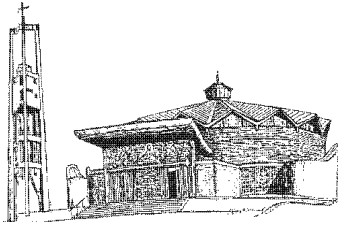


Regenerating the Parish



Try and forgive those who hurt your feelings by saying harsh, cruel or just simply act in an insensitive way. You can only do it with God's help.

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS / VISITORS

Please fill in our new Record Form, or if you move house within the parish please amend a new form.

Saturday

6.00 (Vigil Mass) Thomas family Intentions

Sunday 26th 3rd Sunday of Easter

9.30 The Parish
11.00 Fr Abbot's Intentions / Dorothy Morris-Hague RIP

Monday 27th April

9.00 Mark Morley
12.15 Jane Ralphs B'day remembrance

Tuesday 28th April

8.00 (with Schools in Church) Paul Boys (W)
12.15 Brian Worden

Wednesday 29th April St Catherine of Siena

9.00 NO MASS
12.15 Ryan Clark & Veronica Wareing
Birthday remembrances / Sylvester McDonald
Birthday remembrance (Mass said by Fr. J away)

Thursday 30th April

8.00 NO MASS
12.15 Requiem Mass for Sheila McKenzie

Friday 1st May 9.00 No Mass

12.15 Thomas family Intentions
7.15 KSC Intentions

Saturday 2nd May St Athanasius

9.00 Paul Boys
6.00 (Vigil Mass) The Parish

Sunday 3rd May 4th Sunday of Easter

9.30 EBC
11.00 Wilkinson family intention / Sheila McKenzie RIP
6.30 Youth Alive Service

Confessions Saturday 9.30 - 10.00 a.m.. (or when they end) and 5.00 - 6.00pm. Also Confessions at any time. Ring for a mutually convenient time with one of the priests.

Last Sunday: **Offertory Loose Plate £629.45** **Gift Aid £220 30**
For Gift Aid contact Gerry Brown 431002 **Many thanks!**

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

The Congregation says: May this sacrament unite them with Christ and his Church and give them consolation and peace.

Adoration in Church. St. Joseph's Adoration Chapel

Exposition is at any time that you can make it. We have the rota for watching and we hope it covers much of the week. You are welcome to pop in any time. -Contact the Priory for enquiries

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, BROADFIELD DRIVE, LEYLAND

455955 CHURCH

Steve i.c. Youth 07977249636 **Website** leylandstmarys.org.uk
SUNDAY of the Year P135

Theme: Jesus help us to understand the scriptures & our life's meaning.

THE PARISH FAMILY BY BAPTISM WE WELCOME:

Ruby Mai Bevan and Marni Ava Tomlinson.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR SICK Margaret Wallbank, Marie Harris, Walburga Hall, Dorothy Morris-Hague, Gordon Cottle, Moyra Haynes, Joyce Willcox, Danny Bonner, Annie Kelly, Jack Derbyshire, Eve Hankin, Frances Rice, Mary Dever, Tracey Anne Holly, Evelyn Swarbrick, Joe Copeman, Gerald Ralphs, Eileen Kenyon, Tegan Hyslop (5yrs), Helen Meldrum, Paul Bruce, Martin Glancy, Edith Rice, Harris Iqbal, Alice Ogden, Margaret Wallbank, Graham Halstead, Baby Casey Cross, Baby Liam Hodgkinson, & connected with us, Agnes King, Jacob Patel, David Lyons, Ashley Smith, Marilyn Riordan, Andrew Liddell, Anne Brien, Louie Baines, Stephen Leah, Marian Littlechild, Malcolm Pyman, Peter Mee, Baby George Bushell, Frank Dever, Stephen Taylor and Thomas Lionel Edens. *Long-term sick are prayed for each day at mass. Let us know those who you wish to pray for by Thursday of each week for either the bulletin and / or the long term sick.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR DEPARTED: Especially Sheila Mackenzie and connected with us, Joan Walton and Liberata Godinho who died recently and the following whose anniversaries occur about this time: Jean Houlding, Winifred Henry, Terence Duggan, Barbara O' Hanlon, Winifred Withnell and Reuben Brown.

THIS WEEK Today: 3rd

Sunday of Easter

St George's day 1.30pm parade in our church.

Journey in faith 5-6pm

Youth Group 7pm

Family Rota of Prayer:

Williams family 73 Moss Side Way.

Monday : Church cleaning

9.00am 'A' team

Word of life / focolare meeting 7pm

Thursday: Meditation on

Reconciliation 6.30pm in church for the 1st Holy Communion children and their families

Holy Hour 7.30pm Divine Mercy group in thanksgiving for the success of the Divine Mercy day.

Friday:- Divine Mercy prayers 11.00am in the Adoration chapel everyone welcome.

Saturday Preston Orpheus Choir – are performing 'Elijah' here in our Church on Saturday 2nd May at 7.30 p m tickets are

£10 for adults and £8 for Senior Citizens, Students and Children. This is an excellent Choir and we are privileged to have the performing in our Church they often perform at the Minister in Preston but like coming to St Mary's for the warm welcome.

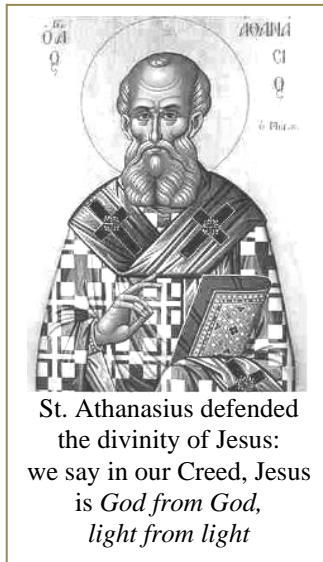
NEXT SUNDAY 4th of Easter

World day of Prayer for Vocations.

Jean Westbourne from Irenaeus to speak at all masses this weekend about the Come & See conference in September.

Journey in faith 5-6pm

Youth Alive Celebration in Church for the Youth Group and other young people visiting.



St. Athanasius defended the divinity of Jesus: we say in our Creed, Jesus is God from God, light from light



Cartmel Races - Monday 25th May: We have actually filled the coach now but there are twelve places left on the minibus. Please book as soon as possible if you are interested. We would appreciate if those who have booked would pay for their coach fare and racecourse entry fee as soon as possible. Many thanks for your assistance in this.

Thank you - Pam Baird would like to thank all who participated / assisted in her surprise 50th party. It was a truly lovely, memorable occasion. Many thanks for all the lovely presents. Special thanks to Paul, Tony, Lesley, Robert, Cath - Laura and Pam's People - yes you all know who you are, and to the impromptu 'drama group' but most importantly to Pete the special man who engineered it. Thank you.

RNLI would like to thank all those who helped in any way with last Sunday's Band Concert to make the night such a wonderful success - £1496 was raised for Lifeboat funds Thank you.

Gift Aid - Please collect your box of numbered envelopes from the table in the ambulatory. Many thanks for your support. Any problems call Gerry (431002)

Mariapolis 2009 - a five day summer event open to people who know or would like to find out more about the Focolare's spirituality of unity. At the Mariapolis the message of love contained within the gospel is put into practice, in the great and small things of everyday life. This year it will be held in York from the 3rd to the 8th of August. If you wish to know more and for a booking form, see Lesley.

SVP If any parishioner has a spare automatic washing machine or vacuum cleaner in good working order please let us know in the Priory house. The SVP need these items for a needy family.

Forthcoming Events

Archdiocesan Novena to Jesus the Good Shepherd to pray for an increase of vocations to the Priesthood (and Religious Life for us). Tuesday 21st April - Friday 1st May 7.30pm in different Churches. Our nearest Churches are St. Jude's Wigan (27th April). We can join in through our daily mass in those 9 days.

Morecambe Bay Right to Life Walk Monday May 4th from 2-5pm. So far seven have booked. If you want to come you must put your name on the list this weekend as names are essential for health and safety for the guide across the sands. There will be buckets at the back of Church for communal sponsorship this Sunday. Money to promote pro-life activities.

First Confessions take place at 6.30pm in Church for our St. Mary's Primary School children on Tuesday 5th May and for our St. Anne's children on Thursday 7th May. Please pray for God's gifts of healing and reconciliation to come to all involved.

St Anne's Nursery Open Afternoon - Would like to invite any parents and children to come and visit their Nursery on Wednesday 6th May from 1.30 to 3.00 p m. There will be the chance to explore the Nursery environment and to meet the Nursery Staff. This year's intake and future ones are welcome.

PPC Meeting 7.30pm Wednesday 6th May. Minutes and agendas are available in the Sacristy PPC slots.

Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Fernyhalgh on Sat 9th May from 1-4pm, mass at 3pm led by Archbishop Patrick. See the notices.

500 CLUB' CONGRATULATIONS!

£100 Winner F Loftus Week 14 -No. 144 Agent M McNulty.

Leyland and district Street Pastors Project. This is an exciting new project to bring some hope to those who may be lost on our Leyland and district streets at night. A street pastor is over 18, is willing to engage people where they are, in terms of their thinking (their perspective on life), and their location (where they "hang-out" - on the street, in pubs, clubs or at parties) and works in a team of three to six. Find out more, at an open meeting at Leyland Methodist Church, Tuesday 5th May 8pm. Nina Woodfield, a-54-year-old-grandma-of-two does this in Preston. Why? *"I think any small step will make a big difference to peoples' lives. Being a Christian gives you the strength and energy to do great things"*. This is supported by our Church, by the Police, the Local Councillors, and in many towns in Britain Street Pastors are making a difference,

WORD OF LIFE

"Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming." (Matthew 24, 42)

You must be vigilant, too, of course. Your life is not merely a peaceful chain of events. It is also a struggle. Your first enemies are a wide variety of temptations, such as those to do with sexuality, those to do with vanity, with attachment to money, with violence. If you always keep vigilant you won't be taken by surprise. Those who love are always vigilant. Vigilance is a characteristic of love. When you love someone, your heart always watches and waits for them, and every moment away from them is spent with them in mind.

This is what is done by a loving wife whose husband is away as she goes about her work or prepares something for him: it is all done for him. When he arrives, the thrill of his greeting reflects all the joyful work of the day.

This is what is done by a mother as she rests when caring for a sick child. She sleeps, but her heart wakes.

This is how a person who loves Jesus behaves. Everything is done for him, who is met in the simple expressions of his will moment by moment, and who will be met with great solemnity on the day that he comes.

Copies of this Word of life are available from the back of church. Next meeting Monday 27th of April at 7 p m everyone welcome.

Press release Many of you will have heard of the sad events in regards to Fr. Andrew McCaffrey OSB who pleaded guilty to a crime and was in the newspapers on Tuesday last. He is one of our brethren and close to us. We publish the following statement of Ampleforth in the bulletin. Above all please pray for our community, and the Church. Please pray also for our monks and parishioners at St. Mary's Bamber Bridge as they come to terms with all this in their parish.

At Preston Magistrates' Court today (April 20) Father Andrew McCaffrey OSB, monk of Ampleforth Abbey working in the parish of St Mary, Bamber Bridge, pleaded guilty to a charge of indecent exposure following his arrest in Preston on March 31. He was remanded on bail until May 8 for a probation report. Following the court hearing, the Abbot of Ampleforth, the Right Reverend Cuthbert Madden OSB, confirmed that Fr Andrew McCaffrey has been removed from parish duties while his future is considered. "As monks we are called to lead exemplary lives," he said, "and an incident such as this is to be deeply regretted. Fr Andrew has expressed to me his own deep regret at what has taken place and I can but apologise to those who feel hurt or let down by his actions. At the same time, I

would ask your prayers for Fr Andrew as he tries to discern his future path".