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Parish Office at St Marie's:
Open Monday to Friday
from 9.00 am to 12 noon

Baptisms: By prior arrangement.
Information available at weekend
Masses. All baptisms take place
during Mass. St Bernadette's first
Sunday, St Marie's third Sunday
of the month.

Confessions: Saint Bernadette's:
Sunday 9.10 to 9.20 am. Saint
Marie's: Thursday 6.30 - 6.50 pm.
or by request.

Church opening: Please
remember that Saint Marie's
Church is open for private prayer
during weekdays between 9.00
am and 12 noon.

Funerals and Marriages: By
arrangement.

Visits to sick and housebound:
Please inform Fr John if you know
of sick or housebound
parishioners who would like Holy
Communion.

Hospital Visits: If you wish to
see a priest please let the hospital
staff know.

Mass Requests: Place in an
envelope and hand in to the
Sacristy or to the Parish Office.
Please indicate your preferred
church, if any. Please also specify
the reason for the intention, i.e.
recently deceased, anniversary
etc. For a particular day, please
request early.

Newsletter Notices: Please e-
mail to jointparishes@gmail.com
or hand in to the Parish Office by
Thursday morning.

Repository: Open at the back of
church after each weekend Mass.

St Marie's Hall: All bookings for
hall usage should be made in
advance with the Parish Office
during the parish office hours.

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HEATH-SOUL-MIND-STRENGTH

The Jews had 613 laws and regulations which Jesus summarised into one two-part commandment: If you want to be in the kingdom of God then love God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength; and love your neighbour as you love yourself.

Love God with all your heart. The heart is called the seat of emotion. Are you "emotional" about God or is God just a cosmic idea, a celestial force that controls the universe? Do you feel passionate about God? Do you have "feelings" for God?

Love God with all your soul. Your soul is the real you. It's the deep down psyche that makes you what and who you are. Is your whole existence oriented towards God or is God simply a facet of your life that you turn to from time to time, on Sundays or in times of trouble?

Love God with your whole mind. Your mind accounts for the intellectual side of your activity. Do you make decisions about life and your future with God in mind? Do you use your brainpower to

try to learn as much as you can about your faith or are you content to hobble along with the same understanding that you had when you were still a young child?

Love God with all your strength. Strength refers to the vigour with which we devote ourselves to God. Do you proclaim your faith with all the force and might at your disposal? Or is the practice of your faith heartless, soulless and mindless? Do you use all the faculties that God has endowed you with (heart, soul, and mind)?

Love your neighbour as yourself. Everyone is our neighbour no matter how far away they are. We can only love God if we love our neighbour. Do you give any practical help to the needy? Are you another Christ to the people you live and work with?

If you want to be part of the kingdom of God, says Jesus, then just keep this two-pronged commandment. Alternatively, you can apply for a copy of the original 613...



Mass Intentions this week

Thirty-First Sunday of the Year		Keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord God of your fathers has promised you. (Deuteronomy 6: 3)	
Day	Church	Time	Intention
Saturday	St Bernadette's	5.30 pm	Parry Gordon (Anniversary)
	St Marie's	6.45 pm	Tom Baron (Anniversary)
Sunday	St Bernadette's	9.30 am	People of the Parish
	St Marie's	11.00 am	John Willitts (Anniversary)
Monday	St Marie's	9.15 am	Joan Fairhurst (Anniversary)
Tuesday	St Bernadette's	9.15 am	Souls of the Faithful Departed & Forgotten Souls
Thursday	St Bernadette's	9.15 am	Pious List
	St Marie's	7.00 pm	Pious List (Remembrance Mass)
Friday	St Marie's	9.15 am	A sick person (SC)
Thirty-Second Sunday of the Year		This poor widow has put more in than all those who have contributed to the treasury... all she had to live on. (Mark 12: 42-44)	
Saturday	St Bernadette's	5.30 pm	Pat Herbert
	St Marie's	6.45 pm	Winifred Darwin (FM)
Sunday	St Bernadette's	9.30 am	People of the Parish
	St Marie's	11.00 am	John & John Paul Carey (Birthday Rem)

This weekend:

CAFOD collection at all Masses.

This is not a second collection and so CAFOD envelopes should be placed on the collection plate/in the collection bag at the Offertory.

Sunday after 11.00 am Mass: **Tea and coffee** in St Marie's Hall.

This week:

Thursday: **Remembrance Mass** at St Marie's at 7.00 pm. All welcome.

Next weekend:

Retiring collection at Masses at St Bernadette's to purchase festive gifts for the sick and housebound of the parish.

Sunday: **Service of Remembrance** in the grounds of St Marie's after 11.00 am Mass. **Tea and coffee** in St Marie's Hall to follow.

Thank you for your offerings
£1,608.09.

Bonus Ball

No.56 - Rollover - £36.

St Marie's Sanctuary Lamp

Ken & Marie Oakes family and friends

Remembrance Mass

There will be a Remembrance Mass at St Marie's on Thursday, 8 November at 7.00 pm for parishioners who have died during the last twelve months. Light refreshments will be served in the Meeting Room following the Mass.

Amoris Laetitia

This week's extract from Pope Francis' recent document:

"At these times (of family crises), it becomes all the more important to create opportunities for speaking heart to heart." (Amoris Laetitia 234)

All families face crises, it is part of our human condition and rather than retreating into silence, we are invited to name the challenges we face so that we can face them together.

Churches Men's Fellowship

The next meeting of Standish Churches Men's Fellowship is on Wednesday, 14 November at the Globe Inn, Standish from 7.00 pm, with a talk on "The Panama Canal" followed by a buffet and raffle. £10 with all profit to local charities. Please contact Joe Fairhurst, 402185.

Pious Lists

November is the month when we remember the Holy Souls. At St Bernadette's, please place the names on a piece of paper in an envelope and place it in the box on the altar. At St Marie's, either place the names on a piece of paper in an envelope and place it in the box on the altar or list the names of your deceased parents, relatives and friends and all for whom you wish to pray in the purple book on the Baptismal Font. Holy Mass will be offered for them during the month of November.

Something to pray about

We can join Pope Francis in his prayer intention for November:

Universal – In Service of Peace

That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.

At the back of church...

- Advent calendars and candles, Christmas cards, books and ornaments, calendars and diaries.

PACT

Prison Advice and Care Trust (PACT) thanks the parish for the donation of £250 from parish funds, enabling PACT to continue to provide its vital services to prisoners, people with previous convictions, their children and their families. Please keep those affected by prison in your prayers.

Knights of St Columba

The next meeting of the Knights of St Columba (KSC) will take place in St Marie's presbytery on Monday 12 November at 8.00 pm. Men of the parish wanting to find out more about the KSC are invited to attend.

The meeting will be preceded by Mass at St Marie's for deceased members of the Order at 7.30 pm. All are welcome to attend.

With You Always

The timetable for the preparation for first Reconciliation and Communion has now been produced.

There will be a meeting for parents in St Marie's Church on Monday, 12 November at 6.15 pm. If any children attend any other school than our parish primaries, please see Fr John as soon as possible.

Synod 2020

Parishioners are reminded that the Synod Open meeting nearest to our parish is at St Mary's Leyland on Thursday, 8 November, 7.30 pm – 9.00 pm. The Archbishop wants us to tell everyone we can about the Synod.

'He is the One'

'He is the One', a nativity concert will be performed by Joanne Wallace with Martin Fletcher and the children of St Marie's Catholic Primary school in St Marie's Church on Thursday, 6 December at 7.00 pm.

Tickets priced £5 (under 10's free) are available from the parish office and from St Marie's school. A donation from ticket sales will be made to 'The Brick' charity.

Catholic Pictorial

Free copies of the November edition of the Catholic Pictorial are available at the back of Church. Please take one to keep up to date with the news from around our Archdiocese. The newspaper contains features on Synod 2020 and the 'Ad Limina Apostolorum' visit to Rome last month by the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales.

Cardinal Heenan House

Room vacancies are available at Cardinal Heenan House dementia care home in Roby Mill. For more information, please contact Kerry Ellison, 01695 622885.

For rent

Three bedroom home for family with a disabled person on the housing list, who needs a stairlift, bath lift if needed. The house will be ready by mid-November. Parking for 2-4 cars. If interested, contact the parish office.

Dates for your diary

Monday, 12 November: **'With You Always'** parents' meeting in St Marie's Church at 6.15 pm.

Thursday, 15 November: **Open evening** at St John Rigby College, 5.30 pm – 8.00 pm.

Monday, 19 November: **'With You Always'** programme session 1 in St Marie's Church at 6.15 pm.

Saturday, 24 November: **'Exultate'** presents a 'Durufle's Requiem in St John's Catholic Church, Standishgate, Wigan at 7.30 pm. Admission: £10, £8 concessions.