



New Church 1964 - 2014  
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**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		4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT		Year A
DATE		MASS INTENTIONS		MEETINGS / EVENTS
Saturday 21st December	<b>6pm</b>	Hodgson family intentions / E.B.C.		
Sunday 22nd December	<b>10am</b> 4 - 5pm	Almond and Jolly family intentions / The Parish / Michael Riley recently died Confessions in House (J) (wait in the library)		<b>No Journey in Faith</b> <b>Youth group</b> 6.30-8.30pm <b>Family Rota of Prayer</b> Jackson family 4 Long Moss
Monday 23rd December	<b>9am</b> <b>12.15</b> 7pm till end	Brian Cowdall RIP Requiem Mass Pauline Robinson Confessions in House (B) (wait in the library)		<b>Church Cleaning</b> 9am 'A' team
HELP US CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS WELL	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Please bring baby Jesus from your home crib (or the crib itself) to be blessed at the 6pm Vigil mass and the 10:00 morning mass on Christmas day.</li> <li>2. Please will children bring a toy they have received on Christmas day to be blessed alongside Baby Jesus (or the crib) at the 10:00 am mass on Christmas day.</li> <li>3. There will be a special little Church on Christmas day 10:00 mass (but not at the 6 pm vigil mass). If any catechists are free please come and help in little Church</li> <li>4. Silent Night to be sung at 10:00 morning mass in different languages. Last year at least in English, Welsh, Irish, Polish, French, Latin and Chinese. Let Fr Jonathan know if you can and let us have a text in the language. There will be a rehearsal at 09:30 on Christmas day.n</li> </ol>			
Tuesday 24th December CHRISTMAS EVE	<b>9am</b> <b>12.15</b> 5-6pm <b>6pm</b> <b>9pm</b> <b>9.30pm</b>	Margaret Pollard RIP Betty and Jim Tosh Confessions (St Anne's chapel) (B) First Christmas Mass Vigil For the good of each country of the United Kingdom Carols before Mass ( <i>Organ &amp; singers</i> ) Night Mass For the good of each country in Europe		
Wednesday 25th December CHRISTMAS DAY	<b>8am</b> <b>10am</b> <b>3:30 pm</b>	Christmas morning Mass with the Bromiley family. ( <i>Brass instruments accompanying carols</i> ) For the good of all homeless people Family Mass ( <i>Piano, flute &amp; guitars</i> ) For peace in our troubled world Vespers sung by the local monks and parishioners Blessed Sacrament Chapel		
Thursday 26th December St Stephen's day		<b>11am</b>	Charlie Robinson RIP	
Friday 27th December (St John, Apostle)		<b>10am</b>	Harry Minshull anniversary	
NEXT WEEKEND		FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY		Year A
Date		MASS INTENTIONS		MEETINGS / EVENTS / ADDITIONS
Saturday 28 December (Holy Innocents)	<b>10am</b> 9.30 till ends 5-6:00 pm <b>6pm</b>	Danny Wildish Confessions (B) Confessions (J) Margaret Morphew's intentions / The Parish / Pauline Robinson recently died		
Sunday 29th December	<b>10am</b>	St Stephen's Guild mass / David Dewhurst's Golden Jubilee of Altar Serving / Richards family intentions / Fr Abbots intentions		<b>No Journey in Faith</b> <b>No Youth group</b> <b>Family Rota of Prayer</b> Trish Henshaw 16 Lowerhouse Road

Last Sunday: **Offertory Loose Plate £549.28**  
For Gift Aid contact John Baggaley 432683

**Gift Aid £411.40**  
Many thanks

Week 50 500 CLUB Congratulations to K Heywood £100 Winner (No232) Agent: J Lee  
Week 51 500 CLUB Congratulations to C & A Leigh £100 Winner (No 339) Agent: E Ellison

**COMMUNION FOR THE SICK The Congregation says:**

*May this sacrament unite them with Christ and his Church and give them consolation and peace.*

*A very happy and holy Christmas to everyone. We remember all of other Christian denominations, other religions and people of other convictions with good will. There is always a welcome for anyone who may have drifted away from Religious Practice or just searching from our Parish community.*

Monday 30 December	<b>10.00 am</b>	Janice Wardley RIP	Church Cleaning 9 am B team
Tuesday 31 December NEW YEAR'S EVE	<b>10 am</b> <b>7:00 pm</b>	Jason Brodie <i>We say the Te Deum at this mass in thanksgiving for the year 2019</i>	
Wednesday 1 January 2020 NEW YEAR'S DAY	<b>11am</b>	<b>THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE MOST HOLY MOTHER OF GOD</b> All who suffer from depression and anxiety.	
Thursday 2 January (Ss Basil the Great & Gregory)	<b>10am</b>	Tony Lakin RIP (Rosary Group)	
Friday 3 January	<b>10am</b> <b>7.15pm</b>	Kevin O'Neill (sick) KSC Intentions ( <i>First Friday mass</i> )	
<b>1<sup>st</sup> WEEKEND of 2020</b>		<b>EPIPHANY OF THE LORD</b>	
<b>Year A</b>			
Date	MASS INTENTIONS		MEETINGS / EVENTS / ADDITIONS
Saturday 4 December	<b>10am</b> 9.30 till ends 5-6:00 pm <b>6pm</b>	Sean Browne RIP (WC) Confessions (B) Confessions (J) Newton family /English Benedictine Congregation	
Sunday 5 January	<b>10am</b>	In thanksgiving for the gifts we each bring to the parish / The Parish	<b>No Journey in Faith Youth group</b> 6.30-8.30pm <b>Family Rota of Prayer</b> Bolton family 36 Woodville St.

**THE PARISH PLEASE PRAY FOR** Colin Armer, Gordon Moore, 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, Philip Watson, Derek Taylor, Catherine Breen, Eileen Hilliard, Peter Beatty. Connected with us; Margaret Dixon, Shaun Shaw, Lily Burrows, Elaine Brown, Malcolm Wright, Alison Gardner, Kevin Barnes, and for all sick people.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR DEPARTED** and the following whose anniversaries occur at this time; David Carney, Gerry Walsh, James Horn, Rita Bleasdale, Catherine Callaghan, Jim Hayes, Dawn Jackson, William Reginald Gallagher, Rosina O'Connor, Florence Porter, Adrienne Greenwood, Joe Burgess, John Kenneth Eccles, Doris Lakin, Tom McDonald, Madeline Patricia Corthorn, Paul Di Guistino, Thomas Coyne, James Fisher, Imelda Mary Hargreaves, Mary Douglas, Gary Tomlinson and Francis Keith Lennighan.

**OUR WAY OF LIFE.** The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent inspires us to remember that God-is-with-us. It is good that our God is not only with me or you, but US. He cannot be within and for me individually if God is not within all and for all. As we now come so close to the feast of the Incarnation, the Word becoming flesh, God becoming a human being, the creator becoming the creature, I should not just wish others a Happy and Holy Christmas but also hope others will greet me in this way.

**A REFLECTION.** Priests and people, those consecrated to God in vows to serve him and those who chose to serve him without such vows are together in the one Body of Christ. Let us serve one another each in their own calling or vocation, and build up God's Kingdom supporting one another.

**WORD OF LIFE** *Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming*

The Lord Jesus will certainly come at the end of each person's life, but we can already recognize him as truly present in our lives. He is in his Word which we can hear and live; in every brother or sister who we can welcome; in his voice that speaks in our conscience and in the Eucharist which we can celebrate and share.

Today too, life brings many challenges and we might ask ourselves, "When will all this suffering end?"

We cannot wait passively for the Lord to intervene. Every moment can be used to hasten the coming of the Kingdom of God, God's plan for all to be one family. Every little gesture of love, every kindness, every smile we give can transform our existence into a continuous and fruitful waiting.

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

**Faith in Action young people say:** *Thank you'* for all the donations of clothes for the homeless. Everyone has been SO generous and on Thursday last, the donations were taken to Fox Street Shelter and 'INSPIRE' for drug and alcohol addicts who are often homeless too. The clothes were greatly appreciated by both charities in Preston. The Faith in Action Group will collect again near to Easter, Jean & the young people.



**"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.*

*Taking courage from love.* The Gospel relates how

Joseph overcame his serious doubts about Mary – and married her! She too had faced her own fears about the future – and said "Yes!" We too can have doubts and lack confidence in the future, but like Mary and Joseph we can take courage from our love for each other and God's love for us too.

**Archbishop Malcolm McMahon's Christmas** letter to us all is on the website of the Parish under the Bulletins' tag, scroll down to Important Issues.