

Confessions Saturday 12 December 9.30 - 10 am (S) (or when they end) and 5 - 6 pm (J). Also Confessions at any time. Ring for a mutually convenient time.

Last Sunday: Offertory Loose Plate £555.19

For Gift Aid contact John Baggaley 432683

Gift Aid £445.70

Many thanks!

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK **The Congregation says:** May this sacrament unite them with Christ and his Church and give them consolation and peace.

Adoration in Church. St. Joseph's Adoration Chapel

Exposition is at any time that you can make it. We have the rota for watching and we hope it covers much of the week. You are welcome to pop in any time.

500 CLUB' CONGRATULATIONS TO M Morris

£100 Winner 38 Week 47 Agent L Raven

Christmas Candles - Please use any envelope mark it Christmas Candle £5 with name.

Christmas Flowers are by donation. Use envelope and the dedicated name; hand in asap

Christmas Fair - *The doll on the craft stall was not in fact for sale* It has sentimental value to the owner. If the person could return it we will refund what you paid. Thanks.

Fr Stephen Advent *Pope Francis & new energy.* 4, 11 and 18 December 5 Parkgate Dr


St Mary's Primary School Christmas Fair Friday 11th December at 3.30 to 5.30 pm free entry. All the usual stalls and Fr Christmas will be with us.

KSC Club: Bingo starts again! Wednesday nights, 9th, 16th and 23rd December 7.30pm for 8pm start. Come along and bring your friends.

Churches Together in Leyland join with the BBC and Churches Together in Lancashire on Thursday 17 December 7-8pm for Lancashire Sings Christmas. Come and join the fun at Café Noir, Leyland market and bring your friends.

CAFOD Fun Run for the Refugee Crisis on **Sunday 27 December** 12.30pm (walk/toddle/jog) or 1.15pm (run/jog): from 1 ½ up to 5 miles. See poster for detail.

Christmas Masses

Thursday 24 December	6.00pm	Folk Group	
	9.15pm	Carols with the choir	
by candlelight			
	10.00pm	Night Mass Organ and choir	
Friday 25 December	8.00am	Carols with Bromiley Brass ensemble	
	10.00am	Morning mass with carols and family orientated.	

 **Christmas Vespers** 3.30pm At St Mary's Bamber Bridge, Brownedge Church.



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SUNDAY 2nd of Advent 6th of December P27. or 28

WELCOME TO VISITORS / NEW PARISHIONERS

Please fill in our new Record Form

MASS TIMINGS

Sat 5 Dec 6.00 (*Vigil*) The Parish / Keeping family intentions / Michael Durkin RIP

Sun 6 December 2 of Advent 9.30 Almond & Jolly family

11.00 EBC / For many graces during the Jubilee of Mercy / Jennifer Wilson's family

3.00pm **Liverpool. Catholic Cathedral. Mass to begin the Jubilee Year of Mercy with the entire diocese.**

Monday 7 December St Ambrose 9.00 Roy Hodgkinson

12.00 *Charnock Richard Cremation service*

Julian St Romaine.

12.15 Stanton family intentions

Tuesday 8 December Immaculate Conception

07.50 (*with schools*) For the Parish with thanks

12.15 Knight and Rogerson family

6.30pm *Confessions available in Church.*

7.30pm **Blessing of the Holy Door of Pilgrimage YEAR OF MERCY OPENING MASS** with Archbishop Malcolm

Wednesday 9 December 9.00 No Mass

12.15 Service of Communion and Word.

Please pray for the

Ampleforth Chapter

Thursday 10 Dec 8.00 (*Alverna*) No Mass 12.15 Service of Communion and Word.

Fri 11 December 08.15 High School Chapel: God's blessing on our Schools.

9.00 Jimmy Jones anniversary / Simon Miller 10 year anniversary

10.00 Schools' Carol Service 11.30am / *Adoration in Bl Sac Chapel & confessions*

12.15 Requiem Mass for James Canning

Saturday 12th December 9.00 Thanks for the arrival of baby Joseph.

6.00 (*Vigil Mass*) Kearney family intentions/EBC / Julian St Romaine RIP.

Sunday 13th December 3rd Sunday of Advent

9.30 Rigby family intentions

11.00 The Parish / James Canning recently died.



*The Word of God came to John, in the wilderness
He went through the whole Jordan district
proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins*

The people asked John "what must we do? Share with the man who has nothing...The one who comes after me will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.

THE PARISH FAMILY BY BAPTISM WE WELCOME:

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR SICK Fr Luke Waring, Catherine Breen, Josie Ball, Kathleen Heywood, George Cowdall, Pauline Robinson, June Embury, Elizabeth Brindle, Anne Smith, Bernadette Baxter, May Stromberg, Natalie Whelan, Janet Turner, Glenda Kelly, Paul Rhodes, Howard Buffett, Howard Tomlinson (1 Yr. old), Dorothy Hunt, Trevor Loring, Michael Waite, Eileen Hilliard, Terry Howarth, John Cullen, Baby William (connected with Tony Waidson), Cyril Chester, Allen Withnell, Sister Pauline McDonald RNDM, Jacob Privet (premature baby) Rita Bloomsdale, Ann Hanlon (Dever), Peter Beatty, John Doyle, Anthony Waidson, Marjorie Hart, Joe Burgess, Eileen Whelan, Marjorie Parr, Tracey Simpson, David Drake, Anna Worsfold, Bill Waring, Margaret Watson, Terry Donnelly, Janet Turr, Brian Greenman, Fr Theo, Bethany O'Reilly, Fran Butler, Virginia Stanton, Kathleen Walsh, Dale Zaparowski, Jackie Holly, **and connected with us:** Brendan McGarry, Christopher Proby, Michael Kelly, Heather Conde, Peter Richard Proctor, Helen Sweeney, Mary Williams, Clare Hall, Mr and Ellen Kendall, Anthony Dailly.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR DEPARTED: Especially Clare Boys, Daniel Carey, Julian St Romaine, James Canning and connected with us, Kathryn Lovatt and Betty Cartmel who died recently and the following whose anniversaries occur about this time: Brian Keeping, Betty Donbavand, Paul Bruce, Peter Shorrock, Margaret Blackhurst, Jeanne Duckworth, Maureen Thistlethwaite, James Stoney, Mary Howard, Percy Smalley, Jimmy Jones, Simon Miller, James Grundy, Margaret Janes, Edith Jackson,

THIS WEEK Today: 2nd Sunday of Advent

Family Rota of Prayer: Kealey family 16 Balshaw Rd. No Journey in Faith till January.

Family Rota of Prayer

Monday Church Cleaning 9 am 'B' team South Ribble Scouts Carol Service 6 pm

Tuesday: 7.30 Year of Mercy Opening Mass

Friday: - *Divine Mercy prayers* 11.00am in the Adoration chapel everyone welcome.

NEXT SUNDAY 3rd Sunday of Advent

Family Rota of Prayer Johnson family 43 Lowther Crescent

Leyland Band Christmas Spectacular 20 December: In our Church 7pm. See posters and fliers for the cost of tickets that will be available on the night.

Christmas Cards between Parishioners. Send a card not just to those parishioners you are particularly close to but to everyone, with one card. Calculate the money saved and it could go to the Parish project that this year will be the Rosemere Cancer unit in Royal Preston Hospital, a service many of us may need and which is partly funded by private money. This year the cards will be in a nice large basket so they can be picked up and looked at by all interested. Place any offerings in an envelope marked Parish project or in the big money box in the Narthex.

The Year of Mercy - our Church as a Jubilee Church - and the local area.

A Jubilee Church is a place of pilgrimage where pilgrims come to receive all kinds of graces, indulgences and to see the Merciful Face of God in their lives.

The Holy Door is the beginning of the Pilgrimage in the Church after the pilgrim journey to arrive. Going through the door is an expression of the desire of the pilgrim to meet the Mercy of God in their lives. Jesus said, "I am the gate into the sheepfold", a symbol of the Kingdom of Heaven.

There will be six stations in the Church with prayer leaflets and things to do at each station. Spend time in quiet prayer and be in the presence of God. The Church will be open for pilgrims on Sunday 13 December from 2.30pm to 4.00pm

See the Parish website for future events during the Year of Mercy.

The Fridays of Advent: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 11.30am before 12.15 mass and a chance for confessions.

Tuesday 8 December at 7.30pm Archbishop Malcolm will bless our Holy Door followed by a joyful mass with our deanery priests and others. Confessions before mass from 6.30 to 7.30pm and after mass.

Friday 18th December 7.00pm Parish and local area Reconciliation Service.

WAY OF LIFE

Advent is the true start of the year. We begin to prepare for the one gift we all receive regardless of what we do or who we are - the gift of Jesus. So, this Advent, let us make a concentrated effort **not** to get caught up in the usual hustle and bustle, but allow ourselves to **be still** and remember what this time is really all about - **waiting for God to come among us** in the spirit of the year of mercy.

WORD OF LIFE Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight these words are spoken to me because Jesus continues to come every day. It is not always easy to recognise him he presents himself as migrant, someone who is unemployed a school mate. His subtle voice invites us to forgive, to give trust and friendship, to refuse to give in to choices against the Gospel.

The Word of Life is available in the New City Magazine that you can take free from in front of the piety shop. It is also on the Parish Website.

Leyland St Mary's Youth Group. Christmas Appeal 2015. THE RUCKSACK PROJECT. We would like equipment to help homeless people from the local area to ease their Christmas and cope better with weather conditions of our winter and Spring 2016. Please find the fliers about this if you have not read about the project in the bulletin last week. All items or money by next Sunday please.

Thank you for all your support for our Youth, and for this project.