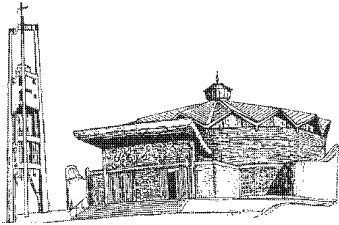


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WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS / VISITORS

Please fill in our new Record Form, or if you move house within the parish please amend a new form.

Saturday 19th May

6.00 (Vigil Mass) The Parish / Eddie Sach

Sunday 20th May Ascension of the Lord

9.30 Wilson family intention / Patricia Hunter
11.00 Fr Abbot's intentions / Fr Benedict Webb OSB / Mike Taylor

Monday 21st May

9.00 Mary Dever
12.15 Gwen Loftus Anniversary
6.30 Confirmations during a liturgy of the Word with Bishop Tom Williams, All are welcome

Tuesday 22nd May

8.00 (With Schools) E. J. Whelan's intentions
12.15 Ken Parker

Wednesday 23rd May

9.00 Elizabeth Powdrill
12.15 Bill family intention

Thursday 24th May

8.00 (In Church) Michael Taylor (AH)
12.15 Requiem Mass for Eddie Purcell

Friday 25th May St Bede the Venerable

9.00 Lily Sheeran
12.15 Joyce Bull 1st Anniversary

Saturday 26th May St Philip Neri

9.00 Gerald Hitchen
11.30 Wedding of David Ainsworth and Tracy Travis
6.00 (Vigil Mass) E.B.C.

Sunday 27th May Pentecost Sunday

9.30 The Parish / Agnes & Cyril Chester's intentions (Youth Mass, see across)
11.00 In thanksgiving Wedding Anniversary / Eddie Purcell

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 £457.86 Gift Aid £634.08 Youth (May collection) £135.72 APF Mill Hill £1091.81 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.

Flowers on the Altar are in loving memory of Douglas Morphew.



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Theme: I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.



THE PARISH FAMILY

BY BAPTISM WE WELCOME:

Harley Daniel Hayden Carey-Massey



PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR SICK Peter Walmsley,

Anthony Calvert, Archbishop Patrick Kelly's sister, Ian Tupling Janet Turner, Pat Edmeads, Connie King, Kathleen Walsh, Marie Johnson, Alan Williams, Mary Pemberton, Sarah Latham, Dale Zaparowski Terry Donnelly, Chris Atkins, Simon Brown, Evie Lawler, Sr Susan FMSJ, Pam Barron, Rex Tootle, Jackie Holly, Len Rice, Maureen Howard, Frank Calderbank, Gerry Heywood, Joe Breen, Georgia Martin, Sandra Parsons, Maree Coan, Miller girls, Margaret Miller, Frances Hart, Rebecca Shanks, Mary Magee, Mary Douglas, Tracey Anne Holly, Danny Bonner, Gerald Ralphs, Graham Halstead, **and connected with us**, John Jennings, Dorothy Hesford, Tony Knight, Mike & Lorraine Bennett, John Little, Theo Ball, Thomas Marsh. **Please tell us those for prayers by Thursday. Long-term sick are prayed for each day at mass.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR DEPARTED: Especially Eddie Purcell who has died recently and the following whose anniversaries occur about this time: Mildred Byrne, William Robert Miller, Gwendoline Loftus, Edna Park, John Bamford, Michael John Butler, Molly Mayor, Francis Knight, Joshua David Gordon White, John Pilkington, Stephen McDonagh, Doris Hall and Joyce Bull.

THIS WEEK Today: Ascension of the Lord World Communications Day. Retiring Collection for all those who work in the media and for the Catholic Communications Network. This year the message is **Silence and the Word**. Please take the card explaining more as you leave Church.

Lourdes Treasurers will be in the Library after 9.30 am Mass today, 20th May
Journey in Faith 5-6pm
Beauty Evening for Girls Youth Group @ 7 pm 50p entrance
Nominations begin for the Pastoral Council
Family Rota of Prayer: Mr & Mrs K Jordan, 5 Parkgate Drive

Monday: Church cleaning 9 am 'A' team
CONFIRMATIONS fifth session 6.30pm

Tuesday: Chess club 6.30 - 7.30 pm
Word of Life 7 pm S.V.P. Abbot H Room 8 pm

Wednesday: Centring (silent) prayer Library 9.30-10.30am all welcome.

Thursday: Scout Leaders Meeting 7.15 pm Abbot H Room
Low Carbon Meeting 7.30 pm
Festival of talents Meeting 7.30 pm (see over)

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

NEXT SUNDAY: Pentecost Sunday
Youth Mass at 9.30am on this birthday of the Church for & by our young people.
Confirmation candidates and their families of all ages are especially welcome. High School & our Youth group are combining for this joyful mass.



Confirmations so far have been a grace and blessing for all who have been present, and for the whole Church. Thank you for the great support and prayer and please keep this up. Bishop Tom comments that the evident joy we experience is because "it is family". May we grow to understand the transforming power of the Holy Spirit who can turn all that is dark into light if we let Him. Next Confirmations: Monday 21st.

A big thank you to all who have helped in confirmations. This year they have been a "one off" and things will be new next year. We would like to invite all the catechists, hospitality people, musicians, servers or helpers to join us in the library on **Wednesday 30th May** for a thank you celebration with some eats and drinks. All has been blessed by God so far and we hope for the final two sessions: we rejoice. *Please let us know if you can come* because we need numbers for catering purposes.

Book Stall - we would like to thank all those who donate books. Please leave them in a plastic bag near the 'new arrivals'. These are date stamped to make sure the books are not left on the shelves too long. The money donated goes towards the cost of petrol to run the Furniture Scheme Van.



Rosary Beads - if anyone has spare rosary beads for Wymott, please hand into the Priory marked 'Rosary for Wymott'. Thank you.



Festival of Talents 2012 - anyone interested in displaying their crafts, hobbies or pastimes please come to the meeting on **24th May** at 7.30 pm in the Library.



Knit and Natter - please note that the next meeting has been postponed to **12th June** in the Library.

Forthcoming Events

Queen's Jubilee Fr. Jonathan proposes to send a message from the Parish Priest and those parishioners who wish to sign the message congratulating the Queen on her Diamond Jubilee. Sign the list in the Narthex. The message is:



Your Majesty, we wish to send you greetings and congratulations on your Diamond Jubilee. Be sure of our prayers for our country, and for you and your family in these difficult times. From St. Mary's Catholic Parish Leyland served from Ampleforth Abbey. Fr. Jonathan Cotton OSB and (the number of) parishioners

Cartmel Races Bank Holiday Monday 4 June
Parish day out - Mass at Cartmel Priory c. 11.30am. Prices: Coach Adults and seniors £8 per person, coach child £3. Racecourse prices adult £10 senior £8 under 16 years free. Please book and pay by 20th May at the latest. Gather in the Piazza at 9.45am for prompt departure. Return probably between 20.30 & 21.30. **We need approx another 15 people to join us to make the trip viable. Without these the trip will have to be cancelled.** Please pay Barrie Cox or Lesley after mass TODAY.



Be Busy for over 55's - summer planting in baskets/containers in the Priory Club, Thursday **7th June** 2 - 4 pm. See poster.

500 CLUB CONGRATULATIONS!

£100 Winner B Newby Week 18 No. 11 Agent A Anthony

Gospel Truth - A series of monthly talks to challenge and inspire us with the promises of the Gospel continues Thursday **7th June** with Fr Chris Loughran and Thursday **5th July** with Barbara Mason. More info on poster on the Notice Board or contact Joe/Ruth on 07957 566741 www.metanoiaproject.co.uk

Ampleforth Retreat 15-17 June with our Fr. Stephen OSB. The focus is on the deeper journey that the 2nd Vatican Council called for and the new sending of the Holy Spirit associated with it. See the boards and get a booking form. Cost £115.00

Last Night of the Proms - St Gerard's Parochial Centre, Lostock Hall on **15th June** at 7.30 pm. Please see poster.

Churches Together in Leyland - the concert trio 'IN VOICE AND VERSE' is coming to St Andrew's Church on Saturday **16th June** at 7.30 pm. Please see poster for details.

Armed Forces Veterans Day - Parade outside SRBC offices at 10 am on Monday **25th June**. Refreshments afterwards.

Holy Land Get Together Friday 29th June 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. The Parish paid for Fr. Jonathan to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in March. It was an experience never to be forgotten, and at last we can offer a chance to share that experience with some of the 24 pilgrims and any friends or parishioners who would like to come. Slides, sharing of what happened, some food and drink. It should be a special event. No charge but there will be a donation box to cover expenses, and some fun money raising events.



'Charity Race Night' will be on **6th July** at St Mary's Priory Club, Leyland. If anyone would like to buy a horse & name a Jockey for it @ £5 - let Mark Todd know. Great fun for all!

Hope Together Serve our City This initiative is linked to Preston Guild: and promoted by Evangelical Churches which are excellent in helping in the community. We are hoping to have helpers who can give a few or more hours on **10-14 July** with others on projects that are already identified. Tim Sullivan is happy to co-ordinate a group of our parishioners: explanatory leaflets are on the board.

Mariapolis takes place **23-27 July** at Leicester University. Anyone interested find one in the Narthex: ideal few days to have a break and grow in love and unity in good company. See any Parishioner who has gone before to explain more or Lesley or Fr. Jonathan who can supply booking forms.

WORD OF LIFE

I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! (Luke 12:49)

Love is like a fire. What matters is that it stays alight. And for a fire to stay alight it must always burn something. First of all it must burn up our egoistic self, and it does this because, by loving, we are fully directed towards the other; either towards God, by doing his will, or towards our neighbours, by helping them. Even a small fire, if it's fed, can become a huge blaze. It can become the blaze of that love, peace and universal fraternity which Jesus brought on earth.

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