

**Confessions** Sat 7th March 9.30 - 10 am (S) (or when they end) and 5 - 6 pm (J). Also Confessions at any time. Ring for a mutually convenient time.

Last Sunday: **Offertory Loose Plate £521.82**      **Gift Aid £497.50**  
(CAFOD) **NEPAL £1189.25** and **Lenten Collection £575.25**  
Gift Aid contact **John Baggaley 432683**      **Many thanks for continued generosity!**

**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. We have the rota for watching and we hope it covers much of the week. You are welcome to pop in any time.

**500 CLUB' CONGRATULATIONS TO E Ellison**  
**£100 Winner No 2 Week 18 Agent A Anthony**

**Many thanks to all who bought charity raffle tickets** at the KSC Dinner Dance on May 8th. We raised £330, which the Knights will round up to £400 for our National Action Project, Mary's Meals.



**A Polish Parishioner** is looking to rent a room for a period of time while he is working in Leyland. Is there anyone who would be prepared to help or know of anyone who might be able to help? Please contact Fr. Jonathan

**Spring clean..... where is.....?** Members of the parish pastoral council have been looking at the church environment and would like to improve the look of the notice boards in the Narthex and the ambulatory. We hope to make these spaces less cluttered and more welcoming, but still including all the information that we need.

We have already started with the notice board for photos of baptisms and the recently bereaved which now also incorporates the Way of Life initiative. We hope that you like it and find it clearer.

Over the coming months we will be rearranging some of the forthcoming events notices, community support leaflets and spiritual literature into more easily recognisable places on the boards and on top of the cupboards to the right of the ambulatory. It would be very helpful if all new notices are dated. They can then be moved into the plastic folder/file, for anyone to access.

If anyone has any fantastic ideas or would like to be involved in this little project please have a chat with Sue Mills, Christine Lemmon or Celia Neill.

**Ministers of Holy Communion rota** the new rota is now in the pigeon hole in the sacristy. As the holiday season approaches please try and get cover if you are going to be away. Thank you very much for carrying out this ministry.



New Church 1964 - 2014  
Parish founded 1845

**GOLDEN JUBILEE YEAR FOR ST. MARY'S CHURCH,**  
**BROADFIELD DRIVE, LEYLAND PR25 1PD**

**455955 CHURCH**      **Sr Veronica 424665**

Steve i.c. Youth 07977249636

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

Please put in the reference to the Sunday and the page in book

**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 16th May** 6.00 (Vigil Mass) EBC / Tom Doran recently dead.

**Sunday 17th May** **THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD.**

10.00 1st Holy Communion & Confirmation

St. Anne's Primary School

Extra Mass: 6.00pm In Thanksgiving [J] The Parish

**Monday 18th May** 9.00 Dorothy Dodd

12.15 Eddie Purcell anniv

**Tuesday 19th May** 8.00 (with schools) Katy Phillips

12.15 Gwen Loftus anniv

**Wednesday 20th May** 9.00 Tony Lever

12.15 In thanksgiving for help received

**Thursday 21st May** 8.00 (Alverna) Rose O'Brien

12.15 Martie Horan

**Friday 22nd May** 9.00am NO MASS

11.00 Crematorium service Molly Edens

12.15 For Cousin Margaret's recovery DK

1.00pm Wedding Service Martyn O'Malley and Lisa Hardman

2.00pm Year eleven leavers' Mass in the High School.



Come Holy Spirit  
fill the hearts of  
the faithful

**Saturday 23rd May**

9.00 Frank Cahill

6.00 (Vigil Mass) EBC

**Sunday 24th May** **PENTECOST SUNDAY.**

9.30 The Parish / Sr Angelus Keane's intentions  
/ Molly Edens recently died.

11.00 Monica Knight's intentions



**First Communion**  
I am the bread of life  
Please pray for the  
children receiving  
the sacraments:  
and their families

Flowers on the altar  
this weekend 16/17  
May are in loving  
memory of  
Ken Knight.



**THE PARISH FAMILY** *We congratulate* Martyn O' Malley and Lisa Hardman on their wedding on Friday last.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR SICK** Glenda Kelly, Kevin Tinsley, Mary MacBride, Susan and George Crook, Paul Rhodes, Howard Buffett, Elizabeth Welch, Vincent Rice, Howard Tomlinson (1 Yr old), Dorothy Hunt, Trevor Loring, Philippe Soodeen, Michael Waite, Mary Coan, Eileen Hilliard, Terry Howarth, John Cullen, Baby William (connected with Tony Waidson), Cyril Chester, Allen Withnell, Sister Pauline McDonald RNDM, Jacob Privet (premature baby) Rita Bloomsdale, Ann Hanlon (Dever), Peter Beatty, John Doyle, Anthony Waidson, Marjorie Hart, Joe Burgess, Eileen Whelan, Marjorie Parr, Tracey Simpson, David Drake, Anna Worsfold, Bill Waring, Kath Tomkin, Margaret Watson, Terry Donnelly, Janet Turr, Brian Greenman, Fr Theo, Bethany O'Reilly, Fran Butler, Virginia Stanton, Tony Adamson, Kathleen Walsh, Dale Zaparowski, Jackie Holly, **and connected with us:** Marie Purslow, Gerald Moss, Lily Fitzsimmons, Sharon Seddon, Ryan Walker, Maureen & Andrew Liddell, Patrick Clarke, Peter Bennett, Graham Singleton, Margaret Fox (Ireland), "Michael", Ann Evans, Kay Campbell, Matilda Moffatt (4 years old), and Dave Wilson. *Long-term sick are prayed for each day at mass. Let us know those who you wish to pray for by Thursday*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR DEPARTED:** Especially Sister Maria Connolly RNDM (who did magnificent work in St Catherine's School & the community), Molly Edens who died recently & the following whose anniversaries occur about this time: Edith Harrison, John Crickett, Eddie Purcell, Derek Bagley, Gwendoline Catterall, William Miller, Gwendoline Loftus, Edna Park, John Bamford, Michael Butler, Molly Mayor.

**THIS WEEK Today: The Ascension of the Lord**

**Retiring Collection for the Catholic Communications Network (CCN)** Please pray for those who work in the media, a vital service of the Church.

**Main Ecumenical Service 6.30pm** United Reformed Church in Hough Lane.

**Confirmation and First Holy Communions 10am mass** St Anne's Primary School

**Youth Group 7-9pm Family Rota of Prayer:** Barron family 28 Pasturefield Close.

**Monday 18th Church Cleaning** 9 am 'A' team

**12.00 Noon Christian Unity service** at Turpin Green

**Tuesday: 19th 12.00 Noon Christian Unity service** at Leyland URC

**7.30 pm Garden Party** Planning meeting.

**Wednesday:- 20th 12.00 Noon Christian Unity service** at Midge Hall Methodist

**Thursday:- 21st 12.00 Noon Christian Unity service** at Orthodox Leyland Lane.

**Friday:- 22nd Divine Mercy prayers** 11.00 a m in the Adoration chapel All welcome.

**12.00 Noon Christian Unity service** at St Ambrose (the end of the Week of Prayer)

**NEXT SUNDAY PENTECOST SUNDAY** This day ends the 50 days of celebration after Easter. We have the invitation to grow in our love of the Holy Spirit. Why not ask the Holy Spirit to renew those gifts we received at Confirmation? E.g. Fortitude, Knowledge, and Understanding. Try to learn what these gifts might mean for you.

**WAY OF LIFE Come Holy Spirit,**

Help us to replace the busyness of our lives with a simpler lifestyle so we will focus on "the deeper things" in life and allow time for others.

**WORD OF LIFE** *But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (Eph. 2: 4-5).*

If we have believed in God's love, we too can love in our turn with that love which makes us draw close to every situation of pain and need, that forgives all things, that protects, that knows how to look after the other person. Living in this way we will be able to give witness to God's love and help those we meet discover, that also for them, God is rich in mercy and of great love.

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

**Bidding Prayer Rotas** these are ready for collection from the Sacristy.

**Festival of Scarecrows** at 85 Moss Lane 30th May 11.00 to 4 pm in aid of Help the Heroes more details from the poster.

**Parish Pastoral Council Elections.** The time has come for us to nominate new Pastoral councillors. Those 6 who are retiring may stand again, but new blood is also welcome. Nominations (with a parishioner sponsor) close at 6pm on Sunday 31 May. Please collect a Nomination form off Lesley. Elections are on the 14 June.

**The Knights of St. Columba** again invite you to a **Darts and Trivia Quiz** at their **KSC Club, Fleetwood St. Leyland**. Teams of 3 (or more if numbers dictate), entry £1 per team member, prizes for winning team and best darter and more. Why not come along, have fun, and help raise funds for charitable causes. **8.30pm on Monday 1st June.**

**Leyland Summer Festival Saturday 20 June** Churches together in Leyland are having a float: Meet at King Street Car park 11.15am to walk behind the furniture van. The theme is "Flower Power". Some ideas: Ladies/girls bright flowery dresses or bloused / t shirts and flowery skirts. (Charity shops?) Men/boys, flowery shirts & jeans. Or come as you are and join the fun. The Walk ends at Runshaw College approximately at 1pm. Please contact your CTL rep so we know numbers roughly.

**SUMMER GARDEN PARTY SUNDAY 12 JULY Raffle tickets** are now on sale We are collecting **jewellery, tombola prizes** and **bottles. Plant stall** - thank you for the excellent **plants donated** last year. Please bring any **plant donations** on the day.

**Ampleforth Abbey Orchard Tour 20th August 2015.** An opportunity to visit Ampleforth followed by lunch. Cost £37.50 See poster on board for more details.