Collection for Sunday including via bank**: £641.91**

Baptism: We joyfully welcome our newest little parishioner baptized last Sunday 15th November Hugo Geoffrey Catterall-Mellars son of Alexander and Chloe. May God bless Hugo Geoffrey and his family as he continues to grow in faith and love within our parish community.

ROSARY SERVICE: To celebrate the **Feast of St. Andrew, Apostle**, on Monday 30th November 2026 at St. Mary's Newhouse, Station Lane, Barton, Preston PR3 5DY at 2.00pm. Followed by tea/coffee and biscuits. Please come along to join the celebration on this day and have warm chat.

A Message of Appreciation

On behalf of the Holy Family Fathers and Brothers of the Youth, we wish to express our sincere gratitude to everyone who generously contributed towards supporting our Order.

Your kindness, generosity and continued support mean so much to us and strengthen our mission of serving God and His people, particularly through the formation of future priests and our various apostolates.

May God bless you abundantly and reward your generosity.

With heartfelt gratitude,

Fr Augustine and Fr Francisco

PARISH COFFEE MORNINGS in the Parish Centre

-**Tuesday:** November:24th, December 8th, 22nd, January 12th , 26th at 10:00am – 12:00pm

-**Sunday: Dec 6th ,20th, Jan 3rd, 17th** after 8.45am Mass

Call in for refreshments and friendly company

St, Clare's Christmas Fair at Parish Hall.

Sunday 22nd November 2026; starting 10.30am onwards.

Fun & Taste of International Food.

Entrance £1 per adult

Parish Council. The next meeting is at 7.00 p.m. on Sunday November 22nd.

We meet on the Parish Meeting room at the Convent.

Parish groups are all urged to send a representative.

Contact Bernard or Mike for details,

Card Reader Facility in the Church Porch -The card reader is just below the choir stairs. You can make Offertory Donations as well as pay for Greetings Cards and Votive Candles. When you have made an Offertory Donation you will be given the option to Gift Aid. Offertory donations can also be made using URL https://donate.mydona.com/our-lady-preston.or the QR code.

Parish Panto Dick Whittington Sunday 13th December at 1pm and 3.30pm in the Parish Centre.

Rehearsals are now in full swing, this promises to be a fantastic community event and everyone is welcome! Come along and join us for an afternoon of traditional festive entertainment and a lot of laughs! The bar will be open for refreshments and there will be a fabulous raffle (cash only)

Tickets are £6 for Adults and £4 for Children, cash only, and the correct amount would be very much appreciated.

Tickets will be on sale after weekend masses from 7th November, at coffee mornings or by email - annemetcalf1957@gmail.com with tickets required and your contact number.

This year we are raising funds for St Catherine's Hospice in memory of David Hickson, and will be making a donation towards new chairs for the Parish Centre.

Tickets usually sell out quickly, ("oh yes they do") so make sure you don't miss out!

Volunteer to prepare cremation interments

"We are looking for a healthy volunteer to prepare cremation interments at St. Mary's cemetery, Station Lane, Barton.

Each interment involves preparing the plot and refilling. It will take about an hour of your time.

An honorarium of £70 will be given for each interment.

If you or someone you know, would like to be considered for the role please contact Father Augustine. Training will be provided."

CAFOD Christmas Raffle

Starting next weekend (November 21st and 22nd) – and for the following two weeks (November 28th and 29th and December 5th and 6th) - we will all have the opportunity to support Cafod by buying tickets for our Christmas raffle. The main prize is, once again, a lovely crib set knitted by one of our kind parishioners with its own wooden stable – which you will be able to see in the porch. Tickets are £1 each – please support the work of Cafod by buying tickets. Thank you.

Sponsorship of New Missals

We will have another new set of missals at the beginning of Advent, and we are inviting sponsorship again.

For a donation of £10 you have the option of a dedication:

This book was sponsored by … or

In memory of …

Please put your donation in an envelope marked "Missal Sponsorship", and include the dedication, if required. These can be handed to Sr Monique or Kevin Gilchrist or our welcomers.

Katie Jones is our Parish Safeguarding Representative

Email: **katie.jones@lrcd.org.uk or Phone: 07796555966**