



## Our Lady Immaculate & St Joseph Catholic Church

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### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023 Thirty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)



*‘Greater love has no man than this,  
that a man lay down his life for his friends’.*

## **Remembrance Sunday**

We remember today O Lord all those who have died in any kind of war throughout your world, soldiers who perished in the horror of battle, innocent people buried beneath the rubble from bomb attacks, men women and children brutally attacked and murdered in their homes, towns and villages.

Today we remember especially those victims of the two world wars including those close to us, or to our family, parents and grandparents and for all service men and women who have died in the violence of war.

We remember and pray for those who came home with terrible injuries, both physical and psychological and those whose loved ones never returned. Remembering the conflicts of the past and the sacrifices which were made, we pray for a world where war is still a grim reality.

Lord as we remember those who have lost their lives, help us to renew our fight against cruelty and injustice, against prejudice, tyranny and oppression.

Still we cry out to you in the darkness of our divided world. Let not the hope of men and women perish, let not new clouds rain death upon the earth.

Lord hear our prayer for the multitudes in every country who do not want war and are ready to walk the path of peace.

**May their voice be heard and may they not lose heart.**

## **Remembrance Services**

There is a slight change to the town services for the Armistice this year. Due to ongoing repairs to the roof of the Parish Church, they are unable to host either of the services this year and have asked us to host instead. This is a wonderful opportunity to provide this for the town when we remember those who have died in war. As such **the Sunday morning Mass will be at the earlier time of 10am**

There will be two short ecumenical services to mark the Armistice and remember those who have died in war. The first will be on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> at the War Memorial inside Prescot Cemetery. The second will be next Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> and will begin at the Cenotaph before moving into church. Both will begin at 10.45. All are welcome to attend.

## **Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes**

It would be lovely to run a pilgrimage for the parish next year. I have enquired about a pilgrimage overland to Lourdes that incorporates both Lisieux (home of St Therese) and Nevers (where St Bernadette's incorrupt body lies). Dates are not set at the moment but it would be around the beginning of September 2024 and the cost would be roughly £969 pp for a nine day pilgrimage. A provisional itinerary is on the noticeboard. If anyone is interested please see Fr Dominic.

## **Tesco Blue Tokens**

A huge thank you from the school for supporting the blue token appeal. Our Lady's school came in first place and will receive a £1,500 grant to go towards improving the playgrounds and outdoor areas of the school.

## **Parish Christmas Party**

Tickets will be on sale next Sunday for our first Christmas Party taking place at the Guild Hall on Friday 8th December from 7:30pm. The evening will include a Raffle, Hot Food and DJ. Tickets are priced at £10.

## **Christmas Raffle Prizes**

The ladies who run the Parish Kitchen are looking for prizes to put towards this years Christmas Raffle. If you have any chocolates, biscuits or bottles to donate please hand the in to the Kitchen.

## **Forget Me Not**

Forget me not is a group for people living with dementia and their carers to come together in a supportive and friendly environment to meet new people and chat over a cuppa. People are welcome to join in the activities or just sit back and relax. There is also lots of information and support available. Forget me not takes place on Thursday from 10-12pm at Bryer Road Community Centre, Bryer Road, Prescot, L35 5DW. £3.50 per person.

**Church Cleaning** - Wednesday at 10 am. All Welcome.

**Offertory Collection** - Gift Aid £132 Loose £333. Thank you for your generosity.

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## Mass Times and Intentions

<b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	6.00 pm	Pious List
<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10.00 am</b>	Pious List
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	12.00 pm	David Jones
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	12.00 pm	Margaret & Tony Glennon
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup></b>	12.00 pm	Steve & Paula Whitley
<b>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup></b>	11.00 am 11.30 am 12.00 pm  6.00 pm	<i>Adoration and Confessions</i> <i>Rosary</i> Mary Ellen Cowley  Pious List
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup></b>	11.00 am	Pious List

**Please remember in your prayers the members of our parish who are sick and those who have asked for our prayers:**

Thomas Owens, Derek McEgan, Clare Walsh, Monica Allen, Tony Duncan, Anne McCafrey, Karen Parry, Sandra Johnson, Geraldine Shacklock, Toni Shacklock, Gwen Bode, Joe & Family, Mary Sherwood, Vera Lynn, Jo Knight, Kathleen Kjervold

If you would like us to pray for someone who is sick, who has recently died or whose anniversary is coming up please contact the parish office.

