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Mass is on page 28 in the parish mass book

**WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS / VISITORS**

*If you are new to the parish or have moved house within the parish please ask a collector for a Record Form, complete it and return it to the collector*

THIS WEEKEND		2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT		Year A
DATE	MASS INTENTIONS	MEETINGS / EVENTS		
Saturday 7th December	<b>6pm</b> Burke family intentions / The Parish	<b>Newman Fund</b> This weekend last chance to buy raffle ticket to help those in need.		
Sunday 8th December	<b>10am</b> Cox family intentions / Tony Lakin recently died / EBC	<b>Journey in faith</b> 4:00 to 5:00 pm <b>Youth group</b> 18:30 to 20:30 <b>Family Rota of Prayer</b> Turner family 8 Long Moss		
Monday 9th December The Immaculate Conception	<b>9am</b> <b>12.15</b> No Mass Service of Word & Sacrament	<b>Church Cleaning</b> 9am 'B' team <b>Chapter at Ampleforth</b> begins today. Please pray for our community.		
Tuesday 10th December	<b>07:50</b> <b>12.15</b> (Schools) No Mass Service of Word and Sacrament	<b>Ampleforth Chapter</b> ends today. <b>SVP</b> 7pm		
Wednesday 11th December	<b>9am</b> <b>12.15</b> Edward Murphy anniversary Canon Pat McNally's intentions	<b>2nd Synod Discussion</b> 7pm		
Thursday 12th December	<b>8am</b> <b>12.15</b> (Alverna) Frank Rawlinson RIP Linden family intentions	<b>Steering group</b> 7pm		
Friday 13th December (St Lucy)	<b>8am</b> <b>12.15</b> (High School) No mass Service of Word and Sacrament	<b>Scripture Sharing to prepare for Christmas</b> 7.30-8.30 Alverna		
NEXT WEEKEND		3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT		Year A
Date	MASS INTENTIONS	MEETINGS / EVENTS / ADDITIONS		
Saturday 14th December (St John of the Cross)	<b>9am</b> 9.30 till ends 5-6:00 pm <b>6pm</b> David Ormisher birthday remembrance Confessions (B) Confessions (J) Kearney family intentions / The Parish			
Sunday 15th December	<b>10am</b> <b>7pm</b> Adams family intentions / EBC <b>Leyland Band Christmas Concert</b> 7pm	<b>Journey in Faith</b> 4:00 - 5:00 pm <b>Youth group</b> 6.30 - 8.30pm Parish House <b>Family Rota of Prayer</b> Sullivan family 35 Atherton Road		

**Confessions** are available at any time. Ring to arrange  
**Adoration in church, St Joseph's Chapel** You are welcome to pop in any time

<u>Last Sunday:</u> <b>Offertory Loose Plate £451.04</b> <b>Gift Aid £390.87</b> For Gift Aid contact John Baggaley 432683      Many thanks
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Week 48 500 CLUB Congratulations to D Pilkington £100 Winner (No129) Agent: M Halliwell

**COMMUNION FOR THE SICK** The Congregation says:  
*May this sacrament unite them with Christ and his Church and give them consolation and peace.*



**Rosary for the Unborn** The Knights of St Columba and SPUC pray the rosary  
December Intention For those facing a crisis pregnancy at this time.



**NEXT WEEKEND 14th/15th December Access to church** There will be no access into church through the main doors as you arrive for mass, they will be open as you leave church. This is just for a trial period to see if it makes the heating better, saves money and works to prevent climate change.

**Safeguarding** As part of our commitment to Safeguarding in our Parish we are rechecking Eucharistic Ministers DBS's over the coming weeks. The process needs to be completed before Christmas. Please can Ministers help us with this by bringing in to us Passport, driving licence, utility bill or bank statement dated in the last three months. Either bring them to weekend masses for us to copy Lesley (Saturday 6 pm) or John Mills or Lesley (Sunday 10.00 am). You also need to fill in the necessary paperwork. John will also be available on a Monday morning between 10.00 and 12 noon to copy ID and help fill in the necessary forms.

**Bible Alive** January edition ready for collection from those who subscribe.

**THE PARISH BY BAPTISM WE WELCOME** Tyler Mark Andrew Brome, Harry Jack Brome, Annabelle Rose Brome to the new life of Christ.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** Dorothy Knight, Geordie Adams, Olivia Catterall, Fr. Cassian, Chris Macro, Pamela Ball, Brian Reed, Glenda Kelly, Anne George, Bernie Wilson, Gaynor Hilliard, Patricia Hayes, Harry Embery, Carol Wright, Tony Kerrigan, Monica Maguire, Bernadette Clarke, Colin Bennett, Frank King, Vanda Brown, Pat McMahon, Bernadette Thompson, Matthew Cox, Tony Loftus, Eileen Standing, Pat Clensey, Maurice Green, Margaret Evans, Allen Withnell, Carol Parkinson, Marjorie Parr, Margaret Booth, Rebecca Coates, Vi Gardner, Joan Sullivan, Pauline Robinson, Philip Watson, Derek Taylor, Catherine Breen, Eileen Hilliard, Peter Beatty, and connected with us; Margaret Dixon, Shaun Shaw, Lily Burrows, Elaine Brown, Malcolm Wright, Alison Gardner, Kevin Barnes, and for all sick people known to parishioners.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR DEPARTED** Mick Riley, Margaret Edmonson Mons. Peter Cookson (Liverpool) and Fr Kevin Ashton (Liverpool), connected with us, Mary Jennings (nee Warren) for all who have died recently and the following whose anniversaries occur at this time; Maureen Thistlethwaite, James Joseph Stoney, Percy Smalley, Jimmy Jones, Margaret Janes, Walter Davies, Barrie Cox, Edith Hannah Jackson, Bridget Kearney, Joan Parr, Donald Anthony, Dennis, Mary Taylor, Patrick Mills, Brother Kevin McInnes and Stanley Gammans.

**Thank you** to everyone who helped when Dorothy and Peter when they fell on the steps last Sunday 1 December after the 10 am mass, especially to the young man who took off his jacket. God Bless you.

**Candles and Flowers for Christmas** Please can you put your donations in the envelopes in the narthex as soon as possible. It is your generosity that enables us to decorate our church with flowers and remember our loved ones with candles. Thank you

**A Beautiful film: the origins of the modern Divine Mercy Movement** will be shown once more only on Tuesday 10 December at 20:20 in the Odeon Cinema, Riversway, Preston PR4 2YQ. Those who have seen it have been very touched. If anyone wants to attend please meet at the Church Car Park at 19:30 to travel together (Fr J needs a lift), do less environmental damage, make it more enjoyable and to turn our minds to something of God two days before our General Election and rather less Godly politics at present.

**KTB Voice and Maxine Molin-Rose (harp)** singing Britten's Ceremony of Carols Friday 13th December 7.30pm St Michaels Church Croston Tickets £8.00 See poster in narthex for details.

**Dementia Friendly Carol Service** Liverpool Cathedral Thursday 19th December at 2pm No need to book just come along everyone is welcome.

**Lancashire Sings Christmas** 7:00pm Thursday 19 December at The Café, Tesco Extra, Towngate. You can also visit the 'Godly Play Bus' on Tesco car park. See the Poster in the Narthex for a fuller explanation.

**Confirmations 2020** If your child is in year 8 and does not attend a Catholic High School and is not confirmed as a Catholic and would like to be confirmed in 2020 then please sign up for a Preparation Day that will be run by ANIMATE the Archdiocesan Youth team. It takes place on Saturday 29 February 2020. Please contact Fr Simon Gore on 01774 740461 / 467 or by email on [s.gore@animateyouth.co.uk](mailto:s.gore@animateyouth.co.uk)

**OUR WAY OF LIFE.** John the Baptist enters the story of Jesus' birth today. When he was born his father gave a wonderful phrase about his son in prophecy: "*As for you little child, you shall be called a prophet of the most high. You shall go ahead of the Lord to prepare his ways before him*". John the Baptist is not dead: he lives on in us and we have this role as well: to prepare people to meet Jesus.

**A REFLECTION.** The second reading today gives us an idea what to do. One of the helpful phrases from St. Paul is: "*It can only be to God's glory, then, for you to treat each other in the same friendly way as Christ treated you*".

**WORD OF LIFE** *Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming (Mt 24:42).*

"Keeping awake" is an invitation to keep our eyes open, to recognize the signs of God's presence in history and in our daily lives. It means we can help others who are living filled with a sense of darkness to find their way in life.

Uncertainty about the exact day of Jesus' coming puts Christians in an attitude of continuous expectation. It encourages them to concentrate on living the present moment, on loving others today and not tomorrow, forgiving now and not later, transforming reality in this very moment and not when we find time in our diaries.

*Find the full commentary in New City, or the pamphlet or on the website under the bulletin tag*



**"Marriage Matters"** This online Word.doc book **MARRIAGE MATTERS** is a collection of 60-word snippets, adapted from the Sunday Mass Scripture Reading reflections to support married couples. Advent – a new beginning for us? Today, Isaiah talks about trust and Matthew focuses on forgiveness. Advent is the opportunity to discover new ways to help our partner to trust us & to share themselves. Our prayer can be that we drop our defences, become more vulnerable and have the courage to open ourselves to be able really to listen, to share and to change.