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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. We hope that it will open as soon as we can. **All masses will be streamed from the Main Church and the Blessed Sacrament Chapel** Let us thank the goodness of God that last Thursday we installed a 2<sup>nd</sup> camera to make this possible.

| THIS WEEKEND   |  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT  | Year B  |
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| Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> March   | <b>10.00</b><br><b>18.00</b>               | Siobhan Elizabeth Anne Mannion RIP<br>Tom Dacosta (sick) / The Parish   |   |
| Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> March   | <b>10.00</b>                               | Horridge family intentions / Purcell family intentions / EBC<br>Gordon Moore recently died                      |   |
| <b>NO MASS</b> Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> March                              | AMPLEFORTH CHAPTER                         |   | Please pray for God's Holy Spirit to be present among us in the chapter |
| <b>NO MASS</b> Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March                             | AMPLEFORTH CHAPTER                         |   |   |
| Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March   | <b>10.00</b><br><b>12.00</b>               | Madeleine Jones intentions / Agnes Salisbury anniversary<br>Requiem mass Matthew Clark                          |   |
| Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> March  | <b>10.00</b><br><b>2pm</b>                 | Cancer recovery / Catherine, William & Roy Hodgkinson<br>Requiem mass Sheila Costello                           |   |
| Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> March  | <b>10.00</b><br><b>11.00</b><br><b>3pm</b> | Clare Evens RIP<br>Funeral service Les Pryce<br><b>Streamed</b> Divine Mercy Chaplet and Stations of the Cross. |   |
| NEXT WEEKEND   |  | 4 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT (Mothering Sunday)   | Year B  |
| Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> March<br>(Anniv Election of Pope Francis)      | <b>10.00</b><br><b>18.00</b>               | Joe Breen anniversary<br>EBC / Sheila Costello & Les Pryce recently died  |   |
| Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> March<br>(2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection for Nugent) | <b>10.00</b>                               | Madeleine Jones intentions / The Parish/ Matthew Clark recently died  |   |

**Pope Francis is in Iraq** from Friday 5 March to Monday 8 March, The theme for his visit is that all are brothers and sisters. The Catholic leaders call the 95% Muslim inhabitants their brothers and sisters. All have lived together peacefully in Iraq for centuries and are one people. The Pope said on Friday: *The needs of God's people, and the daunting pastoral challenges that you daily face, have been aggravated in this time of pandemic. What must never be locked down or reduced, however, is our apostolic zeal, drawn in your case from ancient roots, from the unbroken presence of the Church in these lands since earliest times. The virus of discouragement spreads all around us. The Lord has given us an effective vaccine against that nasty virus. It is the hope born of persevering prayer and daily fidelity...With this vaccine, we can go forth with renewed strength, to share Love and unity.... How much the world around us needs to hear that message!* Pope Francis asks us to pray for him and to follow him in this important pilgrimage not just for Iraq but for the world. See the Vatican Website for the best coverage.

**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.

**Each Friday at 3 pm during Lent** there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 3 o'clock prayer, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary, Stations of the Cross starting with prayer before the Altar. Stations.. Blessing with Blessed Sacrament, Divine Praises, Putting back Blessed Sacrament at this point 'O Sacrament Most Holy' is recited. Finishing with prayer for England.

**Last Sunday: Offertory loose plate £150 and envelopes £242.** Thank You for those who give their time, energy, thought and skills and then also give their money for the Church. Thank you for 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 9 500 **CLUB** - Congratulations! to M Knowles

*Winner (No 35) Agent: E Ellison*

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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE DEPARTED:** Mike Fitzpatrick and Andrew Hayes and the following whose anniversaries occur at this time: Joyce Elder, Teresa Henry, Pauline Kirkby, Joseph Breen, Mona Hurley, Pamela Mulhall, Denis Chatburn, Teresa Dean, Tony Benfold, Joyce Simmonds, Sister Teresa Ryan, Derek Francis Melling and Peter James A Snell. 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.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** Baby Harriette Gardner (who will pray for her family and us), Madeleine Jones, Maureen Dignon, George Purse, Pauline Agnew, Nester Mbili (nee Singo) and her husband Blocky Mbili, Tom Dacosta, Brian Reed, Fr Cassian Dickie osb, Bernadette Clarke, Tony Clarke, Pat Clensey, Michael Beardsworth, Sr Veronica, Bob Howden, Marionette Holland, Margaret Anthony, Elspeth Duckworth, Colin Bennett, Sr Joan FMSJ, 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, Shaun Shaw, and all the sick, especially the dying of war and starvation, cancer and the Covid-19 victims.



**Novena to St Joseph 10<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> March** Novena prayer to St Joseph (from the Apostolic letter of pope francis Patris Corde – With a Father's Heart) *Hail, Guardian or the Redeemer Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage and defend us from every evil.* Then call to mind your special intention..... *St Joseph pray for us.* Pope Francis in his Apostolic letter adds these words:

... In this pandemic...How many people daily exercise patience and offer hope, taking care to spread not panic, but shared responsibility. How many fathers, mothers, grandparents, and teachers are showing our children, in small everyday ways, how to accept and deal with a crisis by adjusting their routines, looking ahead, and encouraging the practice of prayer. How many are praying, making sacrifices and interceding for the good of all". Each of us can discover in Joseph – the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence – an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble. Saint Joseph reminds us that those who appear hidden or in the shadows can play an incomparable role in the history of salvation. A word of recognition and of gratitude is due to them all. He is a beloved Father.

**Our Way of Life and Reflection** One day when Fr Jonathan's mother was very old she asked her monk son if the Ten Commandments still applied. A younger Fr Jonathan replied, "Why do you ask me that mum?". She said that as she watched the news or read the papers she wondered about it because the ten commandments seemed not of high interest to many people these days.

To uphold the ten commandments is both unfashionable, and in fact opposed in some cases to political correctness. Many do ignore the ten commandments; it seems that Jesus in today's gospel felt something that some of us feel who try to love God and our neighbours and the Church. Jesus felt zeal for God's home (i.e., zeal for this world in which we live and the Church). He took a whip (imagine if we did something similar) and he drove the people selling cattle, sheep and pigeons out of the temple, and the money changers All of them were exploiting people especially the poor: "Zeal for God's home" is a good thing to feel. Pope Francis has zeal for this planet in his encyclical "Laudato Si" that he calls "our common home". Around us people are not only destroying themselves by their behaviour, ignoring God and the Church, blaming others and not themselves for the troubles of life, seduced by addictions, ignoring the good or doing nothing to help those in need, but also ignoring the good things of nature that surround us in this beautiful world. Yet there is another way sharing Love to all with good will, and discovering a relationship with Love who is God.

**Word of Life** *Make me know your ways, O Lord: teach me your paths (Ps 25 [24]:4).*

This psalm presents us with a man who feels threatened and in danger. He needs to find the right path to lead him to safety. Who can he appeal to for help? Aware of his own frailty, he finally raises his eyes and cries out to the Lord, to the God of Israel, who has never abandoned his people, but has guided them on the long journey through the desert to the Promised Land. The experience of 'walking with God' fills the wayfarer with a sense of hope once again. It is a special time of new intimacy with God, of trusting abandonment to his faithful love, despite one's own infidelity. In the language of the Bible, walking with God is also a lesson in life: it is a time of learning to recognise his plan of salvation.

The whole Word of Life commentary is on the Website in the Word of Life tag under the bulletin tag.

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