

# Parish of Saint Mary, Leyland

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

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



THIS WEEK		2 <sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME - Year B	13 <sup>th</sup> / 14 <sup>th</sup> January 2024
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> January	18.00	Anne Holden (RIP) / Sydney Knowles	
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> January	10.00	Margaret Anthony (RIP) / Fr Simon Gore's intentions	
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> January	12.00	<b>Requiem Mass:</b> Shirley Ann Parker	
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	14.00	<b>Funeral Service:</b> Robert Clayton	

NEXT WEEKEND		3 <sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME - Year B
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	18.00	Anthony Henry (RIP) / Margaret Anthony (RIP)
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> January	10.00	Geraldine and Peter Keane (RIP) / Frank Calderbank (RIP)

**Offertory Collection 7<sup>th</sup> January Total £721.21 Standing Orders £602.30**

**St Mary's Local Charity Fund £ 182.53 Thank you**

**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 2 300 CLUB** - Congratulations! To Ellen Derry (No. 126) *Agent: A Considine*

If you would like to become a member or have another number, please contact E Ellison 422544

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

## 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:** Robert Clayton and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Keith Gary Shepherd, Vincent Commons, Maureen Kathleen Jones, Bridget Whelan, Susan Turner and Monica Maguire.

**PLEASE pray for the sick:** Mary MacBride, Sheila Holmes, Nichola Atkin, Peter Gardner, Dave Marshall, Eileen Dempsey, Pat Rogers, Julie Fitzpatrick, Duncan Neilson, Patrick Cahill, Fr Jonathan Cotton, Gerald Benson, Terry and Ann Smith, Matthew Cox, Maurice Green, 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.

**Today is Peace Sunday 2024:** A day asked for by Pope Francis', World Day of Peace with the theme - 'Artificial Intelligence and Peace'

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

**Catholic Lancs Youth:** A group for all young people aged 11+ (Year 7+). You are invited to join this group and have fun, make friends, enjoy a free pizza. Today, Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January 5-7pm, St Teresa's Scout Hut Penwortham. See poster in the Narthex for more information.

**Prayers for the Town:** Monday January 15<sup>th</sup> St Johns Leyland Lane @ 9.30 am. All welcome

**Weekday Mass:** For weekday Masses from 15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> January please refer to the parishes in our family:  
St Catherine's, Farington:  
[offerimustibidomine.blogspot.com](http://offerimustibidomine.blogspot.com)

St Mary Magdalen & St Teresa, Penwortham:  
St Oswald, Longton:  
Our Lady, Tarleton:  
[www.catholic-penwortham-longton.co.uk](http://www.catholic-penwortham-longton.co.uk)

**Families of parishes: The Lancashire Deanery now has four families of parishes as follows:**

1. St Gregory's Weld Bank, St Oswald's Coppull, St Mary's Euxton, SS Peter & Paul's Mawdesley, St Agnes' Eccleston
2. St Mary's Chorley, Sacred Heart Chorley, St Joseph's Anderton
3. St Joseph's Chorley, St Chad's South Hill, St Bede's Clayton Green, St Joseph's Withnell, St Joseph's Brindle
4. St Mary's Leyland, St Catherine's Farington, St Oswald's Longton, St Mary Magdalen & St Teresa's Penwortham, Our Lady Help of Christians Tarleton.

**Blessed Sacrament Chapel:** The carpet has now been fitted, thank you all who made this possible.

**Diaries Available:** from the Piety Shop, only 4 left, now half price, £3.

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

**Help please:** Two ladies who live on Croston Road would like a lift to Mass, could you bring them? If so, please contact the parish office.

**Job Opportunity:** SLEAP is a Christian organisation working with 16-25 year olds who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. For nearly 30 years we have been a practical expression of God's love and care for hundreds of local young people and families in our community.

We will be recruiting very soon for a new worker whose responsibility will be to directly work alongside these young people. We think this is an amazing job – fun, challenging, busy and so rewarding.

But why not come and find out for yourself?

We are looking for someone full of energy and joy, with a heart for God and a heart for those who are vulnerable and in need.

This January, we are offering the opportunity to have a go and do a paid trial run for a short period of time.

Interested? Get in touch and come find out more – Email [stela@sleap.co.uk](mailto:stela@sleap.co.uk)

Our website is [www.sleap.co.uk](http://www.sleap.co.uk) if you want to have a look and you can follow us on Facebook @SLEAPLancashire, Instagram @sleaplancashire or X @SLEAP\_Lancs

**Dates for your diary:**

**Weekend 20<sup>th</sup> / 21<sup>st</sup> January 2024:** Collection after Mass for St Mary's St Vincent de Paul.

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024:** 11.00 - 2.00pm Warm Space, at St Mary's Community Centre.

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024:** 7.00pm Parish Helpers Social, in St Mary's Community Centre