

## **SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK**

**Monday 9 March**—St Frances of Rome

*Local Churches where Mass will be celebrated:*

0900 St Teresa, Upholland

0900 St John the Evangelist, Burscough

**Tuesday 10 March**

0900 St Francis of Assisi

**Wednesday 11 March**

0900 St Mary, Queen of Apostles

**Thursday 12 March**

0915 Our Lady and All Saints

John Chambers

0945 Stations of the Cross

**Friday 13 March**

1000 St Richard

1900 Stations of the Cross at St Mary, Queen of Apostles

**Sunday 15 March**—Third Sunday of Lent (A)

**Vigil Saturday**

1600 Confessions at St Mary, Queen of Apostles

1700 St Mary, Queen of Apostles

**Sunday**

0900 St Richard

1015 Exposition at Our Lady and All Saints

1030 Our Lady and All Saints

Peter and Ursula Madden

1200 St Francis of Assisi

## **The Catholic Parishes of Our Lady and All Saints, Parbold and Saint Richard, Skelmersdale** *Lancaster Lane, Parbold, Lancashire WN8 7HS*

**Websites:** [www.ourladysparbold.org.uk](http://www.ourladysparbold.org.uk) and  
[www.strichard-skelmersdale.org.uk](http://www.strichard-skelmersdale.org.uk)

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**Sunday 8 March 2020**  
**Second Sunday of Lent (A)**

**SUNDAY 1030 Philip McDermott**

*Please take this Newsletter home with you*  
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### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Bernard Whittaker,  
Freda Skillicorn, Dominic Johnston  
Paul Quirk, George Jennings

### Those who have died recently:

### Those whose anniversaries: are this week:

Matthew De Geir, Robert Trevelyan  
Theresa Page

### MEETINGS THIS WEEK

**Tuesday**      **Rosary Group**  
10 March      8 Brandreth Drive

**Thursday**    **SVP**  
12 March      The Priory

### OFFERTORY

Loose	£ 99.80
Envelopes	£198.18
Standing orders (est)	£235.00

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

Next meeting is Family Stations of  
Cross on **7pm Monday 16 March**  
in Church.

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT DURING LENT

Will take place **9.45am – 10.15am**  
each Sunday before Mass at  
Our Lady and All Saints.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

After **9.15am Mass each Thursday**  
at Our Lady and All Saints.

Also at **7pm every Friday evening**,  
alternating between  
Our Lady and All Saints, St Mary,  
St Francis and St Richard's Churches.

*Please check times and venues each  
week on the back of our Newsletter.*

### THANK YOU

Bernard and Sandra Whittaker  
wish to thank the Parish for  
prayers during Bernard's  
chemotherapy and subsequent  
operation.

Also sincere thanks to the  
Parishioners who drove Sandra  
each day to the hospital in  
Liverpool, making a difficult time  
much less stressful.

### CAFOD RAFFLE

Thank you to all who supported the  
Raffle. Total raised was £215.00.

### LENTEN SOUP LUNCHES

Thank you to all who supported the  
Lenten Soup Lunch this Friday and  
last Friday.

**£119.62** was raised for CAFOD  
and **£102.30** raised for APF.

Please continue to support the  
lunches which are being held **every  
Friday during Lent**, between  
**12 noon and 2pm** in The Priory.

Donations will be for various  
charities, including CAFOD, SVP,  
APF and Douglas Valley Outreach.

### CHRISM MASS

Annual Chrism Mass to be held at  
Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral  
on **Wednesday 8 April**.

Coach to leave OLAS about  
5.30pm, then to St Richard's Parish  
and onto Cathedral.

Individual donations towards cost.  
If interested, please append your  
name to the list at back of Church.

### CHURCH SPRING CLEAN

We have a beautifully maintained  
Church interior, which is now due for  
its annual Spring Clean. Please put  
your name against one of the tasks  
on the list at the back of Church.  
Many hands make light work!

### SYNOD 2020 FOURTH THEME

Our next Open Meeting will be at  
**11.30am on Sunday 15 March** in  
The Priory and is on the Fourth  
Theme, '**Building Community,  
Nurturing Belonging**'.

In this Synod Theme we will discuss  
what it means to be a Church of  
welcome and discipleship.

This the last Open Meeting, after  
which our Proposals will be taken  
forward to the Synod Day,  
in October 2020 to be voted on.

Thank you to those who have  
attended previous meetings—  
please come again! If you haven't  
taken part before, **we need you—  
your voice is important!**

### DOUGLAS VALLEY OUTREACH CRISIS APPEAL

There is an increasing need to help  
people in crisis who for various  
reasons are not receiving support.

A family with two children are  
receiving no money. A young  
homeless lad is receiving no money.

Donations can be placed in the  
DVO box at the back of Church,  
or given to Phil Roberts,  
or Janet Decamp, or through Just  
Giving at:  
[www.douglavalleyoutreach.com](http://www.douglavalleyoutreach.com)

### PARISH COUNCIL

The newly formed Parish Council  
met recently. Stephen Marston was  
elected as Chair and Jane Singh  
elected as Vice Chair.

Please see Noticeboard for the list  
of Representatives of the various  
Parish Groups, who are also on the  
Council.

If there is something you want to  
raise with the Council, please see  
the appropriate Representative.

### CONSULTATION PARISH VISION

Please see separate sheet with this  
week's Newsletter. There will be an  
opportunity to respond in writing on  
**Sunday 22 March**.

### SECOND COLLECTION

Next week's Second Collection will  
be for the SVP.

### 200 CLUB WINNER MARCH

Congratulations to  
Angela Wilson, who won £50.00.

### COMMUNION OF THE SICK

*Priest:* Let us pray for our Sick as  
our Eucharistic Ministers  
are sent out to give them  
the Sacrament of Christ's  
Body.

**ALL:** May this Sacrament unite  
them with Christ and his  
Church and give them  
consolation and peace.

*Priest:* Ministers, in the name of  
the Church gathered here,  
take the Body of the Lord  
to the Sick of this Parish.