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SUNDAY 17th APRIL 2022. EASTER SUNDAY
Masses and Services this coming week.

DAY	WHALLEY	LANGHO	OSBALDESTON
Monday 18th		9am Eucharistic Service	
Tuesday 19th		11.30am Requiem Mass for Bridget Shaughnessy (DMY)	
Wednesday 20th	10am Memorial Mass for John Bickford (DMY) <i>(Private Intention)</i>	9am Eucharistic Service	
Thursday 21st	10am Mass (DMY) <i>(Thomas and Ellen Shuttleworth [A])</i>	9am Eucharistic Service	
	10.40 Holy Hour for Peace		
Friday 22nd	10am Eucharistic Service	9am Eucharistic Service	10am Mass (DMY) <i>(Mary Roberts LD)</i>
Saturday 23rd	10.15am Confessions		
	11am Mass (DMY) <i>(A very sick person)</i>	No Mass	
	5pm Vigil Mass <i>(Tom Savage Jnr BD)</i>	6pm Vigil Mass (JC)	
Sunday 24th <i>Divine Mercy Sunday</i>	11am Mass (DMY) <i>(Pro-Populo)</i>	9.30am Mass (DMY) <i>(Pro-Populo)</i>	11am Mass (JC)
	12.30pm Baptism		

From Fr David: Welcome to our first joint newsletter. My name is Fr David Yates, I have been Parish Priest of English Martyrs for over three years. I have now been asked by the Bishop to amalgamate our three parishes. This will not be a quick process and we will proceed in various stages over the next few months. One of these stages is the merging of the newsletters. I am still working out the best format for this to follow, so please be patient. Lists for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers will be on the notice boards in the porches, and the names of the people we will be praying for will be read out in the Bidding Prayers. As you can imagine, the editing process will take some time, therefore please can you email any items for the newsletter to me by THURSDAY LUNCHTIME. Many Thanks.

Church Status: Another of these stages that we must manage is the weekend Mass provision going forward after Easter. The help of Fr Leo and Mgr John will always be very welcome and greatly appreciated but cannot be taken for granted. Therefore, I must establish a pattern of Masses and Services that is sustainable on the weeks when I am here on my own.

In discussion with Fr Leo and Mgr John I have come up with a provisional pattern which I have submitted to the Diocese for approval. Once it is approved by them, we will run with it for a trial period, so that we can all see how we get on with it. During this trial period I will be very happy to receive constructive input and suggestions before our new pattern settles into its final form.

We are in the very early stages of a long journey together. This amalgamation will be a great success if we all pull together and support each other in the weeks and months ahead.

From Fr Leo: From Wednesday I will be living at McAuley Mount in Burnley for a month while the work is being carried out on the presbytery to make it a "disabled friendly" house. I can be contacted on my mobile 07977202349.

200 Club (Whalley): Congratulations to the winners of the EASTER draw of the 200 club. Your cheques are in the post.

First Prize	167	Margaret Marsh
Second Prize	38	Mick Mahon
Third Prize	161	Rosemary Grimshaw

Grateful Thanks: to everyone who has contributed to the upkeep of the parish; either by Standing Order, by putting an envelope or cash into the collection or by putting an envelope through the Presbytery letterboxes.

	Whalley	Langho	Osbaldeston
Gift Aid	£147.00	£270.00	£257.50
Loose	£222.56	£235.00	£ 53.50
Mass Offerings / Ministry	£228.00		
TOTAL	£597.56	£505.00	£311.00
<i>Standing Orders for March</i>	<i>£1,205.00</i>	<i>£832.00</i>	

"Langho Sings for Ukraine" raised £2,012.50p which when match funded by the government gives a total of £4,025. Congratulations to all involved and all who supported and donated.

'Masses Received' in all three churches: James Hutton, Bernadette Ridge, Tony Clayton LD, Judith Griffiths LD

SVP Food Bank Update (Whalley): Spiralling costs mean more and more families are struggling to make ends meet and having to rely on the Food Bank. All donations of non-perishable food items can be left in the Church or Presbytery porch or financial contributions can be left in an envelope (marked SVP Food Bank) through the Presbytery letter box or at the back of Church. Thank you very much for continuing to support this very worthy cause.

Foodbank: (Langho) This will now be collected on Monday morning. Your support is vital. Thank you.

Refugees: (Osbaldeston.) Please help the refugees by donating the following items: pasta, tea, coffee, long life milk, pasta and pasta sauce, tinned tuna, tinned tomatoes, sweet corn, rice, breakfast cereals, biscuits, Shampoo, shower gel, soap, sanitary towels, deodorants, toothpaste, toothbrushes, toilet rolls, nappies (size 5-6)

Our Sacristan (Langho) will be retiring at the end of May after many years of dedicated service. Are there any volunteers to continue this valuable work? It can be done by one person or by a group of people. Duties include opening the church, preparing the altar for Mass or Eucharistic Service and keeping an eye on church supplies. Please contact Fr. David

"Your Parish Needs You" (Osbaldeston) If you could help in any way we would be most grateful. the Church and Grounds require a lot of maintenance and any help would be much appreciated. Contact Margaret 01254 245849 or email margaret@hotmail.co.uk

Easter Hamper Raffle: (Osbaldeston) is drawn today. Good luck and congratulations to the winner.

Easter flowers: Thanks to all who donated towards the Easter flowers in our three churches and thanks to the three flower teams for their arrangements.

Tea and Chat: (Osbaldeston) This will take place on the Heatley Rooms from 2-4pm on the second Monday of the month.

Church Music: (Osbaldeston) Josie Slater would like someone to help her with the church music. If anyone can help, especially with playing the organ. Josie will give help and support to anyone who can help.