



Judging secret emotions and thoughts...

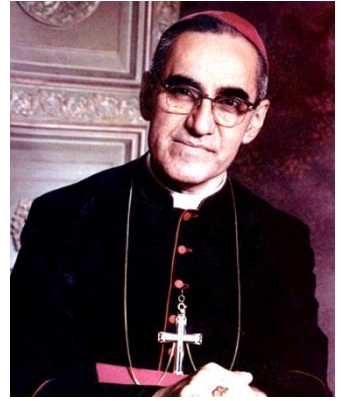
Today's second reading tells us that the Word of God is alive and active, judging even the depths of our hearts. When we hear God's Word (perhaps especially if it seems difficult or challenging) we are called to let that Word speak to us, to examine our lives and try to live according to that call. For this we need humility, courage and wisdom – something which the first reading reminds us to pray for!

FOCUS ON... today's canonisations

Today Pope Francis will canonise six people – in other words, declare them to be saints. This expresses the Church's firm belief that they are in heaven, and so we ask their intercession and follow their example. Among those being canonised are Pope Paul VI, who led the Church from 1963



Pope St Paul VI



St Oscar Romero

until his death in August 1978, and Oscar Romero, the Archbishop of San Salvador who was martyred during Mass in 1980. St Oscar is widely remembered for his tireless efforts to free his people from injustice and poverty, his deep love of the Church and his outstanding courage. Learn more about St Oscar at the CTS Book Club this Sunday after 6pm Mass. Pope St Paul steered the Church through a period of great change following the Second Vatican Council, a role which he undertook with great wisdom, but which was also a significant burden to him.

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MASSES THIS WEEK – Mass book page 143

Office: Psalter Week 4; Sundays: Year B; Weekdays: Week 28, Year 2

Date	Time	Occasion	Intention/Details
Saturday 13 th Oct.	6pm (vigil)	TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Thomas Clarkson RIP
	7pm (vigil)		<i>NeoCatechumenal Way</i>
Sunday 14 th Oct.	9:30am		People of the Parish
	6pm		Mike Kelly RIP
Monday	11:30am	Requiem	Anne Marie McCabe RIP
	5:15pm	St Teresa of Avila	<i>Mass in hospital chapel</i>
Tuesday	7pm		Fred Timothy RIP
Wednesday	9:15am	St Ignatius of Antioch	George Oldcorn RIP
Thursday	9:15am	St Luke	Sophia Morris RIP
Friday	12noon		Dr Christopher (Kit) Higgins RIP
Saturday 20 th Oct.	10am	TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Cannell Famly
	6pm (vigil)		Hilda & Peter McNeela RIP
	7pm (vigil)		<i>NeoCatechumenal Way</i>
Sunday 21 st Oct.	9:30am		Katie Malone RIP
	6pm	People of the Parish	

LATELY DEAD: Please remember in your prayers **Anne Marie McCabe**, whose Requiem takes place here at 11:30am this Monday; **Fr Jock Maley**, former Parish Priest at St Gregory's, and all who have died recently.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday-Friday 7am-8am; Saturday 10:30am-12noon (for vocations).

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 11am-12noon and on request.

ROSARY: Prayed after 9:15am Mass and before 12noon Mass. Mondays: Joyful; Wednesdays: Glorious; Thursdays: Luminous; Fridays: Sorrowful mysteries. We pray the Rosary for the protection of human life from conception to natural end.

ST ANTHONY: money donated in the wall box during October will go to our Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) Iraq appeal.

ANNIVERSARIES: Winifred Crangle, Bryan Sharrock, Catherine & Michael Brophy, Ted Bateson, Winifred Taylor, Thomas Clarkson, Iris Myles, Sophia Corbett.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER: That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalised, and those who have no voice.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC? The next Journey in Faith group will begin shortly. If interested, contact the parish office.

ROSARY: On weekdays from this week we will meditate on the different mysteries of the Rosary (rather than always the Mysteries of Light) – see previous page.

CONGRATULATIONS to Tilly Beth Kilbourne, baptised here, and to Andrew Gibson and Rachel Rimmer, married here in September. Please keep them in your prayers.

TALK ON THE ENGLISH MARTYRS: by local historian Chris Robson, this Tuesday, 7:30pm in the parish hall. All welcome.

MONDAY MASS this week is at 11:30am, a Requiem for Anne-Marie McCabe.

WELCOME ALEX WALKER: Alex is considering a vocation to the priesthood, and will be spending a couple of days a week in the parish for the next few months. Please make him welcome and remember him in your prayers.

ST CLARE STATUE: Once the last of the sponsorship money is in, we will have raised all we need for the statue. Please hand in any remaining sponsor money. Many thanks for your generosity. The statue will be blessed on 5th November.

CTS BOOK CLUB: Meeting in the chapel at 7pm this Sunday. All welcome.

BLACKPOOL LIGHTS TRIP: Friday 26th October. A coach trip through the lights then fish and chips on way home. £5 adults/£2.50 (**transport only** – you will also need money for food on the way back). A couple of places left: speak to Fr Andrew.

'ONE BODY' TALKS: Exploring the many faces of the Church in Preston, and fostering our unity as the one Body of Christ. Thursdays, 7:30pm at St Wilfrid's Parish Centre. This week: the Benedictines. For more information, see the poster, visit www.metanoiaproject.co.uk or call 07957 566741.

CARMELITE PRAYER EVENING: Includes a short reflection on Carmelite Spirituality and a time of silent prayer. At the Carmelite Monastery (St Vincent's Rd) this Wednesday, 7-8:30pm. All welcome. More info: call 07515 253762.

XAVERIAN MISSIONARIES would like to thank everyone who supported their recent Open Day. Thanks to all who helped in any way, either by their kind offerings or their presence on the day. The event raised £1134.16 for the centre.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: next Sunday (21st) for World Mission Day.

VINE HOUSE ANNUAL COFFEE MORNING: at Our Lady & St Edward's 24th October 10am to 12noon. Tombola, crafts, cards, cakes & refreshments. Admission £2.

SPUC CAMPAIGN CARDS: In narthex. Please support this campaign to protect life.

LAST SUNDAY: At Mass: 550; Collection: £1,106.52; VMM: £606.77. Thank you.

Events this week (occasional/one-off events in bold type)

Day	Time	What?	Where?
Sat/Sun	At Mass	Cenacolo Collection	House porch
Sunday	9:30am	Children's Liturgy of the Word	At Mass
	10:30am	After-Mass tea/coffee	Parish Hall
	10:30am	Reconciliation Preparation (3)	Parish Hall
	11am	Reconciliation: Parents' Session 1	Chapel
	7pm	Anointed/Sent groups (years 7-11)	Parish Hall
	7pm	CTS Book Club	Chapel
Mon-Fri	9am	Pre-school	Parish Hall
	3:20pm	After-school club	Parish Hall
Monday	6:15pm	Cubs	Parish Hall
	7:30pm	Scouts	Parish Hall
Tuesday	7:30pm	Talk on the English Martyrs	Parish Hall
Wednesday	9:45am	After-Mass tea/coffee	Narthex
	6pm	Seekers (school years 4-6)	Parish Hall
	7:30pm	NCW Penitential Liturgy	Chapel
Thursday	6:15pm	Beavers	Parish Hall
Sat/Sun	At Mass	Food Bank Collection	House porch
Saturday	8:30am	Pilates	Parish Hall
Sunday	10:30am	After-Mass tea/coffee	Parish Hall
	7pm	Anointed/Sent groups (years 7-11)	Parish Hall

Advance Diary Dates

Thursday 1st November: All Saints' Day, Holy Day of Obligation

Friday 2nd November: All Souls' Day, Mass at 12noon

Monday 5th November: Blessing of new St Clare statue, barbecue and fireworks

Tuesday 6th November: St Clare's School open afternoon, 2-6pm

Tuesday 13th November: Annual parish Mass for the dead, 7pm

Friday 16th November: Parish Quiz Night, 7pm

Preston Orpheus Choir

Saturday 3rd November at 7:30pm, a concert at St Saviour's Church, Bamber Bridge (PR5 6EP), with the theme of "Peace & Celebration", commemorating the end of WW1. Music includes Britten's "Rejoice in the Lamb" & Elgar's "Give unto the Lord" along with pieces by Parry, Byrd, Ireland, Vaughan Williams & Finzi. Tickets £10 (under 18s free) on the door or from 01772 735197.