



**CATHOLIC CHURCH IN LONGDENDALE**

## **PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**Pentecost**  
**8th June 2025**



**Come Holy Spirit,**  
fill the hearts of your faithful  
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

V. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.  
R. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy  
Spirit, did instruct  
the hearts of the faithful,  
grant that by the same Holy Spirit  
we may be truly wise and ever enjoy  
His consolations,  
Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

# *Veni Sancte Spiritus*

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### **OUR SCHOOLS**

**St Charles Primary** Hadfield SK13 7PQ  
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**St Margaret's & All Saints Federation**  
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Head : Mrs G Beaumont  
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**St Philip Howard Secondary**  
SK13 8DR  
Head : Mr J Kayes  
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DATE	MASS	OTHER
Sun 8th	<b>PENTECOST</b> 9.15 (BB) for the parish 11am (HAD) private int ( <i>1st HC candidates Affirmation</i> )	
Mon 9th	<b>Mary, Mother of the Church</b> 9.30 (HAD) B Gee RIP (P&A Lyne)	
Tues 10th	<b>feria</b> 9.00 (HAD) Marian Wright RIP	
Weds 11th	<b>ST BARNABAS</b> patron of our cathedral (no parish Mass today)	
Thurs 12th	<b>OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, HIGH PRIEST</b> (no parish Mass today)	
Fri 13th	<b>St Anthony of Padua</b> 9.30 (BB) Sp.int	
Sat 14th	<b>feria</b> 9.30 (HAD) Paul Walsh RIP	
Sun 15th	<b>TRINITY SUNDAY (Day for Life)</b> 9.15 (BB) Joan Bone RIP (fam) 11am (HAD) for the parish	
<div> <p><b>PENTECOST SUNDAY (C)</b> Psalter Week 2</p> <p><b>Introduction:</b> <i>Christ keeps his promise and sends the Holy Spirit to enliven the Church.</i></p> <p><b>First Reading: Acts 2 :</b> They were filled with the Spirit and spoke in tongues.</p> <p><b>Resp Ps:</b>           <b>SEND FORTH YOUR SPIRIT, O LORD, AND RENEW THE FACE OF THE EARTH.</b></p> <p><b>Second Reading :</b> Rom 8 : Everyone renewed in the Spirit is a child of God.</p> <p><b>Gospel :</b> Jn 14 : The Holy Spirit will teach you everything.</p> <p><b>Comm. ant:</b> <i><b>THEY WERE ALL FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT AND SPOKE OF THE MARVELS OF GOD, ALLELUIA.</b></i></p> </div>		

### **SICK AND HOUSEBOUND and ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH**

***Please remember to support and pray for those listed as sick and housebound in our parish:***

Peter James, Pauline Anderson, Isabella Phillips, Joe Singleton, Maura Farrell, Joan Killeen, Winifred Cook, Maree Davies, Rita Dwyer, Christine Wild, Mike Lally, Sue Dickinson, Jacob Ibbotson, Gordon Handley, Jean Ashton, Wilf Toole, Bro Philip Revell, Keith Winston.

***And our deceased clergy & parishioners whose anniversaries occur about this time;*** Revv Bishop McNulty, Peter Coyle; Elaine Whitehead, Roger Butler, Raymond Considine, Josephine Ashtiany, Tony Atherton, Josie Cowden, Bernard McGaughey, Reginald Hamer, Ronald Bailey, David Wiedemann, Margaret Biddle, Charles Wild:

***May they rest in peace, and let perpetual light shine on them : Amen***

## **PARISH NOTES**

***THIS SUNDAY*** The name "Pentecost" comes from the Greek word meaning "fiftieth." Like Easter, it is tied to a Jewish feast. 49 days (7 weeks, or "a week of weeks") after the second day of Passover, the Jews celebrated the Feast of Weeks (Shavuot). Passover celebrates the freeing of the Jews from slavery; Shavuot celebrates their becoming God's holy people by the gift and acceptance of the Law; and the counting of the days to Shavuot symbolises their yearning for the Law. From a strictly practical point of view, Shavuot was a very good time for the Holy Spirit to come down and inspire the Apostles to preach to all nations because, being a pilgrimage festival, it was an occasion when Jerusalem was filled with pilgrims from many countries.

***THIS WEEK*** we return to ordinary time. We return with the 10th week of ordinary time and the wearing of green. The paschal candle which has been displayed in our sanctuary since Holy Saturday now returns to its place next to the font indicating the light of Christ given to us in the sacrament of baptism.

***THE GOSPEL*** In Jesus' final speech to his disciples after the Last Supper, preparing them for life after the Resurrection, he several times mentions a mysterious figure, the Paraclete. 'Paraclete' is Greek for 'advocate', someone called to your side to help, to guide you through a tricky patch. In Hebrew mythology about the Last Judgement there would be an Accuser and an Advocate on either side. Jesus will send – or in other passages the Father will send – this Advocate to his followers as his own presence when he is no longer there, to guide the Church into all truth. That is the inspiring situation: the Church and each of its individuals will continue to deepen our understanding of the mysteries of God, over the centuries and over the years of our life. Before the Spirit was given, even the disciples who had been with Jesus throughout his ministry failed to understand his real significance, and certainly lacked courage to proclaim it. The coming of the Paraclete was the booster-rocket which set off the Church on its course and keeps it on course. Now it is the duty and privilege of each of the members of the Church to fulfil the prophetic office of the Church, understanding more deeply and declaring more clearly the truth about Christ in the world.

There is a **second collection next Sunday** which declared "The Day for Life".

***SAINTS ALIVE*** ***St Barnabas the Apostle*** was born in Cyprus. He was one of the early converts in Jerusalem and vouched for St Paul when he appeared before the elders there. He accompanied Paul on his first missionary journey and later went to Cyprus with his cousin John Mark (Mark the evangelist) to preach the gospel there. He was probably martyred at Salamis in Cyprus, sometime before the year 61. ***St Antony of Padua (1195? - 1231)*** was first of all an Augustinian monk, but he was so impressed by the martyrdom of five Franciscans who had been spreading the faith in Morocco that he became a Franciscan friar himself, so that he could preach the gospel in Africa too. Illness obliged him to leave Morocco, and a storm then drove his ship to Sicily, so that he found himself taking part in the General Chapter of the Franciscans in 1221, where he met Saint Francis of Assisi himself. His preaching career then took him to northern Italy and southern France, then a stronghold of the Albigensian heresy. Later he returned to Italy, to Padua, where he was an outstanding preacher and the first Franciscan theologian. His sermons are full of gentleness, but he reproved the wicked with

*fearless severity – especially backsliding clergy and the oppressors of the weak. His shrine is a centre of pilgrimage, and he is also the patron saint of the lost and found.*

**ST CHARLES PARISH AGM** is held after next Sunday's Mass.

**MASS OF AFFIRMATION** today we welcome the children of St Charles preparing for first Holy Communion. Those children have been well blessed by careful instruction from their teachers and catechists. We look forward to their great day on 22nd with eagerness.

**RECENT TOTE WINNERS** St Charles 1st, (£40) M Wild; 2nd, (£20) J Ashton;

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION FLOWERS** A basket is at the back of church for contributions for flowers for Sunday 22nd at St Charles.

**STANDING ORDERS:** Immaculate Conception : Sort Code 30-13-32 A/c "St Margaret's church/ collection (or tote)" 00510567. St Charles : Sort Code 30-13-32 A/c "St Charles church/collection (or tote)" 00269177.

#### **LOOKING AHEAD:**

\* Saturday 14th June. **Colour Run** at St Margaret's school. We have a children's prize every time. If anyone is interested in helping or giving small gifts, please speak to Angela.

\* Sunday 15th June: **Cake Bake** at church; this coincides with Father's Day.

\* **Quarant'ore** adoration is diaried for Fri 20th June at Immaculate Conception, and Saturday 21st at Hadfield, concluding with Benediction on Sunday 22nd (Corpus Christi).

\* **First Holy Communions** are celebrated this year on 22nd June at St Charles.

**ALICE CANNING'S** is diaried for Monday this week, 12.30 pm at All Saints, Glossop.

**CLERGY ANNUAL CONFERENCE** takes place from Tuesday to Thursday this week. The clergy of the diocese get together for a brief time of conference of prayer, celebration and instruction. There will be no parish masses in our churches on Wednesday and Thursday.

**DIOCESAN WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE** is taking place next Saturday 14th June. Join Bishop Patrick on the Diocesan Jubilee Pilgrimage. From 11:30am there will be youth activities in the Anglican Shrine. The opening liturgy will be at 12:45pm with the procession to the Catholic Shrine. At 3pm there will Divine Mercy and youth Stations, ending with Mass at 4pm.

**CALLING FOUNDATION GOVERNORS** A virtual information session about being a foundation governor in one of our Catholic schools is taking place on **Wednesday 18 June** from 7.00pm – 8.00pm. For further information, please contact: Gill Burns at the Diocesan Education Service ([gill.burns@nottingham-des.org.uk](mailto:gill.burns@nottingham-des.org.uk)).

**THE MISSION ENABLING CAMPAIGN** has been introduced into our parishes over the last four or five weeks. We are drawing to a close of phase one in this journey. Shortly there will be open meetings taking place in our churches to bring together any and all who have an interest in this campaign. On Friday 27th of June we will have chance to meet after Immaculate Conception morning Mass with Kirsten, one of the fund-raising campaigners. On Wednesday the 2nd of July at Hadfield we will have a similar meeting. Whether you have engaged with this campaign or otherwise you'll be welcome to attend.

**SAFEGUARDING** If you have any safeguarding concerns please contact Karen Proctor. Email: [Karen.ProctorPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:Karen.ProctorPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk); / phone 07513 725411.

#### **Prayer of Those Living Alone**

I live alone, dear Lord, stay by my side.  
In all my daily needs, be Thou my guide.  
Grant me good health, for that I pray.  
To carry on my work from day to day.  
Keep pure my thoughts, my every deed,  
Let me be kind and unselfish in my neighbour's needs.  
Spare me from fire, from flood, malicious tongues,  
From thieves, from fear, and evil ones.  
If sickness or an accident befall me,  
Then humbly, Lord, I pray, hear Thou my call.  
And when I am feeling low or in despair,  
Lift up my heart and help me in prayer.  
I live alone, dear Lord, yet have no fear,  
Because I feel Your presence ever near. Amen.