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DOUBLE EDITION OF THE BULLETIN TODAY

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.

MASS TIMINGS

Saturday 21st December 6.00 (Vigil Mass) Hodgson family/The Parish

Sunday 22nd December 4th Sunday of Advent

9.30 Fr Abbot's intentions/Bond family

11.00 E.B.C. / James Stoney recently dead.

Monday 23rd December

9.00 Doug Morpew *After Mass confessions until they finish*

11.30 *Reconciliation (confessions) until 12.15 pm*

12.15 Requiem Mass for Ellen Coupe (*mother of David Coupe*)

7.00 *Reconciliation Rite 2* Short service and various confessors

Tuesday 24th December Christmas Eve

9.00 Agnes Chester (AB) *After Mass confessions until they finish*

11.30 *Reconciliation (confessions) until 12.15 pm*

12.15 Derek Balmer

5.00 *Reconciliation (confessions)*

6.00 **Sung Vigil Mass (with Folk Group)** and initial blessing of the crib with the children / Intention is for all who are not regular Church goers.

9.15 **Carols by candlelight and readings (with the Choir and organ)** followed by Christmas Mass at night and the blessing of the crib and all the cribs in the parish / For any parishioners in need

Wednesday 25th December Christmas Day Birthday of Our Lord

8.00 **Simple Mass** with some carols / For all deceased

10.00 **Family Mass (with the Folk Group)** For all families in need

3.30 **Christmas Vespers** sung by the monks of the area-St. Mary's Bamber Bridge

Thursday 26th December St Stephen 11.00 (One Mass only) Guild of St Stephen

Friday 27th December St John 10.00 Harry Minshull anniversary

2.30 pm Requiem Mass for Agnes Chester

(See over for Saturday 28th December onwards)



Confessions Saturday 28th Dec and 5-6.00 pm (S) 4 Jan 5-6pm (J) Also Confessions at any time. Ring for a mutually convenient time

Last Sunday: Offertory Loose Plate £541.00

For Gift Aid contact John Baggaley 432683

Gift Aid £522.94

Many thanks!

SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS WITH 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.

You are welcome to pop in any time. -Contact the Priory for enquiries

500 CLUB' CONGRATULATIONS TO J Pitblodo!

£100 Winner Week -No . Agent M Giles

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: Disappointments are just God's way of saying "I'VE GOT SOMETHING BETTER". Be patient, live life, have faith.

WORD OF LIFE

May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all (1 This. 3:12)

How should we live this month's Word of Life? We, too, can try to increase mutual love in our families, in our work places, in our communities or church societies, in our parishes, and so on. This Word of Life asks us to have an overflowing charity, a love capable of going beyond the mediocre measure and the barriers of our subtle selfishness.

Copies available from the cupboard by the Piety shop window or on our website

Message from Cyril Chester As you may have heard, my wife Agnes died peacefully at the Royal Preston Hospital, on Wednesday afternoon, 18th December, surrounded and supported by her family. To the very end, she was thinking of her family and of how much more she would have liked to help them, but no longer could. On behalf of myself and the family, I would like to offer my sincere thanks for all the kindness shown, in so many ways, during Agnes' last illness. This kindness took many forms: mass cards, letters, floral arrangements and visits. Leyland St. Mary's has shown itself to be one of the kindest communities anywhere. I hope this letter will suffice to express our gratitude for all the kindness and compassion we have received, over the last year. We would like to take this opportunity to wish all the community a happy and holy Christmas. Cyril Chester (and family)

THE PARISH FAMILY

BY BAPTISM WE WELCOME: Oliver David Rowley

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR SICK: Rita Bleasdale, Brian Keeping, Margaret Watson, Janet Turner, Celia Preston, David Carney, Brian Greenman, Eileen Hilliard, Bernard Nuttall, Sally Livesey, Danny Bonner, Fr Theo, Bethany O'Reilly, Fran Butler, Virginia Stanton, Jim McKay, Tony Adamson, Kath Tomkin, Joe Sloan, Virginia Stanton, Cyril Chester, Sister Meir FMSJ, Kathleen Walsh, Dale Zaparowski, Terry Donnelly, Simon Brown, Jackie Holly, Miller girls, Margaret Miller, **and connected with us:** Kay Campbell, Peter Walsh, Adrian Tognarelli, Matilda Moffatt (4 years old), Graham Skeoch, Dave Wilson, Marie Barnish, Marie Purslow Fr Harry Jones, Penny Devaney, Pauline Loftus, Brian Cottam, Maureen & Andrew Liddell, Maura Whitfield, Iain Murray Kit Halliwell, Baby Isla Jones, Michael Morgan, Victor Hill, Sandra Harrison, Agnes Salisbury, Alison Gardner, Jack Madigan, Lilian Heyes, Rose Marie Foster, all those sick in Garth & Wymott Prisons.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR DEPARTED: Especially Frank Calderbank, Agnes Chester, Ellen Coupe, and Fr. Luke Dumbill of the diocese who died recently and the following whose anniversaries occur about this time: Winifred Durkin, Bernard Gaskell, Bernard Peter Gallagher, Gerry Walsh, James Horn, Harry Sharpe, Flora Rodgers, Jim Hayes, Harry Minshull, Rosina O'Connor, Margaret Leah Dewhurst, John Cutajar, Adrienne Greenwood, Gordon Sutton, Stephen Miller, Thomas Coyne, James Fisher, Imelda Mary Hargreaves, Kathleen Addison-Jones, Ivy Lynch, Tom Pritchard and Gary Tomlinson.

Bible Alive – the January edition is now ready for those who subscribe. We will be collecting subscriptions in the New year

THIS WEEK Today: 4th Sunday of Advent

Fourth Advent Healing service: Jesus Heals. Blessed Sacrament Chapel 3-4pm. Healing of the family tree - depressions, addictions etc.

Advent Course: C S Lewis on Heaven: Fr Paul & a reading of *The Weight of Glory* (1949) in the Priory, **3.30-4.30pm**, today. All welcome.

Family Rota of Prayer: E Jackson

Monday: Church Cleaning 9 am 'B' team Widows Welcome group 7.30 pm

NEXT SUNDAY: Holy Family

Saturday 28th December Holy Innocents

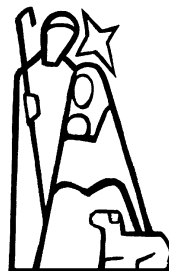
10.00 Eileen Leahy

6.00 E.B.C.

Sunday 29th December Holy Family

9.30 The Parish / Pope family intention / Agnes Chester RIP

11.00 E.J. Whelan's intentions / Ellen Coupe lately dead.



Monday 30th December Church Cleaning 9 am 'A' team

10.00 Albert Newsham

Tuesday 31st December New Year's Eve

10.00 Edward Murphy

6.00 Thanksgiving for the year 2013 with the Te Deum Laudamus

(We praise you O Lord.)

Wednesday 1st January Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God New Year's Day.

11.00 Stephen & Simon Miller

Thursday 2nd January Ss Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen

10.00 Paul Boys

Friday 3rd January First Friday of the Month

10.00 Monica Fisher Watmough

12.15 Requiem Mass for Frank Calderbank



Saturday 4th January

10.00 Martin & Margaret Comerford

6.00 (Vigil Mass) The Parish

Sunday 5th January The Epiphany of the Lord

9.30 E.B.C. / Frank Calderbank lately dead

11.00 Kate & Kevin Jordan's intentions



We wish each and everyone a Holy and Peaceful Christmas

Repent and Believe that the Kingdom of God is close at hand.

This is the basic message of St. John the Baptist and it is repeated as the first message of Our Lord. (Mt 3: 1 and Mt. 4: 17). There is only one condition to get into the Kingdom of heaven; it is to repent, and the best way is by the celebration of the sacrament of reconciliation or confession. When we wake up each day, do we thank God for the life he has given us? When we come down to the altar to receive Jesus himself in Holy Communion, are we thinking of other things or do we really believe that Jesus himself will be walking with us, holding our hand, and even closer than that? Do we treat ALL others as other Christs? Repentance means taking a reality check. **The easiest moment** will be at **the Reconciliation Service on Monday 23 December at 7pm** with various priests from the deanery and beyond. See the bulletin for other times laid on for your convenience as well.

We wish each and everyone a Holy and Peaceful Christmas and a Blessed New Year