

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.

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

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR A

21ST /22ND FEBRUARY 2026

Day	Time	Service	Intention
Saturday 21 st February	17.00	Exposition and Confession	
	18.00	Mass	Marian Kirk (anniversary)
Sunday 22 nd February <i>Children's Mass / Sacramental Programme</i>	10.00	Mass	Russell Steventon (b'day remembrance) / Thanksgiving / Parishioners
	12.00	Baptism	
Friday 27 th February	19.00	Stations of the Cross	St Teresa's, Penwortham

NEXT WEEKEND: 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR A

Saturday 28 th February	17.00	Exposition and Confession	
	18.00	Mass	Paddy Burke (b'day remembrance) Parishioners
Sunday 1 st March	10.00	Mass	Howard Anthony (sick)

Offertory Collection £761.90 Standing Orders £682.00

Gift Aid: For information contact John Baggaley 07763423230

Week 8 **300 Club** – Congratulations to J Spencer winning £100 (No 74) Agent J Purse

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: Sheila Holmes and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time: John Thompson, Bernadette Clark, Andrew John Hayes, Tony Kelly, David Bullock, Matthew Andrew Clark and Michael Fitzpatrick.

Funeral Notification: There will be a funeral service on Wednesday 4th March at 2.30pm for Martin Beck.

PLEASE pray for the sick: Gerard Helme, Joan Leigh, Geoff Pickup, Michael McNulty, David and Kathy Mason, Anne Breen, Stephanie White, Teresa Smith, Kath Cox, Rachel Hewitt, Mavis Walmsley, Jim Coan, Matthew Cox, Helen Jones, 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.**

By Baptism we welcome: Leo Kenworthy.

Easter Bonnet Parade, Easter Sunday, 5th April: Following the 10am Mass we will be hosting our Easter Bonnet Parade and egg hunt. We need donations of chocolate eggs, of any size, and various sweets for our games. Donations can be left after Mass or at the parish office.

Prayer and Almsgiving: To help us with prayer during Lent, these Apps may be helpful: **"Hallow: Prayer & Meditation"**, and **"Pray As You Go – Daily Prayer"**. To help us with almsgiving, a Lenten Alms box is available in church, and we can donate directly to CAFOD.

Lent Fast Day Lunch: Please sign up for the Fast Day Lunch which will take place in the Community Centre on Friday, 27th February at 12.00. All donations will go to CAFOD.

Liturgy in Lent: Lent is a season of repentance and reconciliation. Purple vestments are used. We omit the word “Alleluia” from the Liturgy. The Gloria is also omitted until Holy Thursday. Music is only permitted to accompany singing. There are no flowers in church.

In the Holy Year of 1975 Pope Paul VI officially approved two new Eucharistic Prayers of Reconciliation that focus on the themes of repentance and forgiveness. We will use them during Lent. Also, in the Penitential Rite of the Mass we will sing the “Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy” in Greek. Please repeat each phrase after the priest.



Journey in Faith: It was wonderful to see our eight Journey in Faith candidates being presented to the parish at last Sunday’s Mass. Along with others from across the whole Archdiocese, they will be officially presented to the Archbishop in the Cathedral at the Rite of Election this Sunday and will become Catholics at the Easter Vigil in the parish on 4th April.

Confessions during Lent in our Family of Parishes:

St Mary’s: Saturdays 5.00pm – 5.40pm.

St Teresa’s, Penwortham: Saturdays 5.15pm – 6.00pm.

Our Lady’s, Tarleton: Wednesdays 5.45pm – 6.05pm.

St Oswald’s, Longton: Saturdays 4.15pm – 5.00pm. Reconciliation Service: Saturday, 7th March at 10.30am.

Stations of the Cross: As in previous years, we will journey from church to church in our Family of Parishes for the Stations of the Cross at **7.00pm** on the Fridays of Lent.

27th February - St Teresa’s, Penwortham (**PR1 0DS**)

6th March - St Mary’s, Leyland (**PR25 1PD**)

13th March - Our Lady’s, Tarleton (**PR4 6BP**)

20th March - St Oswald’s, Longton (**PR4 5EB**)

27th March - St Mary Magdalen’s, Penwortham (**PR1 9QD**)

St Mary’s Charity Fund: This fund, which is managed by parishioners, has helped many people in our community since it was founded in 2010. Christine Lemmon, one of the founding members, has served faithfully as the Chair but is now being replaced by Carmel Pearman. On behalf of all parishioners, we thank Christine for all her hard work and assure Carmel of our continued support.

Second Collections 2026:

Lenten Alms – During Lent	Nugent – 15 th March	Holy Places – 3 rd April (Good Friday)
Priests’ Training Fund – 26 th April	World Communications – 17 th May	Day for Life – 21 st June
Peter’s Pence – 28 th June	Mission Appeal (Salesians) 19 th July	Priests in Retirement – 26 th July
Catholic Education – 13 th Sept	Home Missions – 20 th September	World Missions – 18 th October
Animate Youth – 22 nd November	Crib Offerings – During Christmas Season	

Dates for your diary

W/E 21st / 22nd February		St Vincent de Paul Collection
Friday, 27th February	12.00 noon	CAFOD Lent Fast Day lunch in the Community Centre
Wednesday, 1st April	7.30 pm	Mass of Chrism in the Cathedral
Thursday, 2nd April	7.00 pm	Mass of the Lord’s Supper
Friday, 3rd April	1.30 pm	Children’s Stations of the Cross
	3.00 pm	The Passion of the Lord
Saturday, 4th April	10.00am	Blessing of Easter Food (Polish tradition)
	8.00 pm	Easter Vigil
Sunday, 5th April	10.00am	Easter Sunday Mass followed by Easter Egg hunt.

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