

Confessions (Saturday 23 July) 9.30 - 10 am (J) (or when they end) and 5 - 6 pm (S). Also Confessions at any time. Ring for a mutually convenient time.

Last Sunday: 10/7 **Offertory Loose Plate £445.02**

Gift Aid £476.58

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WELCOME TO VISITORS / NEW

PARISHIONERS Please fill in our new Record

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.

500 CLUB' CONGRATULATIONS TO P Rogers

£100 Winner no 31 Week 27 Agent L Raven

The High School Good news is to be seen at <http://www.lsmchs.com/new-site/> from the High School on its Website. Our High School is out of Special Measures and is stated to be good: Leadership and Management, Behaviour and Safety of Pupils, Quality of Teaching, and Achievement of Pupils are all good. Mr Mooney and the Leadership team are aware that there is room for improvement - that is the aim. On behalf of the Parishioners Fr. Jonathan has been in touch with the Heads and deputies to congratulate them. We also congratulate the Governors, the LEA & the Liverpool education department, the teachers, the staff of every kind, the chaplain, the pupils, the parents and all involved in this great achievement. God willing and in thanksgiving and humility we can hold our heads up high as we have done throughout the difficult times preceding, and share the joy of having good Catholic schools in Leyland at the Primary and Secondary level. It is good to remind ourselves that Catholic Schools are considered a part of the Catholic Church where Christ is present.

A Reflection The recent years in our High School have been difficult ones for many people with suffering and anguish. With the help of God's grace and support from experts in education, the School has greatly improved. A new era begins. This can also happen in our personal lives. We can turn the corner of great suffering and be ready to move ahead by God's grace and the help of others. Move forward, forgive, and forget.

Mariapolis in Liverpool (organised by the Focolare Movement) **Friday 29 July to Sunday 31 July.** Anybody can come for a day visit to Hope University, Taggart Avenue, Liverpool, L16 9JD An exciting development is that a group is coming from Norway who will introduce the theme "Unity and Mercy" on Friday morning (start 09.30). On Saturday the theme is Unity and Suffering.. What the Church says about the Holy Spirit working in our times today may be of interest to others: God does not desert us even in today's challenges facing the Church. You will find an addition to the bulletin which gives the Church's view about the role of the Holy Spirit on the website as well, and the programme of the Mariapolis if you want to come as a day visitor

MASS TIMINGS

CONGRATULATIONS FR STEPHEN 50 years of priesthood

Please collect a Pastoral letter from Archbishop Malcolm

McMahon at the end of mass.

Saturday 16th July

6.00 (Vigil Mass) Newton/Perry family intentions

Sunday 17th July 16th in ordinary time

9.30 EBC / Fr Stephen's ints

11.00 The Parish

Monday 18th July

9.00 Flo Richards

12.15 Tony Marshall's ints

Tuesday 19th July

7.50 (with schools) Brendan Agnew B'day remem

NB 11.00 End of Term High School Mass. (No 12.15 Mass)

Wednesday 20th July 9.00 Muriel Blundell

12.15 Frank Calderbank B'day remembrance

Thursday 21st July 8.00 (In church) Patrick Haughey sick

10.00 Funeral Service Jason Head.

12.15 Vera Thompson RIP

Friday 22nd July 9.00 Alan Siddall

12.15 Win Sankey (anniversary)

Saturday 23rd July 9.00 Jeff Shaw

6.00 (Vigil Mass) The Parish

Sunday 24th July 17th in ordinary time.

9.30 Mark Craven's intentions



The Flower arrangement on the altar celebrate Fr Stephen's Golden Jubilee of the Priesthood

Jesus said: "Martha, Martha you worry about so many things, and yet few are needed. Only one."

One of the disciples said to Jesus: "Lord teach us to pray". Jesus said: "Say this when you pray: Father, may your name be held holy, your kingdom come; give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us. And do not put us to the test."

11.00 EBC / Jason Head recently dead.

THE PARISH FAMILY PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR SICK Mark Craven, Pauline Robinson, Margaret Pollard, Tony Rogerson, Gordon Miller, Janice Wardley, Graham Dunn, Marcella Adams, Tony Scott, Tom Halliwell, Louise McNulty, June Embery, Baby Abigail Bowman – miracle needed, Elizabeth Thackray, Terry Kerrigan, Grace Fernando (HS Year 8), Peter Blackwell, Catherine Breen, Anne Smith, Natalie Whelan, Janet Turner, Glenda Kelly, Paul Rhodes, Howard Buffett, Howard Tomlinson (1 Yr. old), Dorothy Hunt, Michael Waite, Eileen Hilliard, Baby William (connected with Tony Waidson), Allen Withnell, Jacob Privet (premature baby) Rita Bloomsdale, Ann Hanlon (Dever), Peter Beatty, Marjorie Hart, Eileen Whelan, Marjorie Parr, Tracey Simpson, Fr Theo, Bethany O'Reilly, and connected with us: Paul Beck, Catherine Walker, Robin Shaw, Joyce Lamomby, Marie Purslow snr and jnr, Christopher Proby, Heather Conde, Peter Richard Proctor, Helen Sweeney, Mary Williams, Clare Hall, Mr and Ellen Kendall, Anthony Dailly.

Long-term sick are prayed for each day at mass. Let us know those who you wish

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR DEPARTED: Especially Bill Waring and Jason Head who died recently and the following whose anniversaries occur about this time Bob Gornall, Michael Smith, Peggy Williams, Francis Kirkman, Mary McDonald, David Smith, Jason Edmondson, Sarah Cullen, Gwenda Bibby, Pat Bibby, Michael Parkinson, Stephen Blakeley, Brian Jackson, Peggy Ribchester, Joseph McDonnell, Thomas Derbyshire, William Hunt, Pat Edmeads, Teresa Stanton, Winifred Martland, Margaret Helm and Josephine McDonald.

THIS WEEK Today: 16th in Ordinary time

Lourdes Liverpool Pilgrimage Leyland youth will be in Lourdes this week: please hand in prayers today. 4.30pm at St Anne's Ormskirk: Mass with our area youth

Family Rota of Prayer: Lancaster family 46 Westgate.

Youth Group 7-9pm

Monday: Church cleaning 9.00am 'B' team

Thursday: Ministers of Eucharist important meeting. 7.30pm in Church.

Friday: - Divine Mercy prayers 11.00am in the Adoration chapel everyone welcome.

NEXT SUNDAY 24th July 7.00 pm Spiritual Journey in the Blessed Sac Chapel.

Family Rota of Prayer: Barron family 28 Pasturefield Close.

Tom Lancaster and Lee Sullivan successfully complete a coast to coast bike ride called "The Way of the Roses" two weeks ago. It was challenging at times but very rewarding. We would like to thank you all for your support in sponsoring us. We will be outside Church for the next couple of weeks to collect our remaining sponsorship money. WELL DONE TOM AND LEE. It is a mighty feat to do what you have done!

WAY OF LIFE Pope Francis' said: Jesus is the path! To press forward in faith, to advance in the spiritual pilgrimage which is faith, is nothing other than to follow Jesus; to listen to Him and to be guided by His words; to see how He acts and to follow in His footsteps; to have His same sentiments.

And what are these sentiments of Jesus? Humility, mercy, closeness to others, but also a firm rejection of hypocrisy, duplicity and idolatry. The way of Jesus is the way of a love which is faithful to the end, even unto sacrificing one's life; it is the way of the Cross.

Reflection: Reflect on the sentiments of Jesus – humility, mercy, and closeness to others. / In which of these areas do you need to grow? / Where do hypocrisy, duplicity, and idolatry hold you back?

WORD OF LIFE 'Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you (Eph 4:32) Wanting the good of one another, the Word of Life teaches us, means following the path of mercy, ready to forgive one another every time we slip up. Talking of this, Chiara Lubich tells us about the experience at the beginning of her new Christian community (Focolare Movement). In order to put Jesus's command into practice, she and her first companions made a pact of mutual love. And yet, despite this, 'especially in the early times it was not always easy for a group of girls to live the love radically. We were people like anyone else, even if we were sustained by a special gift of God and, among us, on our relationships, dust could gather and unity could weaken. This is what happened, for example, when we realized the shortcomings, the imperfections, of the others and we judged them, so that the current of mutual love grew cold.'

'In reaction to this situation one day we thought would make pact among us that we called the "pact of mercy". We decided every morning to see each neighbour we met – in our Focolare house, at school, at work and so on – as new, as really new, without remembering at all the other's flaws, the other's defects, but covering everything with love. It was a matter of meeting everyone with this complete amnesty in our hearts, with this universal pardon. It was a powerful commitment, taken by all of us together, that helped us always to be the first in loving in imitation of God who is merciful, who forgives and forgets.' A pact of mercy! Could not this be a way of growing in kindness? *Fabio Ciardi The full text by the Piety Shop & in New City or website.*

Liverpool Lourdes Pilgrimage departs this week. The Youth from Lancashire leave this year from Parbold on Thursday next: 21 July: mass at 8.00am. The adult pilgrims travel by air: leave on Friday. Each day there are Prayer intentions, and certainly we can receive the graces God wants to give through our Lady by joining in. Sheets in the Narthex. for those who wish to unite their prayers with our pilgrims.

Ministers of the Eucharist Thursday 21 July 7.30pm: please gather in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel for our important meeting to move forward and improve our service to the Parishioners with dignity and love.

MAY ALL ENJOY A GOOD HOLIDAY - THOSE WHO CAN GET AWAY AND THOSE WHO CANNOT. SCHOOLS CLOSE THIS NEXT WEEK AND SOME STUDENTS MOVE ON TO DIFFERENT SCHOOLS. MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND HELP YOU. THANK YOU TO ALL TEACHERS AND STAFF IN OUR SCHOOLS FOR ALL THEY DO FOR OUR PARISHIONERS. MAY GOD BLESS US ALL IN THIS NEXT SUMMER PERIOD AS WE MOVE FORWARD ALSO AS A COUNTRY IN A NEW SITUATION.