

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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22ND SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

29TH / 30TH AUGUST 2026

Day	Time	Service	Intention
Saturday 29 th August	17.00	Exposition and Confession	
	18.00	Mass	John Green (RIP) / Ann Sutton (anniversary) / Parishioners
Sunday 30 th August	10.00	Mass	Maureen Morris (RIP) / Agnes Goulding and Gerard Helme (RIP)
	12.00	Baptisms	
Monday 31 st August		NO MASS	
Tuesday 1 st September	08.30	Mass	For the staff - in the High School
	11.30	Funeral Service	Anthony Tyrrell
Wednesday 2 nd Sept	10.00	Mass	Watson and McAteer Family (RIP) / Maureen Morris (RIP)
Thursday 3 rd Sept <i>St Gregory The Great</i>	10.00	Requiem Mass	Maria Bond

NEXT WEEKEND 23RD SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

Saturday 5 th Sept	17.00	Exposition and Confession	
	18.00	Mass	Thanksgiving / Maureen Morris (RIP)
Sunday 6 th Sept	10.00	Mass	Sister Cecilia Snape (Diamond Jubilee) / Albert and May Waidson (Anniversary) / Parishioners

Offertory Collection: £660.11 Standing Orders: £682.00

Gift Aid: For information contact John Baggaley 07763423230

Week 35 **300 Club** – Congratulations to Nina Jackson winning £100 (No 86) Agent: J Steventon

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

PLEASE pray for all the departed: and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Catherine Minshull and Cathy Roper.

PLEASE pray for the sick: Tina Cookson, Eileen Blackledge, Neil Harvey, Geoff Holme, Joan Leigh, Geoff Pickup, Michael McNulty, David and Kathy Mason, Stephanie White, Kath Cox, Jim Coan, Matthew Cox, Kathryn Boulton, Terry & Ann Smith, George Halliwell. **To add a name, "Sick List" forms are available at the back of church.**

By Baptism we welcome: Charlie Steven Bloor, Oscar Christopher Bloor, Erin Grace Kerr, Alesky O'Sullivan – Duffy, Isla Violet Pilling.

Flowers on the altar: This weekend in memory of Gerard and Eleanor Barnes.

Fr Joseph Kendall RIP: His Requiem Mass will be in the Metropolitan Cathedral at **12.00 noon on Friday, 4th September.** All parishioners from across the Archdiocese are invited to attend.

Assisted Suicide - Contact your MP: A Private Members' Bill has been reintroduced to parliament seeking to legalise assisted suicide - the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill. The crucial vote is on Friday 11th September. Consider contacting our MP to make your voice heard to oppose this Bill. Our local MP is Paul Foster: paul.foster.mp@parliament.uk

Nuncio's visit - updates: His Excellency, Archbishop Miguel Maury will visit the Archdiocese between Wednesday, 9th and Sunday, 13th September. He will be meeting pupils and staff involved in Catholic Education; Religious Sisters; some of the projects of Nugent, the Archdiocesan Social Outreach Charity; those involved in Catholic Hospital Chaplaincy; the Shrine of Blessed Dominic Barberi in St Helens; other Christian Church leaders; and the larger Archdiocesan family.

The first item in his programme is to preside at a **“Mass to celebrate Catholic Education”** which will take place here at St Mary's church on Thursday, 10th September at 10.00am. The following Catholic High Schools and their feeder Primary Schools will be sending a delegation of staff and pupils to the Mass: **St Mary's, Leyland; All Hallows, Penwortham; Holy Cross, Chorley; Our Lady's, Skelmersdale; St Bede's, Ormskirk.** Although this is an Archdiocesan event, our parish altar servers will be serving the Mass, and some of our other young people will be involved. To mark his visit to our church, he will unveil a commemorative plaque in the narthex.

After the Mass, he will be attending an official meeting with those involved in Catholic Education in the Archdiocese. Because of this, the Community Centre and Coffee Lounge will be closed that day.

Evening Prayer with the Apostolic Nuncio: All are invited to assemble as our Archdiocesan family at the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King on **Sunday, 13th September at 3pm** for the culmination of the Apostolic Nuncio's visit to the Archdiocese. This date coincides with the 175th anniversary of the establishment of the Cathedral's Chapter of Canons. The celebration will take the form of sung Evening Prayer in the Cathedral. There will be a drinks reception following in the Cathedral crypt. All are welcome.

Altar Servers' Training: As in past years, we will soon begin training for new altar servers. This is open to those who made their 1st Communion earlier in the year, and also to any older children who would like to become servers at Mass. Training will take place on Wednesday 2nd, 16th, and 23rd September from 7.00pm – 7.30pm. The Annual Altar Servers' Mass will take place at 10.00am on Sunday, 11th October at which last year's new servers will receive their Guild of St Stephen medals.

Pilgrimage Mass in Honour of Blessed Dominic Barberi: Monday 31 August 12:00pm at St Anne & Blessed Dominic Church, Monastery Lane, St Helens, WA9 3ZD. Bishop Tom Neylon will celebrate this annual Pilgrimage Mass in honour of Blessed Dominic Barberi. All are welcome to attend.

Catholic Adult Faith Formation (Alpha Course): A series of meetings will be held at St Bede's RC Church, Clayton Green, PR6 7EB from Thursday 3rd September – Thursday 5th November from 7pm-9pm. The course will explore Catholic faith and beliefs. If you are already a Catholic and want to learn more, this could be the course for you. Please contact Sr Dorothy: 07530238222 dorothyhindle234@gmail.com or Julie: 07943874257 julie-st-bedes@hotmail.com

Second Collections 2026:

Catholic Education – 13th September

Home Missions – 20th September

World Missions – 18th October

Animate Youth – 22nd November

Crib Offerings – During Christmas Season

Dates for your diary

Weekend 5th/6th Sept		St Mary's Local Charity Fund collection.
2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd Sept	19.00-19.30	Altar server training in church.
Thursday, 10th September	10.00	Mass for Catholic Education celebrated by the Apostolic Nuncio.
Sunday, 13th September	15.00	Vespers celebrated by the Apostolic Nuncio in the Cathedral.
Thursday, 17th September	14.00	High School Year 7 welcome Mass in church.
Thursday, 22nd October	17.00	Archdiocesan Headteachers' Mass in church.
Saturday, 24th October	12.00	Ordination to the priesthood of Daniel Howarth. St Oswald's, Warrington WA1 3LA.

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