

Franciscan of the Week: St Junipero Serra

Junipero (1713-1784) was a Franciscan priest. Gifted with a brilliant mind, he became professor of theology at the age of 24, but wanted to go on the missions. In 1749 he travelled to Mexico, and later to California, where he became head of the missions. Despite several illnesses he showed incredible energy and zeal, and was instrumental in founding missions which later became great cities: San Diego (1769), San Francisco (1776) and Los Angeles (1781). Pope Francis canonised him in 2015.



FOCUS ON... The Basilicas of Saint Peter and St Paul



The two great Apostles we celebrate today were both martyred in Rome: St Peter was crucified on the Vatican hill and buried nearby, whilst St Paul was beheaded and buried outside the city walls. Over their tombs, two enormous basilicas have been constructed. St Peter's in the Vatican has been the residence of the Pope since the late 14th century, and the Apostle's tomb is directly beneath the dome. Paul is buried below the altar in the basilica of St Paul outside the walls. Rome has two other major basilicas: St Mary's, close to the main railway station, and St John at the Lateran (near the Colosseum), which is the Pope's cathedral.

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MASSES THIS WEEK – Mass book page 180

Office: Psalter Week 1; Sundays: Year C; Weekdays: year 1, week 13

Date	Time	Occasion	Intention/Details
Saturday 29 th June	6pm (vigil)	ST PETER AND ST PAUL	Ronald and Mary Airey RIP
	7pm (vigil)		<i>NeoCatechumenal Way</i>
Sunday 30 th June	9:30am		People of the Parish
	6pm		For the confirmandi
Monday	9:15am		George Oldcorn RIP
	5:15pm		<i>Mass in hospital chapel</i>
Tuesday	7pm		Jack Burton RIP
Wednesday	9:15am		St Thomas
Thursday	9:15am		PJ Russell RIP
Friday	12noon		Frank Rogerson RIP
Saturday 6 th July	10am	Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Colin Aspinnall RIP
	6pm (vigil)		Lyn Bamber RIP
	7pm (vigil)		<i>NeoCatechumenal Way</i>
Sunday 7 th July	9:30am		Ronald Culshaw RIP
	6pm		People of the Parish

LATELY DEAD: Please remember in your prayers all who have died recently.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday-Friday 7am-8am; Saturday 10:30am-12noon.

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

ROSARY: Prayed after 9:15am Mass and before 12noon Mass. These prayers are offered for the protection of human life from conception to natural end.

ST ANTHONY: July wall box donations will go to local people in need of help.

ANNIVERSARIES: Ben Hunter, Maureen O'Hanlon, Sheila Warren, Tim Duffy, Joan Craven, Stuart Smith, Madge Hainsworth, Winifred Healey, Ann Walmsley.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JULY: That those who administer justice may work with integrity, and that the injustice which prevails in the world may not have the last word.

CONFIRMATIONS: This Sunday, Bishop Paul will be with us at 6pm Mass to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation with our young people. Please keep them in your prayers in the coming days.

40 HOURS: The annual Quarant'ore devotion takes place 11th-14th July. Sign-up sheets are on the tables in the narthex this weekend. If you are able to commit to a particular slot (30 minutes), please sign up. This annual devotion is a vital time in parish life; please try to take part at some point over the 40 hours.

FEAST OF ST THOMAS: Thomas is the patron saint of India, where he preached the Gospel after Pentecost. His feast day is this Wednesday (Mass at 9:15am). A very happy feast day to all our Indian parishioners.

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR: This Friday, 7pm. Come and pray before the Lord.

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD: Rev. Stephen Talbutt will be ordained priest at the Cathedral next Saturday (6th July) at 11:30am. Everyone is invited to attend the ordination Mass. Please keep Stephen in your prayers, and pray for vocations.

FIRST COMMUNIONS: Congratulations to the children who received Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time last weekend. Certificates will be presented at 9:30am Mass next Sunday. Please continue to keep the children in your prayers.

CTS BOOK CLUB: Meeting next Sunday (7th), after evening Mass. The booklet is on St Edmund Arrowsmith, a local martyr. Copies from Fr Andrew.

PIZZA ON THE PIAZZA: To celebrate St Clare's birthday, 16th July. Pizza on the piazza outside the narthex after the evening Mass. Make a note of the date!

YEAR 6 PRODUCTION: Our primary school leavers present 'Cinderella Rockerfella' in the school hall on Tuesday 9th July at 1:30pm and 6:30pm. Parishioners are warmly invited and encouraged to come along. Please contact the school office (tel: 787037) if you would like to come. There is no charge for the show.

ROOF REPAIRS: Work on the new roof above the side chapel and sacristies has now been completed. Thank you for your patience during the repairs.

FOLLOW THE PARISH ONLINE: Photos and reports on recent events are always available on our website: www.saintclares.co.uk. You can also follow the parish on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram (all @StClareFulwood).

DEMENTIA SINGING GROUP: Meets at the Xaverian Spirituality Centre (formerly Tabor) every Tuesday 10am-12noon. Details on the notice board. All welcome.

RWANDA SHOP: Volunteers urgently needed to help at charity shop on Syke St, Mon-Sat, 10am-1pm or 1pm-4pm. Ring Michael: 723094 or 07864 990941.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: This Sunday for "Peter's Pence" (the Holy See).

LAST WEEK: At Mass: 723; Collection: £1,247.95; Thank you for your generosity.

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

Day	Time	What?	Where?
Sunday 30 th	9:30am	Children's Liturgy	At Mass
	10:30am	After-Mass tea/coffee	Parish Hall
	7pm	Anointed/Sent groups (years 7-11)	Narthex
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
Wednesday	9:45am	After-Mass tea/coffee	Narthex
	6pm	Seekers (years 4-6)	Parish Hall
	7:30pm	NCW Liturgy of the Word	Chapel
Thursday	6:15pm	Beavers	Parish Hall
Friday	7pm	First Friday Holy Hour	Church
Saturday	8:45am	Pilates	Parish Hall
Sunday 7 th	9:30am	Children's Liturgy	At Mass
	9:30am	Presentation of First Communion certificates	At Mass
	10:30am	After-Mass tea/coffee	Parish Hall
	7pm	Anointed/Sent groups (years 7-11)	Parish Hall
	7pm	CTS Book Club	Chapel

Diary Dates

17th July: End of school year Mass, 9:15am

19th July: Feast of the Lancashire Martyrs. Mass at 12noon.

A prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

O most holy Heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore You, I love You, and with lively sorrow for my sins I offer You this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure and wholly obedient to Your will. Grant, Good Jesus, that I may live in You and for You. Protect me in the midst of danger. Comfort me in my afflictions. Give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs, Your blessing on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death. Amen.

