



**St John Southworth's RC Parish**  
at Holy Saviour's Church, Vulcan St, BB9 8HE  
and Christ Church, Carr Road, BB9 7JS  
**Nelson**

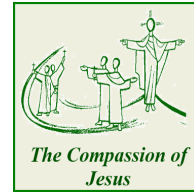
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**Parish Priest:**  
Rev Gerard Kelly  
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please email the parish.**

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**11th Sunday  
Ordinary Time**



**14th June 2026**



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Dear Parishioners and Friends,

On recent weekends, we have celebrated a series of feast days which brought the Easter season to a close; namely: the feasts of Pentecost, the Most Holy Trinity, and, finally, the Body and Blood of Christ. The green vestments have not been worn on a Sunday since 8th February after which we launched into Lent, and now we recommence our Ordinary Time which will take us through to the end of the Church's year on the feast of Christ the King on 22nd November.

During these coming months there will be much happening as the schools and colleges come to the end of their academic calendars and children and young people will be moving on into new classes, new schools and of course some will be moving away from education and hopefully finding a place in the world of work.

It's important that during these months, we don't just drift along on the tides of life but that we make good decisions and positive choices which we can only do when we stay close to Jesus who leads us along the roads that lead to life.

Take care and God bless, Fr Gerard

## 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday!

Fr Gerard celebrates 70 years' of life on Sunday 21st June. In order to mark his birthday, he would like to celebrate a:

**Mass of Healing and New Life  
on Saturday, 20th June at 11.00am**

at Christ Church  
followed by a buffet lunch.

Everyone is invited and welcome  
so please do come along!

*Let's pray that the Lord will gift us with signs and wonders, working those miracles that only prayer and openness to the Holy Spirit can bring about!*

Just to note that Diane Collier Caterers will provide the buffet lunch but you are welcome to bring any home-baked sweets or cakes if you wish to do so.

## CHILDREN'S BIBLE HOLIDAY CLUB

This year's Children's Bible Holiday Club will take place at Christ Church from Mon 10th August running through to Thursday 13th August. The days will be open to all children of primary school age, and the Catholic children will recognise Monica who is on the organising team.

If you would like your child to participate in the Holiday Bible Club, then please talk to Monica (or email her at [stjohnsouthwothrc@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsouthwothrc@gmail.com)) and she will give you a registration form.



## Mass schedule for week beginning Monday 15th June 2026

Monday 15th June	Tuesday 16th June	Wednesday 17th June	Thursday 18th June	Friday 19th June	Saturday 20th June	Sunday 21st June
NO MASS	Eucharistic Service C.C. 10.00am	Eucharistic Service H.S. 7.00pm	Eucharistic Service C.C. 10.00am Exposition	Eucharistic Service C.C. 10.00am	Healing & New Life MASS 11.00am	C.C. 9.30am H.S. 11.15am

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2
This Sunday: 14th June	Zechariah	Luke
Next Sunday: 21st June	Joan	Margaret B

**Children's Church: C.C.** Margaret M & Siobhan **H.S.** Sarah K, Suzanne K, GIFT Team

Eucharistic Ministry 2nd Sunday (C.C. and H.S.)	
Roger Lee	Barbara Martin
George Winkley	Christine Whalley
Amanda Duckett	Susanne Barnes
Bernadette Whittaker	Marie Parker
Emma Sutcliffe	Paul Stinchon

### POUND DRAW

£10.00 Sue Barnes  
 £10.00 Brian Clay  
 £10.00 Caoimhe Welch  
 £10.00 Keith Wilcock  
 £87.00 towards Parish Funds *Many Thanks!*

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Leo Tansey, anniv, 18th June.  
 Veronica Mills, anniv, 25th June  
 George & Mildred Hodson, anniv  
 Christine, anniv, 28th June  
 Josephine Kelly, anniv, 17th June (2008)  
 Special Intention

### Rev Rick's Farewell Service

After the summer, Rev Rick Ormrod will be moving on from the Pendle area and taking up a new appointment in the North East.

Rick has been a good friend to the Catholics at Christ Church and we will miss his kind-natured and common-sense approach in all the ways we have worked together over this last six years.

We are all invited to attend his Leaving Service at Christ Church on Sunday 5th July at 3.00pm.

It would be most fitting for our Catholic community to attend in order to show our appreciation of Rick, and to pray God's blessing on his future ministry! "Wey aye, man!"

### BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

June 14th Daniel Donnelly (1994)  
 June 16th Angela Starkie (2024)  
 June 17th Alice Newell (1983)  
 Josephine Kelly (2008)  
 Brian Hargreaves (1999)  
 June 18th Leo Tansey (2015)  
 Edward Harrison (1987)  
 Margaret Nolan (1981)  
 Leo Tansey (2015)  
 June 20th George Hodson (1993)



*May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace!*

### CHURCH COLLECTION

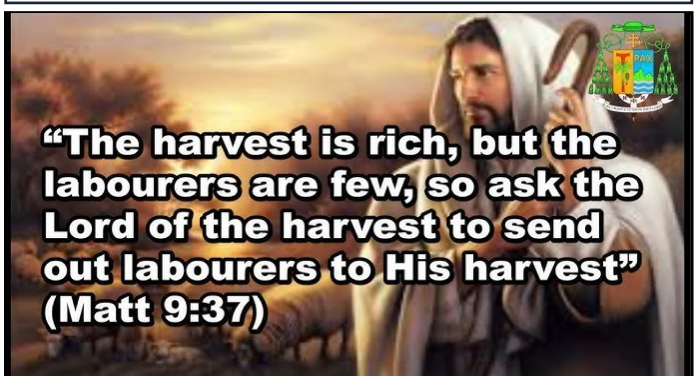
Standing Orders: approx: £765 p/w  
 7th June 2026: £295.50

*Many thanks for your generosity!*

### DATE FOR THE DIARY, 2026

Parish Trip to Southport  
**Saturday, 4th July, 10.00am - 6.00pm**

Names are being collected at both churches this weekend. The charge is £10.00 for a seat on the coach, with children travelling free of charge.



"The harvest is rich, but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers to His harvest"  
 (Matt 9:37)