Parish of Saint Mary, Leyland

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Parish Office Hours: Mon to Fri: 9:30am – 12 noon

Safeguarding: Contact Lesley Raven or John Mills via the Parish Office or in an emergency ring 999

Schools: St Mary's High 01772 421909, St Anne's Primary 01772 422769, St Mary's Primary 01772 422431

Community Centre: www.stmaryscentre.net & email: smccb21@gmail.com

THIS WEEKEND: 3	3 RD SUNDAY ORD	DINARY TIME - Year B 16 TH /17 TH NOVEMBER 2024			
Saturday 16 th November	17.00-17.45 18.00	Exposition and Confessions Brenda Pickup (birthday remembrance) / Di Burke (anniversary)/ Parishioners / Holy Souls			
Sunday 17 th Nov Baptism Presentation	10.00	David Boast (1st anniversary) / Ken Holmes (anniversary) / Matthew Cox and family			
Monday 18 th Nov	10.00 19.00	Helen Holden intentions / Thanksgiving for prayers answered Memorial Service: Recently deceased family and friends			
Tuesday 19 th Nov	10.00	Holy Souls			
Wed 20 th Nov	10.00	Tracy Steventon (anniversary) / Michael Taylor (RIP)			
Thursday 21 st Nov Presentation of BVM	10.00	Holy Souls / Helen Jones (sick) / Fahey family (anniversary)			
Friday 22 nd Nov		NO MASS			
NEXT WEEKEND: FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING -Year B					
Saturday 23 rd	17.00-17.45	Exposition and Confessions			
November	18.00	Allan Turner (birthday remembrance) / Angela Russell (RIP) / John Dodd (anniversary)			
Sunday 24 th Nov Children's Mass & 1 st	10.00	Damian Cox (RIP) / Margaret Anthony (anniv) / Deceased Catenians / Parishioners / Holy Souls			
Communion Enrolment	12.00	Baptisms			

Offertory Collection £416.81 Standing Orders £682.00

<u>Donations to the Parish</u> Go to https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/st-mary-leyland <u>Gift Aid</u> For information contact John Baggaley 07763 423230.

Thank you to those taxpayers who do Gift Aid. Please use an envelope unless you have a Direct Debit.

Week 46 **300 CLUB** - Congratulations! C Raven (No.156) Agent: L Raven If you would like to become a member or have another number, please contact E Jackson 07902 098798

<u>Communion for the Sick:</u> <u>The Congregation says</u>: May this sacrament unite them with Christ and his Church and give them consolation and peace.

Parish Prayer:

We believe in God the Father who gave us a world to share in friendship, equality and peace. We believe in Jesus Christ, living, suffering, dying and rising – the life force in the whole of creation. We believe in the Holy Spirit who calls us to listen to each other in love, faith and trust as brothers and sisters in Christ. Amen.

<u>PLEASE pray for all the departed:</u> Fr Alf Parker (Lancaster Diocese), Fr Dunstan Harrington, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Roy Stankard, Jason John McCue, Joseph McAleer, Ellen Ogden, Marie Louise Nelson and Margaret Anthony.

<u>PLEASE pray for the sick:</u> Matthew Cox, Helen Jones, Kathleen Smith, Cuthbert Culshaw, Maggie Halliwell, Anthony Dempsey, Patrick Cahill, Maurice Green, Kathryn Boulton, Terry & Ann Smith, Edward 'Roy' Thompson. *To add a name*, "Sick List" forms are available at the back of church.

<u>Safeguarding Volunteer Checks:</u> Parish volunteers who need DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) certificates are <u>all</u> Eucharistic Ministers, senior Altar Servers, Catechists, and Little Church volunteers, whose DBS is over 3 years old need a recheck now. A clinic will be held on Sunday 17th November after the 10am Mass, by the Parish Safeguarding Officers Lesley Raven and John Mills. Forms will be there for you to complete. Please note that three pieces of ID are needed. Please contact the Safeguarding Officers or the parish office to check which documents are suitable.



<u>Assisted Dying Bill:</u> Please fill in and post the card to our MP, Paul Foster, asking him to vote against the Assisted Dying Bill. You will need to put his name in the blank space and affix a standard letter postage stamp.

<u>Tesco foodbank collection:</u> Thursday 28th, Friday 29th, & Saturday 30th November 10.00-18.00. Slots available from 1 hour to all day! Giving out leaflets and encouraging shoppers to donate food and thanking those that do. If you can help, please contact <u>leylandfoodbank@svpleyland.org</u> under subject **'foodbank volunteer'**, with details of your availability.

<u>Christmas Fair:</u> Saturday 30th November 11am -1pm We are now collecting unwanted gifts, bottles, chocolates, Christmas gifts and nearly new toys. Also cake ingredients for cake baking. All donations can be left in the box in the Narthex (NO bric a brac). Raffle tickets for the main draw now on sale.

Advent Service of Light: We will come together as a Family of Parishes to begin our journey through Advent with a simple Service of Light at 4.00pm on Sunday, 1st December in St Mary's church, Leyland. The service will be led by Deacon Bill McMahon of St Oswald's Parish and will last no more than 30 minutes. Afterwards, refreshments will be served in the narthex.

Paschal candlestick: When our church was consecrated in 1964, the reliquary of St Benedict, the tabernacle, altar candlesticks, and paschal candlestick were made by the artist and designer Robin Mc Ghie (1922-2012). At some point over the years, the original brass and wrought iron paschal candlestick has been lost – a great tragedy for our parish. Although two replacement ones have been fashioned out of oak, they are not in keeping with the vision of the artist who designed the metalwork in our church. Fortunately, an archdiocesan parish has an old paschal candlestick that is very similar to our original and we have done a swap with our two oak ones. Hopefully this refurbished replacement will be by the baptismal font in the next couple of weeks.

<u>Parish Readers' Meeting:</u> All parish readers are invited to a meeting in the Parish Office at **7.00pm** on **Tuesday, 26th November**. Please make every effort to attend.

<u>November Pious List:</u> If you wish to have Mass said for your deceased relatives and friends during November, the month of the Holy Souls, Pious List envelopes are available at the back of church. Mass will be said for the Holy Souls three times a week.

<u>How to become a Catholic</u>: Our Family of Parishes has organised a course for those who wish to become Catholics. The sessions will be in the Romero Room, St Teresa's Church, Penwortham PR1 0DS on the following Wednesdays: 20th, 27th November; 4th December; 15th, 22nd, 29th January; 5th, 12th, 26th February; 12th, 19th, 26th March; 2nd, 9th April.

Dates for your diary:

Wednesdays: Warm Space in the Community Centre 11am to 2pm.

This weekend 16th & 17th November: Collection after Mass for St Vincent de Paul Society.

Monday, 18th Nov: 7pm Memorial Service in church, for those who have died in the past twelve months.

Tuesday, 19th November: First Communion parents' meeting at 6.00pm in church.

Thursday, 21st November: High School Presentation Evening. 6.00pm in church.

Tuesday, 26th November: Readers' meeting at 7.00pm in Parish Office

Sunday, 24th November: Sacramental Programme Enrolment Mass. 10.00am.

Saturday, 30th November: Parish Christmas Fayre. Community Centre 11.00am – 1.00pm.

Weekend of 30th November/1st December: Introduction of the new translation of the Scripture Readings in the Lectionary.

Tuesday, 3rd December: First Reconciliation Service. 6.00pm in church. **Saturday, 21st December:** Children's Nativity Play. 11.00 am in church.