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All Christians are called to be Good Shepherds. Take this on board in regards your own family, friends, neighbours and anyone you meet

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 24th April

6.00 (Vigil Mass) The Parish

Sunday 25th April 4th Sunday of Easter

EBC/Sacramental Programme Mass / Stephen Bennet recently dead.

11.00 Fr Abbot's Intention / Mary Alice Kay recently dead.

Monday 26th April

Marian Kirk Birthday Remembrance 9.00

12.15 Marie & Stan Ingham

Tuesday 27th April

(with Schools in church) Agnes & John Dandy



12.15 Ken Dewhurst Wednesday 28th April

Ryan Clark & Veronica Wareing 9.00 Half day of Recollection (see across)

12.15 Cameron McInnes

Thursday 29th April St Catherine of Siena

8.00 (Alverna) Sylvester McDonald

12.15 George Gallen

Friday 30th April

9.00 Barbara Baron

12.15 Requiem Mass Frank Worthington

Saturday 1st May

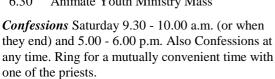
Anthony Ashton Birthday Remembrance 6.00 (Vigil Mass) The Parish / Frank Worthington

Sunday 2nd May 5th Sunday of Easter

E J Whelan's intentions 9.30

11.00 EBC / Sister Anne Tracey OSB

6.30 Animate Youth Ministry Mass





Last Sunday: Offertory Loose Plate £553.62 Gift Aid £395.97 For Gift Aid (which has gone up after our recent campaign, thank you), contact Gerry Brown 431002 Many thanks!

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

(After Holy Communion of the Congregation) 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. To enter the Church if it is locked, enquire at the House.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, BROADFIELD DRIVE, LEYLAND Sr Veronica 424665

455955 CHURCH Steve i.c. Youth 07977249636 SUNDAY 4th Sunday of Easter

Website leylandstmarys.org.uk

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Theme: I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me.

THE PARISH FAMILY Congratulations to Mia Prescott who was received into full communion with our Church last Sunday.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR SICK Therese Wilkinson, Mary Douglas, George Church, John Verner, George Crook, Jim Derry, Tracey Anne Holly, Norah Platt, Joe Breen, Jenny Finch, Frank Barton, Pauline Hughes, Lee Derbyshire, Clara Hall, Paul Hewitt, Rita Bleasdale, Maggie Ashbolt, Maire Jones, Jim McKay, Agnes Bennett, Lynn Hamer, Joe Copeman, Mark Clements, Toni Gannon, Dot Reynolds, Patricia Duffy, Susan McCarthy, Walburga Hall, Gordon Cottle, Moyra Haynes, Joyce Wilcox, Danny Bonner, Annie Kelly, Eve Hankin, Evelyn Swarbrick, Gerald Ralphs, Eileen Kenyon, Edith Rice, Alice Ogden, Graham Halstead, & connected with us, Harry Culshaw, Jack Clayton, John Spiers, Mary Gomez, Teresa O'Hanlon, Chad McDonald, Andrew Liddell, Susan Davey, Eric Woof, Ami Froehlick, Audrey Padmore, Malcolm Pyman and Frank Dever

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR DEPARTED: Especially Sister Anne Tracey OSB (Curzon Park) and Frank Worthington who died recently and the following whose anniversaries occur about this time: Mary Frances Parker, Peggy Holland, Jean Houlding, Winifred Henry, Maria Ilona Ashworth, Reuben Francis Brown and Catherine Mary Westby.

THIS WEEK Today: 4th Sunday of Easter

Today there is an important statement from the Bishops of England and Wales in which they address Child abuse in the Church directly and unambiguously. (see over)

World Day of Prayer for Vocations to Priesthood and Consecrated life, and retiring collection for Priests Training Fund.

Bacon butties on sale after 9.30 Mass – help for Mariapolis.

St George's Day Parade 1.30 pm

CTIL "The Garden Suburb of Leyland" 2 pm meet at Museum *Journey in Faith* 5 – 6 pm

Family Rota of Prayer: Lancaster family, 46 Westgate

Monday: Church cleaning 9 am 'A' team

Tuesday: Fairtrade Fashion Show at Cardinal Newman (see over) SS Peter & Paul's Open Evening (see over)

Wednesday: Prayers for Priests and Vocations - Mass at 9 am and ending with prayers at 12 noon. There will be a talk by Sister Pauline McDonald, R.N.D.M. (Our Lady of the Missions) – one of the few of our own Parishioners to respond to God's calling - 'A Vocation'. Please try to come. All welcome.

Thursday: Scout Leaders Meeting 7 pm in the room next to front door in the Priory House.

KIT meeting 7.30 pm in the Library

Friday: Divine Mercy prayers 11.00 am in the Adoration Chapel. Everyone welcome.

Saturday: Youth Group Trip to Llandudno 9 am – 7 pm

NEXT SUNDAY: 5th Sunday of Easter

Journey in Faith 5 – 6 pm

Youth Alive Mass 6.30pm followed by Youth Group

Statement from the Bishops of England and Wales The monks and priests of St. Mary's identify completely with this statement regarding Child Abuse. If anyone wishes for a copy please ask for one. They will be available for all adults at the 9.30am Sacramental Programme mass and will be read at the 6pm and 11.00am masses. Also available on the website in the documents section.

<u>From our own Safeguarding Officials Steve McBride and</u> Dominic Cullen

Before the statement from the Bishops came out, our Safeguarding Officials produced for the bulletin their own statement which is still relevant.

"In recent weeks, much negativity has been generated towards the Church in respect of it's failures in dealing with people who have harmed children. We may take encouragement (though we cannot become complacent) from the steps taken by the Church of England and Wales; to put in place robust policies and procedures to safeguard children, to respond appropriately to allegations and to work with the statutory authorities. All these measures are a positive sign of the Church in England and Wales' commitment to safeguarding. On reflecting over the events of recent weeks, and to avoid the risk of complacency, all of us; safeguarding officers, volunteers and clergy, need to consider if we are doing all we can to put into practice the guidance and advice contained within our safeguarding resource pack, which covers our recruitment and selection of volunteers, allegation management and best practice." See Group Leaders for practical advice for further help or Steve or Dom."

<u>First Holy Communions</u> These take place in two weeks time. As in the past years mass will be at 10.00am so we will have only one morning mass on Sundays 16^{th} and 23^{rd} May and an extra mass at 6.00pm on Sunday evening.

<u>SPUC</u> Three members of SPUC have volunteered to take part in the Windermere Marathon which takes place on 16th May. If you are willing to sponsor them please sign the form in the Narthex. They will raise much needed funds and your support will be greatly appreciated.



New Altar Servers Required -

Will anyone interested in serving on the Altar please contact Peter Cuerden Tel: 01772 433760?

<u>Mums and Toddlers cake sale</u> - many thanks for all those who bought cakes.

£72 was raised to buy new toys. Thank you to those who helped on the day.

Benches in the Cemetery - we notice that many

need 'preserving' and we do have a volunteer to do the work. If you do not want your bench to be treated, let us know by the end of April. For good order in the Cemetery, broken benches may need to be taken away.



<u>Bible Alive</u> The May edition of Bible Alive is now in the envelopes in the Sacristy for those who subscribe

<u>Readers Rota</u> - the new 11.00 reader's rota is ready for collection from the pigeon hole in the Sacristy.

500 CLUB CONGRATULATIONS!

£100 Winner S Bentham Week 14 No. 314 Agent L Raven

Forthcoming Events

<u>Sacramental Programme</u> Please note that the next meeting is on TUESDAY 4th May, at 6.30pm avoiding Bank Holiday Monday.

<u>Fairtrade Fashion Show</u> will be held at Cardinal Newman College on Tuesday 27th April at 7 pm. There will be many Fairtrade stalls, tea and coffee plus wine tasting. See poster

<u>SS Peter & Paul's Primary School, Mawdesley</u> Open Evening on Tuesday 27th April from 6 - 8 pm. See poster on the notice Board

<u>'They like Jesus but not the Church'</u> - an interactive 6 session journey responding to culture's objections to Christianity. Starting 29th April in Leyland and 9th June in Penwortham. Please see poster on the Notice Board

An evening of African music/dance/food/performers



in aid of Singo family on Friday 21^{st} May, in the Parish Centre, 7 pm till late. Adults £5, Children/concessions £2, Family ticket (2 Adults and 2 Children) £11.See poster on Notice Board

Jimmy Jones Concert 21st May British Legion sold out

<u>Justice and Peace Retreat</u> at Loyola Hall (Jesuit Spirituality Centre) 21^{st} - 23^{rd} May. See poster on the Notice Board for details of agenda and costs

<u>Celebration Praise Saturday 22nd May 2pm</u> organised by <u>Churches Together in Lancashire</u> in our Church to worship and thank God with joy for 100 years of the ecumenical movement. The main emphasis is for a Joyful Sung Service, with choirs from all over Lancashire coming together. Anyone who wishes can join in: but you need to rehearse with the One Voice Choir on 5^{th} , 12^{th} and 19^{th} May 6.45pm in our Church. Please come!!

<u>Celebrate the Child</u> – the annual Mass for children is once again going to be celebrated in Liverpool Cathedral at 3 pm on Sunday 6^{th} June. The Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Kelly and all children and their families from across the Archdiocese are



invited to join in this special occasion. The theme of the Mass reflects the fact that it is the Feast of Corpus Christi. Please see poster on the Notice Board.

<u>Faith in Health</u> – a conference for health and social care professionals to be held 24 – 26 June at Liverpool Hope University, Liverpool. Please see poster on the Notice Board for more details.

WORD OF LIFE

I am the resurrection and the life (Jn 11:25)

With these words Jesus is certainly not denying that physical death exists. But that does not imply the loss of true Life. Death will remain for you, as for everyone, a unique, intense, perhaps feared experience. But it will no longer mean that existence is pointless, no longer be absurd, the failure of life, your final end. Death, for you, will no longer be really a death.

Full text of the Word of Life is available on the cupboards just outside the Piety Shop. Please help yourself.