

ST MARY'S 200 + CLUB WINNERS

For 17th September 2017

No. 49 Helen Kerr £50
No. 105 David Thompson £15

LAST SUNDAY

Mass Attendance: **141**

8.30 -63

10:30 - 78

Offertory: £576.76

Candles: £110.28

Books/Papers:

St. Anthony: £10.42

Building Fund:

World Needy: £50.68

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Week beginning 1st October

Readers: Anne D. / Anne T.

Ministers: Peter J. / Barbara L.
Anne T. / Jackie J.

Church Cleaning

Children's Liturgy

Judith & Maureen

Refreshments after Mass

Jo & A.N.Other



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Priest: **Fr. Michael Murphy**

Deacon: **Rev. Bill Wright**

Sunday Mass 8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.

Weekdays except Mondays: 9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer, 10 a.m. Mass

Tuesday: 6:40 p.m. Rosary, 7 p.m. Mass

Mondays: 9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer, 10 a.m. Celebration of the Word

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): **Saturday 10:30-11 a.m.**

Adoration of the Holy Eucharist: **Saturday 10:30-11 a.m.**

Church Cleaning - Thank you to those who volunteered to help with church cleaning, As a result there will be an evening team. Details to be announced further. There is still time to volunteer.

150th Anniversary Celebrations.

Our next event continuing the celebration of our anniversary is a concert given by The Fylde Concert Orchestra. It is an evening of light and popular music including Showtunes and Jazz. Tickets are £5 which are available as you leave church or you can pay at the door on the evening. There will of course be the usual raffle and if you are able to provide a prize it will be most welcome.

Please do come and support this evening as it promises to be a most enjoyable evening. Refreshments will also be provided. Why not invite family and friends?

Friday, 6th October at 7.00p.m. Education Mass, St. Peter's Cathedral, Lancaster. Bishop Michael extends this invitation to all those involved in education and faith formation; priests, deacons, catechists, youth ministry, children's liturgy, those in seminary and teachers outside of the Catholic sector. Together we ask God's blessing on the mission of education and formation in our diocese.

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

24th September 2017

God most high, your ways are not our ways, for your kindness is lavished equally upon us all.

Teach us to welcome your mercy towards others, even as we hope to receive mercy ourselves.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

Sunday 24th Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 a.m.	People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Dec'd Baines, Casey & Wright families (J&B)
MONDAY 25th	10.00 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
TUESDAY 26th	7pm.	Richard Jones (P.&C.J.)
WEDNESDAY 27th St. Vincent de Paul	10.00 a.m.	Francis Gerard Nelson (K.N.) Anniversary
THURSDAY 28th	10.00 a.m.	Paul Buschini (B.&G.R.) Anniversary
FRIDAY 29th SS. Michael, Gabriel, Raphael	10.00 a.m.	Richard Hearty (M.H.) Birthday memories
	1.00p.m.	Cardinal Allen Mass for new pupils
SATURDAY 30th St. Jerome	10.00 a.m.	Dominic Murphy (M.J.M.)
Next Sunday 1st October Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 a.m.	Ken Porter (J.B.) Anniversary
	10.30 a.m.	People of the Parish

Please remember in your prayers



»**all the sick**, especially: Audrey Armour, Zephan Barretto, Brian Simms Greta Carus, Elsie Clapp, Max Clapp, Patsy Coll, Catherine Dale, Marianne Delaney, Teresa Drake, Mark Earnshaw (Kathy's brother), Anne Edwards, Sarah Finley, Marion Gerrard, Jacob Gray, Joseph Higgins, June Jagger, Rosemary Lovatt, Alison Lyon, Gerry McCaul, Joan Moss, Michael O'Sullivan, Margaret Pendleton, Bob Rawcliffe, Lidia Romanowska, Mary Schon, Joe Scott, Brian Simms, Harry Slater, Mark Surelock, Josie Tester, Frank Ward, Winifred White.» **the household and those in care**, especially: David Ball, Peggie Ball, Thomas Ball, Bessie Burns, John Donnelly, Florrie Garrett, Brenda McCaul, Walter Myerscough, Marjorie Richardson, Doris Roberts, Monica Syms, Pamela Warwick



>**those who have died recently**: Cardinal Cormac Murphy O'Connor, Eddie Bancroft, Michael Morris, Mary Waring **and also those whose anniversaries are this coming week**: Carol Taft, Elizabeth Smith, Hilda Burns, Cyril Clark, Stanley Curphey, Karen Leo, Margaret Dollin-Evans, Alice Jordan, Edwin d'Souza, Andrew Godfrey, Robert Catterall, Cecilia Byrne, Bob Burton, Marie Verity, Josephine Whiteside, Karen Leo, Jack Casey, Marie Green, Thomas Bissett, Mike Quinn, Lily Allen, Ken Porter, Daniel O'Neill

THE WORD AHEAD - Next Sunday's Gospel

Read **The Gospel for Sunday 1st October (Matthew 21:28-32)**

Doing the Will of the Father

After spending a few minutes considering this Gospel, continue by reading Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection.

Matthew loves to tell parables of Jesus which contrast 'goodies' and 'baddies' like these two contrasting sons. Matthew's parables put everything in black-and-white terms with no shades of grey (wise and foolish wedding-attendants, sheep and goats, etc.). Luke uses a different kind of parable, in which the characters - just like ourselves - often do the right thing for the wrong reason. The sayings of Jesus were handed down by word of mouth for some years before being written down. Did the straightforward contrast in Matthew (it is odd that both change their minds without a reason) develop into Luke's parable of the Prodigal Son? Both times the 'goodie' son ends up bad, and the 'baddie' son ends up good, but in Luke's version both changes of mind are motivated, and there is great emphasis on the son's repentance and the father's overwhelming joy at getting him back. The lesson in Matthew's story is given also by Jesus' word in the Sermon on the Mount, 'It is not anyone who says to me, "Lord, Lord" who will enter the kingdom of Heaven, but the person who does the will of my Father in Heaven'. It is no use simply saying that Christ is our 'Lord'; we have to express it in our behaviour.

What meaning do you find in this parable for yourself and the relationship you have with the Father?

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

Diary

Wednesday, 27th September - Year 4 from St. Mary's School will join us to celebrate the 10.00a.m. Mass.

Thursday, 28th September - Cardinal Allen High School Open Evening. ALL welcome. The Headteacher's address will take place at 6.30p.m.

Friday, 29th September - Fylde Concert Orchestra

Friday, 6th October - HARVEST FAMILY FAST DAY. Please take your collection envelopes from the back of church.

Sunday, 15th October - The Salvation Army Band and Singers will be taking part in a "Songs of Praise" service at St. John Vianney's, commencing at 4.30p.m. All Welcome. If you have a song request please contact Major Sandra Fisher on 01253 626114