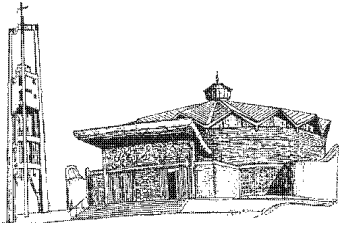


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You cannot do a kindness too soon, for you never know how soon it will be too late.

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS / VISITORS

Please fill in our new Record Form, or if you move house within the parish please amend a new form.

Saturday 10th March

6.00 (Vigil Mass) McManmon family intentions / Mary Dever

Sunday 11th March 3rd Sunday of Lent

9.30 The Parish / Kay Williams intentions / Christine Kirkman
 11.00 Knowles and Bilsborrow families / Ken Parker
 / Patrick Gough

Monday 12th March

9.00 Marie Comerford
 12.15 Patrick Duffy

Tuesday 13th March

8.00 (With Schools) Philip Roach
 12.15 Gwen Loftus Birthday Remembrance

Wednesday 14th March

9.00 Gemma and Owain (living)
 followed by Stations of the Cross
 9.15 (St Anne's Primary) Lily Sheeran
 12.15 John Thompson

Thursday 15th March

8.00 (Alverna) Sheila Lancaster birthday intentions (living)
 12.15 Alan Donnelly Anniversary
 2.00 Funeral Service Terence Castle

Friday 16th March

8.15 (In the High School) Michael Taylor
 9.00 Ross Gardiner
 11.30 Stations of the Cross
 12.15 Jimmy Connolly

Saturday 17th March St Patrick

9.00 Mary Hughes
 6.00 (Vigil Mass) E.B.C.

Sunday 18th March 4th Sunday of Lent

9.30 Fr Abbot's intentions / Terence Castle RIP
 11.00 The Parish

Confessions Saturday 9.30 - 10.00 am (JF) (or when they end) and c 5.15 - 6.00 pm. (JF) Also Confessions at any time. Ring for a mutually convenient time with one of the priests.

Last Sunday: Offertory Loose Plate £692.51 Gift Aid £234.68
APF Mill Hill £2626.79 Many thanks!

For Gift Aid contact John Baggaley 432683

HOLY 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 the Special Chapel when you can come. Come and spend some time with the risen Lord in peace and quiet, hallowing God's name and praying for all.



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Theme: I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord, whoever believes in me will never die.

THE PARISH FAMILY BY BAPTISM WE WELCOME:

Jacob William Riley and Pearce Timothy Jon Whelan.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR SICK

Mandy Turner, Alan and Kay Williams, Peter Worden, Mary Pemberton, Sarah Latham, Dale Zaparowski (little boy ill at St. Mary Magdalene's Penwortham), Betty & Terry Donnelly, Chris Atkins, Simon Brown, Evie Lawler, Paul Hewitt, Sr Susan FMSJ, Pam Barron, Therese Wilkinson, Rex Tootle, Jackie Holly, Len Rice, Maureen Howard, Frank Calderbank, Gerry Heywood, Joe Breen, Eddie Purcell, Georgia Martin, Sandra Parsons, Elliott Burns, Maree Coan, Miller girls, Eddie Turner, Joyce Smith, Margaret Miller, Frances Hart, Martin Glancy, Rebecca Shanks, Mary Magee, Mary Douglas, Tracey Anne Holly, Danny Bonner, Gerald Ralphs, Graham Halstead, **and connected with us,** Thomas Marsh, Hyewon Walker, Alice Dewhurst, Julie Ann Mitton, Geoff Brown, Norman Malcolm, Lynn Hamer, Steve Jones, Tony Lock, Stuart Kirkham, Marjorie Pearson, Jenny & Alan Naylor, Olivia Slater, Andrew Liddell, Beryl Appleton and Maria Llewellyn
Let us know those who you wish to pray for by Thursday



PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR DEPARTED:

Especially Terence Castle who died recently and the following whose anniversaries occur about this time: Maureen Slate, John Martin, Catherine Hodkinson, Pamela Mulhall, Richard Ernest Tyndall, June Loring, Olive Read, Neil Anthony Lewis, Alan Terence Donnelly, Agnes Brophy, Ron Hedley, Olive Pilkington and Margaret Waidson.

THIS WEEK Today: 3rd Sunday of Lent

Letter from Archbishop Nichols on Government's decisions to change law on marriage. Sign the on line petition; many think the Government do not understand the mood of the majority of people on this issue of sense of marriage being changed in the law.

Journey in Faith 5-6pm **Youth Group** 7-9pm
Family Rota of Prayer: M Anthony, 38 Langdale Road.

Monday: Church cleaning

9 am 'A' team
Confirmation Preparation for Primary School Children 6.30pm in Church.

Widows Welcome Club

7 .30 pm
SPUC St Mary's, Bamber Bridge at 8 pm. All welcome.

Tuesday: Chess Club

6.30 - 8 pm in the Narthex

Holy Hour at Alverna 7.30 - 8.30 pm

S.V.P. Abbot H Room 8 pm

Wednesday: Engaged Couples Course

8 pm in the Library

Thursday: Home Rosary

Mr A Kirk, 10 Royal Avenue
Renew your strength St Gerard's Lostock Hall 7pm. See fliers for more info.

Friday: Divine Mercy prayers

11.00 am in the Adoration Chapel.
 Everyone welcome. **Youth Group trip to Waves 6 pm**

NEXT SUNDAY: 4th Sunday of Lent

White Fathers Collection.
Journey in Faith 5-6pm **Youth Group** 7-9pm.

Lent fast day Collection. Our Parish raised £322.23 i.e. **£644.46** for people living in poverty Thank you! See over for Youth Initiative, Remember Zimi from the fast Day leaflet? Take one



List for the Chrism Mass for Wednesday 4 April is now in the Narthex please sign up asap so that we know if we can manage with the minibus or if we need to hire a coach. Dep. 5.30pm and back for 11pm or so
Thank you.

Easter Candles and Flowers. Easter Candles £5 - use one of the multi purpose envelopes; mark it Easter Candle and the name or names on the label. Likewise with Easter Flowers - use the multipurpose envelopes and return on the offertory plate or to the Priory house. Please hand them in as soon as is convenient so that we can prepare things. Thank you.

St Mary's Youth 'Action for Lent'. St Mary's Youth Group are involved in 2 projects this Lent:-

1. *CAFOD's "Give it up for Water" campaign.* Every 20 seconds a child dies from dirty water! The Parish Community are invited to help the youth group who are giving up things and donating to CAFOD. Aim: to eradicate 'Water Poverty'. For every £1 donated the Government will match it during Lent - so we have an amazing opportunity to double our aid to those dying of thirst throughout the world. *Collect your leaflets, donation packs, sponsor forms, etc from the Narthex. Please feel free to write your pledge on the chart on the Youth Board in the Narthex. EVERY LITTLE HELPS!*

2. *The 'Ghana Project'* - The youth group are collecting, football shin pads, goal keeping gloves, football boots (moulded studs or blades) or astro trainers- in very good condition, to send to Ghana with Mr Brockbank, a teacher at the High School. We need to have the goods ready by Palm Sunday. Your donations would be very much appreciated.

We are also collecting 'new or nearly new football shirts, shorts and socks - for Africa. If names are on the back, no worries, as long as they are in good condition. There will be a box in the Narthex for you to deposit your contributions any time during the next 4 weeks.

We also plan to hold a couple of fund raising events for the CAFOD Appeal in the next few weeks - please give generously.
MANY THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Steve and all the Youth Group

Furniture Scheme - if anyone has an unwanted



washing machine or electric cooker in working order, please let us know at the Priory. Also we are



desperate for beds, single, double and bunk beds.

Lourdes Pilgrimage - Seats are available on this trip in September. Please contact Barrie on 01772 432488 for details.

Football Coach needed for local team from May. U7's children from St Mary's Primary and St. Catherine's play in the team. If anyone is willing to coach this team, please contact the Priory house and we can pass on details.



Deafway needs to raise £60,000 for a school for deaf children in Uganda and there is a £20,000 shortfall needed by 31st March. "1000 friends for Maria": 1,000 people in Lancashire to pledge £10 each. Please see poster for story and more details.

Kathy McNicholas deputy head was chosen by the Governors of the High School on Thursday last to be our new Headteacher starting in Autumn term 2012. Her photo is on the board.

500 CLUB CONGRATULATIONS!

£100 Winner M Giles Week 8 No. 358 Agent M Giles

Forthcoming Events

Methodist Church, Turpin Green a group at the Church is going to start serving hot meals for those struggling in our community from Friday 9th March and every Friday from 8 - 10 pm. A meal will be 50p but free on the first night. Helpers are also needed. Anyone interested in helping, please contact the Priory house and your details will be passed on.

Fr. Jonathan will be in the Holy Land from 15-22 March, and will remember each one in the Holy Places. Thanks for the money to go from his Ruby Jubilee celebration last July.

Lourdes Treasurers will be in the Library after 9.30 am Mass NEXT SUNDAY, 18th March.

Fairtrade Fashion Show on Thursday 22nd March at 7 pm in the Exhibition Hall at Cardinal Newman



Hyning Retreat with Fr Stephen Wright 23rd - 25th March. Application forms in the Narthex and poster on the Notice Board.

Race Night Friday 23rd March Priory Club. Entrance FREE. Tote tickets 50p each. Buy a horse AND jockey for £5 you could win £10 and a bottle of wine. Available after Mass

Churches Together One Voice Choir Fri 23rd March 7 pm at Our Lady & St Gerard's Church, Lostock Hall. Please see poster.

Last Night of the Proms Saturday 24th March 7.30 pm at Leyland URC. £7.50 including refreshments. Please see poster

"Passiontide" A Concert for Lent with Bolton Chamber Choir (first appearance in Leyland) on Saturday 24th March, 7.30 pm at St Ambrose Church, Leyland. Tickets £5 incl refreshments. Please see poster for more details.

Lenten Vigil and Service of Reconciliation at Cardinal Newman College on Tuesday 27th March at 7 pm. There will be light refreshments and a Fairtrade Gift Stall. Please see poster.

Please give blood Wednesday 28th March 2 - 4 pm and 5 - 7.30 pm at SRBC. Please see poster



Class of '82 Leyland St Mary's High School. Did you or any of your family or friends leave St Mary's High School in 1982? There is a school reunion for the Class of '82 on Saturday 21st April from 7.30pm at the Old Leyland Gates on Golden Hill Lane, Leyland. Spread the word. It would be great if as many as possible came after 30 years!

WORD OF LIFE

Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life (Jn 6:68)

John's gospel also tells of conversations full of light that Jesus had with individuals, such as Nicodemus and the Samaritan woman. Jesus explained things still more deeply to his Apostles and he spoke openly of the father and of heavenly things, without using figures of speech. His words convinced them and they did not draw back even when they did not fully understand of when his words seemed too demanding.

Copies of the full text are on the table in front of the Piety Shop or on the Parish Website. Help yourself to the pamphlets