

Parish of Saint Mary, Leyland

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Parish Office Hours: Mon to Fri: 9:30am – 12 noon

Safeguarding: Contact Lesley Raven or John Mills via the Parish Office or in an emergency ring 999

Schools: St Mary's High 01772 421909, St Anne's Primary 01772 422769, St Mary's Primary 01772 422431

Community Centre: www.stmaryscentre.net & email: smccb21@gmail.com

The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Liverpool (Reg Charity 1199714): www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk



THIS WEEK	THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD – Year B	6 th / 7 th January 2024
Saturday 6 th January	18.00	Priests and Religious / Peg Cottrell (RIP)
Sunday 7 th January	10.00	Margaret & Peter Maguire's intentions / Anne Holden (RIP)

NEXT WEEKEND	2 ND SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME	
Saturday 13 th January	18.00	Priests and Religious / Peg Cottrell (RIP)
Sunday 14 th January	10.00	Margaret & Peter Maguire's intentions / Anne Holden (RIP)

Offertory Collection 23rd December Total £278.49 Standing Orders £602.30

Christmas Collection 25th December Total £2274.78

Offertory Collection 31st December Total £841.58 Standing Orders £602.30

Donations to the Parish Go to <https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/st-mary-leyland>

Gift Aid For information contact John Baggaley 07763 423230.

Thank you to those taxpayers who do Gift Aid. Please use an envelope unless you have a Direct Debit.

Week 1 300 CLUB - Congratulations! To P Rogers (No. 31) *Agent: L Raven*

If you would like to become a member or have another number, please contact E Jackson 07902 098798

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

A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL PARISHIONERS AND FAMILIES AND FRIENDS.

Parish Prayer:

We believe in God the Father who gave us a world to share in friendship, equality and peace.

We believe in Jesus Christ, living, suffering, dying and rising - the life force in the whole of creation.

We believe in the Holy Spirit who calls us to listen to each other in love, faith and trust as brothers and sisters in Christ. Amen.

PLEASE pray for all the departed: Shirley Anne Parker, Bernard Warren and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Mary Magdalen McCall, Faith Higham, Cecilia Kathleen McSherry, Eileen Snape, Fred Thistlethwaite, Christine Lloyd, Frank Cutler, Ronald Boardman, Frank Kellet, Martin Lacey, Joan Redmayne and Beatrice Doyle.

PLEASE pray for the sick: Mary MacBride, Sheila Holmes, Nichola Atkin, Peter Gardner, Dave Marshall, Eileen Dempsey, Pat Rogers, Julie Fitzpatrick, Duncan Neilson, Kathleen Heywood, Patrick Cahill, Fr Jonathan Cotton, Gerald Benson, Terry and Ann Smith, Matthew Cox, Maurice Green, Evelyn Berry, Dylan Agnew, Tom Dacosta, Paul Jackson, José Davis, Rhoda Fletcher, Frank King, Georgia Martin, Kathryn Boulton, Des Hatton, Sharon Girgenti, Bill Clarke, Elaine Hunter, Michael McLaughlin.

Welcome: This weekend we welcome Fr Simon Gore who will be celebrating the weekend Masses.

Weekday Mass: For weekday Masses from 8th – 12th January please refer to the parishes in our family:
St Catherine's, Farington;
offerimustibidomine.blogspot.com

St Mary Magdalen & St Teresa, Penwortham:
St Oswald, Longton:
Our Lady, Tarleton:
www.catholic-penwortham-longton.co.uk

Fr Jonathan: We continue to keep Fr Jonathan in our prayers.

Guild of St Stephen: The following were enrolled as members of the Guild of St Stephen for Altar Servers at Mass on the Feast of St Stephen, December 26th – Josette Bradbury, Shaun Bradbury, Freya Smith, Amelia Plowman.

Parish Helpers' Social: All parish volunteers are invited to a social evening in St Mary's Community Centre on Friday, 2nd February at 7.00pm as an appreciation of your work in the parish. Please sign the forms in the narthex for catering purposes. If you are not a parish volunteer and would like to join us, we ask for a £5.00 contribution.

300 Club Thank You: Elizabeth Ellison has been instrumental in running the 300 club since it started 28 years ago; she has now decided to step down from the administration of the club. On behalf of the Parish we would like to thank Elizabeth for all the effort she has put into keeping the fund running, and raising much needed funds to support Parish Projects over those years. Please note that Elizabeth will continue with her role as a 300 club agent.

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: From Monday 8th – Friday 12th the Blessed Sacrament Chapel is being recarpeted and will not be accessible. Please do not enter the Chapel as this will impede the work of the carpet fitters. The Blessed Sacrament will be reserved in the tabernacle in the Holy Souls Chapel so that the Extraordinary Ministers can take Holy Communion to the sick.

Thank you: The flower arrangers would like to thank everyone who made donations for the Christmas flower decorations in church. A list of donators is displayed in the narthex. Thanks also to those who helped with other church decorations: installing the Christmas tree and decorating it and erecting the crib.

St Mary's Diamond Jubilee Calendar: There are a few calendars available to purchase in the piety shop. Cost £8.00.

Dates for your diary:

This weekend 6th / 7th January 2024: Collection after Mass for St Mary's Local Charity Fund.

Wednesday 10th January 2024: 11.00 - 2.00pm Warm Space, at St Mary's Community Centre.

Friday 2nd February 2024: 7.00pm Parish Helpers Social, in St Mary's Community Centre