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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

The Lancashire Resilience Forum letter is added at the end of the Bulletin advising about public worship at present. Our view is that we are so careful about safeguarding in our big Church, we are a minimal risk. The Church remains open, subject to review, serving those who come and those who choose not to come.

Year B Baptism of the Lord Saturday 9 th January		Mass Streamed Kitty Finlay Mass In the Bl Sacrament Chapel Open to all and Streamed / Wight family intentions / The Parish / Peter Coombs recently died
Sunday 10 th January	10.00	Mass In church Open to all Reed and Gilson family intention /EBC / David Prescott recently died
Monday 11 th January	NO MASS	Every Mass in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel is streamed.
Tuesday 12 th January (St Benet Biscop)	10.00 12.00	Mass In the Bl Sac Chapel Open to all Frank Kellet / Special Intention In the Blessed Sacrament Chapel Funeral Service Francis Barton
Wednesday 13 th January	10.00 19.00	Mass In the Bl Sac Chapel Open to all Edward & Mary Bilsborrow birthday remembrance ZOOM Finance Committee Meeting
Thursday 14 th January (St Kentigen)	10.00	Mass In the Bl Sac Chapel Open to all Family & friends (MW) / Winifred Spencer RIP
Friday 15 th January (Ss Maurus & Placid)	10.00	Mass In the Bl Sac Chapel Open to all / Elizabeth Welch, John, Agnes & Thomas Dandy
NEXT WEEKEND	2nd SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME	Year B
Saturday 16 th January	10.00 . 18.00	Mass In the Bl Sac Chapel Open to all Kathleen, Peter & Simon Brown RIP Mass In the Bl Sac Chapel Open to all Tom Dacosta (sick) / EBC
Sunday 17 th January	10.00	Mass In church Open to all The Parish / Francis Barton recently died. <i>If the congregations is small, we will stream this mass as well.</i>

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

Last Sunday 20th: Offertory Loose plate £283.90 gift aid £91.70 Thank You for those who give what they can to help us in various ways, 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 those who have donated.

Week 1 500 CLUB - Congratulations! to *A Holden Winner (No 5) Agent: A Anthony*
If you would like to become a member or have another number please contact E Ellison 422544

Help Wanted are you able to offer a few hours a week to help an elderly couple in the parish? They require help with cleaning for a couple of hours a week, reasonable payment for this will be made? If you can help please contact Martin Smith on 01772 452745. Thank you to those who shop weekly for this couple.

Are you interested in entering into full communion of our Church? This year we will do this via the internet on zoom. Contact Fr Jonathan on the Parish phone number above. We would meet via the internet on Sunday afternoons aiming to begin in February from 16.30 to 17.30 Anyone who is interested is not "committing" themselves in any way. Rather we await God the Holy Spirit to work his miracles within us to discern both whether this is what God and each person wants, or not. Both options are perfectly valid.

On Sunday 17 January Justice and Peace zoom lecture. 14.00 to 15.30. **To Prepare a Future Full of Hope Amid Chaos and Uncertainty**! Mary Colwell specialises in natural history, environment, religion and human stories. To register your place please go to the J&P website jp.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk or use the link <http://jp.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/2021/01/05/memorial-lecture-registration-17-january-2021/> At the end of the bulletin on the 4th page you will see the poster for this lecture.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Tom Dacosta, Brian Reed, 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: for Fr James Clarkson (Liverpool), Francis Barton and all who have died and the following whose anniversaries occur at this time Eric Beech, Edward Kemp, John Quaine, Frank Kellett, Martin Lacey, Joan Redmayne, Teresa Tully, Eve Westwood, Beatrice Doyle, Angela Battersby, Keith Gary Shepherd, Leli Bonnici and Vincnt Commons. 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.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18 – 25 January annually Christian churches in Britain and Ireland celebrate their unity. Churches Together in Leyland each year invites worshippers from our churches to come together in services at different churches throughout the week. With lockdown this will not be possible. However with the help of a great many people this year the Week of Prayer for Unity programme '*Abiding in Christ*', will be celebrated in ways, we hope, that are as accessible to as many as possible.

Daily reflections each morning on Radio Leyland

Tuesday 19th 6pm Service on Radio Leyland,

Thursday 21st 12 noon Streamed service from St Mary's

Main Service on Sunday 24th at 3pm on Zoom.

How to join this service and additional information at <http://www.churchestogetherinleyland.org/events>

Please take this wonderful opportunity to be together in prayer.

Word of Life Remain in my love: you will bear much fruit.

This is a demanding invitation that asks us to live and work for the unity of Christians during this special time and to continue throughout the year and, indeed, throughout our lives. Our divisions are like a serious wound that needs to be healed, first of all by God's mercy and then by our commitment to know and respect one another and together be witnesses to the gospel. Jesus' words show us what we should do: first of all, we should "remain" in his love. Therefore, we should strengthen our personal relationship with him by entrusting our lives to him and believing in his mercy. Jesus, in fact, faithfully "remains" with us always. At the same time, he invites us to be decisive in standing with him as we offer our lives as a gift to the Father. He suggests that we imitate him in gently meeting the needs of each person with whom we share a small or large part of our day. He asks us to do so with generosity and disinterest, in order to bear "much fruit".

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. To listen and watch it go to:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1sBVTNVJxkq&feature=emb_title Skip the Advertisements.

Our Way of Life The difference between the baptism of John and that of Jesus that John recognised his was a baptism calling people to repent of their sins; Jesus would baptise and his baptism is that of the Church today. It includes the total forgiveness of sin and adds the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is with us day by day, helping us to make good choices that will build up the Kingdom of God. In that way the baptism we received often as a child is being renewed day by day in our response to God, With the Holy Spirit helping us we may choose to be his disciples and giving us the grace to respond to "the love and the trust God has in us".

A Reflection. The words of God the Father at the time of Jesus' baptism refer also to us. We are daughters and sons of God with whom God is well-pleased. It is easy to understand why God the Father was so pleased with his only Son Jesus: he had been alive in the flesh for 30 years or so when he was baptised. What that means for God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit is that we are taken up into the one Body of Christ. Our home is really heaven unless we turn away from God. On Friday 8 January the opening hymn of David Prescott's funeral was "Going Home, going home". He chose this hymn himself. David, walking around Leyland with his little dog for so many years, had a true understanding of God. Many of his pictures are in Church and the Priory house. David Prescott has gone home and so many others are there. One day we will go to the dynamic life of heaven, no tears, no fears, perfect bliss. We are indeed blessed by God.

Thursday 7 January 2021

A letter from Lancashire's Directors of Public Health about communal prayer and worship during lockdown

As Directors of Public Health representing Lancashire, we are strongly advising all faith communities to pause communal prayer and worship during the lockdown period, to reduce the possible spread of the new Covid variant.

We recognise that this is a big request, but it will help to protect our communities at this critical stage of the pandemic.

While we can't require our faith communities to do this, we are asking everyone to make this temporary change to protect each other.

You have already made changes to your worship arrangements, but we are asking for caution at this difficult and concerning time.

We're seeing increasing numbers of cases in Lancashire, and worrying increases in the number of people hospitalised from Covid, as well as increasing numbers of deaths. NHS and hospital capacity is under enormous strain across Lancashire.

Communal worship has not been banned under new lockdown, but we know that there are significant infection risks, due to people socialising before and after worship.

We know that many people who have tested positive for Covid haven't shown any symptoms.

Over the past 10 months, we know that there have been significant disruption to the usual worship and celebrations which people would usually take part in.

Thank you to our faith groups here in Lancashire for your continuing support to deal with Covid and its effect on our communities. You have helped your communities in so many different ways during these difficult times.

If you decide to continue with communal prayer and worship during lockdown, despite our strong advice on this issue, then we advise you to undertake a new, revised and detailed risk assessment of your current infection control procedures.

The new variant of the virus is increasing the seven-day rates by more than 250% in some Local Authority areas of the North West, and is up to 70% more infectious. This new increased risk of transmission will require a much higher level of infection control and compliance, to achieve the same level of safety as the previous measures.

Yours faithfully

Dominic Harrison, Director of Public Health for Blackburn with Darwen Council

Dr Sakthi Karunanithi, Director of Public Health for Lancashire County Council

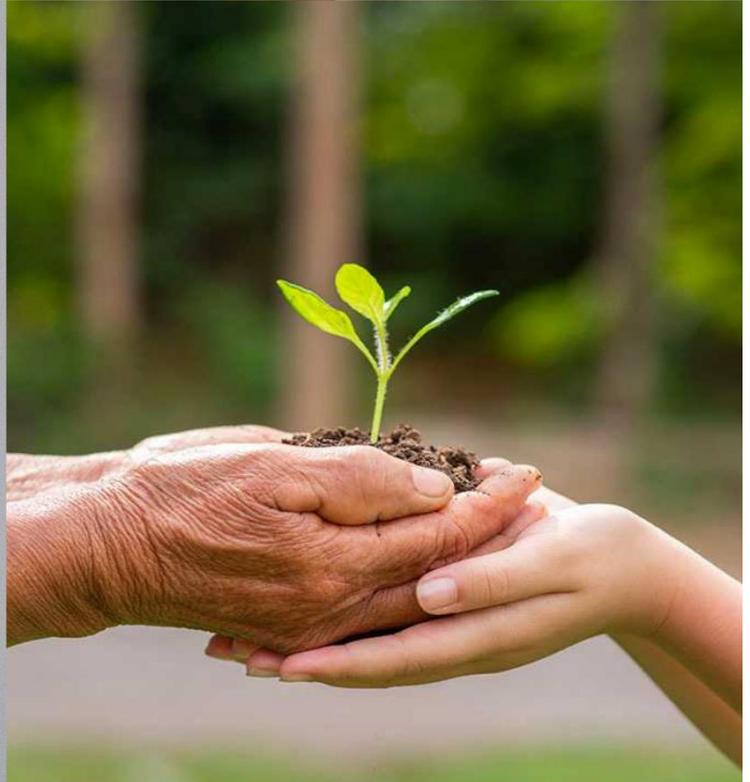
Dr Arif Rajpura, Director of Public Health for Blackpool Council

**Archdiocese of Liverpool Justice & Peace Commission
MEMORIAL LECTURE 2021**



*"To prepare a future full of hope
amid chaos and uncertainty"*

Given by
Mary Colwell
Sunday 17 January
2.00-3.30pm
Also opportunity for discussion



**Register for Zoom link:
jp.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk**