

## OUR LADY, QUEEN OF MARTYRS



*English Martyrs, Whalley*



*St Mary's, Langho.*



*St Mary's Osbaldeston*

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### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2025: The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

DAY	WHALLEY	LANGHO	OSBALDESTON
<b>Saturday 1st March</b>	<b>10.15am Confessions (DMY)</b>	<b>1.30pm Baptism: (DMY)</b>	
<i>St David</i>	<b>11am Mass: (DMY)</b> <i>Priest's Intention</i>	<b>5.30pm Vigil Mass: (DMY)</b> <i>Dolores Dilli Rana (A)</i>	
<b>Sunday 2nd</b>	<b>11.15am Mass: (DMY)</b> <i>Joseph &amp; Mary Healey (BM)</i>	<b>9.15am Mass: (DMY/LH)</b> <i>Pro-Populo</i>	
<i>8th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>		<b>1.30pm Baptism: (DMY)</b>	<b>3pm Mass: (DMY/JC)</b> <i>Priests' Intentions</i>
<b>Monday 3rd</b>		<b>9am Eucharistic Service</b>	
<b>Tuesday 4th</b>	<b>10am Mass: (DMY)</b> <i>Frank Joyce LD</i>	<b>6pm Vigil Mass for Ash Wednesday:</b> <b>(DMY) Priest's Intention</b>	
<b>Wednesday 5th</b>	<b>12 Noon Mass (DMY)</b> <i>Bertha Grundy &amp; Family</i>	<b>9.15am Mass: (DMY/LH)</b> <i>Pro-Populo</i>	<b>10.30am Mass: (JC)</b> <i>Priest's Intention</i>
<i>Ash Wednesday</i>			
<b>Thursday 6th</b>	<b>10am Mass: (DMY)</b> <i>Gerald Filbin (A)</i>	<b>9am Eucharistic Service</b>	
<b>Friday 7th</b>		<b>10am Mass: (DMY)</b> <i>Thomas Bull (A)</i>	<b>10.30am Women's World Day of Prayer Service.</b>
<b>Saturday 8th</b>	<b>1pm Baptism: (DMY)</b>	<b>10.30am Confessions: (LH)</b>	
	<b>5.30pm Vigil Mass: (DMY)</b> <i>Michael Cockshutt (A)</i>		
<b>Sunday 9th</b>	<b>11.15am Mass: (DMY)</b> <i>Pro-Populo</i>	<b>9.15am Mass: (DMY/LH)</b> <i>Betty Taylor LD</i>	<b>1.30pm Baptism (DMY)</b>
<i>1st Sunday of Lent</i>			<b>3pm Mass: (DMY/JC)</b> <i>Priests' Intentions</i>

**Grateful Thanks:** to everyone who has contributed to the upkeep of our parish.

Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs	
<i>Gift Aid</i>	£ 511.33
<i>Loose</i>	£ 320.51
<i>Other Income</i>	£ 136.22
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£ 968.06</b>

**Masses Received** Frank & Jennie Gillibrand (A) Bill Brett (A) Charles Nelson (A)

**Ash Wednesday:** This coming Wednesday (5<sup>th</sup> March) is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the season of Lent. Please see the list above for the times of Masses.

**Message from Carmine:** Carmine has been in touch and has asked me to include the following message in the newsletter. *"I hope this message finds you well. I want to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude for the many cards, gifts, and generous donations I have received during my time in the parish. Your kindness and support have truly meant the world to me. My placement has been a wonderful experience, and I am grateful for the friendships I have built with all of you. Each interaction has enriched my sense of vocation and filled my heart with joy. Please know that you are all in my prayers, and I carry with me the love of this parish community. Thank you once again, and may God bless you all, Carmine."*

**Message from the SVP:** The SVP conference of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs is in a very difficult position. After 20 years of supporting originally the parishioners of English Martyrs and now in our joining parishes and in the wider areas of Blackburn, Burnley and Accrington District, a number of our longstanding and active members are now in need of help and support themselves and can no longer give the time needed to support the needs of our congregation and give support to our priest in his mission to help those in need. We are desperately in need of members (perhaps recently retired) to give up a little time to join the society and perhaps in time take up leadership roles as at present we are without a President or a Secretary. Without some new members we are in danger of having to put the conference into abeyance or even close completely. Our Parish priest is now looking after the needs of three church communities and needs the help of a functioning SVP Conference so please give some consideration to joining the society. For further details please ring John on 07545 107853 or you are welcome to attend our next meeting to be held on March 25th in English Martyrs church at 6pm where a warm welcome awaits you.

**We pray for the sick of our parish...**

*Peter Hirst, Sara Taylor, Elaine Meredith, Arthur Bibby, Anne De Vince, John Moran, Sheila Aspin, Rio Spurr, Claire Perkins, Paul Mulrooney, John Fish, Vivienne & Jim Hackett, Sheila Corcoran, Joe Marsden, Bob Pearson, Adrienne Derbyshire, Ann & Raymond Lydiat, Michael Pinder, Bernard Edmond, Dorothy Mackinson, Mike Rawlinson, Margaret Yates, George Becconsall, 'Jeanette,' Christine Gordon, Maureen Allen, Eve Savage, John Whiteside and all those who are ill at this time. May the Lord grant them strength and healing. 🙏*

### **ENGLISH MARTYRS, WHALLEY**

**Snowdrop Teas:** Thank you to everyone who supported the recent Snowdrop Teas. These raised £509.20 for parish funds across the two Sundays.

### **ST MARY'S, LANGHO**

**Tea, Coffee and the 200 Club:** There will be tea and coffee in the hall after the Mass today. The March draw for the 200 Club will also take place at this event.

### **ST MARY'S, OSBALDESTON**

**Women's World Day of Prayer:** This year, the annual Women's World Day of Prayer will be celebrated at St Mary's Osbaldeston on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March at 10.30am. People from St Mary's Mellor, Mellor Methodist Church and St Leonard's Balderstone will be joining us to celebrate with prayers, written this year by women from The Cook Islands. This year's theme is "I made you wonderful." After the Service, refreshments will be served in The Heatley Rooms. Women from all three churches in our parish are welcome.

**Graveyard:** There will be a general tidying up of the Graveyard during the weekend 8 & 9<sup>th</sup> March, when all dead Christmas wreaths, containers and dead flowers will be removed from graves. If you wish to help with this please come along and assist us to keep the Graveyard a suitable memorial for deceased family and friends.