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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*

**Please note** The Church is not open, save for Funerals because of the decision above. **All masses that we hold except for Requiem Masses and Funerals will be streamed from the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.** We are hoping to get a 2<sup>nd</sup> camera in the main church as soon as possible. It is only with a 2<sup>nd</sup> camera can we stream from the main church.

THIS WEEKEND	3 <sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME	Year B
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	<b>10.00</b> <b>18.00</b>	Vivienne Howard RIP / June Barton RIP Fr Abbots intentions
The Third Sunday of the Year is called "Word of God" Sunday. We are invited to have all bibles blessed at Mass after the bidding prayers. At home please go and collect your bible to hold it up and have it blessed.		
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>10.00</b> <b>15.00</b>	The Parish. C T in Leyland Ecumenical service on zoom. Please have a candle ready to take part fully. Go to <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82520596133#success">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82520596133#success</a>
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> January (Conversion of St Paul)	<b>NO MASS</b> <b>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity</b> ends today.	
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> January (Ss Timothy and Titus)	<b>10.00</b> <b>10.30</b>	For Premature twins Harriette and Merridith RIP Cremation Service Francis Cutler
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>10.00</b>	Sr Marie Josephine RIP
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> January (St Thomas Aquinas))	<b>10.00</b> <b>11.00</b>	Agnes Goulding b'day remembrance / Bill Musgrave RIP Graveside Service John Newsham
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>10.00</b> <b>12.30</b>	Jack Clayton RIP Cremation Service (Pleasington) Brian Charnock
NEXT WEEKEND	4 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME	Year B
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>10.00</b> <b>18.00</b>	Sr Veronica's intentions The Parish / John Newsham and Brian Charnock recently died
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	<b>10.00</b>	Walker family intentions / Frank Cutler recently died.

**Confessions** Ring to make an appointment if necessary for a time to celebrate the sacrament which we will do with social distancing and all precautions. Remember that you are forgiven by God when you tell him sincerely and truthfully what you are sorry for in your life and ask God to forgive you. He always will.

**Last Sunday:** Offertory **none entered please drop through the letter box or save for when we reopen. We are so grateful for all your support this last 10 months please keep it up if you can do so.** 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.

**Week 3 500 CLUB - Congratulations! to P Fryer Winner (No 132) Agent: L Raven**

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

**Are you interested in entering 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 on February 1<sup>st</sup> from 16.30 to 17.30. 2 candidates so far are coming.

**Thank you** from the flower arrangers who would like to acknowledge the generosity of parishioners towards the Christmas 2020 decorations in church. Due to the current circumstances the usual high standard of decorations was not possible. However along with willing helpers to decorate the Christmas tree a very nice Christmas presentation was possible. Thank you for your donations and to everyone who made this possible.

**Grateful thanks** from Margaret Dixon to everyone for all the prayers, cards and telephone calls over the time of her illness. These have been much appreciated. God Bless you all.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** Catherine Breen, Frances Kellett, Pauline Agnew, Margaret Singo, Nester Mbili (nee Singo) and her husband Blocky Mbili, Tom Dacosta, Brian Reed, Fr Cassian Dickie OSB, Matthew Clark, Bernadette Clarke, Tony Clarke, Pat Clensey, Michael Beardsworth, 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, Peter Beatty. Connected with us, Chris Macro, Maria Walsh, Mary Earnshaw, the Reverend Enid Briggs, 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:** John Newsham, Brian Charnock, Betty Beatty, Mary Ashurst, Chris Smith, Alma Corrie mother of Fr George Corrie OSB and Impius, a cousin of Ethel Singo. and for all who have died and the following whose anniversaries occur at this time Luke Thomas Rodgers, Gerard Robinson, Ellen Pope, Sally Livesey, Ashley Mulleney, Stewart Holland, Angela Waddilone, Barbara Kemp, Alan Baird, Thomas Johnson and Martin Francis Smith. 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.

**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.

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18 – 25 January**

Daily reflections each morning at 9.15am on *Radio Leyland* (online or 104.8FM)

Main Service on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> at 3pm on *Zoom*.

To join this service of Churches together in Leyland with members of other Churches and show our unity in prayer as it is now, and for additional information go to <http://www.churchestogetherinleyland.org/events>

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

*"How much love is needed in the world! Jesus said that the world would recognize us as his own and that through us, it would recognize him, by mutual love and by unity: 'By this all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another' (Jn 13:35). We have understood this: the present time demands love from each of us. It demands unity, communion, and solidarity. It also calls upon the Churches to recompose the unity that has been torn apart for centuries. This is the reform that heaven is asking of us; it is the first and essential step that will lead towards universal fraternity with everyone. In fact, the world will believe if we are united. Jesus said this: 'May they all be one so that the world may believe' (cf. Jn 17:21). God wants this! May he give us the grace at least to prepare for it even if we do not see its fulfilment."*  
*The full text of the commentary of the Word of Life is on our Parish website under the bulletin tag. It is meant to inspire us to make the Word of Life something to practice in our own situations. Go to [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1sBVTNVJxkq&feature=emb\\_title](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1sBVTNVJxkq&feature=emb_title) Skip the Advertisements.*

**Our Way of Life** At lunch on Saturday 23 January we three monks were talking about Bible Sunday. One of us confessed that he read about the scriptures a lot but did not read the scriptures often. Another said that if he were asked to remember the gospel that was read that day at mass, he would probably be unable to do so. It is not so easy to focus on the Word of God by just reading the Bible. We monks are fortunate that we also have the office of Readings, the first Divine Office of each day, and there is a reading taken from the bible always, after the psalms. We monks are exposed to the Word of God. It must be harder for lay people. We all agreed that a lack of knowledge of the scriptures means a lack of knowledge of Christ.

**A Reflection.** Many people feel that it is a gift of the Holy Spirit to have a phrase taken from the Bible each month called "The Word of Life". The phrase is only short and links this month with Christian Unity week.

A short phrase like that is possible to remember. It is essential to make that Word of God impact on daily life. Somebody commented that the best way to *remain in God's love* sharing about this Word of Life is to follow St Paul; have no other thing boast about than the Cross of Christ. It is not the Cross of wood but the person of Jesus on the cross that counts. He is so very faithful each day in us. Jesus is suffering in me as I enter one challenge after another, going out to shop, minding the children, cooking, cleaning, facing work each day and the weariness at the end of the day; responding to what others want with love, facing up to my failures and fragility and sins and starting again. He will come and live within me and you and give you his light. It is also most important to share with others, not in a boasting way, what God has done in your life; we should proclaim the mighty works of God in my life to help myself and others to make God real.