

**St. Gregory's, Weld Bank, Inaugural Beer Festival:**

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 7pm – 11pm, Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July 1pm – 5pm, 7pm – 11pm. Weldbank Lane, Chorley, PR7 3NW. Tickets available on Evenbrite Only £4.90p including all Fees, Program & Glass.

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**Celebrating 70 Years of the NHS:** Chorley Hospital will be celebrating this event on **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July** from 11am to 4pm. The Wards will be showcasing their work and there will be lots of fun activities and food to enjoy. Please come and support the day by coming to the event. Bottles and any unwanted gifts for the Tombola would be very much appreciated. These can be left in the Basket in the Church Porch. Thank You!

**Reading from the Divine Office for the Feast of St. Thomas, Apostle**

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July

**From a homily by Saint Gregory the Great, Pope:** Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. He was the only disciple absent; on his return he heard what had happened but refused to believe it. The Lord came a second time; he offered his side for the disbelieving disciple to touch, held out his hands, and showing the scars of his wounds, healed the wound of his disbelief. Dearly beloved, what do you see in these events? Do you really believe that it was by chance that this chosen disciple was absent, then came and heard, heard and doubted, doubted and touched, touched and believed? It was not by chance but in God's providence. In a marvellous way God's mercy arranged that the disbelieving disciple, in touching the wounds of his master's body, should heal our wounds of disbelief. The disbelief of Thomas has done more for our faith than the faith of the other disciples. As he touches Christ and is won over to belief, every doubt is cast aside and our faith is strengthened. So, the disciple who doubted, then felt Christ's wounds, becomes a witness to the reality of the resurrection. Touching Christ, he cried out: My Lord and my God. Jesus said to him: Because you have seen me, Thomas, you have believed. Paul said: Faith is the guarantee of things hoped for, the evidence of things unseen. It is clear, then, that faith is the proof of what can not be seen. What is seen gives knowledge, not faith. When Thomas saw and touched, why was he told: You have believed because you have seen me? Because what he saw and what he believed were different things. God cannot be seen by mortal man. Thomas saw a human being, whom he acknowledged to be God, and said: My Lord and my God. Seeing, he believed; looking at one who was true man, he cried out that this was God, the God he could not see. What follows is reason for great joy: Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed. There is here a particular reference to ourselves; we hold in our hearts one we have not seen in the flesh. We are included in these words, but only if we follow up our faith with good works. The true believer practises what he believes. But of those who pay only lip service to faith, Paul has this to say: They profess to know God, but they deny him in their works. Therefore, James says: Faith without works is dead.

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**Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time – 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018**

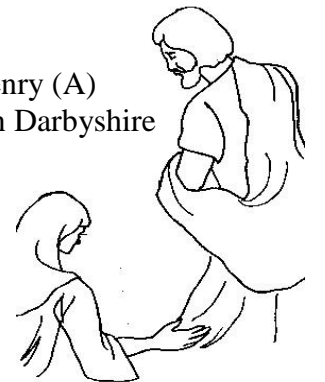
**HOLY MASS & SERVICES**

**Sunday (Sat)**  
**6.00pm** John Castelli (A)  
**8.30am** Jean Banks (RIP)  
**10.30am** In thanksgiving (IAIN)  
**4.30pm** Parishioners



**Monday**  
**8.30am** Mary Neuhaus (RIP)  
**6.30pm** Ruby Jubilee of Fr. Ball (*At Sacred Heart Church*)  
**Tuesday**  
**8.30am** Annette Heyes (RIP)  
**Wednesday**  
**8.30am** John Mould (RIP)  
**Thursday**  
**8.30am** Anne Lee (A)  
**Friday**  
**8.30am** Patrick and Marion Henry (A)  
**Saturday**  
**9.00am** May, Thomas & Kevin Darbyshire

**Sunday next**  
**6.00pm** Joseph Klaiber (A)  
**8.30am** Roland Cross (RIP)  
**10.30am** Joe Atherton (RIP)  
**4.30pm** Parishioners



**Confessions:** Saturday 10.30am – 11.30am

**Please Pray For The Following Who Are Sick:** Canon Albert Shaw, Bert Smith, Eileen Snape, Jean Thurston, Sister Francis, James Desmond Gorman, Teresa Todd & Doreen Moss. We also remember to pray for all those in Chorley Hospital, Derian House Children's Hospice & our Nursing Homes. Eucharistic Ministers visit the Wards every Sunday morning with Holy Communion.

**Y.** Heal Thy Servants, O Lord, who are sick, and who put their trust in Thee.

**R.** Send them help, O Lord, and comfort from Thy holy place.

**IMPORTANT** – Please contact St Joseph’s Presbytery, if any member of your family is admitted into Chorley Hospital and would appreciate a visit.

In an emergency the hospital switchboard will contact the on-call Catholic Priest. Please request this from any member of Staff on the Ward. Residents living at Buckshaw Retirement Village, who require Holy Communion at home please contact Euxton St Mary’s on: ☎ 262655, or email: mail@stmarys-euxton.com

**Please include in your Prayers:** All those who have **Recently Died:** Grace Fernando(14): Funeral at Euxton, St. Mary’s on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July at 11am. Cecilia Tierney (Mother of Stephen Tierney, one of our Readers. Requiem Mass will take place at St. Teresa’s Church, Everton Road, Southport PR8 4BT on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at Midday). We also remember all those whose **Anniversaries** occur about this time: John Castelli, Anne Lee, Joseph Klaiber, Patrick & Marion Henry.

**Mother & Toddler Group:** Meet on a Wednesday morning in the Primary School, Cedar Road from 9.00am until 11.15am.

**St Joseph’s Retirement Club:** New members welcome over 55 years of age. Every Thursday afternoon at 1.30pm in the Parish Centre. Admission 50p including Tea and Biscuits, Bingo, Artists and Outings. All welcome.

**Faith Sharing Group:** Meetings take place in the Sacristy of the Church from 7.00pm to 8.15pm every Wednesday. ALL welcome. Tea/coffee provided. This is an ideal opportunity to develop your Faith Journey.

**St Joseph’s Parish Centre – Members Notice:**

For bookings please contact the Parish Centre Manageress: ☎ 275137  
E-mail: StJosephsChorley@apcmc.co.uk Website: www.st-josephs-chorley.co.uk

**St. Joseph’s Parish Bulletin:** Would you like to receive the weekly parish bulletin by email? If you would, then please send a blank email to: stjosephchorleybulletin@gmail.com. Please, **ONLY** use this email to request the bulletin – the parish general email remains the same.

**Children’s Liturgy – “Little Church”** every Sunday morning at the 10.30am Mass for children up to First Holy Communion age.

**“Little Church” TODAY:** Julie L and Sandra

**“Little Church” NEXT week:** Paula and Julie C

If you would like to help as a volunteer with Children’s Liturgy on a Sunday would you make contact with Father Stanley. Thank you.

**Readers Today: 1<sup>st</sup> July**

**6.00pm** Paul Southworth  
**8.30am** M Redshaw/J Weldon/E Whitney  
**10.30am** S Tierney/T Dugdale/J Maynard  
**4.30pm** Laura McLoughlin

**Next Sunday: 8<sup>th</sup> July**

**6.00pm** Gerard Riley  
**8.30am** G King/W Gildert  
**10.30am** Scouts and Guides  
**4.30pm** Richard Hunt

**Eucharistic Ministers Today:**

**6.00pm** Irene Love  
**8.30am** L Clarkson /B Walmsley/W Gildert  
**10.30am** K Hart/G Riley/P Hilton  
Ann Titterington  
**4.30pm** Peter Cahill

**Next Sunday:**

**6.00pm** Geoff Kenyon  
**8.30am** J Weldon/B Walmsley/M Redshaw  
**10.30am** R Hart/A Titterington/K Hart  
Pauline Hilton  
**4.30pm** Anne Marie Hegarty

**Counters Today:** M Smith/F & B Walmsley **Next Sunday:** C Carter/G Kenyon

**Altar Servers this week:** Volunteers please

**Collections: Gift Aid:** £562.57p **Loose Plate:** £426.01p **Total:** £988.58p

**Collection on the Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul: “Peter’s Pence”**

**Gift Aid:** £132.70p **Loose Plate:** £167.23p **Total:** £299.93p

**NEXT SUNDAY:** Having received notification from the Archdiocese this week there will be **NO** 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection **NEXT** weekend for the **“Apostleship of the Sea”**. If you are in the Gift Aid Scheme please discard your Envelope for the Apostleship of the Sea! Thank you.

**Church Cleaning: 6<sup>th</sup> July 9am:**

C Farnworth, J Livesey, S Hirst, J Atherton, C Carter

**Liverpool Archdiocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Association:**

Pilgrimage to Lourdes 20<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

Places available through Joe Walsh Tours www.liverpool-lourdes.org.uk

**The Ruby Jubilee of Fr. Francis Ball:** Please remember in your prayers Father Ball and the Parishioners of Sacred Heart as Father Ball celebrates the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood at a Mass in Sacred Heart on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at 6.30pm**. If you are free that evening it would be wonderful if you could attend this Mass at Sacred Heart.