

**THE RIBBLE VALLEY PARISHES OF
ST WILFRID, LONGRIDGE: ST MARY, CHIPPING:
ST PETER AND ST PAUL, RIBCHESTER.**

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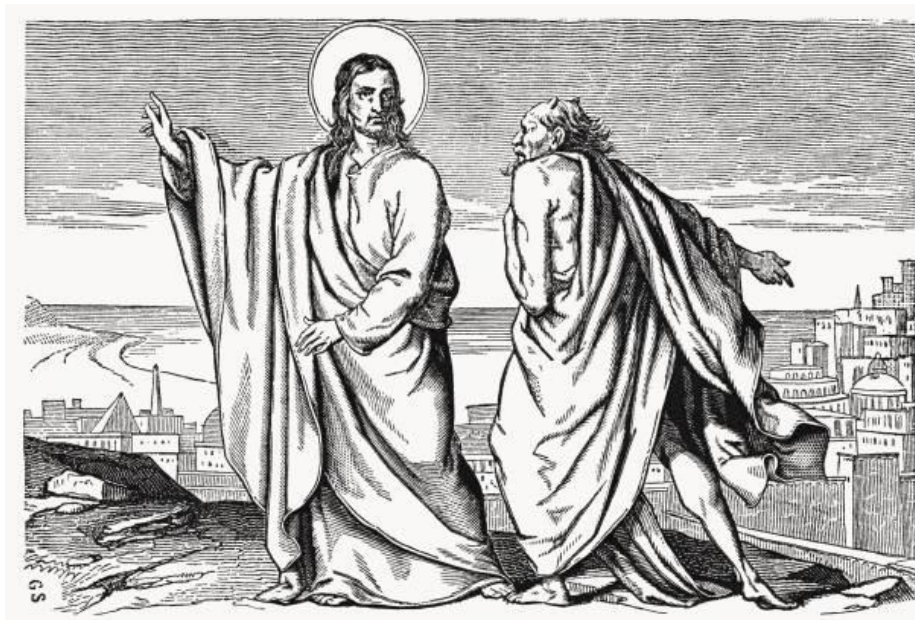
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First Sunday of Lent

Year A

Sunday 22nd February 2026



*You shall worship the Lord your God
and him only shall you serve.*

<u>Day</u>	<u>St Wilfrid</u>	<u>St Mary</u>	<u>Ss. Peter & Paul</u>
Monday 23rd February	Priest's Day Off	Priest's Day Off	Priest's Day Off
Tuesday 24th February	Mass 10.00am		
Wednesday 25th February			Mass 10.00am
Thursday 26th February	Lectio Divina 7.00pm	Mass 9.30am	
Friday 27th February		Stations of the Cross 12.00pm	
Saturday 28th February	Confessions 4.15pm – 4.45pm Mass 5.30pm		
Sunday 1st March		Mass 9.30am	Mass 11.00am

Churches Together in Longridge & District Lenten Lunches

You are warmly invited to our Lenten Lunches at the following venues between 12 noon and 1.00pm.

<i>Wednesday 25th February</i>	St Paul's Centenary Room
<i>Wednesday 4th March</i>	St Wilfrid's Parish Room
<i>Wednesday 11th March</i>	Christ Church Hall (Run by Christ Church and St Michael Grimsargh)
<i>Wednesday 18th March</i>	St Wilfrid's Parish Room (Run by Aston Lane Church)
<i>Wednesday 25th March</i>	St Paul's Centenary Room

Proceeds are in aid of CAFOD and Christian Aid

CAFOD LENTEN FAMILY FAST DAY

This year the CAFOD Lenten Family Fast Day will take place on Friday 27th February. Whatever we can donate or contribute to CAFOD especially by fasting on this day will benefit so many communities around the world who suffer from poverty, famine and hunger. There are special Family Fast Day Envelopes we can take home this weekend, and they may be returned to church next weekend at the retiring collection.

The THOMAS drop-in centre is looking to recruit more volunteers to assist them in providing meals for the homeless and needy. The work they do in the community is greatly valued and appreciated. More detailed information is available at the back of church on sheets headed *Ribchester group @ Thomas*. Many thanks for all the donations received month by month. Without these, our continuing support for this project would not be possible. If anyone would like further information or would like to get involved practically, please contact Peter Rabbitts on 07592 893423 or at prabbitts@hotmail.com

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Stations of the Cross

Fr Tony will lead the traditional Lenten devotion of the Stations of the Cross on Friday 27th February at 12.00 noon.

Afternoon Tea

Our next parish fund raising event will be afternoon tea and will be served in the parish room at 12.30pm on Thursday 26th February. Tickets are £12.50 per head. Please let Denise Atkinson or Fr Tony know if you would like tickets.

Lenten Lunches Collection – this weekend

Please note that this weekend on Saturday 21st February there will be a retiring collection to support our Lenten Lunch which will be on Wednesday 4th March.

Irene Margaret Poulton R.I.P.

Kindly keep the late Irene Poulton in your prayers at this sad time of loss. Irene departed this life on Tuesday 17th February 2026 at the age of 91. A Requiem Mass will be celebrated for the repose of her soul on Tuesday 3rd March 2026 at 11.00am. May she be welcomed to the table of God's children in heaven and may the Lord bring comfort and peace to the family she leaves behind. May she rest in peace.

The Faithful Departed

We pray for the faithful departed and for those who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again.

We remember especially:

Greta Davis, Thomas James Roy Williams, Henry Byers, John Laurence Heller, Sylvester (Cyril) Cavies, Anne Wilkinson.

May they have the reward of their earthly goodness in heaven.

Bicentennial Meeting

This will take place at St Mary's Community Centre at 7pm on Wednesday 4th March and all parishioners are most welcome to attend.

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We pray for those who have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again and for those whose anniversaries we commemorate at this time.

We remember especially:

Derek Hayhurst, Ellen Bolton, Veronica Mary Weld Blundell, Teresa Moorcroft and Christine Wareing.

May they be granted a place at the table of God's children in heaven.

Recent Offertory Donations:**Sunday 15th February:****£242.80****Thank you****Sunday Missal – Page 122****Graveyard Clearance**

Please can all Parishioners remove any Christmas wreaths from the graves, before the end of February 2026. If you are unable to do so, the PPC will be able to arrange removal on your behalf.

Just a reminder that nothing should be placed on the grass surrounding the graves, to allow easy access for mowing

Kind Regards

St Peter & Paul's PPC

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Recent Offertory Donations:**Sunday 15th February:****£179.00****Thank you****World Day of Prayer Friday 6th March at 11am at Christ Church, Berry Lane**

The service, written by Christian women from Nigeria, is open to all and will last 1 hour followed by refreshments. Children from Berry Lane School will lead two of the songs.