

# 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.

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2 <sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A PEACE SUNDAY			17 <sup>TH</sup> / 18 <sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2026
Day	Time	Service	Intention
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> January	17.00	Exposition and Confession	
	18.00	Mass	Terence Howarth (RIP) / Private intention / Parishioners
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> January <i>Baptism Presentation</i>	10.00	Mass	World Peace / Sr Veronica's intentions
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	10.00	Mass	Sr Mary Stephen (anniversary)
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	10.00	Mass	Priest's intention
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> January <i>St Agnes</i>	10.00	Requiem	Jean Burgess
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	09.15	Mass	In St Anne's Primary School
NEXT WEEKEND 3 <sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A			
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	17.00	Exposition and Confession	
	18.00	Mass	Christian Unity
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> January <i>Children's Mass/ Sacramental Programme</i>	10.00	Mass	Debbie Kirkby (Birthday remembrance) / Parishioners
Baptisms	12.00		

**Total Offertory Collection: £490.09 Standing Orders £682**

**Crib Offerings: £93.77**

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

Week 3. **300 Club** – Congratulations to D Pilkington winning £100 (No.129) Agent M Halliwell

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.

**PLEASE pray for all the departed:** Jean Burgess, John Unsworth and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Patricia Beardsmore, Jake Pearson, Kathleen Sheila Hardwick and Gabrielle Boyle.

**PLEASE pray for the sick:** David and Kathy Mason, Ann Breen, Stephanie White, Teresa Smith, Amelia Maher, Kath Cox, Rachel Hewitt, Mavis Walmsley, Jim Coan, Matthew Cox, Maggie Halliwell, Anthony Dempsey, 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.**

**Peace Sunday:** This weekend is international Peace Sunday. Information and resources are available at: [www.paxchristi.org.uk](http://www.paxchristi.org.uk)

**Welcome:** At this Sunday's Mass we welcome Deacon Bill McMahon from St Oswald's, Longton, which is part of our Family of Parishes.

**Card Readers:** A set of fully functioning card readers is now in place in the narthex. Please follow the instructions on the information cards.

**Parish Ministries:** As we begin this new year, parishioners are invited to become more involved in the different ministries in the parish:

- Ministry of Reader
- Extraordinary Minister of Communion (at Mass and/or taking Communion to the housebound)
- Baptism and 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Team
- Welcomer/collector
- Bereavement Team (welcoming/reading/serving at funerals; organising sympathy cards for the bereaved; etc.)
- Bidding Prayers Team
- Church cleaners
- Foundation Governor in our Catholic Schools
- Adult altar servers
- Flower arrangers
- Musicians/singers
- SVP

If you would like to become involved in any of the above ministries, please speak to Fr Joe or to Catherine Sullivan, the Parish Administrator.

**Holy water:** As Catholics, we have the custom of blessing ourselves with holy water as we enter and leave church. We do this to remind ourselves of our baptism. Parishioners are invited to bless themselves from the baptismal font at the entrance to the church.

**Mass attendance:** On Christmas Eve and Christmas Day **895** people attended Mass in our parish.

**Sacristy improvements:** Thanks to the generosity of The Wrennalls Group, the sacristy and office corridor have been carpeted.

#### **The Liturgical Year – a simple guide:**

The Roman Catholic Church's year is divided into seasons, each with its own liturgical colour, topics, and flavour.

- Advent: preparation and majesty; [purple, with rose for the 3rd Sunday]
- Christmas: celebration and new life; [white/ gold]
- Ordinary Time: growth in faith; [green]
- Lent: preparation, majesty and penitence; [purple, with rose for the 4th Sunday, and red for Palm Sunday]
- The Triduum: suffering and redemption; [white for Holy Thursday, red for Good Friday, and white/gold for the Easter Vigil]
- Easter: celebration and commissioning [white/gold]
- Pentecost: mission and discipleship [red]
- Ordinary Time: growth in faith [green].
  - Baptisms, 1<sup>st</sup> Communion, weddings: [white/gold]
  - Confirmation: [red]
  - Confession: [purple]
  - Funerals: [purple/black] [white for children]

As we now begin Ordinary Time, green vestments will be used. Also, the Sunday Readings are on a three yearly cycle. We began **Year "A"** in Advent, and from next week we will be listening to the Gospel of St Matthew which focusses on Jesus as the Messiah, the new Moses, and the promised King.

#### **Dates for your diary**

<b>Weekend 17<sup>th</sup> /18<sup>th</sup> January</b>		St Vincent de Paul collection after Mass
<b>Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January</b>		Family of Parishes Working Group at Our Lady's, Tarleton
<b>Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> February</b>	10.00 & 18.00	Ash Wednesday Masses
<b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April</b>		Easter Sunday

#### **Sunday Masses in our Family of Parishes**

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