



WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS / VISITORS

If you are new to the parish or have moved house within the Parish, please let us know

We welcome everyone to mass, see times for this week below. All masses are streamed.

THIS WEEKEND 3RD SUNDAY of LENT Year C A talk at both masses about Living Simply to become an ecological friendly parish accredited by CAFOD. A small group have been promoting this for about 8 months. At 10.00 mass High School students and teachers will be present to help and support us and to do the readings etc.

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| Saturday 19 th March | 10.00 | Eugeniusz Matuszny RIP / Joan Sullivan RIP (KB) |
| (Feast of St Joseph) | 18.00 | EBC / Connie King in Thanksgiving |

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| Sunday 20 th March | 10.00 | The Parish / Kathryn and Tony Boulton's wedding anniversary |
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| Monday 21 st March (The Passing of St Benedict) | It is a great Feast day. St Benedict pray for us | NO MASS |
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| Tuesday 22 nd March | | Lisa Beardsworth RIP / Joan Sullivan RIP |
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| Wednesday 23 rd March | 10.00 | Deceased members Merrill/Mitchell family <i>followed by Holy Hour 10.30 11 a.m.</i> |
| | 12.00 | Requiem mass Glenda Kelly |

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| Thursday 24 th March | 10.00 | Jimmy Evans RIP / Dorothy Knight RIP |
| | 12.00 | Requiem mass Nina Tootle |
| | 19.30 | <i>Holy Hour Lent and Peace: (Organised by Kate Jordan for Sr. Veronica)</i> |

Today Pope Francis consecrates Ukraine and Russia to the Immaculate heart of Mary.

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| Friday 25 th March | 08.00 | (High School) For all in our schools <i>Parishioners are welcome to come</i> |
| (Annunciation of the Lord) | 11.15 | <i>Stations of the Cross</i> |
| | 10.00 | John Gillooly & William Brindle anniversaries / Harry Dunleavy |
| | 12.00 | Requiem mass of Bernie Wilson |

NEXT WEEKEND 4TH SUNDAY of LENT Year C Mandatory Collection for Nugent Care

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| Saturday 26 th March | 10.00 | David Ormisher anniversary / Joe Dempsey RIP |
| | 18.00 | The Parish / Tom Da Costa / Glenda Kelly and Nina Tootle recently died |
| Sunday 27 th March | 10.00 | Fr Abbots intentions / Sheila & Brian Pooley / Bernie Wilson recently died |

Last Sunday: Offertory loose plate £275.25 Envelopes £228.50 Thank You for all your support.

Donations to the Parish Go to <https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/st-mary-leyland> Thank you.

Gift Aid For information contact John Baggaley 432683. Thank you to those taxpayers who do Gift Aid. Please use an envelope unless you have a Direct Debit.

Debit and credit card readers are now available in the Narthex for parishioners or visitors who wish to make use of contactless payments. See Lesley after mass

Week 11 500 CLUB - Congratulations! to P Considine, Winner (No 155) Agent: A Considine
If you would like to become a member or have another number, please contact E Ellison 422544

Holy Father's Prayer Intention - March 2022 We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges. May we continue to defend the dignity of all human life with our prayers and actions.

Welcome by Baptism Alexander, Santiago and Andrea Diaz Blanco (Friday) and Nancy Elizabeth Kimblin

PLEASE pray for all the departed: Abbot Francis Rossiter osb (Ealing Abbey) Bill Evans, Eileen Burke, and connected with us Jack Moran, Jimmy Evans and Norah Prance, and for the following with anniversaries at this time: David Turner, George Cross, Margaret Mary Corcoran, John Allum, Martin Braford, Robert Gardner, John Robert Edmundson, Barbara Brown, Joan Evelyn Wilson and William Crichton. We pray for all dying from the Coronavirus or violence and poverty. We pray especially for those who are dying in countries under tension: Ukraine, Myanmar, Afghanistan, Ethiopia, South Sudan, Western Cameroon, Nigeria, Mali and other West African countries.

PLEASE pray for Neil Harvey, Matthew Cox, Eileen Craven, Franciszek Drzewiecki (toddler), Cyril Jones, Gordon Lee, Bernadette Clark, a sick parishioner, Bernie Newby, Rhoda Fletcher, Mike (Shaun) Devlin, Teresa Tugwell, Martina Louise Crompton, Kathryn Boulton, Josephine Davies, Maureen Dignon, Tom DaCosta, Brian Reed, Fr Cassian Dickie osb and for all refugees, especially those in war zones, particularly Ukraine. We pray for all connected with us especially: Emily Walthall, Andrew McGrath, Rita Murray, Elaine Hunter, Michael McLaughlin, and all in need. Daily at mass all the long-term sick are prayed for and for peace in the Ukraine.

Sincere Apology as many of you know Live Streaming is not always available, we are sorry for this. ChurchesTV are working hard to fix the issue and hopefully live streaming will be back soon.

Formal Launch Eco Livesimply Award This weekend the Livesimply group will be offering for sale, plastic free eco cleaning products. Keep your spray bottles for reuse with these products. *To Live Simply So Others May Simply Live*. We hope to be named an eco-friendly Parish, because we have shown that as a Parish we are doing our best to be a Living Simply community.

Unsafe gravestones following the Cemetery survey. Sadly, the following headstones will have to be laid down in fourteen days by the 27th of March 2022 if they have not been repaired by a proper stone mason following the current NAMM regulations. All of these stones have a notice affixed to them. Sadly, again it is the families responsibility to find and do this work and not St Mary's Church. This is why so many Church cemeteries have the stones down flat in English cemeteries.

Henry Ravenscroft, Richard and Ellen Higham 1969 & 1989, James & Winefride Livesey 1978 and 1985, Daniel & Elizabeth Heron and Harry & Mary Alston, James and Rose Coffey 1968 & 1975, Amelia and Robert Myerscough 1953 & 1964, Elizabeth & James Wells 1971, Anne Elizabeth Barrow 1976, Winifred & Genevieve Durigan 1976 & 1978, Margaret & Ann Byrne 1998, David Samuel Crook 1994, James Jimmy Norris 1996. If you know any of these people's relatives, please pass on this urgent and important message. Many thanks.

Forthcoming events 2 & 3 April **Visitation of Fr Abbot from Ampleforth**; 15 April at 10 at the Leyland Cross **Good Friday Witness** Churches Together in Leyland; Sunday 24th April 2.45 for 3 pm, **Divine Mercy Sunday** Service and mass 5 pm; Tuesday 26 April **relaunch of SPUC** 7 pm Community centre.

Dare to Care

Lent, fasting and Prayer Ukrainians asked us to pray for them. **The best prayer is** the mass. See if you can attend an extra mass? Pope Francis prayed like this in his latest Prayer last Wednesday 16 March at his weekly audience among other things:

Forgive us for war, O Lord. Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us sinners! Lord Jesus, born in the shadows of bombs falling on Kyiv, have mercy on us! Lord Jesus, who died in a mother's arms in a bunker in Kharkiv, have mercy on us! Lord Jesus, a 20-year-old sent to the frontlines, have mercy on us! Forgive us, O Lord, if we continue to kill our brother; Forgive us, if we continue like Cain to pick up the stones of our fields to kill Abel. Forgive us, if we continue to justify our cruelty with our labours, if we legitimize the brutality of our actions with our pain. Forgive us for war, O Lord. Forgive us for war, O Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, we implore You! Hold fast the hand of Cain!

Dementia Friendly Church Another good hint to know how to deal with people suffering dementia:

• **Consider feelings** – Someone with dementia often remember how they felt rather than what was said.

Live Simply CAFOD 200 K Walk Against Hunger in support of CAFOD Eileen Jackson is undertaking the 200 km walk against hunger this lent. There is a sponsor form in the Narthex. If anyone else would like to join the CAFOD 200 km walk against hunger this lent and fight against poverty, it is not too late. Perhaps you could join with a friend and walk together or if 200 km is too much do half the distance each. Sign up now at <https://walk.cafod.org.uk> Let us know if you are doing this walk. Families will also be invited to join walks on Sunday afternoons in Lent. Joint steps from these walks will be added to the CAFOD total to walk around the world.

Live Simply - As part of our eco church challenge we would encourage parishioners to listen carefully to the talk this weekend.

We need the Holy Spirit to create in us these desires to live simply: so that our lives reflect God's generosity; so that those who follow after us may enjoy the fruits of God's creation; to act in solidarity so that the pillars of injustice crumble and those now crushed are set free.

We hope you will sign some simple pledges to be active; turning out lights; saving boiling water in a thermos to heat up again; encourage in any way less use of fossil fuels. Consider what you eat, where you shop ...etc.

Word of Life And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. How many times have the people with whom we live - in our families, in our neighbourhoods, at work or at school offended us - and, as a consequence, we find it difficult to relate positively to them? What can we do? It is here that we can ask for the grace to imitate the Father:

'Let us get up in the morning with a complete "amnesty" in our hearts, with that love that covers everything, that knows how to welcome the other person as he or she is, with his or her limitations, his or her difficulties, just as a mother would do with her son who makes a mistake: she always excuses him, always forgives him, always hopes in him... Let us approach everyone by seeing them with new eyes, as if they had never had those faults. Let us begin again each time, knowing that God not only forgives, but forgets this is the measure he needs from us too.' Trusting in the help of prayer, we can journey forward towards this lofty goal.

The Word of Life' is published on our St Mary's Website under the Bulletin tag. The video of the Word of Life is here: [Word of Life March 2022 - YouTube](#) Copy & paste or ctrl & click. It is best to skip the adverts.