

# Celebrate Christmas With Us

## Ticket Only for the 1<sup>st</sup> time in many years.

(Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses).

Covid Regulations in place.

- Thursday 24 December at 12 noon, Mass is streamed on <https://www.churchservices.tv/leyland>
- Thursday 24 December at 17.00 A family orientated mass. It will be simple without any frills.
- Thursday 24 December at 20.00.
- Christmas day at 08.30 Mass is streamed on <https://www.churchservices.tv/leyland>
- Christmas day at 10.30

Get your tickets through one of the below methods; **AVAILABLE UNTIL 17 DECEMBER 2020**

1. by phone: 01772 455955 between **10 and 12 Monday to Friday**

2. by putting a note through the door **with your name, address, contact number and choice of one of the 5 masses.**

3. by emailing the parish administrator Lesley Raven on [\*\*pa.stmaryleyland@rcaol.org.uk\*\*](mailto:pa.stmaryleyland@rcaol.org.uk)

- **In line with Covid 19 regulations:** all masses will be short; the cry room and toilets will be out of use; no children's liturgy; no singing at any mass. The Church will be heated but as we must use a fresh air cycle it may not be as warm as usual, please wrap up warmly. The seating and touch points in church will be sanitised after every mass for your safety.

### **PLEASE NOTE**

- The capacity of the Church in lockdown mode is 150. This number goes up and down depending on "bubbles". Therefore, **book early.**
- Two masses will be streamed as above
- We will arrange pick up times for tickets after 17 December if necessary.
- If you do not require the tickets you booked through things happening, contact us as soon as possible.

### **SAFETY ARRANGEMENTS – what to expect when you come to Church:**

- You **must** arrive at Church **at the latest** 10 minutes before the start of mass.
- Tickets must be presented.
- Temperatures will be taken on entry to each mass and hand sanitizer will be available at entry and exit points.
- **Masks must be worn at all times when in the Church.**
- Marshalls will show you to a Socially distanced seat. Please listen to the advice of the Marshalls, they are there to help you and to help keep us all safe.
- Communion will be available at all masses, including streamed masses. The Priest or Eucharistic Minister will bring Communion to you. If you wish to receive it, stand and reach out your hands when the Minister comes to you. Do not remove your mask until you receive Communion and then replace it straightaway. If you do not wish to take Communion remain seated, the Minister will give you a Blessing.

- At the end of mass, you will be directed when to leave the Church by the Marshalls. **For safety reasons, you will not be able to leave before you are directed to do so.** Please do not linger in church and do not stop to chat with other people until outside Church. No groups of more than 6 people keeping personal distancing.

**NOTE WELL** *Anyone who turns up without a ticket* may or may not be allowed into Church depending if that mass has reached the safe number of 150 (variations according to the number of bubbles and singles). They must queue with personal distancing and approach the marshals to find out the situation.

**NOTE WELL** *There will be a chance to contribute to the Parish that is going through lean times with no regular normal Sunday collections.* There will be collecting baskets available for you to give what you can before or after mass. There will also be two plastic buckets for our normal Christmas collection for the poor that will go to those who are desperate both locally and in a place where poverty is extreme and people are starving.

**PREPARE IN ADVENT FROM 29 NOVEMBER FOR A HAPPY AND HOLY CHRISTMAS.**

*Suggestions will follow about how to prepare. Below is a start.*

# BEATITUDES

FOR A GLOBAL PANDEMIC

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO STAY INDOORS



FOR THEY HAVE PROTECTED OTHERS

BLESSED ARE THE UNEMPLOYED AND THE SELF-EMPLOYED



FOR THEIR NEED OF GOD IS GREAT

BLESSED ARE THE CORNER SHOPKEEPERS



FOR THEY ARE THE PURVEYORS OF SCARCE THINGS

BLESSED ARE THE DELIVERY DRIVERS AND THE POSTAL WORKERS



FOR THEY ARE THE BRINGERS OF ESSENTIAL THINGS

BLESSED ARE THE HOSPITAL WORKERS, THE AMBULANCE CREWS, THE DOCTORS, THE NURSES, THE CARE ASSISTANTS, AND THE CLEANERS



FOR THEY STAND BETWEEN US AND THE GRAVE, AND THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS SURELY THEIRS

BLESSED ARE THE CHECKOUT WORKERS



FOR THEY HAVE PATIENCE AND FORTITUDE IN THE FACE OF OVERWORK AND FRUSTRATION

BLESSED ARE THE REFUSE COLLECTORS




FOR THEY WILL SEE GOD DESPITE THE MOUNTAINS OF WASTE

BLESSED ARE THE TEACHERS



FOR THEY REMAIN STEADFAST AND CONSTANT IN DISTURBING TIMES

BLESSED ARE THE CHURCH WORKERS; THE DEACONS, PRIESTS AND BISHOPS



FOR THEY ARE A COMFORTING PRESENCE IN A HURTING WORLD AS THEY CONTINUE TO SIGNPOST TOWARDS GOD

BLESSED ARE THE SINGLE PARENTS.



FOR THEY ARE COPING ALONE WITH THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES AND THERE IS NO RESPITE

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO ARE ALONE.



FOR THEY ARE CHILDREN OF GOD AND WITH HIM THEY WILL NEVER BE LONELY

BLESSED ARE THE BEREAVED.




FOR WHOM THE WORST HAS ALREADY HAPPENED. THEY SHALL BE COMFORTED

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO ARE ISOLATED WITH THEIR ABUSERS



FOR ONE DAY - WE PRAY - THEY WILL KNOW SAFETY

BLESSED ARE ALL DURING THIS TIME WHO HAVE PURE HEARTS; ALL WHO STILL HUNGER AND THIRST FOR JUSTICE; ALL WHO WORK FOR PEACE AND WHO MODEL MERCY



MAY YOU KNOW COMFORT, MAY YOU KNOW CALM, AND MAY THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, AND THE LOVE OF GOD, AND THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, BE WITH US ALL. AMEN