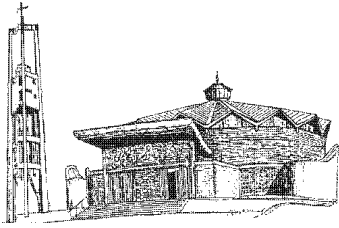


# The Year of Faith



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You must trust and believe in people, or life becomes impossible.

## 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 22<sup>nd</sup> December

6.00 (Vigil Mass) The Parish

### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

9.30 Anthony family intentions / Edith Jackson recently deceased.

11.00 E.B.C./Godinho family intentions



### Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Eve

9.00 Irene Ellis After mass confessions till they finish

11.30 Reconciliation (confessions) until 12.15 pm

12.15 Marcus Taylor

6.00 Sung Vigil Mass (with Folk Group) and initial blessing of the crib with the children / for all Young People

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

### Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Day Birthday of Our Lord

8.00 Simple Mass with some carols / for all Deceased

10.00 Family Mass / Children's Mass (with the Folk Group)

3.30 Christmas Vespers sung by the Monks of the area

### Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> December St Stephen

11.00 (One Mass only) Guild of St Stephen



### Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> December St John

10.00 Harry Minshull Anniversary

### Friday 28<sup>th</sup> December Holy Innocents

10.00 Jack and Hilda Gallagher

### Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> December St Thomas Beckett

10.00 Coomer family

4.00 Joanne Stokes

6.00 (Vigil Mass) E.B.C.

### Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> December Holy Family

9.30 The Parish

11.00 The Skeffington family intention

4.00 E. J. Whelan's intentions



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

Last Sunday: Offertory Loose Plate £477.51 Gift Aid £567.17 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.

## ST. MARY'S CHURCH, BROADFIELD DRIVE, LEYLAND

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4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

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Theme: I am the handmaid of the Lord

## THE PARISH FAMLTY

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR SICK** Margaret Morphew, Jenny Campbell, Ritab Bleasedale, Martin Glancy Archbishop Patrick Kelly, Pat Clensey, John Mallon, Frank Loftus, Peter Gleave, Angelo Rato, Gail Kelly, Baby Holly, Karen Porter, Mary Fong, Gillian Sergeant, Ted Barnish, Joan Madden, Angela Waddilove, Janet Turner, Connie King, Kathleen Walsh, Alan Williams, Mary Pemberton, Sarah Latham, Dale Zaparowski Terry Donnelly, Simon Brown, Sr Susan FMSJ, Jackie Holly, Len Rice, Frank Calderbank, Gerry Heywood, Joe Breen, Georgia Martin, Sandra Parsons, Maree Coan, Miller girls, Margaret Miller, Tracey Anne Holly, Danny Bonner, and connected with us, Michael Morgan, Victor Hill, Sandra Harrison, Carolyn

Kirkham, Ann Easton, Fr. Piotr Andrukiewicz CSSr, Agnes Salisbury, Jack Madigan, Lilian Heyes, Joe Lennart, Rose Marie Foster, Maureen & Andrew Liddell, John Jennings, Dorothy Hesford, Tony Knight, Mike & Lorraine Bennett.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR DEPARTED:** Especially those who died recently and the following whose anniversaries occur about this time: Bernard Peter Gallagher, Gerry Walsh, James Horn, Harry Sharpe, Flora Rodgers, Jim Hayes, Harry Minshull, Rosina O'Connor and Margaret Leah Dewhurst.

## THIS WEEK Today: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

Youth Group Christmas party trip – Bowling, lunch at Pizza Hut, Cinema. Depart after 9.30 Mass. No Youth Group in the evening.

Family Rota of Prayer: Meldrum family, 14 Crofters Meadow

Monday: Church cleaning 9 am 'B' team

Wednesday: We celebrate the Altar Servers today. 11am mass and afterwards with some mince pies and drinks.



Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> December The 28th Cafod Fun Run will take place on in Liverpool. See poster for more.

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> December Grizedale Walk, Meet outside



Church. Fact file: Distance: 8k (5 miles). Time: 2-3 hours. Summary: Mainly easy across farmland and woodland. With one steep ascent to the summit of Nicky Nook - optional. Map: OS OL 41 The Forest of Bowland.

NEXT SUNDAY: Feast of the Holy Family Archbishop's Pastoral letter at all masses.

Please will the person with Gift Aid envelope number 113 contact John Baggaley on 432683? Thank you

Bible Alive – January. Now in the envelopes for those who subscribe. Renewal due early in the New Year £19.95. If you no longer wish to subscribe please let us know in the Priory House.

Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes - By air from Liverpool Fri 26<sup>th</sup> July – Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug 2013 or overland by Jumbulance. See poster for details. Closing date to register 30<sup>th</sup> April 2013.

## 500 CLUB CONGRATULATIONS!

£100 Winner T Richards Week 49 No. 289 Agent E Ellison

### Masses after Christmas

We will increase our masses by TWO after Christmas beginning next weekend Saturday 29th / Sunday 30th December and thereafter in the cold weather. All masses will be in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel save one at 9.30am in the Parish Centre.

**Saturday Vigil Masses:** 4pm and 6pm  
**Sunday Masses:** 9.30am (Parish Centre)  
11.00am and 4pm.

Even when we heat the Church all day it can feel cold. It would be warm if we left the heat on continuously for about 6 days (as we did last Christmas and will do this Christmas) but it is very expensive. The Blessed Sacrament Chapel and the Club will be warm. The degree of cold varies considerably from week to week; cold spells challenge us.

**Volunteers needed for 9.30am mass.** We will need a team to help us to get the Parish Centre concert room ready by being here at 08.45 on Sunday mornings. Please make yourself known to Fr. Jonathan or Lesley if you can help.

When we get our new heating system things will improve. More news on that after Christmas.

**Ministers of Holy Communion** - a new short-term rota has been devised for the introduction of the 'winter time' Mass arrangements.



**Volunteers are needed** for 4 pm Masses on both Saturday and Sunday. Please sign the lists in the Narthex or ring 432974. Thank you for the wonderful support during 2012 and best wishes

for a happy New Year

**Volunteers are needed** for the 4pm masses **to collect and to be readers.** Please fill in the lists in the Narthex

**Knit and Natter Group** - a **BIG THANK YOU** to all the faithful outworkers who support our group by knitting at home. We have almost met our target for vests and caps for African babies, so when you complete your current vests **do not** start any more. However we **do** still need baby booties and 10" squares to make into shawls. Wishing you all a happy and holy Christmas. Thank you



### **Forthcoming Events**

**New Years Eve** - in the Priory Club. Tickets now on sale - £5. Band called 'Panic'.

**The Pilgrimage of the Relics of Don Bosco** - Liverpool Cathedral 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> January 2013. Please see poster.

**Carbon Free heating meeting.** Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 7.30pm

**Please give blood** - Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> Jan. Usual place. See poster

**Year of Faith Vatican Council II** - a series of talks given by experienced and engaging speakers. The next one is Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January at St Wilfrid's Parish Hall, Preston, 7 - 9 pm. Please see poster for details.

**Important Bishops' Conference Day: Crossing the Threshold** Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2013, 10am - 4pm **at St Mary's Church, Leyland.** with coffee served from 9.30am. Everyone is welcome. It is for people in the dioceses of Liverpool, Lancaster and Salford. Experts will be coming, and the focus is helping those who no longer worship with us "cross the threshold of the Church". There are 200 places only, it is free, and invitation forms are in the Narthex.



This wonderful Christmas time, the best ever we thank God and give him glory for:

- all those who pray with us in the liturgy.
- all who pray for us and those we pray for.
- all who make our Church a clean and beautiful place.
- all who help us with their singing, serving, reading and distributing communion and those who welcome people.
- all who support us financially,
- all those who look after the vestments, the altars the candles and wash the purificators.
- all who beautify the Church with flowers & decorations.
- all who think about the furniture in Church and help to improve, mend and repair, make so many things for our use, whether in fabric or in wood or other materials.
- all who look after our grounds around the Church, and at the cemetery.
- all those in need who come to us for help and for our new Newman fund and those who run it.
- all those who are open to the needs of others and support them in many ways, sometimes financial, with furniture, with a listening ear, or sharing ideas and advice.
- those who draw parishioners and others together.
- all who help us to proclaim the good news.
- our sick and housebound and those who help them,
- those who help the bereaved.
- those who support and work with our young people.
- those who work in our schools.
- those who work in the Priory house and club.
- those who work for Update or for our website.
- those who are catechists for our children and parents, in little Church.
- those in prayer groups or Gospel groups or in the Journey in Faith.
- our brothers and sisters in the other Christian Churches in Leyland who are our friends and supporters, as we try to support them.
- all those of good will with convictions different from ours and who also support us and help us in many ways.
- those who are good role models, and remain cheerful and hopeful amid difficulties.
- those we have not mentioned or seem to think they are forgotten that they know their contribution and continue being those who build up God's Kingdom.
- our Ampleforth monastic community, and our Archdiocese

### **WORD OF LIFE**

**But to all who received him, he gave power to become children of God (John 1:12)**

This month, in which we remember specially Jesus' birth in the world, let's try to welcome and accept one another, seeing and serving Christ himself in each other. The result will be that a flow of mutual love, of living knowledge like that binding the Son to the Father in the Spirit, will be established also between us and the Father, and time and again we will feel coming to our lips Jesus' own words: 'Abba, Father'.

*Copies of the full text are on the table in front of the Piety Shop or on the website. Please help yourself*