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| ***Please remember in your prayers: Week 15th May 2022-5th Sunday of Easter*** | |
| **Church Community** | We pray for those our Servers and Acolytes. |
| **Parish Streets** | Thinking of those within our Parish Community- Wellington St, West Bank, Windsor Close and Windsor Rd. |
| **In Chorley** | We pray for all those who work in our local offices. |
| **Schools:** | We pray for our local schools, for teachers, staff, volunteers and pupils. We pray especially for pupils who are preparing for and taking exams. |
| **For The Sick:** | Thinking of Joanne Jones, Katie Power, Rev. Mo Baldwin, Emily Joyce Hubberstey, Brenda Feeney, Irene Jenkinson, John Smith, David Spencer and Freda Holden. |
| **RIP:** | Kathleen Darby |
| **Those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time:** | Margaret H. Adams, Douglas Bailey, Hylda Bateman (known as Hilary), Brian Thersby, Edith Proctor and Doreen Smith. |
| **Vision 2026** | Give thanks for all who exercise leadership in our Diocese, for clergy and lay leaders. Pray that they may have the faithfulness, the wisdom and the joy that they will need to lead churches that transform their local communities in the name of Jesus Christ. |
| Please remember that the members of the Prayer Chain are always willing to pray for any requests in confidence.  **Please contact Doris Smethurst on 410829** | |

**Bishop’s Memory Verse: Being Witnesses – John 3.16**

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,

so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

**SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK**

**Saturday 1700 & Sunday 0900 All Age Eucharist with Children’s talk**

**Sunday 11.00 Sung Eucharist with Sermon**

**Weekday Eucharists**

**Monday and Thursday at 18.15, Tuesday & Friday at 12.15**

**Special Prayer**

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life:

give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

**Readings:**

Acts 11.1-18

John 13.31-35

**TASTE CAFE** We are now offering Coffee, Cake and Soup Tues-Fri 11am -2.00pm in church. Please come along and meet old friends and new. If anyone would be happy to volunteer to serve or make soup or cakes for Taste, then please contact Ruth in the office on 01257 231360 for more information.

**LOCAL SCHOOLS ART EXHIBITION.** This exhibition will run throughout May. Please come by and have a look.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHURCH SHOP AND CHURCH CLEANING** If you are interested in volunteering to work in our church shop, or to be part of our church cleaning team then please speak to Fr. Neil, Anne Wray (shop) or call Ruth in the office on 01257 231360 for more information.

**EMERGENCY FOOD PARCELS** We are running very short of rice, soup, jam and tea. If you can bring any with you to church at the weekend, please do!

**‘Pots for Pots’ 19th May at St. Laurence’s 2.30-4pm**- a fundraising event by Mother’s Union- all are welcome. Please bring a long a pot of some description that you are happy to donate and then buy a pot that someone else has brought along!  
**Welcome to Rachel Gilkes.** Rachel is joining us in two capacities: 1. as part-time Kitchen Manager (a two-year post funded entirely by a grant from Chorley Council) and 2. as our CAP Debt Centre Manager, following the untimely death of Sue Boult. Please pray for Rachel as she takes on these new roles and for great work she will be doing.

**ASCENSION DAY.** There will be a joint Eucharist for St. Laurence’s, St. Peter’s and St. George’s in St. George’s Church on Thursday 27th May at 7.30pm. The preacher will be the new Vicar of Buckshaw Village Church, Rev. Ian Sargison. There will be no 6.15pm Eucharist in St. Laurence’s on this day.