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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 services are streamed. Avoid the front rows not to be on the camera**

THIS WEEKEND THE ASSUMPTION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Year B		
Saturday 14 th Aug (St Maximillian Kolbe)	10.00 18.00	Stephen Rice 20th anniv RIP/ Gordon Firth Tom Dacosta sick / EBC
Sunday 15 th August (Parish Patronal Feast)	10.00	Ruby Celebration (P & M) / The Parish
<i>Please pray for the Ampleforth community during their Chapter taking place this week, which will be attended by Fr Jonathan and Fr Bernard</i>		
Monday 16 th Aug (St Stephen of Hungary)	NO MASS (Church Cleaning)	
Tuesday 17 th August	NO MASS	
Wednesday 18 th August	NO MASS	
Thursday 19 th August	10.00 12 noon	No Mass (<i>Apologies The intentions will be changed to another day</i>) Requiem Mass Tom Corrie
Friday 20 th August (St Bernard)	11.30 10.00	Funeral at Ampleforth Fr Michael Phillips <i>osb</i> Tom Dacosta (Sick)/Mike Fitzpatrick RIP
NEXT WEEKEND 21ST SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Year B		
Saturday 21 st August (St Pius X)	10.00 1 pm 18.00	Bessie Beardsworth anniversary / Baby Elizabeth Mary Tattersall born sleeping. Wedding of Imogen Harrod & Darragh Tuffy The Parish
Sunday 22 th August	10.00	English Benedictine Community / Tom Corrie recently died

Confessions Ring to make an appointment if necessary for a time to celebrate the sacrament.

Last Sunday: Offertory loose plate £243.17. Envelopes £260. 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 32 **500 CLUB** - Congratulations! to M Smith Winner (*No 77*) *Agent:* E Ellison
If you would like to become a member or have another number please contact E Ellison 422544

We welcome to the Parish by Baptism Aubrey Brieger Whelan

PLEASE pray for all the departed: For Catherine Woodward connected with us and all with anniversaries at this time: Anthony Bilsborough, Richard James Riordan, Domenica Carmela de Palma, Philippe Soodeen, Catherine Joyce Airey and May Waidson. We pray for all dying from the Coronavirus or violence and poverty.

PLEASE pray for: Marie Barnish, Louisa Williams, Teresa Tugwell, Martina Louise Crompton, Terry Howarth, Joe Mcaleer, Ron Boardman, Kathryn Boulton, Josephine Davies, Maggie Halliwell, Baby Harriette Gardner, Maureen Dignon, George Purse, Pauline Agnew, Tom Dacosta, Doris Reed, 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, Olivia Catterall, Glenda Kelly, Bernie Wilson, Gaynor Hilliard, Pat McMahon, Matthew Cox, Tony Loftus, Eileen Standing, Maurice Green, Carol Parkinson, Marjorie and Harry Parr, Margaret Booth, Joan Sullivan, Peter Beatty. We pray for all connected with us especially Michael Mclaughlin and Eileen Harrison and all in need.

The Piety Shop has reopened. A maximum of 2 people only at any once, please. Thank you.

Tesco voting with the **blue token** system. If you are able to use this scheme when you are in store please vote for SLEAP our local homeless project. Please encourage your contacts to do the same. If SLEAP wins they will get some funding from Tesco which will be very helpful.

CAFOD are looking for families who would be interested in talking about climate change in church, creating displays or recording short videos. Support will be given. If you are interested, please contact Siobhan Farnell at sfarnell@cafod.org.uk or 07779804241

Daring to Care. As we approach the feast of the Assumption, our Parish Feast Day, St Gregory wrote in his dialogues about St. Benedict. He writes about Benedict something we can also apply to Mary: he says that St. Benedict's heart became so big the whole of creation could enter it. This is even more true of Mary: Mary, completely united to God, has a heart so huge the whole of creation can enter into her heart, and the expressions of gratitude to her in her many shrines all over the world speak of this. Mary is near, she can hear, she can help, she's near to all of us. There is space for us in God, and God is near, and Mary, united to God, is very near, she has a heart that is great like the heart of God.

At the end of this week two great tragedies have affected some of us deeply. The first is the disaster that is going on in Afghanistan. The second is the shooting of 5 people in Plymouth by a young man from that town.

Afghanistan. There must be many people among the 40 million or so who inhabit that country who are terrified. Their worst dreams have become real.

How will the good people of that country cope with the suffering and fear that they feel. For many the ground will have been pulled away under their feet and their whole lives will be destroyed to be re-built in one way or another. Where is God in all this? What can **we** do?

UNHCR the UN refugee agency are active in Afghanistan still, despite all the fighting. You can find out more by looking up UNHCR in Afghanistan through a search engine.

Plymouth. Regarding the tragic death of our 5 compatriots in the Keyham area of Plymouth on Thursday evening last, our hearts go out to the loved ones of all who died in their tragic loss. What can **we** do?



Be like Mary at the foot of the Cross and share with the dying Jesus in his redemption of the world.

Mary at the foot of the Cross saw Jesus dying for the salvation of the whole world. Her contribution was to be there sharing in the same love as Jesus himself. She was helpless at the foot of the cross seeing her son die unjustly.

Jesus is dying on the cross every day in different ways and we believe that God has a purpose for everyone and in every event that happens. Mary is to be found in all those who are mourning these tragedies today, watching and

praying and identifying with the sufferings out of Love.

What happened to Jesus happened just once for the salvation of all humankind. He has redeemed us. In the prayer that the priest says in the name of Jesus who forgives us our sins in confession: *God the father of mercies through the death and resurrection of his Son HAS reconciled the world to himself.*

Jesus still lives today in this world in each one of us and among us. Those who are faithful disciples of Jesus in the Church in the face of such sad events are like "one" Mary made up of all in the Body of Christ. We can share in Jesus' sufferings. *Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake and fill up in my flesh that which is lacking in the afflictions of Christ, for the sake of His body, which is the church (Col. 1:24).*

Mary sums up the Church, as her spirit alongside that of Jesus is that of the One Spirit of God expressed in different ways. She is the model for all disciples to follow, and the icon of what every disciple should be.

Jesus and Mary are in every country of the world in the Church, in and among disciples who are rich or poor, suffering or relatively well off. The faithful Christian disciples and all of good will, like Mary, will learn to do their outmost to grow in love and understanding. There may be some practical things to be done and they will try to do whatever they are called to do. They live in the particular circumstances of their lives, always faithful to the Church and acting, worshipping God, and doing what they can.

Word of Life **Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.**

(Mt. 18: 4) Jesus contrasts a competitive and self-sufficient mentality with the weakest and most vulnerable element in society – the person who has no role to boast about or defend and who is totally dependent and spontaneously relies on the help of others. However, this is not an invitation to be passive or to avoid proactive and responsible behaviour; it is a freely taken act of will. Jesus invites us to 'become small', like children and this requires intention and commitment from us if we are to make a decisive change.

The Word of Life is published on our St Mary's Website under the Bulletin tag.

For the video of the Word of Life go to <https://youtu.be/o0BIZIs4nBQ> Avoid the adverts that pop up