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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 Church is open 4 times a week. Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays **at 10.00** Saturday night **at 18.00**

See below: **All Main Church and Blessed Sacrament chapel services are streamed.**

Please note that in the main Church those on the first four rows can be seen by the camera.

Behaviour as you come into Church. Please go where the marshal indicates. / *You must* wear masks, be 2 metres apart & have your temperature taken on entering Church / Holy Communion will come to you. / At the end of mass wait for the marshals to tell you when you can leave maintaining social distancing.

THIS WEEKEND 4th SUNDAY OF EASTER Year B. (Second Collection for priests Training Fund)

Saturday 24 th Apri	10.00 18.00	Harry Minshull birthday remembrance Fr Abbots intentions
This Good Shepherd Sunday there is a Pastoral Letter from Archbishop Malcolm		
Sunday 25 th April <i>World Day of Prayer for Vocations</i>	10.00	The Parish / Brian Smith (sick)
Monday 26 th April	NO MASS	
Tuesday 27 th April	10.00 12.00	Marian Kirk birthday remembrance Funeral service - Jean Brennand
Wednesday 28 th April	10.00	Joe Kealey anniversary
Thursday 29 th April (St Catherine of Siena)	10.00	Teresa Whittle (LD) / Mary, Edward & Karl Merrill RIP
Friday 30 th April	10.00	Frank Cutler RIP
NEXT WEEKEND 5th SUNDAY OF EASTER Year B		
Saturday 1 st May UNITED WORLD WEEK BEGINS	10.00 18.00	Alan & Jean Ribchester RIP (k&k) Newton family intentions / A C Special intention / The Parish
Sunday 2 nd May	10.00	Kathryn Boulton's intention / EBC / Jean Brennand recntly 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.

Last Sunday: Offertory loose plate £180 Envelopes £263. Thank You for those who support us with money at Church or gifts, & those giving 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 15 **500 CLUB** - Congratulations! to B Hough Winner (No 175) *Agent:* K Jordan
If you would like to become a member or have another number please contact E Ellison 422544

Confirmations will begin again in the Autumn. Please contact us if you are year 8 or above who would like to receive this great sacramental gift. There will be some preparation for all candidates.

Holy Communions If there are any children who are not at the three Catholic Primary Schools in Leyland and in Year 4 or above, and want to make their first HC contact Lesley pa.stmaryleyland@rcaol.org.uk by the 10th May 2021.

500 Club - with the reopening of 500 club we have been able to fund the two cameras for the church. These enable us to be more inclusive with our praying community who are shielding and housebound. Thank you to all who contribute to the 500 club. Anyone wishing to join please contact Elizabeth 422544.

Foster with us - LCC are asking us to promote Fostering for more info ring 03001236723 or look online www.lancashire.gov.uk/fostering - give a child a future. Poster on the notice board in the narthex.

Free courses at Lancashire Adult Learning: Many & varied courses available free online for parishioners: e.g., Essential First Aid skills or Mental well being Book now at www.lal.ac.uk/what-we-do/all-courses

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE DEPARTED: Jean Hylda Brennand and Sister Mary Higney OLM (Bamber Bridge) and the following whose anniversaries occur at this time: Philip Murray, Valerie Anne Bretherton, Terry Warren, Thomas Doran, Mary Harrison, Kathleen Dillon, Marjorie Brady and Sheila Anne Barton. Let us pray for all who died recently in violence, poverty, war: those dying from the Coronavirus other diseases, poverty or violence and all who are bereaved.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Kathryn Boulton, Josephine Davies, Brian Smith, Maggie Halliwell, Baby Harriette Gardner, Madeleine Jones, Maureen Dignon, George Purse, Pauline Agnew, Tom Dacosta, Brian Reed, Fr Cassian Dickie osb, Bernadette Clarke, Tony Clarke, Michael Beardsworth, Bob Howden, Marionette Holland, Margaret Anthony, Elspeth Duckworth, Colin Bennett, 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 in our parish and everywhere.

Advance Notice - Haberdashery Kits From weekend 1st / 2nd May there will a box in the Narthex marked 'Haberdashery' for your donations, for 4 weeks, (please see poster for items wanted). Last date for donations 23rd May, the box will be taken to the URC church. There will be a service at URC church 30th May at 10.30am. If you would like to attend this service and bring your donation personally you will be very welcome.

Advance Notice – Dementia Action Week 17-22 May Nationally the focus is to fix dementia care and to encourage people to stand up for their loved one, locally the focus is helping those living with dementia to Live Well with support, care & kindness. More information in the coming weeks.

United World Week 1 - 9 May. There is worldwide attempt that is trying to build "A United World". An internet search for United World Week, gives many examples of Daring to Care. a free newsletter is available free by subscribing with your name and email address.

All over the world in different countries people are trying to promote "a caring attitude" for others and for our planet. Ordinary people like ourselves in different situations, cultures and religions or of no religion are active. We would like to be active in daring to care in and around this part of Lancashire.

If you have a Facebook page you may like to include "The United World Project" in it.

Also, you can find on your computer or mobile on this hashtag: #daretocare.

Daring to Care Reflecting on our way of life it will develop if we take on and practice this slogan. If we are Christians there is no other way; we are invited to put on the mind and heart of Jesus. Chiara Lubich's life (1920 – 2008) guided by God led her to understand that God wanted her and all who are following her way of life to have in their hearts, "May All be One" (John 17:21). The young people who promote Daring to Care are inspired by Chiara Lubich's spirit. They have the faith to promote a worldwide initiative so that all the people of the world and through them our common home, this planet, will be so cared for that there will be on earth a time of brotherhood and understanding. There is evidence that in small and in big ways, things are happening all over the world that leads to friendship, love and brotherhood.

To encourage those who follow this personal and communitarian spirit, Chiara Lubich once wrote:

"Develop imaginative ways of loving everyone. May ours be a concrete love, a love that knows how to understand, to anticipate a request, a love that is patient, trustful, persevering, and generous. We will notice that our spiritual life will take a step-up in quality, not to mention the joy that will fill our hearts."

We do this offering ourselves as Jesus did, and doing so with the insight that takes the other person to be "as if he or she were myself". We will have the spirit to keep loving despite difficulties of all sorts, ready to give all for the other. Yes! A tough road. There is an English Proverb. 'There is no gain without pain!' The proverb goes right the way back to the Greek thinkers and activists 750 years BC. It echoes what Jesus said about the measure of a Christian disciple's Love. By dying to self like the grain of wheat, we bear much fruit and a bonus will be a deep joy nothing else can touch.

Word of Life *I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep (Jn 10:11).*

Meditating on this same phrase from the Gospel, Chiara Lubich wrote: *"Jesus will openly say of himself: 'No one has greater love than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends' (Jn 15:13). And he lives his offering to the full. His love is a love that is so great he is willing really to offer himself fully for each human being. Jesus dares to give his own life. God also asks of us ...acts of love that have (at least in intention and decision) the measure of his love... Only such a love is a Christian love: not any love, not a veneer of love, but a love so great that it puts life at stake... By doing this, our lives as Christians will take a qualitative leap, a great qualitative leap. And then we will see men and women from every corner of the earth gather around Jesus, attracted by his voice"*.



Go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NUYhyhE4Wv8&t=23s> to watch & listen.
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