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**Parish Facebook page**

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*

**THIS WEEKEND** **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT** **Year B** Masses in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel are Streamed automatically. **On Tuesdays & Thursdays (times below)** mass is in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel and is open to all who wish to come. The maximum number is 30 depending on bubbles of people or not. To keep safe some may be outside the chapel. Saturday vigil mass, Sunday morning mass are public mass up to 150 in our big Church.. Wear masks and distancing. These are not streameed. For details about streaming see above to find the website

DATE	Event and time	MASS INTENTIONS
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>10.00 Mass.</b> <b>18.00 Mass</b>	<b>Streamed</b> Doug Morphew RIP / Barbara Forrester RIP <b>In church</b> Kearney family intenions / EBC <b>Open to all</b>
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>10.00 Mass</b>	Archbishop Malcom's pastoral letter today at Sunday Mass. <b>In church</b> Fr Simon Gore's intention / The Parish <b>Open to all</b>
Monday 14 December (St John of the Cross) NO MASS		
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>10.00 Mass</b>	<b>In church Open to all / Streamed</b> Frank Kellet RIP / Mary Taylor anniversary
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>10.00 Mass</b>	<b>Streamed</b> Eileen Gore (VR) RIP / Annie & John Knight anniv
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>10.00 Mass</b> <b>12 noon</b>	<b>In church / Streamed</b> Jim Houghton & family RIP <b>Open to all</b> <b>Streamed</b> Requiem mass Terry Wilson
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>10.00 Mass</b>	<b>Streamed</b> All Priest and Religious
<b>NEXT WEEKEND</b> <b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b> <b>Year B</b>		
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>10.00 Mass.</b> <b>18.00 Mass</b>	<b>Streamed</b> Frank Calderbank anniversary <b>In church</b> Hodgson family intenions / EBC <b>Open to all</b>
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>10.00 Mass</b>	<b>In church</b> McCawley family intention / The Parish <b>Open to all</b>

**If anyone feels lonely** or needs help from God, go our live streaming 24/7 before the Church tabernacle

**Confessions** Anyone can come to confessions from 5-6pm on Saturday 19 December in the Blessed Sacrament chapel. Queue up outside the chapel. Ring to make an appointment if necessary for another time.

**Last Sunday:** and also some from previous no mass weeks Offertory Loose plate £417 and gift aid £603. Standing orders of November £2326 Thank You for those who give what they can to help us including money for the heating. Also, to those who give through Gift Aid. Contact John Baggaley 432683 for Gift Aid.

**Donations to the Parish** Go to <https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/st-mary-leyland> Thank you to all who donate in this way.

**Week 48 500 CLUB** - Congratulations! to L Miller £100 Winner (No 133) Agent: E. Ellison

**BONUS £50 DRAW**

Winner (270) B Salisbury	Agent E Ellison
Winner (235) Kevin Jordan	Agent K Jordan
Winner (10) P & B Gilkes	Agent A Anthony
Winner (26) V Wrennalls	Agent E Ellison
Winner (311) M Fitzpatrick	Agent M Fitzpatrick

If you would like to become a member or have another number please contact E Ellison 422544

**TICKETS FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES** if you have ordered your tickets they are now ready to collect from the Priory House Monday to Friday 10am to 12noon

**Christmas Flowers and Candle** if you wish to contribute to flowers on the altar or candles for Christmas please do so as soon as possible. Put your money in an envelope with your name and either or both 'Christmas candle £5' or 'Christmas flowers donation' and hand in to the Priory House by 20th December.

**Advent Posters** are available at the back of church. Thank you to the KSC who have again provided these

**Christmas with a Twist** SLEAP campaign. Please drop the items at SLEAP, 247 Leyland Lane PR25 1XL on 21 December; or ring 01772 623603, [www.sleap.co.uk](http://www.sleap.co.uk) for other options. Thanks

**BY BAPTISM WE WELCOME** Lachlan Kevin Cameron Clark

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** Fr Cassian Dickie osb (of our Leyland community) Matthew Clark, Bernadette Clarke, Pat Clensey, Michael Beardsworth (Bessie's husband), Sr Veronica, Bob Howden, Marionette Holland, Margaret Anthony, Elspeth Duckworth, Colin Bennett, Sr Joan FMSJ, Gordon Moore, Catherine Minshull, Allen Withnell, Faith Higham, Keith Croasdale, Eileen Hilliard, Josette Bradbury, Dorothy Knight, Geordie Adams, Olivia Catterall, Glenda Kelly, Bernie Wilson, Gaynor Hilliard, Vanda Brown, Pat McMahon, Matthew Cox, Tony Loftus, Eileen Standing, Maurice Green, Carol Parkinson, Marjorie Parr, Margaret Booth, Joan Sullivan, Catherine Breen, Peter Beatty. Connected with us, Chris Macro, Maria Walsh, Mary Earnshaw, the Reverend Enid Briggs, Margaret Dixon, Shaun Shaw, and all the sick, especially those dying of war and starvation, cancer and the Covid-19 victims.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE DEPARTED:** Terry Wilson and Christopher Rodgers and for all who have died and the following whose anniversaries occur at this time Bridget Kearney, Joan Parr, Donald Anthony Dennis, Mary Taylor, Patrick Mills, Brother Kevin MacInnes, Stanley Gammans, Bernard Derry, Eileen Coupe, James Phillips, Pat Foster, Barbara Stoney, Leo Blackhurst, Evie Lomax, John Alan Leatherbarrow, Agnes Chester and Natalie Hardy. 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.

**CAFOD World Gifts for Christmas** The 'World Gifts' catalogues are available in church. These virtual gifts are a beautiful way to support CAFOD's work in transforming the lives of families living in poverty, and they make perfect presents for the 'hard to buy for' people. The gifts are available all year round. Order by 16th December for free delivery in time for Christmas [worldgifts.cafod.org.uk](http://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk)

**Mary's Meals** All monies donated before the 31st January 2021 will be doubled by the government, up to £2million. This Christmas, a child can be provided with a meal a day for a year, in their place of learning, by sending one of our beautiful Christmas gift cards for £15.90 to family and friends. [marysmeals.org.uk](http://marysmeals.org.uk)

*Thank you for your continued support and prayers for these two charities.*

**Christmas arrangements:** This year, because of Covid and the uncertainties of knowing how many would like to come to Church over Christmas and trying to keep safe we will have tickets for each mass. It would be wise to get your tickets early if you want to come to a particular mass.

**The times of the Christmas masses:** **Christmas eve:** Thursday 24 December. **12 noon** (Streamed and parishioners in attendance); **17.00** (Not streamed A family mass; very simple with blessings for baby Jesus in home cribs and the parish crib and a family atmosphere.); and at **20.00** (Not streamed) Blessing of the Parish crib.. **Christmas Day,** Friday 25 December **08.30** (Streamed and parishioners in attendance); **10.30.** (Not streamed). Blessings on Children's' presents.

**A special extra Christmas bulletin** that you can take away from Church give the details. How to get tickets, when to arrive at Church, how to behave; how to receive Holy Communion and much more besides. The Christmas bulletin is also on the parish Website under the red tag: Christmas. If people need more copies of the Christmas bulletin to give out to neighbours take a few with you.

**NB Closing date for tickets is Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December.**

**December 2020 The Lord is my light and my salvation: whom shall I fear? Ps. 27 [26]:1).**

This ancient prayer found in the book of Psalms tells us that in every corner of the earth and during every era of human history, people have experienced the darkness of pain, fear, doubt and loneliness. Furthermore, at times, circumstances have seemed like an 'enemy' conspiring to frustrate their dreams for the future. The author is probably a person falsely accused and abandoned by all whilst awaiting judgment. They are uncertain about their future but rely on God who has never forsaken his people during times of trial and tribulation. They know of God's liberating actions and will find light and a secure shelter in him. Because this person is aware of their own fragility, they open up to God and trust in him, welcoming his presence in their life. They confidently await the final victory prepared by the unimaginable pathways of his love.

*Commentary on the Word of Life can be seen in full on the website under the bulletin tag.*

*Copies are also available as you come in and go out of Church on beautiful fold over sheets.*

**Our Way of Life A Reflection.** It is hard to take in things that are written down and a bit abstract. It is far better to meet and be friends with men and women who fill you with confidence, trust and affection, because you can tell that they have discovered some kind of secret. It is not that they preach or have answers, but they spread loving goodness and have time for others. Our job in life is to become by God's grace "such a new person" not because we want to "help and support others" but because it is people like these who help anyone like me to develop these qualities more and more. It is better if there is a little group of people who are like this; they give us an insight that is not theoretical but real because they show that it is possible to live in a new family away, in any place; a school, a business, a parish, a street, a neighbourhood or a household despite the dark things in life mentioned above. Search and you will find said Jesus. What is the secret that they have? They have discovered that Jesus lives in them and among them.