

Parish of Saint Mary, Leyland

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



THIS WEEKEND		4TH SUNDAY of EASTER - Year B	20th/21st April 2024
Saturday 20 th April	17.00- 17.45 18.00	Exposition and Confessions Kevin Ryan (RIP) / Brendan Agnew (RIP)	
Sunday 21 st April (Baptism Presentation)	10.00 14.00	Susan Crook (anniversary) / Parishioners St George's Day Service: (Scouts)	
Monday 22 nd April		NO MASS	
Tuesday 23 rd April St George	10.00 13.00	Les Chase (RIP) / Stan Waterworth (Anniversary) Funeral Service: Anthony Blackhurst	
Wednesday 24 th April	10.00	Margaret Anthony (RIP) / Ken Dewhurst (RIP)	
Thursday 25 th April St Mark	10.00	Manghan family & friends / Des Hatton (RIP)	
Friday 26 th April	10.00 12.00	Marian Kirk (birthday remembrance) / Anne Holden (RIP) Funeral Service: Pat Furlong	
NEXT WEEKEND		5TH SUNDAY of EASTER - Year B	
Saturday 27 th April	17.00- 17.45 18.00	Exposition and Confessions Isobel Lacey (RIP) / Doug Morphey (RIP) / Parishioners	
Sunday 28 th April (Children's Mass)	10.00 12.00	Patricia Corrigan (b'day remembrance) / Peter Foster (RIP) Baptisms	

Offertory Collection £672.08. Standing Orders £602.30

St Mary's Local Charity Fund £163.71.

Missio (Red Box) 2023 Collections £2255.40.

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 16 300 CLUB - Congratulations! To L Sullivan (No.110) 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.

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: Des Hatton, Anthony Blackhurst, Pat Furlong and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Elizabeth Welch, Peter Nicholas Boggan, Joseph Kealey, Anne O'Neill, Susan Crook, Margaret Charnock, Bernard Snape, Michael Rodgers, May Hargreaves, Harold Hadley, Ken Ball, Helen Patricia Leach, Lisa Daly, Philip Muray, Valerie Anne Bretherton, Terry Warren, Thomas Doran and Mary Harrison.

PLEASE pray for the sick: Helen Jones, Joseph Arnfield, Michael Lee Fitzpatrick, Andrew Rowett, Mary MacBride, Sheila Holmes, Nichola Atkin, Dave Marshall, Eileen Dempsey, Pat Rogers, Julie Fitzpatrick, Duncan Neilson, Patrick Cahill, Terry and Ann Smith, Matthew Cox, Maurice Green, Tom Dacosta, Paul Jackson, Josie Davie, Rhoda Fletcher, Frank King, Georgia Martin, Kathryn Boulton, Bill Clarke, Elaine Hunter and Michael McLaughlin.

Visit from Fr Gabriel, Parish Priest at Holy Family, Gaza: Fr Gabriel Romanelli, the parish priest of Holy Family Parish, Gaza, was in Jerusalem when the war in Gaza began and not been able to return to his parish since. He has accepted an invitation from the Catholic Bishops to visit the UK at the end of April. During the visit, Fr Gabriel will meet the Bishops to thank them for their continued support; he will speak to MPs and Lords in Parliament before a brief visit to Glasgow. He will spend a few days in **English Martyrs parish, Litherland**, before returning to the Holy Land. On **Sunday, 28 April**, he will join the parish for Mass at 10.30; Bishop Tom Neylon will be the principal celebrant and Knights & Dames of the Holy Sepulchre will also attend. All are welcome.

Mission Appeal and Second Collection: This weekend we welcome Sr Mary Sebastian Ogwuike of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mother of Christ who will be making an appeal for the work of missionary Sisters of England and Wales to support the poor and marginalized. They work in different countries of the world serving the homeless, destitute, vulnerable children and adults, refugees, widows, and elderly people. Her congregation is Nigeria's first indigenous Religious Order, founded in 1937.

Vocations Sunday: In 1964, Pope Paul VI, launched Vocations Sunday, which we celebrate on the fourth Sunday of Easter, also called Good Shepherd Sunday. This year it is on the 21 April 2024, which marks the 61st Anniversary of World Day of Prayer for Vocations. As Catholics and people of God we all know that God is calling us and has a plan for each of us. He called each of us by name through our Baptism to holiness. He continues to call and cry out to us each day to be his disciples, some to the married life, some to the priesthood, some to religious life or to live as single people. Everybody is called! What is God calling you to? Along with the whole Church, let us pray for vocations today.

A pictorial story of the building of our church: https://youtu.be/Q_RQoD0StyA If you would like a copy on DVD, please contact Paul Boys (01772 422229) or Catherine Sullivan in the parish office. £5 each.

Slideshow of the Diamond Jubilee Mass:

<https://wetransfer.com/downloads/d6a67dc9253f70256828307260410ae820240409153854/a4b92beebea096cbcc59e5787222a188520240409153910/3a6018>

Photographs of the Diamond Jubilee Mass and buffet:

<https://cahillphotography.pixieset.com/solemndiamondjubileemass>

Thank You: to everyone who donated china tea services to St Mary's Community Centre for the monthly Afternoon Teas. We are still welcoming donations, especially of sugar bowls, milk jugs and teapots.

Request for a lift: a parishioner, from the Leverhouse Lane area, would like to attend the Coffee Lounge and / or the monthly Community Lunch, but is now unable to drive. If you could offer them a lift, please contact Jean Smith 07985 998968.

Widow's Welcome: meet on the 2nd & 4th Monday 1.30-3.30 each month in St Mary's Community Centre. Come along for entertainment, refreshments, and a chat.

Bollywood Night: Saturday 1st June at 7pm, St Mary's Community Centre. Including entertainment, curry supper & raffle. Adults £15, Child £5. Proceeds to The Peru Mission, Holy Family Parish Gaza, & Sister Mary Sebastian's charity. Raffle donations greatly appreciated. Tickets available after Mass and the Parish Office.

Dates for your diary:

Saturday, 20th/Sunday, 21st April: Mission Appeal and second collection by Sr Mary Sebastian Ogwuike of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mother of Christ. Her congregation is Nigeria's first indigenous Religious Order, founded in 1937.

Sunday, 21st April 2.00pm: Scouts St George's Day Service and Parade in church.

Wednesday, 24th April 11am – 2pm: Warm Space and soup in St Mary's Community Centre.

Wednesday, 24th April 7.00pm: Alpha Course in St Mary's Community Centre.

Friday, 26th April 7pm: Diamond Jubilee Gala Dinner at Leyland Golf Club.

Saturday, 11th May 10.00 am: 1st Communion Mass.

Saturday, 18th – Friday, 24th May: Diamond Jubilee Pilgrimage to Rome.

Saturday, 8th June 10.00am: 1st Communion Mass.

Tuesday, 18th June 7.00pm: Confirmation Service.

Thursday, 20th June 7.00pm: Confirmation Service.

Saturday, 22nd June: Diamond Jubilee visit to the Metropolitan Cathedral, Liverpool with Mass and a tour of the Crypt and Museum.

Saturday, 13th July 12.00: Ordination to the priesthood of Martin Fyles, Peter Ross, James Finegan, and Lister Tonge at the Metropolitan Cathedral, Liverpool.

Sunday, 21st July 11.00: Parish Summer Fair.