

TWELVE APOSTLES CHRISTMAS FAYRE

(on Sunday 18 Nov at 1.00pm)

1. Donations for the Fair would be most appreciated (Tombola prizes, toys, books, fancy goods etc).
2. There are lists at the back of Church for donations of draw prizes.
3. There is also a box at the back of Church to leave your donations, or contact John or Therese Thompson (tel. 253507) if you need anything collected.
4. If anyone is available to help on the day could you please let Therese Thompson know we would be very grateful.
5. The next meeting will be on Mon 12 Nov in the House at 7.30pm, all welcome.
6. Books of tickets (£1) - please take a couple of books to sell.

SACRED HEART CHRISTMAS FAYRE

(on Saturday 24 Nov at 1.30pm)

Please bring your donations (as above) at Mass times or come to the Parish Centre Bingo on Wednesday evenings at 7.00pm. Voluntary helpers will be most welcome.

GUIDES AT TWELVE APOSTLES

meet on Thursday evenings and still have a few places left for girls, ten and over. See Mrs Garvey for details.

OCTOBER DEVOTIONS

The Legion of Mary invite you to join them in the Recitation of the Holy Rosary followed by a Torchlight Procession every Monday in October at 7.30pm in Twelve Apostles church.

*When you forgive yourself
the inner wounds begin to heal.*

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**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)
14TH OCTOBER 2007
THANKSGIVING**

Hello!

We have all experienced "leprosy"; a time where we felt separated and alone. But do we share something else in common with the grateful leper; do we also share his thankful attitude? Or are we more like the other ungrateful nine who were also healed? Perhaps one reason the other nine didn't return to say "thank you" was they suffered from a lack of sensitivity and imagination.

They never stopped and reflected on what happened. They didn't think about why, or how this happened. They just took it for granted. They were healed. Their lives could go on, they had a lot of catching up to do, so they thought, "better be about it". They couldn't see beyond the gift of the miracle of healing to the One who gave it to them. They never saw the Divine Giver.

When we stop praising God, we start forgetting God. And when we forget God we start wandering and start getting hurt – and we are much more likely to take matters into our own hands, to panic, to get impatient, and to get discouraged or depressed. But when you remember that God indwells your own soul, you discover who you really are. You lose so much when you forget.

Being thankful is more than saying "Thank you, thank you" all the time. It is expressed through your attitude in living life in friendship with God.

There is an old story about two grasshoppers that fell into a bowl of cream. One of them complained and groaned over his plight, and he sank to the bottom and drowned. The other kept singing and cheerfully kicked his feet until the cream turned to butter and he hopped away to freedom. Life can be that way. A Swedish proverb says: "Those who wish to sing can always find a song." May you walk through life kicking and singing.

When your soul praises, your life enlarges. Fr John.

SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 13 October to Sun 21 October

Weekday Masses are subject to change in the event of Funeral Masses.

At Sacred Heart Church, Walmesley Road

Sun	14 Oct	9.30am	Doris Marren
Tue	16 Oct	12.00noon	Lavinia Walsh
Wed	17 Oct	9.30am	Rev Liam Cotter
Thu	18 Oct	12.00noon	Bill Worden
Sun	21 Oct	9.30am	Annie Gaughan

At Twelve Apostles Church, Nel Pan Lane

Sat	13 Oct	6.30pm	Mary Gredecki (Birthday)
Mon	15 Oct	10.30am	FUNERAL MASS Anthony Hunter
Thu	18 Oct	9.10am	Thanksgiving to Sacred Heart (MG)
Sat	20 Oct	6.30pm	Kathleen McArt

At Our Lady Of The Rosary Church, Plank Lane

Sun	14 Oct	11.00am	Veronica Worrall
Sun	21 Oct	11.00am	Sacred Heart Confraternity

At Moss Bank Court Sheltered Accommodation, Faith Street

Fri	19 Oct	10.00am	Mary Doorey
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At Saint Joseph's Church, Mather Lane

Sundays	8.30am, 10.30am Masses
Mon, Wed, Fri	12.00noon Masses

At Saint Richard's Church, Mayfield Street, AHERTON

A 6.30pm SUNDAY EVENING MASS FOR ALL NINE PARISHES

ADORATION—RECONCILIATION—MASS

SATURDAY 20 October beginning 11am, Mass at noon.

At SAINT JOSEPH'S CHURCH

- On Tuesday this week there will be a meeting in Sacred Heart Parish House at 7.00pm for Catechists preparing our children for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
- R.C.I.A. continues this Wednesday, with a session exploring the doctrine of the Trinity, in the Chapel of Joy & Hope (Sacred Heart) at 7.30pm. Newcomers are welcome!
- Play Bingo in Sacred Heart Parish Centre on Wednesday at 7.00pm, to raise funds for the Xmas Fayre.
- Apologies for any confusion caused by error in last week's newsletter - the Children/Youth Mass at XII Apostles is scheduled for 6.30pm on Sat Nov 24, and not this weekend.

WEDNESDAY MEDITATION CONTINUES: 8.30AM IN CHAPEL OF JOY & HOPE AT SACRED HEART

PSALM RESPONSE

The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.



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AS A PASTORAL COMMUNITY

We pray ...

For asylum seekers and refugees - may they know the hand of friendship from us.

Happiness is a path, not a destination.

We pray for those who have died recently: Anthony Hunter, Brian Brooks, Margaret Manning.

They cannot chain up God's news.

2 Tim 2:9

Collections: (SH): £426.37, (OL): £223.60, (12A): £185.91. Church Repair Fund £47.94. **Retiring collections today (all)** for CAFOD. **Next week (all)** for APF World Missions.

Sacred Heart Lottery: Winning Numbers: 5, 10, 15. Jackpot: £188, shared by three winners. Next Week's Estimated Jackpot: £100.

Our Lady's 1000 Club Draw: (not available). Bonus Ball No. 10 - R Ellis.

Twelve Apostles Club News Open until 11pm, weekdays from 7pm, weekends from 12noon with Sky Sports. Watch all the Football and Rugby on the Big Screen. Bingo every Wed and Sat (come after Mass!) from 8.30pm and Play Your Cards Right (£115). Music Quiz every Mon at 8.00pm.

Friends of Twelve Apostles School announce that the total sum raised at the Fashion Show last Friday was £719.10. Thanks to everyone who bought a ticket, came to the night, or gave a raffle prize.