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# THE PARISH BULLETIN



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## SUNDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 2017

Day	Feast	Time and Place	Liturgy	Mass Intention	Collins Weekday Missal Page
Sunday 10th September	23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)	Sat. 5.30pm (SH)	Mass	Alan Liptrot	
		Sun. 9.00am (SH)	Mass	William & Agnes Freeman	
		Sun. 10.30am (HF)	Mass	Wilfred Pugh	
Mon 11th		7.00pm (SH)	Mass	Michael Sullivan	764
Tues 12th		10.00am (HF)	Mass	Michael McKenna	766
Wed 13th	St John Chrysostom	10.00am (SH)	Mass	In Thanksgiving (S)	768
		3.00pm (Belong)	Mass	Parishioners	---
Thurs 14th	Exaltation of the Cross	10.00am (HF)	Mass	Intentions of LISC F	1934
Fri 15th	Our Lady of Sorrows	7.00pm (SH)	Mass	Connie & Fred Kennish	1937
Sat 16th	Cornelius & Cyprian	11.00am (HF)	Mass	James Carlon	774
Sunday 17th September	24th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)	Sat. 5.30pm	Mass	Percy Oakes & Hubert Guy	
		Sun. 9.00am (SH)	Mass	Edmond McCreaney	
		Sun. 10.30am (HF)	Mass	Graham Cotton	

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)** Friday at 7.30pm (SH) and Saturday at 11.30am (HF)

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** Saturday from 11.30am to 12 noon (HF)

**MASS IN BELONG RESIDENTIAL VILLAGE** Wednesday at 3.00pm in The Venue. All welcome.

**THANK YOU FOR LAST WEEK** Holy Family Collection: £460.80 Our thanks to the Over 60's Friendship Club at Holy Family for a further donation of £100 to Holy Family Church funds.  
Sacred Heart Collection: £574.50

### ► RETIRING COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND ◀

The Retiring Collection which is being taken after the Masses this weekend is for the work of the Catholic Education Service (CES) which acts on behalf of the Catholic Bishops' Conference to support Catholic education. It has a strong and positive working relationship with the British and Welsh Governments, sharing the aims of high academic standards for all and increased parental choice. Catholic schools make up 10% of the national total of maintained schools. There are over 2000 Catholic schools, academies and colleges in England educating over 800,000 pupils. The Catholic Church and the Church of England together provide one-third of all of the schools in the country.

### ► CONSIDERING BECOMING A CATHOLIC? ◀

The name of the course is "God for Grown Ups" and it's a series of meetings to guide people – maybe who were previously baptised into other Christian denominations, or who have never been baptised – and who may now be considering becoming members of the Catholic Church. The Introductory Meeting will take place at Saint John's Parish Meeting Room, Powell Street, Wigan from 7.15pm until 9.00pm on Thursday of this week the 14th of September. If you are such a person, or if you know someone who may be thinking of becoming a Catholic, why not bring this course to their attention? For more information have a chat with Father Tony or contact Sean Murphy, the course co-ordinator, on 01257 452317. (This course may also be of interest to existing Catholics who wish to know more about their faith).

## FEASTS OF THE WEEK

### Wednesday – Saint John Chrysostom

John was born in Antioch about 347 and died in exile in Comana (Turkey) on 14 September 407. After some years as a hermit, he was a presbyter at Antioch, where his brilliant preaching and catechesis earned him the sobriquet “Chrysostom” (*golden-mouthed*). He was appointed bishop and Patriarch of Constantinople in 397. His reforms, preaching, and ascetic life led to opposition from court and clergy and eventual banishment. He is remembered for his simplicity of life, his care of the poor, the courage of his witness, and his effective preaching of the Scriptures.

### Thursday – The Exaltation of the Holy Cross:

Originally this day commemorated the dedication of Constantine’s Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre in the fourth century; after the celebration, the wood of the cross was venerated. The feast spread in the West after the recovery of the relics of the Cross from Persia in the seventh century. A feast of the Lord, it celebrates the “lifting up” of the Son of Man on the Cross, into glory, and the paradox of the Cross as a symbol of death, yet the source of victory and life.

### Friday – Our Lady of Sorrows:

This commemoration originated in the medieval devotion to the seven sorrows of Mary. Approved for the Servite Order in the seventeenth century, it was extended to the whole Western Church in 1814 by Pope Pius VII in thanksgiving for his release from captivity under Napoleon. In the light of Simeon’s prophecy about a sword piercing Mary’s soul (Luke 2:35), the feast celebrates Mary, first disciple and first to share in the pain and triumph of the Cross.

### Saturday – Saints Cornelius and Cyprian

Cornelius was elected bishop of Rome in 251 and, two years later, died in exile in Civitavecchia (Italy). Supported by Cyprian, he defended the power of the Church to reconcile those who had lapsed from the faith under persecution. Cyprian was born at the beginning of the third century and died in Carthage (Tunisia) on the 14 of September 258. A lawyer, teacher, and adult convert, he was elected bishop of Carthage in 249 and led this Church in times of persecution. He took a moderate position on the reconciliation of the lapsed but, like other African bishops, demanded the rebaptism of heretics even though their baptism was recognised by the Church of Rome. Cornelius and Cyprian are both remembered as compassionate pastors who developed the Church’s teaching and practice of reconciliation. Antagonists in theological debate, they were united in sharing the crown of martyrdom.

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### PREPARING FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION IN 2018

We will soon begin our preparation with those families who have children wishing to enter into a deeper commitment to the Christian Community through making their First Confession and First Holy Communion. Two Introductory Meetings are taking place next Wednesday the 13th of September at 5.45pm in Holy Family School and next Thursday the 14th of September at 6.00pm in Sacred Heart School to which we invite parents of baptised Catholic children in Year Four or above to come along. Details of the Course to be followed and the commitment expected will be explained at these meetings and parents will then be free to choose if they wish this for their children before the Preparation Course begins two weeks later.

### MACMILLAN NURSES TEA PARTY

The *Trammers Line Dancing Club* are having a Tea Party in aid of Macmillan Nurses. It’s taking place tomorrow (Monday the 11th of September) in Holy Family Church Hall, Tram Street, Platt Bridge between 1.00pm and 3.00pm. Admission is £2. There’ll be a raffle and lots of fun games – as well, of course, as Line Dancing, whether you want to watch others or have a go yourself! Do pop in and have a cuppa, buy some cakes and help raise funds for this very worthwhile cause. Everyone welcome – See You Tomorrow!

### THE BRICK BOX

The box in the piety shop at the back of each church is there to receive any contributions you may wish to make towards the food bank which is run by The Brick to support those who are homeless or down on their luck in the Wigan area. Donations are welcome of any non-perishable food items - tins, packet food and dried goods such as rice and pasta, as well as baby food and nappies and basic toiletries.

<b>HOLY FAMILY BONUS BALL</b>	August 2nd	August 9th	August 16th	August 23rd	August 30th
<b>WINNERS FOR AUGUST</b>	No. 08	No. 44	No. 54	No. 45	No. 38

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## RETIRING COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND FOR HOME MISSION SUNDAY (Initiatives to Share our Catholic Faith in England and Wales)