



MASS TIMES:

Sunday: Sat vigil 6.30pm, 9.15am, 11am

Mon: 9am at Ss Peter & Paul's

Tues: 9am

Weds: 7pm. **Sat:** 11.30am

Thurs: 9am

Fri: 9am at Ss Peter & Paul's.
12pm St Luke's: Requiem mass for Elizabeth (Betty) Whitworth.

Saturday: 11.30am Exposition 12pm

Lately Dead: Margaret Bellis, John Fearn and Fr James Culkin, Elizabeth (Betty) Whitworth.

Masses received: Margaret Bellis, Alan Faulkner, Margaret Dermody, John Gregg (Lately Dead) Martin McDermot (Anniversary) Agatha Barnes (Anniversary/Birthday) Mary Longden (Special Intention) Special Intention.

Parish Group Meeting: Monday 3rd September at 8.15. Everybody is welcome. Please come and share your views.

Proms at the Height & hot pot supper: Height Methodist Church on Sat 8th Sept 7.30pm. Admission & food by donation but need to know numbers for catering. See notice board.

Parish Meeting: For parishioners of St Luke's and Ss Peter & Paul to a special meeting on Wednesday 12 Sept following the usual 7pm Wed evening Mass at St Luke's. which will provide the opportunity **for both parishes** to celebrate the various ministries that are already part of our parish lives (in line with the diocesan *Hope in the Future* initiative). After Mass, we will discuss the way we take things forward together. The evening will be an opportunity to pray together and talk together about the future of our parishes. All are welcome.

Volunteers needed: see website

Next week 2nd collection: Catholic Education Service.

Next Week's Bulletin

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Dear Parishioners,

I am delighted that, some four months after my appointment as your new parish priest was announced, I am finally taking up this post. It is good to be here with you. As you also know, Canon David Ryder is your new assistant priest, resident at Ss Peter & Paul. Together we will support both communities and lead the process of amalgamating the parishes. An assistant priest is something of a luxury these days but is a necessity in this case because of the other duties I have as Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia (all of which I will explain in time). I am really looking forward to working with you in the years ahead.

Fr Michael

Letter from Pope Francis: Last week, prior to travelling to Ireland, Pope Francis wrote a letter to all members of the Church regarding abuse of children and vulnerable adults. He apologised both for the abuse and for the cover-up which so often followed from it. Bishop John has asked the priests of the diocese to draw your attention to this letter. Fr Michael and Fr David will speak about it in their homilies this weekend. If you wish to read the full text of the letter, it is available at: www.vatican.va (under Apostolic Letters, then Letters, then 2018).

Adoremus: This Eucharistic Congress-Pilgrimage takes place in Liverpool next weekend. Fr Michael and four parishioners will be attending. As part of the deanery countdown, Ss Peter & Paul will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Sunday 2 September at 2pm (with short reflections every 15 mins) and finishing with Benediction at 4pm. Please come along for some part of that time to pray for the success of the Adoremus event.

Kerala floods: an SVP appeal

As you've probably seen in the media, terrible floods have been taking place in Kerala in southern India. Hundreds of people have been killed and many more are missing; countless homes have been washed away, and the monsoon season is set to continue until early September. Kerala is the most Christian state in India – it has more churches than any other region. The leading Catholic volunteering charity, the St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), is very active there and they are doing great work helping the victims of the flood in local communities. However, they desperately need funds. Please contribute to the SVP's Kerala appeal. To donate visit www.svp.org.uk, telephone 020 7703 3030 or send cheques made out to SVP (write 'Kerala appeal' on the back) to SVP, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB. And please remember our sisters and brothers in Kerala in your prayers.

Our 2nd collection at our Masses this weekend is to support this appeal

The Parish welcomes Fr Michael and Fr David with open arms to the family and parish of St Luke's and we hope that their time here will be as long and as happy as the that of Fr John. Welcome!