

# PARISH OF SAINT MARY, LEYLAND

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**South Ribble Family of Parishes, part of the Lancashire Deanery**

St Mary's, Leyland, Our Lady's, Tarleton, St Mary Magdalen and St Teresa's, Penwortham, St Oswald's, Longton

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## 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR C

5<sup>th</sup> / 6<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Day	Time	Service	Intention
Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	17.00	Exposition and Confessions	
	18.00	Mass	June Embery (RIP) / Helen Jones (Sick)
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> April <i>Baptism Presentation</i>	10.00	Mass	Fr Vincent Fedigan (RIP) / Mary Rooney (RIP) / Ann Halliwell (RIP) / Parishioners
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> April	10.00	Mass	Priest's intentions
	12.30	<b>Funeral – Charnock Richard</b>	Linda Bretherton
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	10.00	Mass	Maureen O'Brian & Sheila Shuttleworth (RIP)
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> April	10.00	Mass	Priest's intentions
	11.00	<b>Funeral service</b>	Anne Pomrey
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	10.00	Mass	Priest's intentions
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> April	19.00	Stations of the Cross	St Mary Magdalen's Penwortham PR1 9QD
<b>NEXT WEEKEND PALM SUNDAY – YEAR C</b>			
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> April	17.00	Exposition and Confessions	
	18.00	Mass	Brendan Agnew (anniversary) / Glenys Cobham (RIP)
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	10.00	Mass	Katy Phillips (anniversary) / Fr Vincent Fedigan (RIP) / Cox family intentions

**Total Offertory Collection: £640.87 Standing Orders £682.00**

**Gift Aid** For information contact John Baggaley 07763423230

**Week 14 300 CLUB** – Congratulations! G Neill (No.186) Agent J Steventon

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

**Communion for the sick:** May this sacrament unite them with Christ and his Church and give them consolation and peace.

### Jubilee Prayer:

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. You who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen



**PLEASE pray for all the departed:** Jimmy Benson and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Pat Furlong, Ron Brindle, Tony Blackhurst, Catherine Sutton, Lily Clayton and Dorothy Ratcliffe.

**PLEASE pray for the sick:** Kath Cox, Tracy Simpson, Rachel Hewitt, Teresa Smith, Mavis Walmsley, Jim Coan, Matthew Cox, Helen Jones, Maggie Halliwell, Anthony Dempsey, Patrick Cahill, Maurice Green, Kathryn Boulton, Terry and Ann Smith, Edward 'Roy' Thompson. **To add a name, "Sick List" forms are available at the back of church.**

**Getting to know our Family of Parishes:** This weekend (5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> April) Fr Joe and Fr Ian McParland, the parish priest of St Mary Magdalen and St Teresa's, will swap churches.

**Easter Candles and Flowers:** Envelopes are at the back of church. Please return by Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April.

**Stations of the Cross:** As in previous years, we will move around the churches in our Family of Parishes this Lent.

**Feet washing:** We need twelve volunteers who are prepared to have their feet washed during the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. Please speak to Tim Sullivan of the Knights of St Columba after Mass.

**Mass of Chrism:** This will take place in the Cathedral on the Wednesday of Holy Week at 7.30pm and is when the Archbishop blesses the holy oils that will be used in the sacraments throughout the coming year, and all the priests renew their priestly promises. All parishioners are invited to attend, and this year our altar servers have been especially invited to join in the procession with servers from across the whole Archdiocese. The parish will be taking a coach to the Cathedral. Please sign the list in the Narthex. The coach will leave at 5.30pm and will cost £10 per person.

**Pastoral Letter on Assisted Suicide Legislation:** We will listen to a message from the Archbishop this weekend. The important vote for all MPs on the assisted suicide legislation, known as the *Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill*, is likely to take place on 25<sup>th</sup> April. The charity **Right to Life UK** has a simple online mechanism to allow people to contact their Member of Parliament and it only takes a few moments to submit a message to ask an MP to stop assisted suicide being rushed into law. It can be accessed here: <https://righttolife.org.uk/asvote>. Also, **Right to Life UK** is distributing postcards to parishes for people to send to their MPs on this subject. A range of further resources on opposing assisted suicide is available here: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/>

**Response to the Archbishop's Pastoral Letter on Racial Justice:** There will be a half-day conference on **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April from 9.30 am – 12.30pm** to look more deeply at the implications of the Archbishop's Pastoral Letter, and to explore and deepen our response. All are welcome. St Margaret Clitherow Centre, Croxteth Drive, Liverpool L17 1AA. More information at Catholic Association for Racial Justice: [carjliverpool@outlook.com](mailto:carjliverpool@outlook.com); [bschmack@aol.com](mailto:bschmack@aol.com); 07742 578079.

**Children's Liturgy Training Day:** A half day training session for those involved in Children's Liturgy in their parishes. The session will be led by Margaret Wright, a former headteacher, and currently, RE advisor for the Diocese of Lancaster. An opportunity to "Unlock the Word" for children. **Saturday, 31<sup>st</sup> May 2025, 10.00 – 12.30 at St Teresa's Church, Penwortham, PR1 ODS.** To sign up, please speak to Catherine by Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> May.

**Palm Crosses:** This year's palm crosses will come from The African Palms Association in Tanzania ([www.africanpalms.co.uk](http://www.africanpalms.co.uk)). The project's aim is to give local villagers in the Masasi area of Tanzania a chance to earn extra money. The palm crosses are made from the dried branches of the dwarf palm *Hyphae Coriacia* which grow wild in the area and so are not cultivated or chemically treated.

**Easter Eggs:** Instead of buying Easter Eggs from a supermarket, why not buy a **Real Easter Egg**, the only one on the market made from Fairtrade chocolate and with an Easter story book. Available from The Meaningful Chocolate Company ([www.meaningfulchocolate.co.uk](http://www.meaningfulchocolate.co.uk)).

**Confirmation Enrolment Mass:** The young people from our Family of Parishes who have registered for Confirmation are invited to St Teresa's, Penwortham, PR1 ODS at 4.00pm on Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> April for an enrolment Mass.

**Easter Bonnet Parade:** On Easter Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> April, following the 10.00 am Mass. We are hosting our Easter bonnet parade and egg hunt. Our theme this year will be the Jubilee Pilgrims of Hope, and we are encouraging young and old to take part. We are appealing to the generosity of our parishioners to donate Easter eggs. Catherine will be available after Mass or in the Parish office to collect donations. Thank you.

**Dates for your diary:**

<b>This weekend 5<sup>th</sup> / 6<sup>th</sup> April,</b>	St Mary's Local Charity Fund collection after Mass
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Stations of the Cross at 7.00pm (St Mary Magdalen's, Penwortham <b>PR1 9QD</b> )
<b>Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Racial Justice Conference, St Margaret Clitherow Centre, L17 1AA from 9.30 – 12.00.
<b>Holy Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Mass of Chrism at 7.30pm in the Metropolitan Cathedral.
<b>Holy Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.00pm followed by Night Prayer at 9.30pm
<b>Good Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Children's Stations of the Cross at 1.30pm.
<b>Good Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Passion of the Lord at 3.00pm.
<b>Holy Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Święconka</b> - Blessing of Easter food at 10.00 am. (Polish Tradition).
<b>Holy Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Easter Vigil at 8.00pm with baptism of adults.
<b>Easter Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Easter bonnet parade and egg hunt after the 10.00am Mass.
<b>Weekend 26<sup>th</sup> / 27<sup>th</sup> April</b>	St Vincent de Paul collection after Mass.

**Sunday Masses in our Family of Parishes**

Vigil/Morning Mass	Our Lady's Tarleton PR4 6BP	St Mary Magdalen Penwortham PR1 9QD	St Teresa's Penwortham PR1 ODS	St Oswald's Longton PR4 5EB
Saturday			18.00	17.00
Sunday	10.00	11.00	09.30	08.30