

PARISH of SAINT MARY, LEYLAND



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To arrange a baptism or wedding, please contact the Parish Office.

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.

PART OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF LIVERPOOL (REG. CHARITY 1199714)

20th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C

16th / 17th AUGUST 2025

Day	Time	Service	Intention
Saturday 16 th August	17.00	Exposition & Confession	
	18.00	Mass	Helen Jones (sick)
Sunday 17 th August <i>Baptism Presentation</i>	10.00	Mass	Pauline Pope (RIP) / Parishioners
Monday 18 th August	10.00	Mass	Priest's intention
Tuesday 19 th August	10.00	Mass	May and Albert Waidson (anniversary)
	14.00	Funeral Service	Harry Briggs
Wednesday 20 th August <i>St Bernard</i>	10.00	Mass	Priest's intention
Thursday 21 st August <i>St Pius X</i>	10.00	Mass	Priest's intention

NEXT WEEKEND - 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C

Saturday 23 rd August	13.00	Wedding Service	Caroline Carey and Philip Noonan
	17.00	Exposition & Confession	
	18.00	Mass	Pat Loughlan (sick) / Teresa Smith (thanksgiving) / Parishioners
Sunday 24 th August	10.00	Mass	Jim Richards (RIP) / Agnes Goulding (anniv) / Dominic King (anniv)
	12.00	Baptisms	

Total Offertory Collection: £610.95 Standing Orders £682.00

Gift Aid For information contact John Baggaley 07763423230

Week 33 300 Club – Congratulations to M Hollinghurst (No 180) Agent L. Raven

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

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: and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time Domica Carmela de Palma and Amy Clisham.

PLEASE pray for the sick: Stephanie White, Amelia Maher, Kath Cox, Rachel Hewitt, 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.**

Coeliac disease: After a conversation with a parishioner, we have obtained some gluten free altar breads for people with Coeliac disease. If you have Coeliac disease, please come to the sacristy ten minutes before Mass so that we can ensure that you can receive Holy Communion safely.

Help needed: We need some parishioners to help at Fr Joe's Ruby Jubilee Mass at 12.00 on Saturday, 27th September, particularly with handing out the Order of Service booklets, showing Fr Joe's family members to their seats in church, guiding the concelebrating priests to the sacristy, and setting up tables for the buffet, etc. Please speak to Catherine Sullivan, the Parish Administrator, if you able to help.

Save the Date - Lourdes 2026: The Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from Thursday, 23rd – Thursday, 30th July 2026.

Deanery news: (*Fr Simon Henry writes*) "Last year the parish of St Catherine Labouré at Farington and the parish of St Mary at Euxton were merged to become one parish with two churches. In the months since then we have reflected and held consultations which were used to assist Archbishop John in his decisions for our parish. Through those, it became obvious that we simply do not need and cannot sustain two physical sites for the parish. The result is that the Archbishop has signed the decree which will see St Catherine's Church "taken out of use for public worship" - the formal way of saying that the physical church will close.

Archbishop John will celebrate a final Mass of Thanksgiving and celebration of the life of the church at 7pm on Friday 5th September 2025. Due to the small size of the church, this will need to be a ticketed event to sit in the church, but doors open into our hall to cater for anyone that might arrive. A reception in a marquee in the grounds will follow."

How to become a Catholic: Once again, as a Family of Parishes, we will be organising a Journey in Faith course for anyone who has an interest in becoming a Catholic. The course will begin on 12th November. Information flyers are available at the back of church.

Second Collections: There are a series of obligatory **SECOND COLLECTIONS** that will take place after Holy Communion at Mass on the following weekends:

13 th /14 th September	-	Catholic Education
20 th /21 st September	-	Home Missions
18 th /19 th October	-	World Missions
22 nd /23 rd November	-	Animate Youth

Keyboard Appeal: Our local prison chaplains would like to be able to use a keyboard as part of their ministry in Garth and Wymott Prisons. If any parishioners have either a guitar or keyboard that they no longer need, please contact Martin Smith 01772 452745. Thank you in anticipation, St. Mary's SVP. Thank you to the kind parishioner who has donated an acoustic guitar.

Summer Craft Sale: The craft group will be selling beautiful homemade summer themed crafts on the weekend of 30th and 31st August after Mass. All proceeds are going to charity.

Dates for your diary

This weekend 16 th / 17 th August		St Vincent de Paul collection after Mass
Saturday, 27 th September	12.00	Fr Joe's 40 th Anniversary Mass in church. Followed by a buffet in St Mary's Community Centre
Sunday, 12 th October	10.00	75 th Anniversary Mass of the parish foundation of the Altar Servers' Guild of St Stephen

Sunday Masses in our Family of Parishes

Vigil/Morning Mass	Our Lady's, Tarleton, PR4 6BP	St Mary Magdalen's, Penwortham, PR1 9QD	St Teresa's, Penwortham, PR1 0DS	St Oswald's, Longton, PR4 5EB
Saturday			18.00	17.00
Sunday	10.00	11.00	09.30	08.30