

**THE PARISH OF ST MATTHEW  
LITTLE LEVER**

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**CHURCH FOR A DIFFERENT WORLD**

SUNDAY 17th September 2017

**24th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
WELCOME SERVICE**

**SUNDAY WORSHIP TODAY**

8.00 am Mass ( Said with a short Homily)

10.00 am Parish Sung Mass. . Sunday Club meets upstairs in Church House and comes into Church at the Offertory. During the last hymn of the Mass there is a Copper Collection. Proceeds from this go to various charities nominated by the congregation.

**TODAY'S LITURGY -**

**The Scriptures**

There is only one reading before the gospel today, it is the

**2nd reading** Here St Paul reminds that we are the body of Christ, our day to day lives must reflect this!

**HYMNS AT 10.00 am (These will all be on the overhead ).**

**601 Music 32 813**

**Readers at 10.00 am**

1st N/A 2nd Linda Barton  
Int Andrew Sproat R Lauren Kelly

**Eucharistic Ministers at 10.00 am**

Kath & Elaine David & Terry

**Sidespersons on duty today**

Sue Gradwell Kate Bridge

**Sidespersons on duty next week**

Steve Bridge Nicola Jones

**TODAY**

Tea/Coffee and a chat in Church House after the 10.00 am Parish Mass.

**Baptism - 12noon**

Harvey John Haslam

Breanna Rose Frain

2.00 pm - A Celebration of Hymns at Starmount Nursing Home - anyone who wants to come along will be most welcome.

**MASS IS CELEBRATED DAILY IN OUR PARISH AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES:**

Mon	18th	7.30 pm
Tue	19th	9.30 am
Wed	20th	9.15 am - St Andrew & Co
Thurs	21st	9.00 am - School Mass
Fri	22nd	5.00 pm
Sat	23rd	6.00 pm - St Pius of Pietrelcina

**RESPONSES TO THE PSALM**

Monday: **Blessed be the Lord, for he has heard my cry.**

Tuesday: **I will walk with blameless heart.**

Wednesday: **Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap.**

Thursday: **Great are the works of the Lord.**

Friday: **How happy are the poor in spirit; Theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

Saturday: **O blessed are those who fear the Lord.**

**PARISH PRAYER DIARY**

Sunday For our parish's continued growth

Monday For our Reception Children

Tuesday For all affected by the Hurricane, Earthquake and recent acts of Terror

Wednesday For the Church in Korea

Thursday In thanksgiving for the blessings we receive day by day

Friday For Justice and Peace in the World

Saturday For Walsingham

**For your prayers this week:**

**People who are sick:** Joan Fowles, Albert Yates, Erica Dickens, Toby Dickens (6), Kath Black, Connie Green, Joan Hallows, William Gill, Linda Duncan, Jean Martin, Lorraine Stanbank, John O'Dwyer, Dawn Ressel, May Thomas, Carol Schooling, Margaret McCreavy, Vera Holt, Cath Dunning, Baby Freya Louise Campbell, Phyllis Tatlock, Lesley Swinnerton, Laura Evans, Joan Street, Elaine Peil, Ken Helsby, Judith Langhorn, Ben Griffin (11), Adie Brocklebank, Jeanette Jones, Sylvia Jones, Melvyn Bell

**Those who have died:** Roger Heywood

**Anniversaries:** Hilda Walsh, Robert Alan Coates, Adam Stephen Morris, Albert Wood, Elizabeth Hammond, Rose Parker.

**SANCTUARY LAMP** burns this week in Loving Memory of **Albert Wood** and **Mignon Critchlow**.

**FLOWERS IN CHURCH THIS WEEK** are in Loving Memory of **Our Departed Loved Ones**.

To arrange Baptisms, Weddings or Banns of Marriage please call at the Vicarage on a Tuesday evening between 6.00 pm and 7.00 pm.

**Please take this News Sheet home.**

**NEXT SUNDAY:**

**ST MATTHEW  
FEAST OF TITLE**

1st – Ephesians 4: 1-7, 11-13

Psalm – 18

Gospel – Matthew 9: 9 - 13

**THIS WEEK:-**

Monday - 8.00 pm Choir Practice

Tuesday – 9.00 am – 11.00 am  
Coffee Shop – Church House

Thursday – 6.30 pm - School  
Governors' - School

Saturday – 8.00 pm Cheese and Wine

**IT'S A GIRL AND A BOY**

Karen and Tom Lauder have had a  
Baby Girl – CHLOE AVA LAUDER – a  
sister for Erin, weighing in at 7lb 4oz.  
Mum and baby both doing well.  
AND James and Danielle Donnelly have  
had a Baby Boy  
– JOSEPH JAMES DONNELLY – a  
brother for Imogen, weighing in at  
7lb 9 oz.

**MISSION ACTION LAUNCH**

**WEEKEND** Saturday 30th Sept and  
Sunday 1st October.

Church will be open from 10.00 am until  
4.00 pm on Saturday and from 1.00 pm  
till 4.00 pm on Sunday. The theme of  
the weekend is Little Lever, our Village  
and Community. We are inviting  
displays from every aspect of the  
community, including groups and  
businesses. There will be displays of  
Art and Photography and hopefully lots  
of external displays.

Refreshments will be available in  
Church House.

The weekend will conclude with a  
'Songs of Praise' on Sunday 1st Oct  
at 4.30 pm.

Do please make the event known;  
If you need more information please  
see Janet Sproat or Mark Brocklebank.

**BIBLE STUDY EVENINGS**

At the Vicarage at 7.30 pm

4 October - Fr John

31 October - Fr Anthony

**CRAFT CLUB**

The next meeting of the craft club will  
be on Thursday 28 September from  
2 pm – 4 pm at 36, Meadow Close

**THANK YOU** to Adrian, Dennis from  
Blackpool, the Fun and Events Committee  
and all who organised, donated goods  
and or supported the Table Top Sale on  
the day. Thank you for your support.

**THROUGH THE LIGHTS**

A trip to Blackpool has been arranged for  
Sunday 22nd October leaving Church  
House at 3.30 pm and going through the  
lights later on. Cost is only £10. If you  
want to go please put your name on the  
list at the back of church.

**DIARY DATES FOR 2017**

Saturday 23rd September - Cheese &  
Wine Party (MU)

Tuesday 26th September - P C C Meeting

Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th October  
Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham

Thursday 12th October - M U - Bring &  
Buy

Thursday 19th October - P C C Meeting

Sunday 15th October - Autumn Lunch  
(MU)

Friday 27th October - Halloween Bingo

Saturday 28th October - Fish & Chips &  
Quiz

Friday 3rd - Monday 6th - Llandudno  
Christmas Cracker

Thursday 9th November - M U - Theatre

Thursday 16th November - P C C Meeting

Saturday 18th November - Lancashire  
Party & Quiz

Sunday 26th November - Christmas  
Lunch (MU)

Thursday 14th December - M U -  
Christmas Party

**A SAFE AND SACRED SPACE FOR ALL**

In order to keep us all safe and help  
maintain a prayerful atmosphere could we  
please remember to:-

1. Keep our personal belongings with us at  
all times.
  2. put our mobile phones on silent.
  3. Remember that the use of mobile phones  
or electronic devices to play games on  
during Mass is strictly forbidden.
- Many thanks.

**PARISH CLERGY**

Fr John Wiseman – 700936

Canon Ian Anthony – 7914376

Fr Stuart Haworth - 384006

The Revd Ben Bradshaw – 29634