

## For Our Prayers

### Sick & Housebound:

Janet Aston, Pamela Anderson, Janet Bromley  
Kerry Bullows, Colin & Diane Bradshaw, Carla & Craig  
Bolton, Mick Bullows, Chris Cleford, Emily Cousland,  
Stefan Cidealau, Michael & Carol Connachie, Michael  
Crowe Brian Evans, Ann Foster, Val Dallaway,  
David Dixon, Pam Edwards, Simon Glenn, Wilf Griffiths,  
Lorraine Garland, Gordon Gaskill, Janet Guest,  
Martin Horton, Margaret Holloway, Alan Halford, George  
& Marian Harris, Sean Hughes, Ron Jeavons,  
Glenis Kirton, Adrian Shaw, Karen & Neale Love, Ann  
Lovesy, Maisie & Steve Marsh, Brandon Mushi, Dorothy  
& Alan Parsons, Jean Payne, Josie Pountney, Ray  
Stephens, Chris Smith Fr. Barry Smart, Rachel Thomas,  
Catherine Thomas, Jill Watts, Eileen & John Wooldridge

### Birthday

7<sup>th</sup> Edna Reeves, Fr. Alan Howes, 10<sup>th</sup> Joan Halford,  
Maxine Young, Maxine Brown,

### Wedding Anniversary.

7<sup>th</sup> Hazel & John Dutfield,

### Recently Departed

Brenda Pinchers, Sophia Hynett, Andrew Slater,  
Malcolm Evans, Irene Fenn, Tony Britain, Alan Corfield  
& Joyce Guest

### Years Mind

7<sup>th</sup> Hilda Reeves, 8<sup>th</sup> Queen Elizabeth 11  
Elsie Causer, Harold Dallaway, James Barfoot  
9<sup>th</sup> Rhoda Baker, 10<sup>th</sup> Ernest Jones, Barry Law,  
Colin Jones, 11<sup>th</sup> Irene Wardell, 12<sup>th</sup> Fr. David  
Hartland, 13<sup>th</sup> Nancy Walters,

### OHMS:

Neil Skett, Amy & Nathan Yates Ebony Churchill,  
Ian Day, & Liam Kitching

## Forthcoming Events

13th September **Proms in the Church** £9.00  
27th September **Coffee morning** St Chad  
4th October **Harvest Supper** St James  
**5th October Harvest Festival St Chad &  
St James**  
25th October Barn Dance St. Chads  
29th November Christmas fayre s. Chad's

Our incredible Karen Jones is walking the 30 miles  
Challenge this September to help raise money for  
Cancer Research UK. Please show your support  
and help fund life-saving research by donating to  
her page. [https://  
fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/karens-  
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## THIS WEEK

### Sunday 7th September

#### 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.00am Mass at St. Chad's

9.30am Mass at St. James

11.00am Parish Mass at St. Chads

**Readings** *Wisdom 9:13-18, Psalm 89,  
Philemon 9:10,12-17, Luke 14:25-33*

### Monday 8th The Birthday of Mary

1.00pm Stretch & Tone

7.30pm Zumba

### Tuesday 9th Feria

2.00pm Friendship Circle

9.40am Art Group

7.00pm Line Dancing

### Wednesday 10th Feria

9.30am Mass

10.15am Coffee Morning

11.00am Little Acorns Stay & Play

1.30pm Zumba Gold

7.00pm Bums & Tums

### Thursday 11th Feria

10.00am Mass at St. James

12.30pm Seated Pilates

### Friday 12th Feria

7.00pm Mass at St. Chad's

7.30pm Ti Chi

### Saturday 13th S. John Chrysostom

10.00am Mass at St. Chad's

7.30pm Proms Night at S. Chad's

### Sunday 14th September

#### The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8.00am Mass at St. Chad's

9.30am Mass at St. James

11.00am Parish Mass at St. Chads

**Readings** *Numbers 21:4-9, Psalm 77,  
Philippians 2:6-11, John 3:13-17*

**Sunday 7 September**

**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Entrance Antiphon**

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

**Collect**

O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, that those who believe in Christ may receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**First reading**

**A reading from the book of Wisdom**

What human being can learn the counsel of God? Or who can discern what the Lord wills? For the reasoning of mortals is worthless, and our designs are likely to fail, for a perishable body weighs down the soul, and this earthy tent burdens the mind full of thoughts. We can hardly guess at what is on earth, and what is at hand we find with labour; but who has traced out what is in the heavens? Who has learned your counsel, unless you have given wisdom and sent your holy spirit from on high? And thus the paths of those on earth were set right, and people were taught what pleases you.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

**Responsorial Psalm**

**O Lord, you have been our refuge, from generation to generation.**

You turn man back to dust, and say, 'Return, O children of Adam.' To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, or like a watch in the night. **R**

You sweep them away like a dream, like grass which is fresh in the morning. In the morning it sprouts and is fresh; by evening it withers and fades. **R**

Then teach us to number our days that we may gain wisdom of heart. Turn back, O LORD! How long? Show pity to your servants. **R**

At dawn, fill us with your merciful love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favour of the LORD our God be upon us; give success to the work of our hands. O give success to the work of our hands. **R**

**Second reading**

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to Philemon**

Beloved: I, Paul, an old man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus — I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment. I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart. I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel, but I preferred to do nothing without your

consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own accord. For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a bondservant but more than a bondservant, as a beloved brother — especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

Let your face shine forth on your servant, and teach me your decrees. **Alleluia.**

**Gospel**

**A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke**

At that time: Great crowds accompanied Jesus, and he turned and said to them, 'If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother, and wife and children, and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, saying, "This man began to build and was not able to finish." Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Prayer over the Offerings**

O God, who give us the gift of true prayer and of peace, graciously grant that through this offering, we may do fitting homage to your divine majesty and, by partaking of the sacred mystery, we may be faithfully united in mind and heart. Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

**Prayer after Communion**

Grant that your faithful, O Lord, whom you nourish and endow with life through the food of your Word and heavenly Sacrament, may so benefit from your beloved Son's great gifts that we may merit an eternal share in his life. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.