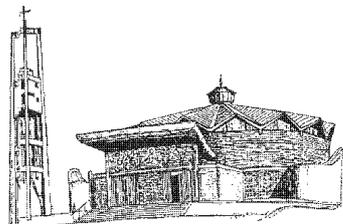


The Year of Faith

OCTOBER 11 2012
OCTOBER 11 2013

Every day is God's gift
to you, and how you live
it is your gift back



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 11th May

Ss Odo, Maieul, Odilo, Hugh & Bl Peter the Venerable
6.00 (Vigil Mass) In thanksgiving (B.M.)

Sunday 12th May The Ascension of the Lord (World Communication day)

10.00 St Mary's and others Confirmations and 1st
Holy Communion / The Parish / Family of Kai
Southworth
4 pm (Extra Mass) E.B.C.

Monday 13th May Dedication of Liverpool Cathedral

9.00 John and Agnes Dandy
12.15 Requiem Mass for and with baby Jackson Aidan Robert
David Clarke-Bullock and mum and dad Lucie and Jack

Tuesday 14th May St Matthias

8.00 (With Schools) Harry Handyside
12.15 Steven Darcy (major operation)
2.00 Crematorium only service for Christine Porter

Wednesday 15th May St Pachomius

9.00 Winnie Cryan's intentions
12.15 William Blore

Thursday 16th May

8.00 (Alverna) Rosanna Rogers-Carrasco
12.15 Mary Peet anniversary

Friday 17th May

9.00 Dorothy Dodd
12.15 Julia Jordan

Saturday 18th May

9.00 Eddie Purcell (1st anniversary)
6.00 (Vigil Mass) Fr Abbot's intentions

Sunday 19th May Pentecost Sunday

10.00 St Anne's / others: Confirmations
and 1st Holy Communions / Baby Jackson
Clarke Bullock & family / Christine Porter RIP
4 pm (Extra Mass) The Parish

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 £611.64 Gift Aid £493.73
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,

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, BROADFIELD DRIVE, LEYLAND

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The Ascension of the Lord 2013

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Theme: Go, make disciples of all the nations

THE PARISH FAMILY PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR

SICK: Sister Meir and Sister Beatrice FMSJ, Catherine Lomas,
Bridget Whelan, Marie Farrer, Tom Watson, Frances Hart,
Margaret Morhpew, Jack Hardwick, Ken Knight, Tommy Bellamy,
Mary Commons, Jenny Campbell, Rita Bleasedale, Martin Glancy,
Pat Clensey, John Mallon, Frank Loftus, Peter Gleave, Gail Kelly,
Baby Holly, Kathleen Walsh, Alan Williams, Mary
Pemberton, Sarah Latham, Dale Zaporowski, Terry
Donnelly, Simon Brown, Sr Susan FMSJ, Jackie Holly,
Len Rice, Frank Calderbank, Kath Heywood, Gerry
Heywood, Georgia Martin, Sandra Parsons, Maree Coan,
Miller girls, Margaret Miller, Tracey Anne Holly, Danny
Bonner, and connected with us, Maura Whitfield, Iain
Murray Gillian Sergeant, Kit Halliwell, Baby Isla Jones,
Michael Morgan, Victor Hill, Sandra Harrison, Ann
Easton, Agnes Salisbury, Jack Madigan, Lilian Heyes,
Rose Marie Foster, Maureen & Andrew Liddell.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR DEPARTED:

Especially Lucy Clarke and Jack Bullock and families
who have lost their baby son Jackson, Christine Porter and Anne-
Marie Thompson (Cath's sister, close friend of Sister Veronica,
who died recently and the following whose anniversaries occur
about this time: Roger Myerscough, Charles David Pemberton,
Eileen Margaret Smith, Michael Delaney, Edith Harrison, John
Barry Crickett, Eddie Purcell and Derek James Bagley.

THIS WEEK Today: The Ascension of the Lord

World Communications Day Prayer (retiring collection)

O God, whose word is truth and in whose light we see light, guide
those who tell the story of our times through word and image.
Make them seekers after truth and advocates of human
dignity. Grant discernment to all who rely on their labours,
and, as we confront the pain and promise of this world,
awaken in us a sense of wonder at your presence and of
longing for your peace, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

Fr. John Meehan leaves us today for his new appointment
at the Blessed Sacrament Shrine in Dawson Street in the
heart of Liverpool (see over)

No Journey in Faith until further notice.

Scout Group No Church Parade Youth Group 7 pm

Family Rota of Prayer: M Jones, 11 Parkgate Drive

Sponsored Duathlon around Rivington. Tim Sullivan
will be taking part to raise money for the children going to
Mariapolis will be in the Narthex after mass.

Monday: Church cleaning 9 am 'B' team

Widows Welcome 7.30 pm **SPUC** Abbot H room 8 pm

Tuesday: Garden Party meeting 7.30 pm

Wednesday: Prayer Group following 9 am Mass

Youth Group to cinema 5.30 pm

CTIL meeting at Leyland Methodist 7.30 pm

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

Saturday: KSC Dinner 7 for 7.30 pm

NEXT SUNDAY: PENTECOST SUNDAY

Mass at 10am (see above) will also be a Youth mass for all young
people. **Youth Group** 7 pm



Many thanks for all the
gifts & cards for his
birthday last week,
Fr. Jonathan



Fr. John Meehan has been with us 18 months and has certainly won the hearts of us all. He has worked hard and joyfully both in the Priory house where we all look after Fr. Theodore; we have help of our staff Lesley in particular and Dom Cullen too, Fr. John has been very reliable and supportive. Fr. John's preaching and his work among the sick has been much appreciated. He is known for his characteristic: walking everywhere, a spin off of Ecuador where for 25 years he did not drive, but walked, rode a horse, or got the bus. We owe him a large debt of gratitude and hope to see him again. He has been influential in the holy journey to God for many of us. He will speak to us this Sunday at the confirmation mass.

The vision for our Parish and the Church. Fr. John's departing helps us take stock of our parish. We are all getting older (Fr. Jonathan reached his 70th last week "our span is seventy years, or eighty if we are strong. And most of these are emptiness and pain. They pass swiftly and then we are gone". Psalm 89) The only future is if we work together and remain united and supportive of God and his ways with each other in the truth of the Gospel; this includes above all mercy towards ourselves, others and those in the body of Christ - the Church, and in society around us. It may mean we will need to call upon help from parishioners, as well as not be able to provide all the masses we have had at present.

Confirmations and First Communions of Year 3 children on Sundays 12th (St. Mary's and others) and 19th May (St. Anne's and others) at a single morning Mass at 10.00 am.

Parking - please come early and park at South Ribble Borough Council on West Paddock. If parking in local roads, only park on one side of the road so emergency vehicles can get through. Nursery Close please park on the wood side of the road.



Confirmations and First Communions happen together for the first time in our Parish as in all parishes in the Archdiocese. May we warmly thank the catechists who have helped us prepare for this great day. The plus side has been the emphasis on parents, the first teachers of the faith, helping their own children: thank you also, parents, grandparents etc. We hope that all families continue to be regular worshipping members of our faith community for the Glory of God and their own good.

High School Confirmations 15 young people from the High School and one from Runshaw College were confirmed at a joyful ceremony on Thursday 9th May. Thanks to all involved. 10 of them were from Poland or Philippines! A great tribute to the welcome they feel in our Church that is communion for all.

The Pastoral Council. Please get a nomination form from Lesley if you wish for a chance to be a Pastoral Council member. At present those who are serving on the PPC and their two year terms is over are willing to continue but others may like to have a go. It is a most useful body in our Parish.

Interested in Religious Life? Young women or men, who might like to explore such a possibility, please ask Fr. Jonathan about the Compass group that would help you.

Our Cemetery - can you spare an hour on Monday nights at 6 pm to help keep our cemetery tidy? Peter Hollinhurst tel 435536

500 CLUB CONGRATULATIONS!

£100 Winner M Fitzpatrick Week 17 No. 224 Agent E Turner

Christian Aid Week envelopes are available - back of Church - for those who wish. Please hand in on the offertory plate.

A big thank you to all who helped in the cause of the Glasgow Midwives who conscientiously objected to being involved in abortion procedures. Particularly the local branch of SPUC would like to thank those who distributed leaflets and to those who baked the delicious cakes for the cake stall and who helped sell them on the day. The two Midwives (Connie & Mary) won their appeal and so you all helped justice being done. Thank you. D Newton - Chairman, S. Ribble Branch of SPUC

Gardens open for charity - 12 Crocus Field, Saturday and Sunday 18th and 19th May 1 - 5 pm

St Ambrose Players present: Oklahoma! Tuesday to Saturday 21st - 25th May. Please see poster.

Garden Party 9th June

We are starting to collect items for the Garden Party stalls, particularly **jewellery** (unwanted gifts, things you don't wear any more) **tombola prizes** (good quality items, unwanted presents), and **good condition toys**. In due course we will be requiring filled jars and good quality bric-a-brac (not jumble). If you can help, please leave items at the Priory House. Thank you. Many new ideas this year: and as before one morning mass at 10.30am

Gardeners - please remember the plant stall when you are sowing seeds and dividing plants. Thank you. K Smith



Can you scare the crows? Don't worry - you don't really need to but we would like you to enter our scarecrow competition at the Garden party The competition is open to all - parish groups, friendship groups, families, individuals. The design and size of your scarecrow is up to you - consider it a great opportunity to tell everyone about you or your group or just to be creative! Bring your scarecrow along on the day. £1 per entry (to cover the cost of a prize)



WORD OF LIFE

Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap (Luke 6:38)

God always reciprocates every gift we give to our neighbours in his name. True Christians experience this very often. And each time it is a surprise. We never get used to the inventiveness of God. I could give you thousands of examples! I could even write a book about it! And you would see how true are the words: 'a good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap.' It shows God's abundance when he reciprocates, his wideness of heart.

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

ASCENSION DAY

One of the principal feast days of the year. The victory is won by Jesus and in Him for us all. ALLELUIA let us rejoice!!!