Parish of St. Francis of Assisi Newsletter (St Michael's Church & Our Lady's Church) Diocesan Motto: "Lord, stay with us on our journey"

Date & Name of Mass: 25th/26th of September – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Parish Priest: Fr. Derek Woodhead – 0161 678 7282 & mobile 07716 895042.

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TIMES OF SERVICES

OUR LADY'S: Saturday at 6.00 pm & Monday, Tuesday at 10.00 am & Thursday at 9 am. ST. MICHAEL'S: Sunday at 10.30 am & Wednesday & Friday at 10 am.

Mass Offerings: Fr. O'Leary, Emma Leigh Jones, Val McQuillan, Frank McQuillan, James Lomas, Norah McNamara, Terence Smith, Blessed Trinity, Colin Pritchard, Special Intention, Our Lady, Thanksgiving, Margaret Wright (sick). Lately Dead: Victoria & Henry Mulloy.

Your prayers are requested for the sick of the parish and those we have been asked to pray for: Eileen Crowley, Maureen Beattie, Susan Entwistle, Barbara Whalen, Maureen Thomas, Bernadette Moffatt, Delma Summers, Nigel Brockbank, Austin Stigwood, Louise Matthews, Fred Dyson, Carla Jones, James (Jimmy) Entwistle (in New Zealand), Sarah Kershaw, Lesley Richardson, Kenny Dunne, Michael Wall, Helen Keating, George Eves, Margaret Meehan, Helen McMahon, Kristine Radcliffe, Michael Guilfoyle, Marie Edwards, Jessie Slattery, Tom McLean, Beatrice Butler, Frances O'Neill, Marjorie Hassett, Julie Hampshire, June Radcliffe, Paul Shepherd, Mary Corcoran, Debra Walsh, Rosalind George, Josie McLaughlin, Mary Dyson, Anne Smith, Margaret Kelly, John Royle, Barry Whitehead, Eileen Wade, Kathleen Connelly, Nora Hickey, Maria Brierley, Michael Guilfoyle, Mary Ruffles, Eliza Buczko, Kath Royle, Sue Jones.

MONEY MATTERS: Offertory Collection - At Our Lady's £269 and at St. Michael's £187. Thanks very much for your continued support, during this very difficult time, for our parish of St. Francis of Assisi.

OFFERTORY: I ordered 85 boxes of offertory envelopes during the week. They will be available in good time for the starting date in November. Anyone who hasn't got envelopes and wants to contribute to the offertory collection through the envelop scheme please see me. A reminder that if you play income tax whether on a salary or a pension then you can Gift Aid your collection. Free money for the parish and at no extra cost because the money has already been paid in your tax. We get 25% extra from your tax on what you give in the offertory collection.

SACRED HEART CHURCH: Many of you know Sacred Heart Church, Derker has been closed for many years. The Church, the presbytery and the grounds on which they stand belong to the Salford Roman Catholic Diocese. The Diocesan Trustees who govern and manage Salford Diocese have decided to demolish the church and presbytery and along with the grounds have decided to hand the land over to the school next door, St Theresa's, to be used for future projects. I'm sure we are all saddened to see the church being demolished but as it is no longer in use as a church and no other use could be found for it, it does seem best to let our parish school have it for their use.

BIRTHDAY WISHES: We wish a very happy birthday to **LUCIA HART** who celebrated her birthday yesterday (Saturday).

READERS: You will notice that we are publishing the readers for the next few weeks so that readers can think ahead. If you are unable to read on the given date then please either let Fr. Derek know or arrange a swop with someone yourself.

OUR LADY'S	ST. MICHAELS	
25.09.21 Tom Muldoon	26.09.21	Sue Smith
02.10.21 Edward Anchor	03.10.21	Julie Brown
09.10.21 Janet Roche	10.10.21	Ruth Ashworth

RED BOXES: It's time for them to be emptied at both churches so can you bring them in to be emptied or if easier empty yourself and just bring in the money. Thanks very much.

THOUGHT TO PONDER: It's not what we have in life, but who we have in our lives that matter.

ON A LIGHTER NOTE: If you're bad at haggling you'll end up paying the price.

QUOTE: I thought this quote from Ossie Ardiles concerning the recently late Jimmy Greaves strikes a note in any walk of life. "When you come to meet the great goal scorer in heaven it matters not if you have won or lost but that you have played the game successfully."

CORNERSTONES BIG SLEEP IN: Jim Waring and Sr. Joan took part in the annual "Cornerstones Sleep In" on September 17th. They would like to thank all who sponsored them.

OUR LADY'S BONUS BALL: Winning Number on Saturday, 18th of September - Bonus Ball No 12.