



# Our Lady and St Joseph Parish, Heywood

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Parish Mass Book Page 140 THIS WEEK AT OUR LADY AND ST JOSEPH

## The Twenty Eighth Week Of Ordinary Time

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| <b>SUNDAY 11th</b><br>9.30am<br>11am                                  | Mass<br>Mass                                                                                                                |
| <b>MONDAY 12th</b><br>9.30am                                          | <b>St Wilfrid</b><br>No Mass                                                                                                |
| <b>TUESDAY 13th</b><br>9am<br>9.30am                                  | <b>St Edward the Confessor</b><br>Adoration<br>Mass <b>Followed by The Holy Rosary</b>                                      |
| <b>WEDNESDAY 14th</b><br>9am<br>9.30am                                | <b>St Callistus</b><br>Adoration<br>Mass <b>Followed by The Holy Rosary</b>                                                 |
| <b>THURSDAY 15th</b><br>8.30am<br>9.40am<br>5pm<br>6pm                | <b>St Teresa of Avila</b><br>Holy Family Yr 11<br>Class 2 Mass OLSP<br>Adoration<br>Mass <b>Followed by The Holy Rosary</b> |
| <b>FRIDAY 16th</b><br>9am<br>9.30am                                   | <b>St Hedwig</b><br>Adoration<br>Mass with Yr 6 St Josephs <b>Followed by The Holy Rosary</b>                               |
| <b>SATURDAY 17th</b><br>10am<br>10.30am<br>6pm (First Mass of Sunday) | <b>St Ignatius of Antioch</b><br>Mass<br>Adoration<br>Mass                                                                  |
| <b>SUNDAY 18th</b><br>9.30am<br>11am                                  | <b>Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b><br>Mass<br>Mass                                                                 |

### THE POPE'S INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

**FOR MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY:** Let us pray that the mental health ministry is established throughout the church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

#### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH WE PRAY:

**We pray and celebrate with all those whose Birthdays are in the month of October**

**For** those who live and work on Grosvenor St, Belgrave St, Cleves St, Boleyn Court, Cranmer Court, Fern St, Ashton St, Pitt St, Tower St, St. James St, St James Terrace & School St

**For** Agatony Lyanga, Jim Ballweg, Harry Booth, Christine & Anne and the sick and Housebound members of our Parish

**For** all who have died recently.

**For** Ellen & Handel Holt, Frank & Clara Taylor, John McGowan, Danny O'Dowd, Bernadette Mooney, Anthony Ryan, and all we remember at this time.

#### THIS WEEK IN OUR DIOCESE WE PRAY

Let us pray, this week for the parish of Corpus Christi, Bromley Cross, for Father Alfred Rebello, their parish priest, for their parish primary schools and for Fr Freddie Shanthikumar Fernando, chaplain to the Sri Lankan community.

**Newsletter News;** Please inform the Office by 5pm on a Thursday if you wish information, Masses etc... To be included on the Bulletin that week. Thank you

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#### PARISH SCHOOLS

**St Josephs RC Primary School**

Address: Pot Hall, Wilton Grove,  
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Tel No: 01706 369340

**Our Lady and St Paul's RC Primary School**

Address: Sutherland Rd,  
Darnhill, Heywood, OL10 3PD  
Tel No: 01706 360827

**Holy Family RC& CE College**

Address: Pot Hall, Wilton Grove,  
Heywood, OL10 2AA  
Tel No: 01706 360607

#### Parish Collection

Thank you for your generosity last weekend  
£535.50 (Gift Aid)  
£322.00 (Loose)

**Gift Aid Boxes: Do remember to pick up your new gift aid box and form.**

#### Retiring Collection:

This weekend for Retired and sick clergy  
Thank you

#### Parish Account Details:

If you wish to pay by BACS for donations, Mass Offerings our Bank details are:  
**SRCDTR OUR LADY & ST JOSEPH HEYWOOD**  
Sort code: **205534**  
Account No: **70910708**  
Please always add your name and the reason for donation.  
Thank you.



## PARISH NEWS AND INFORMATION

**10th/ 11th Oct**

**Readers:** 6pm P.Sherry  
**Eucharistic Minister:** 6pm: J.Matthews

**9.30am:** K.Walmsley  
**9.30am:** H. Sharrock

**11am :** P. Greenall  
**11am:** S.Fitzsimons

**17th/ 18th Oct**

**Readers:** 6pm J.Sherry  
**Eucharistic Minister:** 6pm: B.Doyle

**9.30am:** M.Schofield  
**9.30am:** D. Sharrock

**11am :** D.Doyle  
**11am:** D.Tierney

**200 Club** If you would like to join it is only **£5 a month** which needs to be paid at the beginning of every month. The more members we have, the bigger the prize and more money going back into our church.

**1st Prize:** Liam Killough. **2ND Prize :** P Sherry. **3rd Prize;** Susan Gibson and **4th Prize:** Dominic Kenny.

**Unclaimed 200 Club Winnings:** Please pick up Winnings from the sacristy.

**Coffee and Tea:** Please join us for Tea and Coffee served every Sunday after 9:30 Mass.

**Our Lady & St Pauls School Needs YOU:** Parent Governor positions available. Help Shape the future of your child's school. Support and challenge the school leadership team. Help nurture hearts , minds and spirits. No experience needed you need to be the parent or carer of a child in the school. Please contact the school on 01706 360827 or email office@olsp.stoccat.org.uk You just need a willingness to get involved, ask questions and support the school Community.

**First Holy Communion Information 2026/2027:** The next Catechist session with the children is this weekend **10th/11th October**

**Baptised RC Yr 6 Children. Applying for Yr 7 Holy Family College.** Completed Faith forms will be signed by Fr Ebuka after each weekend Mass from 12th September and every weekend Mass until 25th October. Please **Do not** attend during the week.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): Your Invitation to a New Journey**

Are you interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the faith? Whether you are seeking Baptism, full Communion with the Church, or simply have questions about Catholicism. The parish RCIA program is beginning soon! Join us and take the next step in your journey with Christ. If you wish to join our Parish RCIA the forms are on the table at the side door. Please complete and return on or before Sunday the 25th of October

**Fund Raising Musical Evening** Thank you to all who supported us for this special evening. **We raised £979.00** Thank you to all organisers and for those who helped clean up and rearrange the room.

**Junior Choir Practice : Monday 12th October:** Parish meeting room starting at 3.40pm—4.40pm then alternate Mondays .

Hoping the children will continue to come and bring a friend. We will also be singing at the Heywood Town Carol Service on Wednesday 9th December. Be great to see our young Parish members taking part.

**Christmas Fair Donations:** 17th/18th October please can you donate New or Good as new children's toys, games unused colouring activity books, games. New soft toys not used. Thank you

## OTHER NEWS AND INFORMATION

The Church's year is drawing to a close: in a few weeks we will be thinking very clearly about the end of time - but here we have a preview. The parable of the banquet is a link between the Gospels of recent weeks (which have as their theme: 'just who is going to be saved?') and the looking forward to the end times which will follow. The big danger is complacency: we are baptised, we go to Church, we've got our invites to the wedding. But when the big day comes, will we be ready for it ? Or will our thoughts be on the other things of life ? Jesus speaks of himself as the Bridegroom, and today points out to the chosen people that they are in danger of missing the celebration. Our faith is that the Bridegroom will come again; let us be careful that the same parable is not addressed to us.

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## POPE LEO'S WEEKLY CATECHISES

Dear brothers and sisters, we return this morning to our reflection on *Gaudium et Spes*, considering the Church's mission in the contemporary world. As the Son of God became incarnate to fulfill his redemptive mission, so the Church dwells in the world as a living sign of God's plan to reconcile the world to himself. By discerning the signs of the times through the lens of the Gospel, she carries out this task by helping people respond to the profound questions of life and contributing to society through her witness of faith and charity. To be effective in this mission, the Church depends on every baptized person cooperating with the grace of the Holy Spirit and seeking holiness. The lay faithful, in particular, are called to animate the culture in which they live with a Christian spirit. In our call to build up the Kingdom of God, may we renew our efforts toward personal sanctification, justice and fraternal love, and thus be signs of hope for all people.