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## *Fourth Sunday of Lent - 27<sup>th</sup> March 2022*

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<b>Sunday (Sat)</b>	<b>5.00pm</b> Mary Morris (RIP) <b>9.30am</b> Alban Jackson (A)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Eucharistic Service. Int: Special Int (FLT) (A)
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Eucharistic Service. Int: Patrick John Matthews (A)
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Eucharistic Service. Int: Fr. James Rooney (A)
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Franziska Schkirpan (RIP) <b>1.00pm</b> <b>REQUIEM:</b> Kate Adams (RIP)
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Martin Wilson Shepherd (RIP) <b>7.00pm</b> <i>Stations of the Cross</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9.00am</b> Parishioners
<b>Sunday next (Sat)</b>	<b>5.00pm</b> Tillie Hegarty (A) <b>9.30am</b> Philip Iland (B)



Clocks go **FORWARD THIS** Weekend!

**Confessions:** Saturdays 10am to 10.30am

**Please Pray For The Following Who Are Sick:** Eileen Snape, Jean Thurston, James Gorman, Doreen Moss, Mark Rimmer, Anna Hennessy, Mary Hanson, Sr Paschal Rose, Tina Finlayson, Laurence Eccles & June Wrigley. We also remember to pray for all those in Chorley Hospital, Derian House Children's Hospice, our Nursing Homes & all those affected by Covid-19.

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

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

**IMPORTANT** – Because of the Pandemic, Volunteer Eucharistic Ministers will not be going into the hospital with Holy Communion.

The Hospital, via the Ward, will contact St. Joseph's or the On-Call Priest for any visits to patients.

**Please include in your Prayers:** All those who have **Recently Died:** Bill Watson (Graveside Service Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 11am, at Chorley Cemetery) Peter Beesley (Requiem Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April at 12.30pm) Kathleen Callan (Funeral Service Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April at 10.30am) & Kate Adams & all those whose **Anniversaries** occur about this time: Alban Jackson, Patrick John Matthews, Fr. James Rooney, Tillie Hegarty, Gary Finlayson & Fr. Michael O'Neill.

**Keeping in touch:** Would you like to receive the weekly parish bulletin by email? If you would, then please send a blank email to: stjosephchorleybulletin@yahoo.com. Please, **ONLY** use this email to request the bulletin – the parish general email remains the same. Also, e-mails are sent out on a daily basis with reflections and information, so please, if you would like to receive this then request it by the above bulletin email address.

**Your Collection:** If you still feel unable to attend church, you can still make your weekly Offering to the Parish when you are out for your daily exercise by putting it through the Letterbox at the Presbytery. Thank you for your continuing & wonderful generosity & support to the parish.

**Mass Online at St. Joseph's:** Mass will be Live-streamed from St. Joseph's: The Link for St. Joseph's is: <https://www.churchservices.tv/chorleystjosephs>

**St Joseph's Parent and Toddler Group:** The group is open on Wednesday mornings from 9am-11am during Term Time. We have Craft and Sensory Stations, lots to play with as well as toast and refreshments for everyone! Please come along with your pre-schoolers, it's £2 for an adult & child.

**St Joseph's Parish Centre – Members Notice:** Available for all types of social events. For bookings please contact the Parish Centre Manageress: ☎ 275137 or 📠 07932 404447.

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**Churches Together in Lancashire:** [www.ctlancashire.org.uk/](http://www.ctlancashire.org.uk/)

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**Spiritual Communion – Prayer of St. Alphonsus**

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar.

I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. *Amen.*

**Counters:** THIS WEEK: J Simmons & T Schofield  
NEXT WEEK: C Jenner & A N Other

**Reader Today: 27<sup>th</sup> March**

**5.00pm** Ruby Griffiths

**9.30am** Sylvia Francis

**Next Sunday: 3<sup>rd</sup> April**

**5.00pm** Pauline Daintry

**9.30am** Chris Jenner

**Eucharistic Ministers Today:**

**5.00pm** Claire Kinnaird

**9.30am** S Savarin & C Shepherd (c)

**Next Sunday:**

**5.00pm** Francesca Vause

**9.30am** P Hilton & C Carter (c)

**Offertory Envelopes:** thanks to all who use the Offertory Envelopes. New boxes are available at the back of church after every Mass this weekend. If you do not currently use them and would like to start, please speak to Andrew King. If you are able to Gift Aid your donation please take a Gift Aid form also. Thank you for your generosity.

**British Summer Time** begins this weekend. Clocks go **FORWARD** during Saturday night, Sunday morning.



**This Sunday's Readings**

**First Reading** Joshua 5:9-12

The shame of Egypt is taken away but not the memory of Egypt, which will sustain the new life.

**Second Reading** 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

The creation of humanity is not yet complete but it continues as an act of reconciliation in Christ.

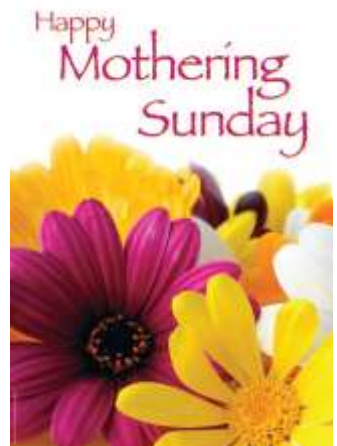
**Gospel** Luke 15:1-3. 11-32

The story of the prodigal son is not just his story.

It is the story of a whole family; indeed, it is the story of the family of humankind.

**Thank you** to all those who have stepped in to help this week. As some of you will be aware I have gone down with Covid, after 2 years of avoiding it I got it from a brother priest and am now in isolation. I knew what a great parish I had, but this week has made me realise just how great you are!! Thanks to all who have stepped in and to Fr Ball and Fr Henry who will cover the weekend Masses for me.

To Fr Dunne & Fr Beattie. I am so very fortunate!!



## Prayer for Ukraine

Almighty and Great God, accept our gratitude for your boundless mercy towards us. Hear the supplication of our afflicted hearts for the land and people of Ukraine, as they confront foreign aggression and invasion. Open the eyes of those who have been overtaken by a spirit of deception and violence, that they be horrified by their works. Grant victory over the powers of evil that have arisen and bless Ukraine with your gifts of liberty, peace, tranquillity and good fortune.

We implore you, O Merciful God, look with grace upon those who courageously defend their land. Remember the mothers and fathers, the innocent children, widows and orphans, the disabled and helpless, those seeking shelter and refuge, who reach out to you and to their fellow human beings looking for mercy and compassion. Bless the hearts of those who have already shown great generosity and solidarity, and those who prepare to receive their Ukrainian brothers and sisters in Ukraine's greatest time of need. Bring us together as your children, your creation, and instil in us your strength, wisdom and understanding. May you be praised and glorified, now and forever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

**+Kenneth Nowakowski**  
Eparchial Bishop of the Ukrainian Catholic  
Eparchy of the Holy Family of London

We pray for the local Eparchy of Sambir-Drohobych and its bishops.

