

**Confessions** Saturday 2nd December 9.30 - 10 am (S) (or when they end) and 5 - 6:00pm (J). Also Confessions at any time.

Last Sunday: Offertory Loose Plate £306.19

Gift Aid £561.65

For Gift Aid contact John Baggaley 432683

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. You are welcome to pop in any time.

#### 500 CLUB' CONGRATULATIONS TO G Purse

£100 Winner 72 Week 46 Agent M Giles

**First Confessions for those making first Holy Communions** Next Tuesday and Thursday for children from St Anne's, St Mary's and St Catherine's Primary Schools. This concerns the whole Body of Christ, not just the children and their families, Ask the Holy Spirit to help you to go to confession. He will! Impressive people can say: "Father, I am not aware of serious sins but I want to receive the grace from this sacrament"...or who are humble enough to acknowledge they are proud and self-centred and they seek forgiveness which God always gives for anything as long as we can face up to the reality of self. Confession is in fact both easy and joyful.

**Tuesday 5 December at 7:15pm**, there will be a mass to remember Fr Theo for all who wish to come to thank God for this great man who influences many people for good in our community from the mid 1950's to 1983 - a long time ago. three people will share briefly their experiences about Fr Theo in their lives. To read what Fr Prior said in the homily at Fr Theo's funeral, go to the Parish website under the blog: Under readings at Fr Theo's Requiem mass you will find also the homily. It is worth reading!

Below are some tributes from Facebook

- *God bless him - a great man. He married us forty years ago - yes he was a saint - and not a plaster cast one! May he rest in peace*
- *R.I.P Father Theo. Fond memories of Father Theo as school chaplain at Leyland St Marys. A selfless and humble man who devoted his life to helping others.*
- *A great chap and Chaplain. Had his priorities right. Used a strip of fairy liquid bottle for his dog collar. Also loved the King of cheeses in a doorstep butty for his lunch. Kept many a person on the right track.*
- *Cracking bloke, used to come to our house for tea quite often, kept me out of trouble on many occasions. RIP Theo.*

**The Official Catholic Directory** If you would like to order one take a pamphlet from the Narthex table

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sharing God's Love  
with All

#### 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

Flowers on the altar this weekend 25th / 26th November are in memory of Doug Morphew

**Saturday** 6.00 (*Vigil Mass*) EBC

**Sunday 26 November Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King**

9.30 Sacramental programme / Youth mass

11.00 The Parish / Successful operation and treatment

**Monday 27th November** 9.00 John Dodd RIP

12.15 Edna Glading RIP (MM)

**Tue 28th November** 7.50 Monica Knight RIP (MS)

12.15 Carol Bagwell (sick)

**Wed 29th November** 9.00 Geoff Chesworth RIP

12.15 Pauline Loftus RIP (BN)

**Thursday 30th November St Andrew** 8.00 (*Alverna*) Tony Scott RIP

12.15 Jack Madigan RIP

**Friday 1st December First Friday.**

8:00 High School mass

9.00am Louise McNulty RIP

12.15 Fr Philip Wilson OSB (Portsmouth Abbey)

7.15 Recently Bereaved followed by refreshments in the Narthex

**Saturday 2nd December**

9.00 A monk RIP

6.00 (*Vigil*) The Parish

**Sunday 3rd December First Sunday of Advent**

9.30 Barrie Cox intentions

11.00 English Benedictine Congregation

**ST. MARY'S CHURCH, BROADFIELD DRIVE,  
LEYLAND PR25 1PD - 26th November 2017  
455955 CHURCH Sr Veronica 424665**

Steve i.c. Youth 07580496292

**Website** leylandstmarys.org.uk Blog [www.stmarysblog.co.uk](http://www.stmarysblog.co.uk)

SUNDAY Feast of Christ the King P 95



The first candle: The candle of Hope like light shining in a dark place. We celebrate the hope we have in Jesus Christ.

**THE PARISH FAMILY: BY BAPTISM** Wyatt Matthew Purse, Codie Paige Joanne Worsfold.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Donna Dewhurst and Matthew Robinson to be married at Stonyhurst on Saturday next.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR SICK** Barrie Cox, Margaret Evans, Declan Brewer, Allen Withnell, Carol Parkinson, Christine and Bernard Hayes, Marjorie Parr, Mary Newsham, Margaret Booth (née Worsfold), Rebecca Coates, Harry and Vi Gardner, Roy Thompson, Joan Sullivan, Bernadette Thompson, Pauline Robinson, Philip Watson, Carol Bagwell, Derek Taylor, Graham Dunn, Catherine Breen, Janet Turner, Glenda Kelly, Michael Waite, Eileen Hilliard, Peter Beatty, Eileen Whelan, and connected with us, Tom Halliwell, Tony Campbell, Brother Anthony Jukes SSS, Molly Byrnes, Kevin Barnes, Elizabeth Garcia, Mary Cobham, and for all sick people known to parishioners and others.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR DEPARTED:** especially Margaret Lomas and Bernard MacWilliam who died recently, those who died in violence over the past week, and those connected with us; and the following whose anniversaries occur about this time: Margaret Miller, Patricia Bagley, Harry Kellett, Marcel De Clercq, Chris Banks, John Rigby, James Canning, Joseph George Fenton

**THIS WEEK Today:** Youth Mass & Sacramental Programme Mass @ 09:30  
**Journey in Faith** 5-6pm                      **Youth group** 7 - 9pm Priory House  
**Family Rota of Prayer** A Family to be arranged – any volunteers? It means taking the Holy Family Statue for a week and praying your own prayers with the children. If anyone needs help see Fr Jonathan

**Monday Church Cleaning** 9am 'A' team  
**Tesco Foodbank collection** 6 pm

**Tuesday Tesco Foodbank collection** 6 pm  
St Anne's 1st confessions

**Wednesday Tesco Foodbank collection** 6 pm

**Thursday Tesco Foodbank collection** 6 pm  
St Mary's 1st confessions 6.30pm

**The First Friday of the month. Mass for the Recently bereaved**  
7.15 pm . All are welcome to share in this Mass.  
**Tesco Foodbank collection** 6 pm

**Saturday Tesco Foodbank collection** 6 pm

**NEXT Sunday The First Sunday of Advent.**  
**Journey in Faith** 5 - 6 pm                      **Youth group** 7-9pm Priory House  
**The Family Rota of Prayer** Boulton family 36 Woodville Street

### **WAY OF LIFE**

A King according to human thinking is a powerful man. The Kings of our modern world are often Presidents, not belonging to a Royal family. The King is powerful in worldly terms because he can bestow favours on those who please him; or not on those who oppose him. Our way of Life gives us power: to bestow Love. This favour is for everyone because Love is never ending. Love makes us kings in THE King.

**REFLECTION:** The King of Love is *my* shepherd and *our* shepherd. He bestows the gift that is worth more than all the money in the world: the gift of Eternal Life to all who Love with the self-same Love that our King is. This gift comes to us already in this world and for ever in the next.

**WORD OF LIFE** *'The greatest among you will be your servant'* Matt 23:11  
Sooner or later this selfless Gospel love kindles the same desire within the heart of our brothers and sisters, renewing relationships in the family, the parish, in workplaces and where people relax, thus laying the foundations for a new society. This is the experience shared by Hermez, a teenager from the Middle East. *'It was Sunday and as soon as I woke up I asked Jesus to help me love all day long. I realised my parents had gone to Mass and I decided to clean and tidy the house. I tried to do everything well, even putting some flowers on the table! Then I prepared breakfast and set the table. When they came back, my parents were surprised and happy, seeing everything I had done. That Sunday, breakfast together was especially happy; we spent time talking about many things and I was able to share many experiences I'd had that week. That small act of love set the tone for a fantastic day!'*

*The Word of Life available in full in front of the piety shop (New City), & the website*

**St. Anne's Christmas Fair** is on Thursday 7th December at 6pm at school. Stalls, games, raffles, refreshments, a visit from Santa and much more. All welcome.

**Christmas Candles** still £5 each please use a multipurpose envelope or your own one. Please state on the envelope what you would like as the intention on the candle. Please hand in asap to help us thank you.

**Christmas Flowers** are paid for by donations so please do as above and mark for Flowers and your intention. Please hand in asap to help us thank you.

**'Canticles' Advent series** A series of 4 talks to *Understand God's plan of salvation more fully and allow your heart to be opened to welcome Jesus in a deeper way this Christmas* begins on Thursday 30th November 7.30pm St Wilfrid's Parish Centre Preston. See poster.