



## PARISH VISION

Illuminated by the light of Christ and led by the Holy Spirit, we St Teresa's Parish strive always to be a loving and welcoming community where all people are included and valued, and strangers are treated as friends. Fed and nurtured by scripture, prayer and the Sacraments, we journey together, seeking always to come closer to God, so that we can proclaim His love in our thoughts and words and by our actions in the world.

### FR. PHILIP'S REFLECTION

*And when he said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit".*

*Viens, Esprit Saint, Come, Holy Spirit, Heiliger Geist, Komm, Vieni Spirito Santo, Ven, Espiritus Santo. Fiery Spirit of Love, O Father of the Poor, Warmth in a land of Chill, Comforter of us all: Rich and poor, prisoners and immigrants, saints and sinners: breathe your life into our hearts and dying souls. Wake our spirits to knowledge, wisdom, understanding, courage. Oh, send us out to the whole Earth. Let your fire, smouldering in us light up all on our path. Aloud we cry, Veni Sancte Spiritus-COME HOLY SPIRIT.*

### POPE FRANCIS'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTIONS 2019

#### June – Priests

That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are the most poor. Further information can be found at [www.apostleshipofprayer.org](http://www.apostleshipofprayer.org)

**NOVENA TO SACRED HEART** At St Richards Skelmersdale. 9 Preached Masses please see the poster at the back of Church.

**EASTER GARDENS:** The children are being encouraged to create their own Easter gardens at home and are bringing them in to show us this **Pentecost Sunday, 9th June**, in church. Do take a look at the children's liturgy garden on the altar. The growing flowers and cross remind us of new life and Jesus' commandment to love one another. We have added a beehive to our garden to symbolise cooperation and unity and to mark the anniversary of the Manchester arena bomb. For more details see the explanation on the prayer tree, the notice board at the back of church, or the website.

#### **Synod 2020: Have your say**

The next SYNOD listening meetings will be hosted by the school on **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June at 6.30pm**. Please try to attend one of these meetings and also complete the survey online or collect a paper survey from the back of church.

**CALLING ALL CATECHISTS:** **Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> June, 6-9pm** at LACE, or **Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 10-1pm** at St. Joseph's, Wrightington, WN6 9PN. An opportunity to share experiences and look to the future. See poster at back of church.

**Men's Meeting:** The next Men's meeting is this Tuesday at 7pm in the meeting room all welcome

**PARISH CELEBRATION DAY:** A reminder that the date for this enjoyable day is **Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> July**. Strawberries will be served along with tea, coffee and juice and a magician and pet experience will also be visiting after Mass. Please make a note in your diary. 10am Start.

**Thank you** to all the knitters who continue to knit squares and blankets for the homeless. Knitt and Knatter meets this Sunday at bookcycle Orrell 1-3pm.

**CONGRATULATIONS** To all the Children who made their First Holy Communion including the children from Year 4. Congratulations also to the school who have been given 'Outstanding' in the Diocesan inspection.

### **SHALOM FAMILY GROUP:** Next event: **Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**June:** Beach Picnic at Formby Point. Meet at the presbytery at **2pm**. All are welcome to attend this event. Let us pray for a lovely sunny day!

**Northern Scripture Festival:** **Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> June, 9.30-3.30pm** The topic is "Peter and Paul: Chosen and Sent". Venue: Thornleigh Salesian College, Sharples Park, Bolton, BL1 6PQ. Prayer and worship with scripture reflections, small group conversations and creative plenary session. See poster at back of church for bookings and more information.

### **YOUTH NEWS**

**Youth BBQ** Our annual Youth BBQ for the connection and Youth Group is next Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June from 7pm on the garden behind Church (we've got the use of the club lounge if the weather is unkind to us!). Year 6 leavers are also welcome to join us as a way to keep in touch with the Parish as they move onto high school. (Please let Jane know if you can come for catering purposes).

#### **Faith in Action**

The awards ceremony for our young people who have achieved their Faith in Action awards takes place at St Marys Leyland on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June with presentation of awards by Archbishop Malcolm. Refreshments will be served from 5pm and the ceremony begins at 6pm and finishes at approximately 8pm.

If anyone would like to join in or continue with Faith in Action next year please let Jane know so that we can make plans for your service and order booklets. **Prayers continue for all studying for GCSE's, A levels and other examinations.**

#### **A Word From Joanne Wallace our Pastoral Associate**

I often wonder what it would be like to be one of the Apostles hiding, waiting anxiously for the one they were told was being sent: the fear, the uncertainty, the anxiety over what the future would hold. These are emotions we can all relate to in our personal lives and within the Church! Yet, the Holy Spirit descends on them and fills them with confidence and urgency to go and spread the Good News. We also need to pray for the Holy Spirit to move within our lives, to renew, guide and energise us especially as we journey towards Synod 2020. For more information about the Synod Process, speak to your Parish members, attend a listening session or visit [www.synod2020.co.uk](http://www.synod2020.co.uk) "Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us".

#### **Food Bank**

The food bank is in desperate need of tinned rice pudding and tinned fruit please.

**CHRISTIAN HERITAGE CENTRE, Stonyhurst.** Theodore House is a new, purpose built centre for prayer, study and hospitality. Quiet and beautiful surroundings for a private or guided spiritual retreat. Further information: [www.christianheritagecentre.com](http://www.christianheritagecentre.com). For bookings email: [bookings@christianheritagecentre.com](mailto:bookings@christianheritagecentre.com)

#### **MONEY MATTERS**

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