman was the most notable Catholic convert of the age (1845). He became a member of the Congregation of St Philip Neri (priests known now as the Oratorians) and lived at the Birmingham Oratory, where he continued his ministry as pastor, writer and educationalist. He was appointed Cardinal by Pope Leo XIII in 1879.

**St Paulinus of York (Wednesday) :** Paulinus was among the second group of monks sent to England by Pope Gregory early in the 7<sup>th</sup> century. After working for twenty years in Kent, he was consecrated first Bishop of York in 625 and sent to Northumbria. By 627 he had baptized the king and many of his nobles. Eventually driven out of York, Paulinus returned to Kent where he served as Bishop of Rochester for his remaining years.

**St Edward the Confessor (Saturday) :** The son of King Ethelred the Unready, Edward became king of England in 1042 and was remarkable for his life of prayer and generosity to the poor. He built St Peter's Abbey in Westminster, where he and many English monarchs are buried. He died in January 1066.

**ANNIVERSARIES** : Please remember in your prayers all those whose anniversaries occur about this time including : David Naganathy, Peter Hennigan, Margaret Whiteside, John Owens, Mary Boyle, Edith Martin, Catherine Stanley, Julian Bryce, Sean Dineen, Patricia Jenkins, Tom Kenny, Margaret Jepson. May they rest in peace.

**'HOPE IN THE FUTURE'** : Sacred Heart and St Anne's were represented at a service in Salford Cathedral on Thursday evening led by Bishop John, as the diocese prepares for the second stage of the 'Hope in the Future' initiative. The focus in the next twelve months is on cultivating the different talents each of us has. Already we have been able to celebrate all the various activities in our two parish communities and the contributions made to parish life by so many people : feeding the homeless, supporting the foodbank, caring for the sick, reaching out to other church communities and denominations, the children's liturgy, altar-serving, choral music, flower-arranging, church cleaning, parish lunch & other social activities, producing the newsletter, etc. The list is endless of contributions which are so valuable and essential to the smooth running of parishes. All the above were recognised by a procession to the altar at our Sunday Mass here some months ago. At Thursday's ceremony, shields illustrating the different aspects of parish life were carried forward by representatives of each deanery in the diocese.

**PARISH LUNCH** : This month's lunch will be served on Thursday of this coming week, 11<sup>th</sup> October. There is still time to add your name to the list on the notice-board if you would like to attend.

**CAFOD FAMILY-FAST DAY ENVELOPES** : The family fast-day was observed on Friday. Envelopes containing donations should be placed in the baskets on the tables at the back of the church. If you have forgotten to bring your envelope today, you may of course hand it in here next weekend or at any other parish church which you may be visiting. Two deposits of £50 and £30 have been made from the coin-jar. Thank you very much.

**LEGION OF MARY EVENING VIGIL** : Next Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> October at St Mary of the Assumption, Burnley (6.15 – 9 p.m.). The programme includes Mass and

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament concluding with Benediction. For transport please ring Stella (661503) or Peter (262952).

**ST SILAS' FAURE'S 'REQUIEM'** : Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> October in St Silas' Church. This is a 'Bring & Sing' event and choristers are invited to join in a rehearsal from 2 p.m. to 4.30 prior to a liturgical performance of the 'Requiem' in the church at 6 p.m., conducted by Samuel Hudson, Director of Music, Blackburn Cathedral. Tickets for singers are £5 including refreshments. A copy of the score will be provided for those who do not have one to bring with them. All are welcome to attend the evening performance (a donation is suggested). Please book your place as a singer by email: [stsilasblackburn@gmail.com](mailto:stsilasblackburn@gmail.com) or telephone Sheelagh on 664722.

**THE BLUEBIRDS** : An outstanding attraction in the Parish Room on Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> November, the 'Bluebirds' are an act not to be missed! A close-harmony girls' trio, they are as good as you will find with their tribute to the iconic Andrews Sisters and a lovely programme of songs with a particular forties and fifties flavour. Immediate booking for this show is advised and the list for names is on the notice-board. £12.50 including interval refreshments.

**200 CLUB (BREAKING NEWS!)** : Thanks to your very willing support, we are delighted to report that our target of a minimum of 200 members has already been reached and in fact exceeded, which is highly encouraging. There will be the existing first prize of £100 each month, plus prizes of £25 and £10. This will guarantee a healthy annual profit for the parish of at least £900. As there are still a number of subscriptions to come in, this figure could rise to £1,000. And if you are not already a member, there is still time to join the draw right now!

The social aspect of the draw is itself important and members have enjoyed being part of it for several decades now, so it is particularly gratifying to reach the point where there is once again substantial income for parish funds. Many thanks to Pat, Sheila and Barbara, who have gathered in the subscriptions over recent weeks, and to Jacqueline for her technical support in producing all the revised documentation. The first draw (for October) will take place in the Parish Room on Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup>. More details next weekend.

**BINGO** on Thursday evening in the Parish Room at 7.45.