

Monday	4	9am	Bernard Mullen
Tuesday	5		
Wednesday	6	7pm	Ann Rigby
Thursday	7		
Friday NEW YEAR'S DAY	8	9am	Bridget Unsworth
Saturday	9	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	10	11am	Fulton Family

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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Lately Dead: Simeon Hough has died. Going to press no details of funeral. R.I.P.

What's happening:

1. Many comments have been made: how beautifully festive the church was decorated. MANY THANKS TO THOSE WHO DID THE WORK.
2. We anticipate Epiphany and celebrate this weekend.
3. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass. ie. THIS SUNDAY.
4. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
5. If anyone wishes to hire the Parish Hall for kiddies parties/Church functions/Meetings . The person to contact is Theresa Dermott. Her phone number is 07946 172477.
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The Epiphany of the Lord

The Epiphany of the Lord is a feast of light, the "shining forth" of God to humanity in the person of Jesus.

- Readings
1. God's presence means a new future for God's people.
 2. The grace of God has descended on everyone.
 3. Wise men are directed to Jesus by a star.

Though Jesus was a Jew, his message was not reserved for the Jewish people.

He called pagans and Gentiles into his company.

Issuing the promise of eternal life to all men.

Monday	11	9am	Mary Fairhurst
Tuesday	12	11.30am	REQUIEM: Simeon Hough
Wednesday	13	7pm	Milton France
Thursday	14		
Friday	15	9am	Holy Souls
Saturday	16	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	17	11am	Winifred Wood

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Lately Dead: Brian Rothwell R.I.P. No funeral arrangement yet.

What's happening:

1. Apologies to anyone who has been trying to phone me. There has been a problem and BT are trying to fix it.
2. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
3. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
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The Baptism of the Lord

Jesus begins his public life in the power of the Holy Spirit. Proclaiming the Good News to the poor.

- Readings
1. The Lord is coming to save his people.
 2. God saved us by cleansing water of rebirth, renewing us with the Holy Spirit.
 3. "You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you."

St Paul tells us that the love of Christ has been given to us, not because we earned it or deserve it, but because of his mercy.

The chasm of our weakness is more than filled by his love.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 17th January 2016 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	18	9am	Simeon Hough
Tuesday	19		
Wednesday	20	10.30am	REQUIEM: Jack Heaton
Thursday	21		
Friday	22	9am	Richard Fairhurst
Saturday	23	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	24	11am	Brian Rothwell

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Lately Dead: Jack Heaton R.I.P. Requiem Wednesday
Peggy Darbyshire R.I.P. No funeral arrangement yet.

What's happening:

1. I will cancel evening Mass on Wednesday. Requiem at 10.30am for Jack Heaton.
2. CAFOD Collection for December amounted to £85.06p. The TOTAL COLLECTION for 2015 was £1348.08. Thank you for your continued support. As the Winter months proceed the refugee crisis continues, thousands of people are still risking their lives crossing the Mediterranean to reach Europe. Thanks to the donations of Catholics all over England and Wales, CAFOD can continue to support and distribute provisions in Lesbos, Serbia, Lebanon, Jordan, Turkey and Iraq.
3. This week the Central Heating Boiler in the Parish Hall has had to be replaced at a cost of £2,200. The cost has been met jointly by the Hall committee and the Fund Raising group. This has depleted their funds, but the work was essential. Thank you to those who support the various events that take place in the Hall.
4. Following on from the above, there will be a meeting in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm on Monday 25th January to arrange a programme of fund raising events for 2016. We would love to welcome new members and new ideas and ask for your support.
5. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
6. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

From different backgrounds, we gather in the name of Jesus, and in the power of the Holy Spirit. We see again something of the glory of God with us,

- Readings
1. Isaiah speaks of the joy the Lord takes in his people.
 2. St. Paul reminds us of our differences and our unity.
 3. At Cana Jesus shows the glory of who he is.

The Spirit of God is given to each of us in different forms but in equal measure.

We are destined to use these gifts not only for ourselves or for those we love, but for the good of all humanity

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 24th January 2016 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	25	9am	Lucy O'Donnell
Tuesday	26		
Wednesday	27	7pm	Joe Kelly
Thursday	28		
Friday	29	9am	Sick Person
Saturday	30	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	31	11am	Peggy Darbyshire

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's happening:

1. THERE WILL BE A MEETING in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm ON MONDAY 25th JANUARY to arrange a programme of fund raising events for 2016. We would love to welcome new members and new ideas. YOUR SUPPORT AND TALENTS WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.
2. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
3. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Luke gives us the first teachings of Jesus.

- Readings
1. Ezra explains the Law to the people.
 2. Each member needs the others with their particular gifts.
 3. Jesus' initial teaching at Nazareth, a summary of his whole ministry.

St Paul reminds us that we are all integral to the team, all blessed in a particular way.

Unless we all pull together something is likely to be amiss.

We must not leave it to others.

Monday	1	9am	Full recovery (Pauline)
Tuesday	2		
Wednesday	3	7pm	Jack Heaton
Thursday	4		
Friday	5	9am	Mr & Mrs J Crank (Snr.)
Saturday	6	7pm	Kathleen Taylor
Sunday	7	11am	People of Parish

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's happening:

1. Today (Sunday) we welcome Rebecca Rollinson as she progresses to full Communion with the Catholic Church.
2. Thank you to those who attended the meeting in the Parish Hall last Monday. Several events are being planned. Please make a note that the Spring Sale will be on Saturday 14th May. This as usual has the sale of plants for which advance order forms will be available shortly after Easter. Further details later.
3. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass. Anyone is most welcome to join them.
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4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus is not afraid to upset his listeners in the cause of the truth.

Readings

1. The Lord gives us strength to carry out our calling to follow him.
2. The greatest of God's gifts is love.
3. Many are upset to learn Jesus hasn't only come for them.

Love a much used word.

Today's reading is perfect for our Holy Year of Mercy.

Love is Mercy. It is forgiveness and compassion.

It is the bond that binds us all together.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 7th February 2016 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	8	9am	Bernard Mullen
Tuesday	9		
ASH WEDNESDAY	10	7pm	Pat Keegan
Thursday	11		
Friday	12	11am 7pm	REQUIEM Kathleen Cunningham Stations of the Cross
Saturday	13	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	14	11am	Joan Dickenson

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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Lately Dead: Kathleen Cunningham R.I.P.

What's happening:

1. Ash Wednesday a day of Fasting and Abstinence; the start of Lent. Mass and Ashes here at 7pm. Also at Sacred Heart at 10am and Holy Family at 2pm.
2. STATIONS OF THE CROSS Friday at 7pm.
3. DONATION. I received a very generous donation in memory of Peggy Derbyshire. It will help pay for the ceiling that has fallen in. Hopefully it will be repaired by the time you read this.
4. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass. Anyone is most welcome to join them.
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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus lived, died and was raised to life again. This is the powerful truth on which we base our lives.

Readings

1. The vision of God convinces Isaiah of his own unworthiness.
2. Paul reminds us of the reliable truth of the Gospel.
3. Jesus makes the fishing boat his stage to instruct the people.

Paul set out the creed of the early Church.

"Christ died for our sins".

"Christ was buried and was raised to life on the third day".

Listening, believing and following this message is the means of our salvation.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 14th February 2016 1st Sunday of Lent

Monday	15	9am	Frances & Joseph Shambley
Tuesday	16		
Wednesday	17	10am 7pm	REQUIEM : Hilda Heaton Kathleen Taylor
Thursday	18		
Friday	19	9am 7pm	Mr & Mrs Winstanley Stations of the Cross
Saturday	20	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	21	11am	Brian Rothwell

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Lately Dead: Hilda Heaton R.I.P. Requiem Mass 10am Wednesday.
Agnes Harrison R.I.P. Funeral Service 12pm Wednesday

What's happening:

1. STATIONS OF THE CROSS Friday at 7pm.
2. CHURCH CEILING: Many thanks to those who mopped and mopped to clean up the black dust that fell everywhere.
3. The cost of the work and scaffolding was met by members of one family. Many thanks.
4. The CAFOD collection for January was £93.28. Thank you. Good news again this year! The UK Government has once again promised to match every pound and penny you give this Lent.
5. Because Easter is quite early, the next Parish Magazine will be early summer. This will give people time to come up with even more ideas, especially after the Advent edition which was packed with so many varied articles. A very big thank you to contributors. Dates to follow later.
6. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass. Anyone is most welcome to join them.
7. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
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1st Sunday of Lent

We remember we are God's chosen people and gather to give thanks for the many blessings we have received.

Readings

1. The people make thanksgiving sacrifice.
2. The Lord is rich in mercy.
3. The devil tempts Jesus with good things.

"The Word is very near you, it is on your lips and in your heart".

Paul reminds us of God's healing mercy.

He encourages us to call on the Lord when we need him.

Monday	22	9am	Kathleen Cunningham
Tuesday	23		
Wednesday	24	7pm	Madelaine Braithwaite
Thursday	25		
Friday	26	9am 7pm	Lilian Moss Stations of the Cross
Saturday	27	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	28	11am	Stan Simpsons & George Ray

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What's happening:

1. STATIONS OF THE CROSS Friday at 7pm.
2. CAFOD: Good news again this year! The UK Government has once again promised to match every pound and penny you give this Lent.
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2nd Sunday of Lent

If we live by faith and love, a bright cloud keeps us safe. Without faith, life is darkness.

Readings

1. God makes a covenant out of love.
2. We are measured by the standards of heaven, our true home
3. Christ is perfect because he is perfectly beloved.

If we want to be followers of Christ, we must be friends with the cross.

We must identify with the message and the reality of the crucified Christ.

That includes humiliation which will be followed by glory.

Monday	29	9am	Jean Keegan
Tuesday	1		
Wednesday	2	7pm	Sim Hough
Thursday	3		
Friday	4	9am 7pm	Mrs C Howe Stations of the Cross
Saturday	5	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	6	11am	Thomas Cooke

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What's happening:

1. STATIONS OF THE CROSS Friday at 7pm.
2. WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER. Service will be held at All Saints Church at 1pm on Friday 4th March. Speaker: Mrs Ann Cheers.
3. CAFOD: Good news again this year! The UK Government has once again promised to match every pound and penny you give this Lent.
4. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass. Anyone is most welcome to join them.
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3rd Sunday of Lent

Innocent suffering: Jesus makes it plain that personal tragedy is never God's punishment for sin.

Readings

1. The Lord declares that he has heard the cry of his people in distress.
2. Paul reminds us of the deeds of God on behalf of his people in the past.
3. It is important that people take to heart the call to embrace the arrival of God's Kingdom.

Paul tells us we should put God at the centre of our lives.

We may be tempted, like the ancient Israelites, to replace God.

Rely on God, who is faithful, to deliver us from this temptation.

Monday	7	9am	Richard Fairhurst
Tuesday	8		
Wednesday	9	7pm	Alex Bangert
Thursday	10		
Friday	11	9am 7pm	Richard Banks Stations of the Cross
Saturday	12	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	13	11am	Brian Rothwell

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What's happening:

1. STATIONS OF THE CROSS Friday at 7pm.
2. READERS REQUIRED. Our numbers of readers is diminishing. We need more both for Saturdays and Sundays. There is a rota so you will not need to read every week. and the other readers are always very flexible if you need to "swop" days. Please think about joining the team and then see Father (or one of the other readers).
3. CAFOD: Good news again this year! The UK Government has once again promised to match every pound and penny you give this Lent.
4. The annual Mass of Chrism will be celebrated on Wednesday the 23rd of March (Wednesday of Holy Week) in the Metropolitan Cathedral at Liverpool at 7.30pm. This is the occasion when the Holy Oils are blessed to be used in the parishes of the Archdiocese throughout the coming year, and when the priests of the Archdiocese renew the promises of their ordination.
If you would like to reserve a seat on the free coach going to this event, please write your name on the list on the church notice board. Pick up places and times, and return times are also on this sheet.
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4th Sunday of Lent

We thank God for his goodness, love and mercy.

Readings

1. The people of God set out to take possession of the promised land.
2. God reconciles us through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus
3. The prodigal son comes to his senses.

St. Paul indulges in one of his favourite themes and sayings.

We who believe are "in Christ" and have been recreated.

We are a "new creation".

We are to be reconcilers because we have been reconciled.

Monday	14	9am	Norah Reynolds
Tuesday	15		
Wednesday	16	6.15pm 7pm	Stations of the Cross Doris Birch
Thursday	17	9am	ST PATRICK Teresa Connor
Friday	18	9am 7pm	Mr & Mrs R Kenyon Stations of the Cross
Saturday	19	7pm	Cathy Pinnington
PALM SUNDAY	20	11am	People of Parish

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Lately Dead: Esther Green R.I.P. (No funeral arrangements yet).

What's happening:

1. Some of our non-Catholic neighbours have asked if I would celebrate an extra STATIONS OF THE CROSS which they could attend. So:- Wednesday 6.15pm Stations followed by Mass. Come along; an extra prayer before Lent is over
2. STATIONS OF THE CROSS also on Friday at 7pm.
3. CAFOD: The collection for February amounted to £104.70. Good news again this year! The UK Government has once again promised to match every pound and penny you give this Lent.
4. Mass of Christ: Those wishing to go on the free coach please put your name on the list in the Porch by Palm Sunday
5. Those of you who have not collected your GIFT AID envelopes from the back of the Church please do so ASAP.
6. "The Big Picture". Pope Francis requests Bible study on a Parish level in this Year of Mercy. Please read the explanatory poster in the Porch and note the times and place of Bible sessions.
7. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass. Anyone is most welcome to join them.
8. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
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5th Sunday of Lent

We are invited to make a fresh start. To begin a journey with the Lord to a blessed future.

Readings

1. Isaiah calls us to look again to see what graces the Lord has for us.
2. St. Paul: forget the past and keep running the race.
3. The woman is freed from the past sins and her accusers shamed.

St. Paul is full of sporting metaphors.

The richest prize is eternal life.

That prize is made available through faith in the resurrection of Christ.

Keep striving.

Monday	21	9am	John Davies
Tuesday	22	11.45am	REQUIEM: Esther Green
Wednesday	23	7pm	RECONCILIATION Stuart Hunt
MAUNDAY THURSDAY	24	8pm	THE LORD'S SUPPER People of Parish
GOOD FRIDAY	25	3pm 7pm	THE LORD'S PASSION Stations of the Cross
HOLY SATURDAY	26	8pm	EASTER VIGIL
EASTER SUNDAY	27	11am	Bernard & Vincent Killeen

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Lately Dead: Vera Ion R.I.P. (Funeral 29th March at 10.30am).

What's happening:

1. GOOD FRIDAY: The Calvary Walk of Witness will commence at 11.15am from Low Hall Car Park, Liverpool Road. We will walk to Church for short prayers in the garden. Everyone is welcome. Please assemble at the Car Park between 11 and 11.15am.
2. We have still not had any volunteer readers after the appeal a couple of weeks ago. Please think about it and see Father or any member of the reader's team if you can help. There is a rota so it's not every week. The more readers, the less you have to do.
3. CAFOD: Lent is coming to an end. Take advantage of the UK Government's promise to match every pound and penny you give this Lent.
4. Legion of Mary: 3rd April 12.00 to 2.00pm, TESCO, Hindley. 2nd year "Book Barrow". Leaflets, books, prayer cards needed for our table. Please leave at the back of Church. Thank you for your support. Our Lady, Queen of All Angels.
5. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass. Anyone is most welcome to join them.
6. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
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Palm Sunday

Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Leading to suffering and death.

Readings

1. The Lord's servant takes on the insults of his persecutors.
2. Christ humbled himself even to the Cross.
3. The Passion of Christ.

It is thought our second reading is St. Paul reciting an already well-versed prayer. Emptying of self, obedience to God's will; humility and a spirit of service. These are the hallmarks of one who bears the name of Christian.

Monday	28	12 noon	Thomas Cooke
Tuesday	29	10.30am	REQUIEM: Vera Ion
Wednesday	30	7pm	Katharyn Mitchell
Thursday	31		
Friday	1	9am	Milton France
Saturday	2	7pm	Jack & Hilda Heaton
Sunday	3	11am	People of Parish

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What's happening:

1. HAPPY EASTER, and many thanks to those who prepared and took part in the ceremonies over the last week.
2. MONDAY MASS 12.00 noon. (I may be a bit late).
3. JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY: DEANERY PILGRIMAGE TO THE CATHEDRAL.
On Saturday the 9th of April the parishes of our Deanery are invited to make a Pilgrimage to the Metropolitan Cathedral in Liverpool in order to enter through the Holy Door and receive the Jubilee Year Indulgence. We will be met at 10.00am by the Cathedral Dean and led through the Holy Door where we will then pray the specially erected "Stations of Mercy". Afterwards there will be time to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with one of the many priests available and/or to make a private tour of the Cathedral and Crypt. Mass will be celebrated by one of the bishops at 12 noon after which we will have lunch (bring a packed lunch with you!).
So that as many as possible can take part in the Pilgrimage, we will be arranging free coach transport from our parishes. The coach will leave Sacred Heart Church at 8.45am, picking up from the former Monaco Ballroom in the centre of Hindley and then from Holy Family Church. Departure from the Cathedral will be at 2.00pm. Although the transport on the day will be free-of-charge we need to know how big a coach to order. So, if you intend coming along, please sign your name on the list in the Porch.
4. Legion of Mary: 3rd April 12.00 to 2.00pm, TESCO, Hindley. "Book Barrow". Leaflets, books, prayer cards needed. Please leave at the back of Church. Thank you for your support. Our Lady, Queen of All Angels.
5. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass. (next Sunday)
6. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
7. If anyone wishes to hire the Parish Hall for kiddies parties (not adults' parties) /Church functions/Meetings. The person to contact is Theresa Dermott. Her phone number is 07946 172477.
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Easter Sunday

Let us all rejoice and be glad for the Lord has risen from the dead.

Readings

1. Peter proclaims the Good News of salvation to Cornelius.
2. Through baptism we have died with Christ and entered a new life.
3. Jesus testifies to the empty tomb.

We are invited to "set our minds" on the promise of eternal life, hidden within us.

This new life is rising up within us to bloom forth at the end.

We focus on Christ who is our life.

Monday	4	9am	Lucy O'Donnell
Tuesday	5		
Wednesday	6	7pm	Peggy Darbyshire
Thursday	7		
Friday	8	9am	Kathleen Cunningham
Saturday	9	7pm	Vera Ion
Sunday	10	11am	People of Parish

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What's happening:

1. Thanks to all for a very Happy Easter. It seemed to pass very quickly, and we survived "Katie".
2. JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY: DEANERY PILGRIMAGE TO THE CATHEDRAL.
Saturday 9th April. Please put your names on the list in the Church Porch **this weekend** if you would like to travel on the free coach. The list will be taken down after Mass on Sunday as numbers are needed so that the correct size of coach can be requested. The coach will leave Sacred Heart Church at 8.45am, picking up from the former Monaco Ballroom in the centre of Hindley and then from Holy Family Church. Departure from the Cathedral will be at 2.00pm. (Bring a packed lunch).
3. The Order Forms for plants from the Spring Fayre will be available next weekend. They need to be returned by 1st May so there is plenty time. Given the number of repairs etc. that have had to be done recently we would like to make this a bumper year and we rely on your generosity in providing raffle prizes and goods for stalls. The usual "silver box" will be appearing shortly. Thank you.
4. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
5. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
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2nd Sunday of Easter

Jesus after his resurrection comes looking for his disciples and makes them true apostles.

Readings

1. The Apostles, filled with the Spirit, are full of courage.
2. A vision of the risen Lord.
3. Jesus gives the power to forgive sins, and convinces doubting Thomas.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, John in the Apocalypse inspires perseverance in time of persecution and joy in the glory that is to come.

Monday	11	9am	Teresa Meadows
Tuesday	12		
Wednesday	13	7pm	Eric Unsworth
Thursday	14		
Friday	15	9am	Ann Rigby
Saturday	16	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	17	11am	Eric Hill

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What's happening:

1. NEXT WEEKEND 16/17 April. An APPEAL on behalf of AID TO CHURCH IN NEED. Yes there is still persecution in some areas.
2. The Order Forms for plants from the Spring Fayre are at the back of Church. The "silver box is also there and will remain there for several weeks. So if you have any unused gifts that are not wanted that's the place to put them. We are also looking for raffle prizes, bric a brac, crafts, toiletries and groceries (in date please).
3. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
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3rd Sunday of Easter

Jesus is Lord of all humanity.

We hear his disciples become inspirational witnesses to the blessings of God.

Readings

1. Despite warnings, the disciples continue to preach in the name of Jesus.
2. The Lamb that was sacrificed is given glory by the heavenly hosts.
3. Jesus helps make a bountiful catch.

The lamb was central to Jewish worship.

As Christ was gradually understood to be the sacrifice of the new order, the title Lamb and Lamb of God, came to be used when talking of Him.

The Lamb is worthy of all praise.

Monday	18	9am	Simeon Hough
Tuesday	19		
Wednesday	20	7pm	Jack & Hilda Heaton
Thursday	21		
Friday	22	9am	Vera Ion
Saturday	23	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	24	11am	Harper Grace

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What's happening:

1. An APPEAL on behalf of AID TO CHURCH IN NEED THIS WEEKEND.
2. There is a meeting at 7.30pm on Monday 18th April in the Parish Hall for Fund Raising Group. Anyone is most welcome to come along.
3. The Order Forms for plants from the Spring Fayre are at the back of Church. The "silver box" is also there and will remain there for several weeks. So if you have any unused gifts that are not wanted that's the place to put them. We are also looking for raffle prizes, bric a brac, crafts, toiletries and groceries (in date please).
4. The CAFOD collection for March amounted to £132.61. Thank You. There is still time to have your donations to CAFOD doubled. The Government's final date for matching funding is 9th May.
5. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
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4th Sunday of Easter

Let us listen to the voice of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, and hear how and where he is calling us.

Readings

1. Paul is well received by Jewish people but their leaders oppose him. He directs his mission to the Pagans.
2. John has a vision of a huge crowd standing before the throne of God,
3. The sheep entrusted to Jesus listen to his voice and are kept safe for eternal life.

Our reading from the Apocalypse is a glorious foretelling of how the Lamb leads his faithful ones to victory and then on to the glory and praise of God.

Monday	25	9am	Richard Fairhurst
Tuesday	26		
Wednesday	27	7pm	Elizabeth & Michael Gavin
Thursday	28		
Friday	29	9am	Bernard Mullen
Saturday	30	7pm	Ian William Rimmer
Sunday	1	11am	Jack McKinley

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What's happening:

1. Aid to the Church in Need raised £537. Terry Gorman has sent a letter of thanks. Some envelopes are still with you. Let me have them and he will collect.
2. The Order Forms for plants from the Spring Fayre are at the back of Church.
3. Raffle tickets for the Spring Fayre will be on sale next weekend.
4. Thank you to those who have already donated gifts to the Spring Fayre. We are collecting bric a brac, toiletries, crafts, bottles of wine or spirits and groceries (in date please) to make up a hamper. Please put them in the box at the back of Church.
5. CAFOD. The Government's final date for matching funding is 9th May.
6. The next Parish Magazine will be early summer. Closing date for articles etc is 29th May. See Kath Holden.
7. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
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5th Sunday of Easter

Faith is our vision, our hope and encouragement. Love for one another is our way of life.

Readings

1. Paul and Barnabas put fresh heart into the followers of the Lord.
2. In faith we see God who wipes away all tears.
3. We are to love as Christ loves us.

The vision is of the arrival of a glorious future.
 The world of the past is gone.
 The persecution and the struggle over.
 Here God lives among men.
 He is making his home among his people.

Monday	2		
Tuesday	3		
Wednesday	4		
Thursday	5		
Friday	6		
Saturday	7	7pm	Kathleen Cunningham
Sunday	8	11am	Frances & Joseph Shambley

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's happening:

1. Fr. Hubert Strowbridge will be in charge these next two weeks. Note that there are no weekday Masses.
2. The CLOSING DATE for Order Forms for plants from the Spring Fayre is 8th May. Raffle tickets for the Spring Fayre will be on sale this and next weekend. We are still appealing for bric a brac, toiletries, crafts, bottles of wine or spirits and groceries (in date please) to make up a hamper - box at the back of Church. A choir from our school will be singing late morning at the Fayre. Read the BANNER on the Church railings to see what will be going on. We need your support on the day, 14th May.
3. The next Parish Magazine will be early summer. Closing date for articles etc is 29th May. See Kath Holden.
4. Bishop Tom Williams invites you to join him, on Sat 28 May, for our annual diocesan Pilgrimage to Ladyewell, Fernyhalgh Lane, Fulwood, Preston PR2 5RR. There will be Mass at 12noon in St Mary's Church; followed by a Rosary procession to the Shrine and later in the day Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Pilgrims will need to bring a packed lunch and weather permitting we will be able to have a picnic in the grounds. Further information, please contact Fr. James Preston frjamespreston@gmail.com
5. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
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6th Sunday of Easter

The Holy Spirit gives the Church the grace and courage to spread the Good News.

Readings

1. Paul and Barnabas continue to include the Gentiles in the new covenant.
2. John shares his great vision of heaven, where Christ will reign forever.
3. The Holy Spirit will be the guiding light of the Church

In our second reading we are given a picture of the "new Jerusalem", the heavenly Church of the future.

Peace will be totally achieved.

Monday	9		
Tuesday	10		
Wednesday	11		
Thursday	12		
Friday	13		
Saturday	14	7pm	Ince & Keegan Families
Sunday	15	11am	Eileen Higham

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What's happening:

1. Note that there are no weekday Masses.
2. SPRING FAYRE/PLANT SALE NEXT SATURDAY 14th MAY, 9.30am to 12pm. If anyone would like to bake something for the cake stall it will be gratefully accepted on the day. A choir of children from St Benedict's School will be singing at around 11.15am. Come and have a cuppa, toast, homemade cakes and biscuits and be well entertained. There will be a good choice of plants if you haven't already ordered....and lots more. PLEASE COME AND SUPPORT US ON THE DAY. All the proceeds are for the upkeep of the Church.
3. Our Church will be open for private prayer from 11am until noon on Thursday 12th May along with all the other churches in Hindley as part of an initiative of Churches Together in Hindley. Everyone welcome.
4. The next Parish Magazine will be early summer. Closing date for articles etc is 29th May. See Kath Holden.
5. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
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The Ascension of the Lord

The Apostles felt abandoned when Jesus ascended into Heaven.

Readings

1. Paul prays that the Ephesians may receive the holy Spirit.
2. The death of Jesus opened a new way for us to draw closer to God.
3. Christ promises the Holy Spirit who will empower his disciples.

Union with Christ sets Christians apart.

The Church, like a body, has many parts.

As members of this body we share the fullness of Christ.

Monday	16	9am	Teresa Meadows
Tuesday	17		
Wednesday	18	7pm	Lucy O'Donnell
Thursday	19		
Friday	20	9am	Crank Family
Saturday	21	7pm	Lilian Moss
Sunday	22	11am	People of Parish

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What's happening:

1. I am back.
2. CAFOD: £369 was collected during Lent which included one very generous donation, which means we have raised £738 with the Government double up.
Thank you for your continued support.
3. The next Parish Magazine will be early summer. Closing date for articles etc is 29th May. See Kath Holden.
4. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
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Pentecost Sunday

Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles proclaim the Good News without fear.

Readings

1. The fulfilment of Christ's promise to ask the Father to send another Advocate.
2. Our purpose is not to please ourselves but to please God.
3. The Holy Spirit will reveal the full meaning of Jesus' words and deeds.

Jesus is Lord. Again reference, the Church is the Body of Christ.

Though we all have different abilities and callings within the Church, we are called to unity.

Monday	23	9am	Special Intention
Tuesday	24		
Wednesday	25	7pm	Sister Monica Mary
Thursday	26		
Friday	27	9am	Edel Quinn
Saturday	38	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	29	11am	Brian Rothwell

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What's happening:

1. The Spring Fayre/Plant Sale raised a magnificent £1108.50. Lots of people to thank: those who have worked very hard particularly over the last few weeks organising plants and stalls and games, the extra hands both on the Friday and Saturday, all those kind people who donated raffle prizes and goods for sale, the gardeners who gave us their advanced orders and the bakers for a superb array of cakes and biscuits. The children's choir from St Benedict's School performed like professionals and we thank both them and their choir mistress for all the dinner hours they gave up! However without the people who gave their support on the day a lot of hard work would have been wasted. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT.....we've got a big target to beat next year!
2. Closing date for articles etc for the next Parish Magazine is 29th May (next weekend). See Kath Holden.
3. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
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The Most Holy Trinity

Jesus speaks of his Father and the Holy Spirit, and so introduces us to the mysterious intimacy of God, the three in one.

Readings

1. The wonder of the world reveals the wisdom of God.
2. Through Christ we see the glory of god and our hope of eternal life.
3. The grace to understand many things will be given by the Spirit.

Our Second Reading and the Gospel mention the three persons of the Blessed Trinity and the role of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We have been justified by faith in Jesus, our lives transformed.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 29th May 2016 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Monday	30	9am	Cath & Joe Kelly
Tuesday	31		
Wednesday	1	7pm	Pat Frainey
Thursday	2		
Friday	3	9am	Teresa Meadows
Saturday	4	7pm	Jimmy Featherstone
Sunday	5	11am	People of Parish

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What's happening:

1. SPECIAL COLLECTION: I try to shield you from some of these, but, we should have had one for PRIESTS TRAINING FUND some weeks back. So NEXT WEEKEND WE WILL HAVE IT.
2. We will be holding a Beetle Drive in the Parish Hall on Friday 10th June from 6pm to 8pm. Tickets on sale at £1.50 and £1 for accompanied children. All will be explained on the night for those who haven't been to one before! Tea, coffee, cakes, pop and crisps will be on sale.
3. To celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi there will be Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at Holy Family, Platt Bridge this Sunday from 10.30am Mass throughout the day until Benediction at 7.00pm.
4. To celebrate its Patronal Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at Sacred Heart, Hindley Green next Friday from Mass at 10.00am throughout the day until Benediction at 7.00pm.
5. Bank Holiday Monday at UpHolland . Garden Fete at Don Orione Centre, School Lane, Roby Mill WN8 0QR (near the Fox@ Fifteens). 12noon to 4pm 30th May. SEE POSTER IN CHURCH PORCH.
6. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
7. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Jesus himself is our food of life, the bread of life that sustains us on our journey.

Readings

1. Melchizedek, priest of God, brings bread and wine.
2. Jesus offers his disciples bread and wine as a memorial of himself.
3. Jesus blesses the loaves and fish.

The followers of Jesus are charged to repeat what Jesus had done at the Last Supper.

This re-enactment is the proof that these people are the authentic disciples.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 5th June 2016 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	6	9am	Mary Fisher
Tuesday	7		
Wednesday	8	7pm	Mary Tiernan
Thursday	9		
Friday	10	9am	Lena Forde
Saturday	11	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	12	11am	Ann Rigby

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What's happening:

1. SPECIAL COLLECTION for PRIESTS TRAINING FUND this weekend.
2. A "Thank You" from Aid to the Church in Need. The final collection was £655.00. Very Good.
3. First Holy Communions will be celebrated on Sundays 12th and 19th June. Please pray for the children.
4. We will be holding a Beetle Drive in the Parish Hall on Friday 10th June from 6pm to 8pm. Tickets on sale at £1.50 and £1 for accompanied children. Families welcome. All will be explained on the night for those who haven't been to one before! Tea, coffee, cakes, pop and crisps will be on sale.
5. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
6. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
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10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus, in his compassion, brings back to life the widow's son.

Readings

1. Elijah restores a woman's son to life
2. Paul, before his birth, had been enlisted to be an apostle to the Gentiles.
3. In the town of Nain, Jesus restores a widow's only son.

Our Christian faith is never a private matter, St Paul reminds us.

It is for everyone of every time and place.

Every Christian is called to make Christ known - by word and example.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 12th June 2016 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	13	9am	Teresa Meadows
Tuesday	14		
Wednesday	15	7pm	Simeon Hough
Thursday	16		
Friday	17	9am	Brian Rothwell
Saturday	18	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	19	11am	Jack McKinley

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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Lately Dead: Matthew Downing and Gladys Kerr R.I.P.

What's happening:

1. CAFOD - The collection for May amounted to £44.50. Many thanks.
2. First Holy Communions will be celebrated on Sundays 12th and 19th June. Please pray for the children.
3. The Parish Magazine will be on sale on the weekend of 25th/26th June. Price 50p.
4. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
5. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
6. If anyone wishes to hire the Parish Hall for kiddies parties (not adults' parties) /Church functions/Meetings . The person to contact is Theresa Dermott. Her phone number is 07946 172477.
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11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus shows the power of divine forgiveness to reach out to those who feel most distant from God.

Readings

1. King David recognises his sins, God will forgive.
2. St Paul tells us: if the law could forgive, Christ's death on the Cross would have no point.
3. The greatest sinner, when forgiven by God, can show the greatest love.

True life in Christ.

Everything we say and do is rooted in the Easter mystery.

Christ's gift of himself, the ransom paid for sin.

The fruit of the Tree of Life, the Cross, is the promise of eternal life.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 26th June 2016 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	27	9am	Jack & Hilda Heaton
Tuesday	28		
Wednesday	29	7pm	James Hampson
Thursday	30		
Friday	1	9am	James & Florence Hull
Saturday	2	7pm	Elizabeth & Michael Gavin
Sunday	3	11am	People of Parish

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's happening:

1. Wednesday is the feast of Saints Peter and Paul.
2. The Parish Magazine is on sale this weekend. Price 50p.
3. The next event will be the Cheese and Wine evening in celebration of St Benedict's day. It will be at 7.30pm on Friday 8th July. Tickets £3. St Benedict's feast is actually Monday 11th July.
4. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
5. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
6. If anyone wishes to hire the Parish Hall for kiddies parties (not adults' parties) /Church functions/Meetings . The person to contact is Theresa Dermott. Her phone number is 07946 172477.
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13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are brothers and sisters in Christ, who have been chosen and called.

Readings

1. Elijah is told to go and find Elisha and anoint him as his successor.
2. Christ has set us free.
3. The Lord has called, we must follow.

Paul tells us; once free from sin, Christ intends us to remain free.

The new life in Christ is not lived by heroic gestures but in the normal run of life.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 10th July 2016 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	11	9am	Harold Batley
Tuesday	12		
Wednesday	13	7pm	Ann Rigby
Thursday	14	10am	School Leavers Mass
Friday	15	9am	Simeon Hough
Saturday	16	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	17	11am	Brian Rothwell

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's happening:

1. Monday is the feast of St Benedict.
2. We are looking for new choir members particularly as the summer holidays are approaching. No qualifications needed except perhaps the ability to climb the choir stairs!! Please speak to any member of the choir or just come along one Sunday morning and join us.
3. The Junior School Y6 Leavers Mass will be at 10am on Thursday in the Church.
4. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
5. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Lord came to raise us up.

Do we have the generosity to respond to the sufferings of others?

Readings

1. Moses tells the people they must obey the voice of the Lord.
2. Paul proclaims that Jesus is the image of the unseen God.
3. The parable of the Good Samaritan.

Paul in poetic language tells that Jesus, whom he once persecuted, has been revealed to him as the image of God.

The model for humanity.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 17th July 2016 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	18	9am	Milton France
Tuesday	19		
Wednesday	20	7pm	Vera Ion
Thursday	21		
Friday	22	9am	Michael & Delia Barrett
Saturday	23	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	24	11am	Katharyn Mitchell

Please pray for the sick and housebound

Elsie Hilton, Irene Murphy, David Skilcorn, Kathleen McCauley, John Darbyshire, Ada Platt, Winnie Hutchinson, John Curless, Frank Morley, Anne O'Sullivan, Christopher Brown, Betty Dickie, Carmen Peretiatako, Lilian Pilkington, Josie Hoyle.

What's happening:

1. The CAFOD collection for June amounted to £53.87. Thank you.
2. There will be a meeting for the Parish fund raising group at 7.30pm on Monday 25th July in the Parish Hall.
3. We are looking for new choir members particularly as the summer holidays are approaching. No qualifications needed except perhaps the ability to climb the choir stairs!! Please speak to any member of the choir or just come along one Sunday morning and join us.
4. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
5. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
6. If anyone wishes to hire the Parish Hall for kiddies parties (not adults' parties) /Church functions/Meetings . The person to contact is Theresa Dermott. Her phone number is 07946 172477.
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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We gather in joy and gratitude because the Lord offers us his hospitality week by week in Mass.

Readings

1. Abraham and Sarah offer refreshment to travellers and their lives are transformed.
2. Paul discovers that even suffering is a way of service and love.
3. We meet Jesus in a familiar domestic setting.

Paul shows his willingness to cheerfully suffer in order to bring God's message and Christ's hope to those who had been thought of as beyond salvation.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 24th July 2016 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	25	9am	Kathleen Cunningham
Tuesday	26		
Wednesday	27	7pm	Richard Banks
Thursday	28		
Friday	29	9am	Pat Frainey
Saturday	30	7pm	Intention
Sunday	31	11am	People of Parish

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's happening:

1. A notice "No Parking" should be going up on the drive way. It is intended for those who use the drive to park up for the Bank. Those of you who need to use the drive may continue.
2. There will be a meeting for the Parish fund raising group at 7.30pm on Monday 25th July in the Parish Hall.
3. The Parish Safeguarding Representative is Joanne Hocknull - please see the poster in the foyer with contact details. Further information on safeguarding can be found at www.gov.uk/organisations/disclosure-and-barring-service or from the Archdiocese of Liverpool www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/safeguarding.
4. We will be having Afternoon Tea at 4pm on Thursday 4th August in the Parish Hall. Tickets will be on sale next week, price £3. Please come along and support.
5. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
6. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
7. If anyone wishes to hire the Parish Hall for kiddies parties (not adults' parties) /Church functions/Meetings . The person to contact is Theresa Dermott. Her phone number is 07946 172477.
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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are called to treat God with the respect and trust that is due to a loving parent.

Readings

1. Abraham begs God to have mercy on a sinful city.
2. Paul reflects on what God has done for us through baptism.
3. Prayer means trusting God to be a loving parent.

The joy of forgiveness and the new life and power given through baptism is explained by Paul as a consequence of the sacrifice willingly given by Jesus on the Cross.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 31st July 2016 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	1	9am	Matthew and Lisa Downing
Tuesday	2		
Wednesday	3	7pm	Stuart Halliwell
Thursday	4		
Friday	5	9am	Sick Person
Saturday	6	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	7	11am	Bernard & Gary

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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Lately Dead: Fr. John Birchall, Sacred Heart, Wigan, has died. A friend since 1947. R.I.P.
Lisa Downing R.I.P. (Requiem Mass on Tuesday 9th August).

What's happening:

1. THERE IS A LETTER AT THE BACK OF CHURCH. FOR THOSE WHOSE WEEKLY OFFERING IS GIFT AIDED. PLEASE COLLECT
2. We will be having Afternoon Tea at 4pm on Thursday 4th August in the Parish Hall. Tickets are on sale now price £3. Please come along and support.
3. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass. (Next Sunday)
4. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
5. If anyone wishes to hire the Parish Hall for kiddies parties (not adults' parties) /Church functions/Meetings . The person to contact is Theresa Dermott. Her phone number is 07946 172477.
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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

True life and true wealth are found when we share God's gifts.

Readings

1. Life's struggles are often felt to be in vain.
2. Heavenly life calls for a heavenly attitude.
3. Wealth, selfishly desired, only leads to woe.

Paul tells us the true disciple is faced with a choice: a life built on faith in Christ and the values of heaven and a life driven by the worst impulses of human nature.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 8th Aug 2016 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	8	9am	Teresa Meadows
Tuesday	9	10am	Requiem Lisa Downing
Wednesday	10	7pm	Kathleen Wilson
Thursday	11		
Friday	12	9am	Simeon Hough
Saturday	13	7pm	Intention
Sunday	14	11am	People of Parish

Please pray for the sick and housebound

Elsie Hilton, Irene Murphy, David Skilcorn, Kathleen McCauley, John Darbyshire, Ada Platt, Winnie Hutchinson, John Curless, Frank Morley, Anne O'Sullivan, Christopher Brown, Betty Dickie, Carmen Peretiatako, Lilian Pilkington, Josie Hoyle.

What's happening:

1. We celebrate the Assumption of Our Lady next weekend.
2. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
3. Germaine, Shawna and Eddie Wharton and family ask for your support for the Christie Charity. They will be selling raffle tickets, in the porch, this weekend at £1 per strip; prizes include a Manchester United signed football, an alcohol hamper and many others. Germaine has organised a fundraising afternoon with many events on Sunday 14th August at which the raffle will be drawn. Full details of the event are displayed on the poster in the Porch.
4. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
5. If anyone wishes to hire the Parish Hall for kiddies parties (not adults' parties) /Church functions/Meetings . The person to contact is Theresa Dermott. Her phone number is 07946 172477.
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19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are pilgrim people, journeying by faith to God's Kingdom.

Readings

1. The people prepare to be liberated by the Lord.
2. Abraham and Sarah placed their trust in the Lord.
3. All are warned to be ready for the master's return.

Abraham and Sarah lived, trusting in the Lord, even when the promises made to them, (Isaac) was being taken from them.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 14th Aug 2016 The Assumption of Our Lady

Monday	15	9am	Intention
Tuesday	16		
Wednesday	17	7pm	Hilda & Jack Heaton
Thursday	18		
Friday	19	9am	Intention
Saturday	20	7pm	Lucy O'Donnell
Sunday	21	11am	Mr A Crank

Please pray for the sick and housebound

Elsie Hilton, Irene Murphy, David Skilcorn, Kathleen McCauley, John Darbyshire, Ada Platt, Winnie Hutchinson, John Curless, Frank Morley, Anne O'Sullivan, Christopher Brown, Betty Dickie, Carmen Peretiatako, Lilian Pilkington, Josie Hoyle, Donald Calderbank.

What's happening:

1. I will be going away for a few weeks leaving you in the good hands of Fr. Strowbridge and Fr. Ashton.
2. Germaine, Shawna and Eddie Wharton and family ask for your support for the Christie Charity. They will be selling raffle tickets, in the porch, this weekend at £1 per strip; prizes include a Manchester United signed football, an alcohol hamper and many others. Germaine has organised a fundraising afternoon with many events on Sunday 14th August at which the raffle will be drawn. Full details of the event are displayed on the poster in the Porch.
3. The CAFOD collection for July amounted to £87.44. Thank you.
4. The Afternoon Tea was a very enjoyable event. Thank you to those who came. The amount raised was £220.
5. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
6. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
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The Assumption of Our Lady

As we celebrate the Assumption we look forward in hope to the destiny that awaits us as faithful disciples of her son, Jesus.

Readings

1. Jesus' vision of the final victory.
2. Those who belong to Christ will be brought back to life in him.
3. Mary praises God for the part she is to play in salvation.

Christ is the new Adam, reversing the consequences of Adam's sin.

All are destined to share in Christ's victory over death - this is our Christian hope - and Mary is our sign.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 21st Aug 2016 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	22		
Tuesday	23		
Wednesday	24		
Thursday	25		
Friday	26		
Saturday	27	7pm	Peggy Darbyshire
Sunday	28	11am	Kathleen Cunningham

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's happening:

1. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
2. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
3. If anyone wishes to hire the Parish Hall for kiddies parties (not adults' parties) /Church functions/Meetings . The person to contact is Theresa Dermott. Her phone number is 07946 172477.
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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Lord has prepared a banquet for those who love him, inviting us into the joy of his presence.

Readings

1. People of all nations will gather to give sacrifice to the Lord.
2. Suffering should not discourage us in our Christian lives.
3. Jesus warns us to do our best to enter through the narrow door.

Suffering can be understood as a form of correction.

God, like a parent, is "training" his sons and daughters.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 11th Sept 2016 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	12		No Mass
Tuesday	13		
Wednesday	14	7pm	People of Parish
Thursday	15		
Friday	16	9am	Fr. Jack Birchall
Saturday	17	7pm	Kathleen Cunningham
Sunday	18	11am	Ann Rigby

Please pray for the sick and housebound

Elsie Hilton, Irene Murphy, David Skilcorn, Kathleen McCauley, John Darbyshire, Ada Platt, Winnie Hutchinson, John Curless, Frank Morley, Anne O'Sullivan, Christopher Brown, Betty Dickie, Carmen Peretiatako, Lilian Pilkington, Josie Hoyle, Margaret Pugh.

What's happening:

1. CHRISTIE FUND RAISER: Many thanks for supporting the raffle, the sum of £85 was raised from tickets sold at St Benedict's, splendid effort - all prizes claimed. Most were donated in the Westhoughton area, a Manchester United signed football, and Wigan Rugby League shirt, electric toothbrush from Leigh Tesco. Germaine and Shawna Wharton ran one Fund Raiser at the Banner Pub, Hindley (thanks to the Landlady for the use of the premises) and another at Shoemaker Fold Farm, Horwich, who lent out their ponies for the day for rides - a wonderful gesture - and a raffle for a Horse Hamper. There was a donation of £150 from Severfield Engineering. In total Germaine and Shawna raised £911.83 for the Christie Cancer Charity. They are overwhelmed by people's generosity. (Quite an achievement from two young members of our Parish).
2. At the back of Church you will find some small bottles of Lourdes water. If you know of any sick or housebound people near you, or you would like one, please take one.
3. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
4. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
5. If anyone wishes to hire the Parish Hall for kiddies parties (not adults' parties) /Church functions/Meetings. The person to contact is Theresa Dermott. Her phone number is 07946 172477.
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24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mercy is the gift of God for us to recover what was lost. We can escape the past and find a new future.

Readings

1. For the Lord to break his promise to Abraham would be to deny God's own self.
2. Paul is himself a sign of God's mercy.
3. In the human heart there is always an echo of God's mercy.

Paul tells us Christ came into the world to save sinners.

Paul sees himself as a sinner to whom God has shown mercy.

We all need and enjoy the mercy of God.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 25th Sept 2016 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	26	9am	Teresa Meadows
Tuesday	27		
Wednesday	28	7pm	Mary Crehan
Thursday	29		
Friday	30	9am	Donald Calderbank
Saturday	1	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	2	11am	Winifred Simpson

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's happening:

1. **FRIDAY AFTER MASS.** Two nuns will be selling artefacts made on their mission sites. Not many come to Mass but some may wish to call in and see what is on sale.
2. Thanks are due to Anthony Simpson for a donation of £2000 in memory of his mother.
3. St Benedict's School are holding a Coffee Morning for Macmillan Nurses on Friday 30th September at 9.15am in the school hall and have invited any parishioners who would like to go.
4. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
5. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are invited to examine our consciences about prosperity and poverty.

Readings

1. Amos warns the self indulgent rich people of his day.
2. St. Paul encourages Timothy.
3. Pharisees are made aware of their excessive self interest and their neglect of the poor.

Paul tells Timothy, and ourselves, to persevere in both ministry and personal holiness, even in the face of persecution.

Reflect on the daily living of our faith.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 2nd Oct 2016 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	3	9am	Simeon Hough
Tuesday	4		
Wednesday	5	11am	Requiem Marjorie Turner
Thursday	6		
Friday	7	9am	Jack & Hilda Heaton
Saturday	8	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	9	11am	Nicola Rothwell

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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Lately Dead: Mavis Williams R.I.P. (Requiem Mass at 11am on Tuesday 11th October.
Marjorie Turner R.I.P. (Requiem Mass at 11am on Wednesday 5th October.

What's happening:

1. NO 7PM MASS ON WEDNESDAY
2. CAFOD Harvest Fast Day is on 7th October. This will be included in this month's CAFOD collection.
3. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
4. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
5. If anyone wishes to hire the Parish Hall for kiddies parties (not adults' parties) /Church functions/Meetings . The person to contact is Theresa Dermott. Her phone number is 07946 172477.
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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

It is through faith that we know that God loves us and forgives us our sins.

Readings

1. The Lord insists that the upright will live by faithfulness.
2. Timothy must continue his mission in reliance upon the power of God.
3. Jesus assures the apostles that faith can move mountains.

Advice to Timothy and those in pastoral care.

Preachers and patrons are reminded that they have been "trusted to look after something very precious".

Let us pray for them.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 9th Oct 2016 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	10	9am	Peter Barry
Tuesday	11	11am	REQUIEM: Mavis Williams
Wednesday	12	7pm	Cyril Barlow & Thomas Walsh
Thursday	13		
Friday	14	9am	Clifford Wilcock
Saturday	15	7pm	Robert & Jane France
Sunday	16	11am	People of Parish

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's happening:

1. THE ARCHBISHOP will be coming 16th October. He will say 11am Mass and meet you in the Hall for a cup of tea and a biscuit.
I'm sure you will make him welcome.
2. The CAFOD collection for August and September was £153.80. Thank you.
3. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
4. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus reminds us that it can be the foreigner who may be doing God's will better than we are.

Readings

1. The Syrian general is healed of his leprosy.
2. Paul bears his suffering for the sake of the Good News.
3. The Samaritan leper returns to thank the Lord.

Christ suffered and died.

Paul suffered on account of his service.

As Christians we cannot expect to share the inheritance of the risen Christ, if we balk in the face of our own suffering.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 16th Oct 2016 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	17	9am	In Thanksgiving
Tuesday	18		
Wednesday	19	7pm	People of Parish
Thursday	20		
Friday	21	9am	Philip Brynes
Saturday	22	7pm	Joe Devine
Sunday	23	11am	Winifred Simpson

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's happening:

1. The next Parish Magazine will hopefully be out during Advent. If you have any photographs or articles, quizzes etc. would you please see Kath Holden. The closing date will be 13th November.
2. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
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29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The widow's perseverance is a sign for us to persevere in prayer and never give up.

Readings

1. Moses prays with arms outstretched supported by Aaron and Hur.
2. Timothy is reminded to be faithful to the teaching he has received.
3. The widow seeks justice.

Paul warns and exhorts Timothy.

Persecution from without.

False and confused teaching from within the Church.

The true pastor will be grounded in Scripture and will hold fast to what he has been taught.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 23rd Oct 2016 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	24	9am	Eileen Murphy
Tuesday	25		
Wednesday	26	7pm	Richard Fairhurst
Thursday	27		
Friday	28	9am	Elizabeth & Michael Gavin
Saturday	29	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	30	11am	Nicola & Sonia

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's happening:

1. The Archbishop seemed happy enough on his visit. No adverse comments.
2. THIS WEEKEND. An appeal on behalf of SURVIVE-MIVA. The help with transport for missions.
3. The next Parish Magazine will hopefully be out during Advent. If you have any photographs or articles, quizzes etc. would you please see Kath Holden. The closing date will be 13th November.
4. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
5. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
6. If anyone wishes to hire the Parish Hall for kiddies parties (not adults' parties) /Church functions/Meetings. The person to contact is Theresa Dermott. Her phone number is 07946 172477.
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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We cannot set ourselves up in judgement of others.

Readings

1. God's judgement depends on the attitudes of people's hearts.
2. The Lord is the righteous judge.
3. The Pharisee judges himself to be better than tax collector, but the humble man's prayer is heard.

Like Christ, Paul seems to have been left without support at the time of his trial.

Paul makes a powerful confession of faith in the providence of the Almighty and the promise of heavenly reward.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 30th Oct 2016 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	31	7pm	Ruth Jones
Tuesday ALL SAINTS	1	12noon	Mavis Williams
Wednesday ALL SOULS	2	12noon	Ian Peter Wilkinson
Thursday	3		
Friday	4	9am	In Thanksgiving
Saturday	5	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	6	11am	Maureen & Bernard Halliwell

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's happening:

1. **PLEASE NOTE MASS TIMES:**

Mon 7pm
Tues 12 mid-day
Wed 12 mid-day

ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS

- The next Parish Magazine will hopefully be out during Advent. If you have any photographs or articles, quizzes etc. would you please see Kath Holden. The closing date will be 13th November.
- The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
- The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
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31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

God is merciful and wants people to be saved

Readings

- God's power is matched by God's infinite mercy.
- May God's power fulfil our desire for holiness of life.
- Jesus enters Jericho and surprises everyone.

Paul is worried by the excitement about the coming of the Lord.

He calls the people to settle themselves and unite in developing a solid Christian community.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 6th Nov 2016 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	7	9pm	Marjorie Turner
Tuesday	8		
Wednesday	9		
Thursday	10		
Friday	11	9am	Florence O'Driscoll
Saturday	12	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	13	11am	Alice Swift & Eric Unsworth

Please pray for the sick and housebound

Elsie Hilton, Irene Murphy, David Skilcorn, Kathleen McCauley, John Darbyshire, Ada Platt, Winnie Hutchinson, John Curless, Frank Morley, Anne O'Sullivan, Christopher Brown, Betty Dickie, Carmen Peretiatako, Lilian Pilkington, Josie Hoyle, Margaret Pugh.

What's happening:

1. **NO MASS WEDNESDAY.**
2. Charity Evening: Friday 18th November at 7.30pm in St John's Church, Standishgate, Wigan. This is to raise funds to help the Catenians to continue sending Rosaries to the Aboriginal people of Australia, the Pacific Islands, South Africa and also to Prison Chaplains. It costs £75 to send 1000 pairs; to date 400,000 pairs have been sent funded by donations and very much appreciated by recipients. This concert in memory of John Riley R.I.P., a co-founder of the project, is to help to continue the work and the Catenians ask for our help.
3. The next Parish Magazine will hopefully be out during Advent. If you have any photographs or articles, quizzes etc. would you please see Kath Holden. The closing date will be 13th November (next Sunday).
4. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
5. The Legion of Mary meet Monday mornings at 9.45am in the Presbytery - after 9am Mass.
6. If anyone wishes to hire the Parish Hall for kiddies parties (not adults' parties) /Church functions/Meetings. The person to contact is Theresa Dermott. Her phone number is 07946 172477.
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32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

At every Mass we celebrate the mystery of Christ's passing over from death to life.
We too will journey with him into the fullness of life.

Readings

1. The seven brothers place their trust in God.
2. Paul encourages us to persevere in our faith.
3. Jesus shows that God's very nature means there is resurrection.

Paul writing a second letter to the Christian community he founded.
And to us. Words of encouragement.

He also tells us Christian faith is not just words spoken.
It is something lived day to day building up the Body of Christ.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 13th Nov 2016 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday	14	9am	Joe Devine
Tuesday	15		
Wednesday	16	7pm	James Hampson
Thursday	17		
Friday	18	9am	Vera Ion
Saturday	19	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	20	11am	Arthur & Elizabeth Rigby

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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Lately Dead: Joe Kelly R.I.P.

What's happening:

1. I had a letter from CAFOD thanking you for the Harvest donation and your continued support.
2. Charity Evening: Friday 18th November at 7.30pm in St John's Church, Standishgate, Wigan. This is to raise funds to help the Catenians to continue sending Rosaries to the Aboriginal people of Australia, the Pacific Islands, South Africa and also to Prison Chaplains. It costs £75 to send 1000 pairs; to date 400,000 pairs have been sent funded by donations and very much appreciated by recipients. This concert in memory of John Riley R.I.P., a co-founder of the project, is to help to continue the work and the Catenians ask for our help.
3. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

God's kingdom is a living power among us.
We experience it when we make peace and serve one another.

Readings

1. The future is known to God alone.
2. Work and pray hard.
3. Endurance and faithfulness to God even in bad times will win us favour with God.

Paul carries on from last week.
Some seem to be expecting the end time and are not pulling their weight.

Each must contribute as Paul himself had done.
Some are not busy but minding others' business.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 20th Nov 2016 Christ The King

Monday	21	9am	Teresa Meadows
Tuesday	22		
Wednesday	23	7pm	Winifred Simpson
Thursday	24		
Friday	25	9am	Anne Young
Saturday	26	7pm	David Rees Jones
Sunday	27	11am	Intentions (Theresa Dermott)

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's happening:

1. Are you looking for something completely different in your search for Christmas gifts? Maybe CAFOD has the answer. At the back of Church there are some catalogues with plenty of ideas. Please take one if you are interested.
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Christ The King

Christ's Kingship has little to do with the exercise of worldly power.

Readings

1. David is chosen as the undisputed King of Israel.
2. The Son of God is the image of the unseen God.
3. The Kingship of Jesus is recognised by the criminal of the cross.

In Jesus God rescues us from darkness, redeems us and forgives our sins.

Paul, in prison, affirms the power of God to comfort the people and himself.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 27th Nov 2016 1st Sunday of Advent

Monday	28	9am	Special Intention
Tuesday	29		
Wednesday	30	7pm	Mavis Williams
Thursday	1		
Friday	2	9am	Henry & Ellen Whittle
Saturday	3	7pm	Josephine Hoyle
Sunday	4	11am	People of Parish

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's happening:

1. I have received a donation of £500 in memory of Marjorie Turner from the family. Thank you.
2. The Parish Magazine will be on sale next weekend price 50p.
3. Fr, Ashton SDB invites anyone to a Day of Recollection at Thornleigh College, Bolton to celebrate the feast of the Immaculate Conception, on Sunday 4th December to reflect and pray for the current needs of the whole world. It commences at 12 noon. Tea and coffee are provided but bring your own sandwiches. It should finish around 4pm. The Legion of Mary will be running a coach and to secure a seat please ring Susan Mines on 07952 822440.
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1st Sunday Of Advent

As we prepare for Christmas - Advent the coming of Christ. This first Sunday calls us to reflect on Christ's coming again.

Readings

1. Isaiah sees all peoples being gathered into God's people.
2. Paul warns us to be ready.
3. Christ also tells us to be ready, we can't forecast his coming.

Yes Christmas is coming when we remember Christ's birth.

But the time is also coming for Judgement Day.

We are urged to be ready.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 4th Dec 2016 2nd Sunday of Advent

Monday	5	9am	Dec'd Legionaries
Tuesday	6		
Wednesday	7	7pm	Marjorie Turner
Thursday	8		
Friday	9	9am	Pat Hickey
Saturday	10	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday	11	11am	Special Intention

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What's happening:

1. **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** There will be a meeting at 6.30pm on Wednesday 7th December to sort out the Christmas Rota.
2. **LOURDES YOUTH 2017**
Application forms are now available for young people aged between 15 and 25 years to enrol as part of the Youth Section on the Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes between the 20th and the 28th of July 2017. Cost is £500. Download from www.animateyouth.org
3. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
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2nd Sunday Of Advent

Today John the Baptist calls us to repentance so that we may find Christ.

Readings

1. The messianic rule of justice overflows into a vision of a peace among the animal creation.
2. Scripture gives us examples of tolerance and hope, which we are invited to follow.
3. John the Baptist challenges those who are complacent with the coming judgement of God.

Treating each other with profound reverence and respect.

Imagine what this means with the people we know.

Only then are we truly doing the Lord's work and doing the Lord's will.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 11th Dec 2016 3rd Sunday of Advent

Monday	12		
Tuesday	13		
Wednesday	14	7pm	Margaret Eileen Wharton
Thursday	15		
Friday	16	9am	People of Parish
Saturday	17	7pm	In Thanks (Wedding Anniversary)
Sunday	18	11am	Intention

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What's happening:

1. I won't be able to make the 9.00am Mass on Monday. Early appointment.
2. The CAFOD collection for November amounted to £65.83. Thank you.
3. On behalf of our Parish, this year we have bought a Medical Outreach Team from the World Gifts catalogue as our Christmas gift to CAFOD.
4. The Christmas cards with all the times of Christmastide services in St Benedict's, Sacred Heart and Holy Family are at the back of Church. Please take one home with you and for anyone else you may feel would like one.
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3rd Sunday of Advent

As we draw closer to Christmas, today's readings teach us that waiting has its own special value.

Readings

1. The people in exile are assured that the Lord will come.
2. The farmer waits patiently for the seed to bloom.
3. John's waiting is rewarded, the Messiah has come.

The cycle of the seasons calls on us to slow down.

We must be patient and foster good-will towards friends and family. Avoiding judgement and complaint.

ST BENEDICT'S HINDLEY 18th Dec 2016 4th Sunday of Advent

Monday	19	9am	Special Intention
Tuesday	20		
Wednesday	21	7pm	RECONCILIATION. Lily Cooke
Thursday	22		
Friday	23	9am	Mary O'Driscoll
Saturday CHRISTMAS EVE	24	11.30pm Midnight Mass	Carol Sevice Eric Hill
Sunday CHRISTMAS DAY	25	11am	Jean & Joe Gaskell

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What's happening:

1. WEDNESDAY 7.00pm. Reconciliation Service. Christmas is nearly upon us.
2. Carol Service 11.30pm on Christmas Eve followed by Mass at Midnight.
3. APF MILL HILL (MISSION RED BOXES). 2017 Calendars are on the table at the back of Church. Could box holders please take one and could collectors please deliver them to parishioners on their list who are unable to come to Church, Thank you.
4. The Christmas cards with all the times of Christmastide services in St Benedict's, Sacred Heart and Holy Family are at the back of Church. If you have not already done so, please take one home with you and for anyone else you may feel would like one.
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4th Sunday of Advent

Christ comes to bring good news of God's redeeming love to all people.

Readings

1. The woman will bear a son who will be called God-with-us.
2. Jesus is Son of David and Son of God.
3. Joseph trusts in the power of God's Spirit.

St. Paul summarises the Good News of Advent, the Good News of our faith:- the Son of God, descendant of David, is fully human.

The Son of God is Jesus of Nazareth.

Monday	26	12 noon	Bernard & Vincent Killeen
Tuesday	27		
Wednesday	28	12 noon	Joe & Winifred Chamberlain
Thursday	29		
Friday	30	12 noon	David Harrington
Saturday	31	7pm	People of Parish
Sunday NEW YEAR'S DAY	1	11am	Brian Rothwell

Please pray for the sick and housebound

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What's happening:

1. We will have Mass at 12 noon during the week.
2. Please God we will all have a happy and peaceful Christmas.
3. A big "Thank You" to those who once again, have made everything so beautiful. Happy Christmas.
4. The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am before Mass.
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Christmas Day

We gather to celebrate the birth of Jesus, son of Mary. The child is the light of the world and saviour of all peoples.

Reading for daytime Mass:

1. Joyful news comes to a broken world.
2. In Jesus, born of Mary, God reveals himself to us.
3. Jesus, Son of God, is the light of the world.

MARY'S DREAM

I had a dream, Joseph. I don't understand it, not really, but I think it was about a birthday celebration for our Son. I think that was what it was all about.

The people had been preparing for it for about six weeks. They had decorated the house and bought new clothes. They'd gone shopping many times and bought elaborate gifts. It was peculiar, though, because the presents weren't for our Son.

They wrapped them in beautiful paper and tied them with lovely bows and stuck them under a tree. Yes, a tree, Joseph, right in their house. They had decorated the tree also. The branches were full of glowing balls and sparkling ornaments. There was a figure on top of the tree. It looked like an angel might look. Oh, it was beautiful!!

Everyone was laughing and happy. They were all excited about their gifts. They gave the gifts to each other, Joseph, not to our Son. I don't think they even knew him. They never mentioned his name. Doesn't it seem odd for people to go to all that trouble to celebrate someone's birthday if they don't know him?

I had the strangest feeling that if our Son had gone to this celebration, he would have been intruding. Everything was so beautiful, Joseph, and everyone was so happy, but it made me want to cry. How sad for Jesus- not to be wanted at his own birthday party. I'm glad it was only a dream. How terrible, Joseph, if it had been real.