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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 EASTER SUNDAY Year B

We wish all our Parishioners a wonderful Easter. May we find Hope instead of despair, Light instead of darkness, Joy instead of sadness. We pray for you all every day, Please pray for us.

Saturday 3 rd Apri <i>HOLY SATURDAY</i>	18.00	Easter Vigil / The Parish / For those on the Journey in Faith 2021
Sunday 4 th April EASTER SUNDAY <i>The Lord is risen Alleluia</i>	10.00	Calderbank family intentions / EBC / Patricia Clensey recently died <i>This mass is now full and the list is closed to those who have already booked. Please attend the Vigil Mass if you wish to attend mass.</i>
Monday 5 th April	NO MASS	
Tuesday 6 th April	10.00	Jones family intentions / Baby Hariette Gardner
Wednesday 7 th April	10.00 12.00	Frank Kellett RIP Funeral Service Martin Braford
Thursday 8 th April	10.00 14.30	Manghan family intentions Requiem mass Baby Elizabeth May Tattersall
Friday 9 th April	10.00 12.00	Doug Morphew / Houghton & Banston family intentions Requiem mass Margaret Corcoran
NEXT WEEKEND 2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER Year B		
Saturday 10 th Apri	10.00 18.00	Alan & Jean Ribchester RIP Cox family intentions / English Benedictine Congregation / & Baby Elizabeth May Tattersall born sleeping and for her parents and family.
Sunday 11 th April <i>(Day of Divine Mercy)</i>	10.00 14.45 for 15.00	Margart Morphew's intentions & thansgiving for 90 years / The Parish / Martin Braford RIP / Margaret Corcoran RIP Divine Mercy devotions followed by mass at c. 16.00

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 £432.60 Envelopes £618. Thank You for those who support us with money at Church or gifts, and 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 13 500 CLUB - Congratulations! to Sr Veronica *Winner (No 121) Agent:* L Raven
If you would like to become a member or have another number please contact E Ellison 422544

Divine Mercy Day Divine Mercy booklets are available for those attending: Novena sheets as well.

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.

HELP NEEDED Tools for Self-Reliance are asking for help in providing haberdashery kits, details in the poster in the Narthex. Please start collecting at home and when possible they will be collected or deliver them to the URC church on Hough Lane. Thank you. Contact jmartinsmith@blueyonder.co.uk

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE DEPARTED: Mike Flynn, Margaret Corcoran, Martin Braford and Teresa Whittle (Maria Brennan's mother), Molly Byrnes (friend of Fr Jonthan) and the following whose anniversaries occur at this time: John McDermott, Michael Joseph Waite, Bill Hargreaves, Agnes Cayton, John Graham Halstead, Edith Rice, Ron Brindle, Kai Lucas Patrick Southworth, Lily Clayton, Tony Masterson, Trevor Loring, John Peter Baldwin, James Doherty, Betty Ryan and Thomas Dandy. Let us pray for all who died recently in violence, poverty, war: those dying from the Coronavirus and other diseases 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 McMahan, 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.

Christine Fitzpatrick and the family would like to thank everyone for their prayers, masses, cards and very generous donations in memory of Mike. £1000 has been raised for Asthma UK and St Mary's Church.

Priory Club we have been notified by the Archdiocese that the Priory Club will not be reopening as the Priory Club. It is Fr Jonathan's wish that if it were possible it could become a Parish Centre.

Our Way of Life and Reflection. 2021 Easter Message from the Most Reverend Malcolm McMahon

OP Archbishop of Liverpool The events of the first Easter morning began quietly, in stark contrast to the violence and baying crowds which accompanied the crucifixion on Good Friday. Mary Magdalen went to the tomb early in the morning on the first day of the week – while it was still dark – while it was quiet with no people around and none of the hustle and bustle of Jerusalem, the busy city. Things began to change when she saw that the stone had been rolled away, she ran to Simon Peter and the disciple John saying, 'they have taken the Lord out of the tomb and we do not know where they have laid him'. The disciples ran to the tomb and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, they believed.

Mary though was not joyful, she did not have hope, she stood outside the empty tomb weeping asking where the body of Jesus had been taken. Yet as she recognised the risen Jesus her life was transformed moving from darkness to light, from sorrow to joy and from despair to hope.

For over a year now we have been living under the darkness of the pandemic, just as the light of the Risen Christ is always with us so we have seen light in that darkness through the bravery, generosity, and kindness of others. The light offered to us by the heroes of our NHS, carers, and all who have worked to keep our country going.

Easter is always a time of reawakening and this year as a country we are approaching our own reawakening. Our villages, towns and cities have been quiet, but they are slowly and cautiously coming back to life. We are seeing hope through the vaccine, developed through the gifts of science, giving us hope for a better and safer future.

There have been times of grief, loss, doubt and despair during the dark days, and we hold in prayer all who have suffered. We bring those times to our celebration of the resurrection which begins in darkness in our churches with the lighting of the Easter Candle symbolising the risen Christ. A life-giving light overcoming the darkness, bringing healing to a broken world.

Just as the lives of Mary Magdalen and the disciples were transformed on the first Easter morning so too our lives may be transformed as we embrace the light of the Risen Lord who sheds his peace on all humanity.

May God bless us all on this glorious Easter Day.

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

Images of biblical culture and references to the slow pace of nomadic and pastoral life seem far removed from our daily needs for efficiency and competitiveness. Yet we too sometimes feel the need to pause, to find a place to rest and to encounter someone who welcomes us just as we are. Jesus presents himself as the one who, more than anyone else, is ready to welcome us and offer us rest: indeed, he is ready to give his life for each one of us. In the long passage of John's Gospel from which this word of life is taken, he assures us that he is the presence of God in the history of each person just as the prophets promised to the people of Israel. Jesus is the shepherd and guide who knows and loves his sheep; that is, he knows and loves his weary and sometimes lost people. He is not a stranger who ignores the needs of the flock, nor a thief who comes to steal, nor a brigand who kills and scatters, nor a mercenary who acts only out of self interest. *The whole Word of Life commentary is on the Website in the Word of Life tag under the bulletin tag. Go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NUYhyhE4Wv8&t=23s> to watch & listen. Skip adverts.*