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Leyland St Mary's RC Church 2020

*WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS / VISITORS If you are new to the parish or have moved to a new house within the parish please contact the church by phone or email*

<b>THIS WEEKEND ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY OUR PARISH PATRONAL FEAST YEAR A</b>		
EVERY MASS IN CHURCH COUNTS AS A SUNDAY MASS.		
<b>Two Masses Will Be Streamed</b> For details see below and the website address on Facebook is above		
DATE	Event and time	MASS INTENTIONS
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>Church 17.30</b> <b>Mass 18.00</b>	<b>Personal Prayer</b> followed by mass The Parish / Four adults, Kim Harris, Stewart Cadman, Dan and Samantha Mears will be received into full communion with the Church. (See over)
<i>Flowers on the altar this weekend are for Betty Riley's intentions.</i>		
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>In Church 9.30</b> <b>Mass 10.00</b>	<b>Personal Prayer</b> followed by mass Elisabetta from Italy (Sick) connected with Matt Jordan / EBC / Cassie Butler and Kate Woods recently died
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> August		NO MASS ( <b>For days when mass is streamed see over</b> )
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>In Church 9.30</b> <b>Mass 10.00</b>	<b>Personal Prayer</b> Joe Kealey RIP
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>Streamed 10.00</b>	Eileen O'Neill RIP
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> August (St Bernard)	<b>In Church 9.30</b> <b>Mass 10.00</b>	<b>Personal Prayer</b> Anthony Cave on his ordination to the Diaconate
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> August (St Pius X - Pope)	<b>Streamed 10.00</b> <b>12.00</b>	Mary Harrison RIP Kathleen Pickering – Funeral Service in Church
<b>NEXT WEEKEND 21<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Year A</b>		
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August	<b>Church 17.30</b> <b>Mass 18.00</b>	<b>Personal Prayer</b> followed by mass Fr Abbots intentions
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> August	<b>In Church 9.30</b> <b>Mass 10.00</b>	<b>Personal Prayer</b> followed by mass / Matthew Clark and family The Parish / Kathleen Pickering recently died

**Confessions** – will be next Saturday: 5-6.00 pm. Or make an appointment. All precautions will be taken

**Last Sunday:** Offertory Loose plate £274.12 Gift Aid £306.00 Thank You. Contact John Baggaley 432683 for Gift Aid which is an excellent way to help support our parish

**Donations to the Parish** go to this website: <https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/st-mary-leyland>

**Thank you** to you all who have put your weekly offering to Church on all the four days we have a public mass. Like all Catholic Churches we have lost a lot of income in these days. Thank you for the volunteers who come to marshal and clean the Church after each public mass. These are also hard times for many people and if you find you cannot continue to give to the Church as you used to, then you must discern the responsibilities you have and act accordingly.

*Printed bulletins are available in Church at mass and on the Parish website.*

**An Experiment for our streaming Mass** It was a joy to see faithful people watching the streaming we used to do every day. We received comments that we invited people to make now we have had the new arrangements and have tried to respond. Above all we apologise for any hurt that people felt. Some people are very sad that it has happened like this. The decision was made purely because of practicalities some of which were mentioned in last week's bulletin. Our reading of the times is that streaming will be the present and the future of the Church; it is an immense benefit especially for those who are unable to come to Church because of sickness or for reasons of vulnerability in the present Covid 19 world. We will continue to do our best to stream for two days a week, at present on Wednesdays and Fridays at 10am using the laptop on Facebook. Those are the days, together with Mondays that we do not have public masses. Later and we hope quite soon, God willing streaming will be at all masses we say in Church. Professional streaming should resolve the practical issues that have led to our decision to follow this course of action.

**BY BAPTISM on Sunday** we welcome Elias Tierney into the life of the Church.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** Dominica de Palma, Matthew Clark, Bernadette Clarke, Bernard Smith, Patrick Cawthorn, Elspeth Duckworth, Colin Bennett, Anthony Henry, Frank Thompson, Sr Joan FMSJ, Gordon Moore, Catherine Minshull, Allen Withnell, Faith Higham, Keith Croasdale, Eileen Hilliard, Richard Daniels, Josette Bradbury, Dorothy Knight, Geordie Adams, Olivia Catterall, Fr. Cassian, Chris Macro, Brian Reed, Glenda Kelly, Bernie Wilson, Gaynor Hilliard, Patricia Hayes, Tony Kerrigan, Frank King, Vanda Brown, Pat McMahon, Matthew Cox, Tony Loftus, Eileen Standing, Pat Clensey, Maurice Green, Margaret Evans, Carol Parkinson, Marjorie Parr, Margaret Booth, Rebecca Coates, Joan Sullivan, Derek Taylor, Catherine Breen, Peter Beatty. Connected with us, The Reverend Enid Briggs, Mary Earnshaw (Michelle Todd's grandmother), Jim W, Margaret Dixon, Shaun Shaw, and all the sick, especially those dying of war and starvation, cancer and the Covid-19 victims **and especially for the people of Lebanon and Beirut.**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE DEPARTED:** Kathleen Pickering and Annie Maxwell who have died and for the following whose anniversaries occur at this time Anthony Bilsborough, Richard James Riordan, Philippe Soodeen, Catherine Joyce Airey, May Waidson, Veronica Ann Howson, Francies Movita Barrett, Bob Butterworth, Alice Holland and Andrew Turner. Let us pray for all who died recently in violence, poverty, war: and those dying from the Coronavirus and other diseases and all who are bereaved in violence and war.

**Please pray for Kim Harris, Stuart Cadman, Danny, and Samantha Mears** who this Saturday night at the 6pm mass on our Parish feast day, the Assumption of Our Lady will enter the Body of Christ as Catholics. There will be one baptism and three receptions, four confirmations and four 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion of these adults. This is a great day for our four candidates and their families, for the Parish and the whole Church. We will be asking them to pray for us as they will be under the special love of God on this occasion. Each one has made a big decision and they do it within the community of the Church which is quite a facing.

**Ampleforth Abbey has home retreats:** Go to: <https://www.ampleforth.org.uk/abbey/news/home-retreats-every-saturday-1100am>. on Saturdays at 11.00 am.

**Archdiocesan resources** can be found on <https://www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/> These resources are also excellent and are updated each week. These are especially good this week.

**Jimmy O' Donnell's latest video:** lancashirememories@hotmail.com will be where to go for Jimmy's latest video. Please ask him if he could send it to you.

**Our Way of Life and a reflection** is summed up by a letter to Fr Jonathan from the Focolare community in Lebanon

*With these words, each one of us would like to express a personal thank you to each one of you. We are deeply and immensely moved by the immediate closeness shown to us from all parts of the world, from old and young, far and near, through phone calls and messages. Every morning, when we wake up, we continue to discover the massiveness of the catastrophe, the material damage, the number of hospitals badly damaged and rendered unfunctional, the polluted air we breathe; and we feel like 'survivors'. One young woman managed to escape from a lift that had been almost destroyed by the explosion and she wrote: "Each one of us could have been right there at the central scene of the drama. And maybe some of us were, but a providential hand allowed us to be in a different place. However, we all feel that a new life has been given to us". Many people from north to south of Lebanon often including members of various religious communities, are working hard to clear the rubble. Each one, in their own way, is a living witness that the 'resurrection' will prevail over the death of the city, the country, the dreams of many. Together with you, we want to move ahead so that a Lebanon will be reborn that passes on a message of peace, unity and universal brotherhood and be a model for a united world. The Focolare has its own way to send money to those in Lebanon who are in need. If anyone would like to contribute to this NGO specifically for Lebanon let Fr Jonathan know.*

#### **WORD OF LIFE**

#### **Who will separate us from the love of Christ?**

A suggestion made by Chiara Lubich, Focolare founder, may help us to live this Word. She wrote, "*Certainly we believe or, at least, say we believe in God's love. Nonetheless, our faith...is often not as courageous as it should be...when faced with difficulties such as during times of illness or temptation. It is very easy to allow ourselves to be overcome by doubt.*

*'Does God really love me?' However, we should not have any doubts. Without hesitation, we should trustingly abandon ourselves to the Father's love. We should overcome the darkness and emptiness that we may feel by embracing the cross and then do all we can to love God by doing his will and loving our neighbour. If we do this, with Jesus, we will feel the strength and joy of the resurrection. We will experience for ourselves how true it is that everything changes if we abandon ourselves to his love: everything that is negative becomes positive; death becomes the source of life and a marvellous light will break through the shadows."*

Find the full text of the Word of Life on the website under the bulletin tag.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kXeFT5G87c0> is a visual version of the Word of Life.