



Newsletter

4th Week of Advent –22nd December 2025

ADVENT MUSIC

Priest (spoken invocation)

Cantor: Kyrie, eleison.

All: Kyrie, eleison.

Priest (spoken invocation)

Cantor: Christe, eleison.

All: Christe, eleison.

Priest (spoken invocation)

Cantor: Kyrie, eleison.

All: Kyrie, eleison.

(Kyrie, eleison. Is Greek for Lord have mercy and Christe, eleison means Christ have mercy.)

As we light the first Advent candle we sing.

Christmas is coming, the Church is glad to sing and let the

Advent candles brightly burn in a ring.

Advent Children's Liturgy of the Word Dismissal Song.

Please all join in as the children leave:

We are marching in the light of God,

We are marching in the light of God. (x2)

We are marching, we marching, whooo!

We are marching, in the light of God. (x2)

Sanctus: Mass of Christ our Saviour.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full are full of your glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes. Who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Memorial Acclamation:

Save us, save us, saviour of the world, for by your cross and resurrection, you have set us free.

NOTICES

Parish Office: Re-opens on Tue 7th Jan.

Living Faith Books: Daily Devotion for January, February, March. We sell these at cost from the Piety Shop, available this weekend. They are a great way to spend 5 minutes with God each day. Also a great gift for someone.

Consultation on new Archbishop: You are invited to contribute to this process of appointing the new Archbishop of Liverpool.

Thursday 16th January 2025 at St Mary's Leyland, PR25 1PD

(7.00pm – 9.30pm) OR

Saturday 18th January 2025 at St Margaret Clitherow Centre, L17 1AA (10.30am - 1.00pm)

To reserve a place at one of the meetings please fill in the online form in the link below: [bit.ly/ASCMeetingAOL](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89983555285?pwd=GbHwdzCo42YoaRMvllq8GgZBz5M5NW.1)

If you are unable to take part in person, but would like to take part in the Saturday meeting by Zoom, please follow the link below on

Saturday 18th January at 10.30am:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89983555285?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89983555285?pwd=GbHwdzCo42YoaRMvllq8GgZBz5M5NW.1)

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God Speaks: Saturday 18th January 2025 10.30am - 3.30pm, St Edward's Church, Runcorn. This day is being led by Jordan Kelly, many people will remember him from the Ignite Day. Music will be provided by Joe Wells of One Hope Project, who also led the music at the Ignite Day. Lunch is provided. We can arrange lifts from the parish. If you would like to go email ola@rcaol.org.uk

WhatsApp: In January we are going to re-launch the WhatsApp groups for each Mass community. The WhatsApp groups help people be connected with one another, to pray for others when a need arises and of encouraging one another. Watch this space.

Praying about worship in the parish: Blessed Sacrament Chapel or online Friday 17th Jan 7pm to 7.30pm, Friday 24th Jan 7pm-7.30pm, Fri 31st Jan 7-7.30pm. Worship is central to our parish life, particularly the Sunday Eucharist. Rather than making this about us and our desires or preferences we want to pray about how God is calling us to have a heart for worship and prayer. Please contact the parish office for a link if you are joining on-line.

Holy Year Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi

Mon 13th-20th Oct 2025 £1350 two people sharing. £1,635 single room. Deposit to secure your place £300 made payable to Our Lady of the Assumption or make a bank transfer (please let the Parish Office know that you have done this). Deposit due Friday 10th Jan. Make this unique pilgrimage during the Holy Year. Friends and family welcome!

Day 1: Visit St Peter's and walk through the Holy Door.

Day 2: Visit St Paul Outside the Walls and Mass at the English College.

Day 3: Papal Audience and visit St Mary Major.

Day 4: Visit Piazza Navona, Pantheon, Church of the Gesu & Mass.

Day 5: Explore St John Lateran, the Cathedral of Rome and leave for Assisi

Day 6: Pray in the Basilicas of St Francis and St Clare and tomb of Blessed Carlos Acutis

Day 7: Explore Santa Maria degli Angeli and the Porziuncola.

Day 8: Last morning in Assisi and flight back home.

Booking Form at back of Church and on parish website. To register interest contact Clare O'Brien clare@tentenresources.co.uk

Flame 15th March Wembley Arena.: Flame is the largest Catholic Youth Event in the country, with 10,000 young people attending the event at Wembley Arena. More details of the event can be found at cymfed.org.uk/flame. A coach will leave from Lowe House, St Helens and return on the same day. Tickets and travel £60. This is open for those Yr 8 and above. We would love some of the young people from the parish to go. Please speak to Fr Stephen

CHRISTMAS

Mass Times:

Christmas Eve: Mass for Children & Families 5.30pm

Christmas Eve: Candlelit Carols & Readings 8.30pm

followed by Sung Mass 9pm.

Nativity of the Lord: Mass 10.30am

Decorating Church: Sunday 22nd 12noon-1pm. A Team of people are needed to decorate the Church for Christmas.

This is a wonderful opportunity to come together and make the church look amazing for the Christmas season.

Please sign up at the back of church to help. Let us make Church look special for all those who will come.

EPIPHANY

New Year Celebration: Mass 12noon Wednesday 1st January followed by prosecco, drinks and food. All Welcome!

Epiphany: Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th January. Christmastide is a number of feasts that includes the Nativity, the Epiphany and the Baptism of the Lord. At these Epiphany Masses all the children are welcome to come dressed up as Kings. We will have the blessing of the Church and also the blessing cards for your homes 20*CMB+25.

Epiphany: International Celebration: The Magi came from different countries to worship the infant Jesus. At Jesus' birth the Gospel writers make clear that the Messiah's role is gather the scattered people's of the earth to worship God. We are blest in this parish to have people from different nations, different cultures and different languages. Perhaps in our Masses parts could be in different languages or other cultural contribution and dress? After each Mass share some food together from different countries, regions and cultures.

CHRISTMAS MASS INTENTIONS

Isi Airauhi, Andrew Airauhi, Daniel Airauhi, Eunice Austin, Bob Austin, Hannah Baldwin, Sarah Bowers, Margaret Carter, Ted Carter, Laurence D'Annunzio, Frances D'Annunzio, Dorothy Dean, Juliette Doman, Peggy Doman, Pip Doman, Ula Dukek, William Ellis, Margaret Ellis, Jarvis Family, Higgins Family, Carden Family, Ness Family, Silcock Family, Abayomi Family, Rushambuza Family, Mitchell Family, Abrams Family, Fraser Family, Carline Family, Taylor Family, Williams Family, Sang Family, Doyle Family, McLaren Family, Kay Family, Clarke, Family, Balchin Family, Lynch Family, Allen Family, Brian Farrell, Mary Fenner, Collette Gerrard, Winifred Gerrard, Gloria Gerrard, Bernie Harrison, Ava Harrison, Carole Hart, C. Paul Hazlewood, Tracey J Hazlewood, Margaret Higgins, Jo Jarvis, Mark Jarvis, John Paul Kenna, Christina Keyes, Mary Lynch, Trichia Lynch, Linda Mary Madden, James Madden, Jack Marsh, Josie Marsh, Tricia McCoy, Arthur McCoy, Cathy McNeilis, Tony McNeilis, Sally McNulty, John McNulty, Lily Murphy, Jimmy Murphy, Bernadette Ness, Gerald Omar, Joan Omar, Bernadette Pinder, Maureen Powell, Fr Stephen Pritchard, Peter Quinn, Ann Regan, William Conde Thomas Anthony Reid, Catherine Roughley, Catherine Ruddy, James Ruddy, Carl Russell, Michael Scott, William South, Collette Szymazck, Brenda Thistlewaite, Elizabeth P Tucker, Daisy Walker, Michael Wilkes, Arthur Williams, Michael Junior Williams, Michael Williams, Sr Virginia, Sr Mary, Sr Gabriella, Sr Gregoria, Sr Christabel, Sr Mary Lou, Emma & Eva, Reg & Sylvia, Rosemary Shelia Barrett, Mary Emily Barton, Michael Brant, Bernard Brown, Joan Butler, Nancy Conde, Maureen Elizabeth Campbell, Mary Jane Carter, Marie Comer, Dilys Connolly, Eleanor De Beaufort, John Joseph Disley,

How to give support to God's Mission through the Parish

On-Line: Scan the QR

Text:

Text OLA to 70450 to donate £3.

Text OLA to 70460 to donate £5.

Text OLA to 70470 to donate £10.

Standing Order:

Forms at the back of church and on website.



Weekly Collections

15th December 2024

Envelopes & Cash: £515.32

S/O online: £908.00

TOTAL: £1423.32

THANK YOU!

Margaret Dunne, John Charles Fenerty-Loughnane, William Gill, Rosemary Agnes Gower, Teresa Grue, Arthur Jones, Edna May Kearney, Valerie Lightbody, Anthony Joseph McNeilis, Sheila Moreland, Thomas Maynard Owen, Marie Randals, Mary Catherine Ringwood, Florence Roberts, Patricia Roberts, Rose Ann Skeland, Elizabeth Tucker, William Williams, Maureen Pritchard, Peter Jennings

Parish Liturgy and Activities for the Week

| Date / Time | Intention | Parish Events |
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| Saturday 21st Dec 12:00noon 4th Week of Advent 5:00pm | The Mass Guild Tom Hayes | 10:00am: Christmas Choir Practice 11:30am-11:55am: Confessions & Exposition 12:30pm: Tea/Coffee after Mass |
| Sunday 22nd Dec 9:30am 11:00am | People of the Parish WM Jones and Mary Jones RIP | 12:00noon: Decorating the Church! 12:00noon: Tea/Coffee after Mass |
| Monday 23rd Dec | | 11:00am : Choir Practice (in Church) 12:00noon: Mass at Bishop Eton |
| Tuesday 24th Dec Christmas Eve Family Mass 5:30pm Sung Nativity Mass 9pm | SOLEMNITY OF THE NAVITY OF THE LORD Christmas Mass Intentions Christmas Mass Intentions | 8:30pm: Carols by Candlelight |
| Wednesday 25th Dec Christmas Day Sung Christmas Mass 10:30am | Christmas Mass Intentions | |
| Thursday 26th Dec | | 9:00am: Mass at Christ The King |
| Friday 27th Dec 12:00noon | Anthony Brannigan | |
| Saturday 28th Dec Mass 12:00noon FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY 5:00pm | Patricia Roberts Birthday Remembrance John Fenerty- Loughnane RIP | |
| Sunday 29th Dec 9:30am 11:00am | Ellen Gribben People of the Parish | 12:00noon: Tea/Coffee after Mass |
| Monday 30th Dec | | 12:00noon: Mass at Bishop Eton |
| Tuesday 31st Dec | | 9:00am: Mass at Christ The King |
| Wednesday 1st Jan 12:00noon | Elaine Stewart & Family | 12:30pm: New Year's Celebration |
| Thursday 2nd Jan 9:30am | Funeral Mass for Collette Barry | 7:30pm: AA Meeting (Romero Room) |
| Friday 3rd Jan 12:00noon | Tony McNeilis RIP | |
| Saturday 4th Jan 12:00noon Epiphany Vigil Mass 5:00pm | Albert Parker RIP THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD Stephen Whitty | 11:30am-11:55am: Confessions & Exposition |
| Sunday 5th Jan Epiphany Family Mass 9:30am Epiphany Family Mass 11:00am | Peter Jennings RIP People of the Parish | 10:30am: Tea/Coffee after Mass 12:30pm: Tea/Coffee after Mass |

We pray for all those enrolled in the Mass Guild: Christine Furlong, Marie Riley

Monday: Well Lane Tuesday: Westbrook Road Wednesday: Wheatear Close Thursday: Widmore Road Friday: Winnipeg Drive Saturday: Childwall Residents Association Monday: Winrith Road Tuesday: Wood Lane Wednesday: Woodgate Thursday: Woodlee Friday: Zenith Walk Road Saturday: Childwall EMB

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