

Solemnity of Corpus Christi (A)
Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 6th	6.00 pm	Ann Dance
Sunday 7th	11.00 am	Jean Richardson
Monday 8th	12.00 pm	Private Intention
Wednesday 10th	12.00 pm	Michael Glennon
<i>Funeral Service</i>	<i>2.00 pm</i>	<i>Pauline James</i>
Friday 12th	12.00 pm	LISC
Saturday 13th	11.00 am	<i>Adoration & Confessions</i>
	12.00 pm	Paul Lowrey
	6.00 pm	Mary & Gerard Buckley
Sunday 14th	11.00 am	Margaret & Thomas Kirkwood

Please remember in your prayers the members of our parish who have asked for our help and support:

Baptism: *Harry Jones*

Departed: *Michael Glennon, Pauline James*



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*Jesus said to them,
 Truly, truly, I say to
 you, unless you eat the
 flesh of the Son of Man
 and drink his blood,
 you have no life in you.
 Whoever feeds on my
 flesh and drinks my
 blood has eternal life,*

Pope Leo XIV - Magnifica Humanitas

In his first encyclical, "*Magnifica Humanitas*," Pope Leo XIV turned directly to parents, and what he said is something every family needs to hear.

1) Don't Give Your Child a Phone Too Early

"Having a personal mobile device at too early an age and using it without adult supervision can exacerbate young people's vulnerabilities, foster addiction and expose them to isolation, bullying and cyberbullying, as well as to pressures to share intimate images or sensitive information." (*Magnifica Humanitas*, 141) The Pope goes further — naming pornographic content, AI manipulated images, fake profiles, and pressure to share intimate images as specific dangers that early, unsupervised device access makes worse.

2) Supervise Actively — and Know You Can't Do It Alone

"It is difficult for parents by themselves to resist the influence of business models that monetize attention and time." (*Magnifica Humanitas*, 142) He is not saying parents are failing. He says they are outgunned — up against engineers, behavioural psychologists, and billions of dollars of addictive design. The encyclical still calls parents to active supervision, not passive permission.

3) Teach Children to Recognize Manipulation — By Name

"It is also necessary to teach children, adolescents and young people how to recognize manipulation, defend their dignity and respect that of others in digital environments." (*Magnifica Humanitas*, 142)

A child who understands what an algorithm does, why their feed shows what it shows, and why an AI chatbot's warmth is simulated rather than real is harder to exploit. Naming the mechanism is itself a form of protection.

Pope Leo adds:

"...thus can children and adolescents, who are entrusted to our care, be genuinely protected as a precious treasure." (*Magnifica Humanitas*, 142)

In a world where every platform competes for your child's attention, the Pope offers a counter vision: your child is not a user. Your child is a treasure.

The 22nd Annual Prescott Festival of Music & The Arts

Arts in Prescott is a voluntary community organisation promoting and organising arts, culture and entertainment events in the historic Lancashire town of Prescott, Merseyside. The highlight of its year-round programme is the Prescott Festival of Music and the Arts, which runs for 10 days, from Friday 19th to Sunday 28th June. Tickets for all the events go on sale on 1 May from Poco Bar & Cafe at 30 Eccleston Street, L34 5QJ (cash only) or online at <https://prescoffestival.co.uk/>

Bach Cantata

As part of the Prescott Festival of Music, the Liverpool Bach Collective will be performing Bach's Cantata 30: *Freue dich, erlöste Schar* 'Be joyful, O ransomed flock' here on Sunday 21st June at 6.30pm. This is a free event and all are welcome.

Minsteracres Holiday

The balance is now due. There are places if interested, £625 covers all travel, meals, 2 full and 2 half day excursions, between 31st July to 6th August. Please contact Jo 0151 426 2161 or Margaret 07814 906645 for more information.

June - Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

In 1889 Pope Leo XIII elevated the Feast of the Sacred heart of Jesus to the rank of first class, and through an encyclical letter in 1899 dedicated the whole Catholic world to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Devotion to the Sacred Heart was also an essential component of Pope St John Paul II's hopes for the "new evangelization" called for by the Church. "For evangelization today," he said, "the Heart of Christ must be recognized as the heart of the Church: It is He who calls us to conversion, to reconciliation. It is He who leads pure hearts and those hungering for justice along the way of the Beatitudes. It is He who achieves the warm communion of the members of the one Body. It is He who enables us to adhere to the Good News and to accept the promise of eternal life. It is He who sends us out on mission. The heart-to-heart with Jesus broadens the human heart on a global scale."

In the apparitions to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Jesus gives these twelve promises for those who are devoted to His Sacred Heart.

I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.

I will establish peace in their families.

I will console them in all their troubles.

They shall find in My Heart an assured refuge during life and especially at the hour of their death.

I will pour abundant blessings on all their undertakings.

Sinners shall find in My Heart the source of an infinite ocean of mercy.

Tepid souls shall become fervent.

Fervent souls shall speedily rise to great perfection.

I will bless the homes where an image of My Heart shall be exposed and honoured.

I will give to priests the power of touching the most hardened hearts.

Those who propagate this devotion shall have their names written in My Heart, never to be effaced.

The all-powerful love of My Heart will grant to all those who shall receive Communion on the First Friday of nine consecutive months the grace of final repentance; they shall not die under my displeasure, nor without receiving their Sacraments; My heart shall be their assured refuge at that last hour.