



NEWSLETTER
ST PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
 CLIFTON STREET, LYTHAM, FY8 5EP
 Parish Website www.stpeterslytham.co.uk



FOR
Sunday 11th April 2021, 2nd Sunday of Easter - Year 'B'
Priest in Charge: Rev David Burns - 01253 737037
Deacons: Rev Michael Harrison - 01253 730508 & Rev William Riley (Retired)

<i>Day & Date</i>	<i>Mass Intention</i>	<i>Mass details</i>
Sunday 11th April (<i>Day of Divine Mercy</i>)	The Parish	Public Mass 10.30am
Monday 12th April	No Mass	-
Tuesday 13th April	St. Joseph's Intention	Private Mass
Wednesday 14th April	William Holland (Ann)	Public Mass 9.00am.
Thursday 15th April	Mary O'Brien	Private Mass
Friday 16th April	St. Joseph's Intention	Private Mass
Saturday 17th April	Intentions of Eileen Illingworth	Private Mass
Sunday 18th April	People of the Parish	Public Mass 10.30am

St Joseph's Mass details:
 Sunday (Vigil) - **Public Mass 6pm.**
 Sunday 11th April - **Public Mass 9.15am.**
 Monday 12th April - No Mass.
 Tuesday 13th April - Private Mass.
 Wednesday 14th April - No Mass at St. Joseph's.
 Thursday 15th April - Private Mass.
 Friday 16th April - Private Mass.
 Saturday 17th April - Private Mass.
 Sunday (Vigil) - **Public Mass 6pm.**
 Sunday: 18th April - **Public Mass 9.15am.**

This week's Memorials:
Tuesday: St. Martin I, Pope & Martyr (see overleaf).
Friday: St. Bernadette Soubirous

'Thank you'
 Collection - Wednesday 31st March:- **£32.00.**
 Good Friday - Holy Places:- **£233.83.**
 Easter Offerings:- **£630.23.**
 Late Offertory (earlier weeks): **£28.00.**
Many thanks for your generosity.

SANCTUARY LAMP BOOKINGS

**Both Red Lamps &
 Our Lady's Lamp are booked in**
"Thanksgiving for all Divine Mercy Devotees"

To book, please email Sue on info@stpeterslytham.co.uk (or speak to her). Suggested donation - £5 for each lamp. If you have an anniversary, event or special intention to place before Our Lord or Our Lady, please contact Sue.

FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY
TODAY, Sunday the 11th April

Although we will not be celebrating this feast in church, to receive the graces of Divine Mercy as promised by Jesus to Saint Faustina, attend Mass and receive Holy Communion - if you have been unable to get to confession, make an Act of Contrition (see **overleaf**) with the intention to go back to the Sacrament as soon as possible. If you are unable to attend Mass, make a Spiritual Holy Communion (see **overleaf**), asking God to come into your heart, and again, having the intention of going to Holy Communion when possible.
 Everyone wants to wipe their slate clean! Jesus said: *"I do not want to punish you for your sins but I want to heal your wounded heart".*

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Please continue to pray for: Frank Loftus, Jennie Antoine, Anne Jones, Graham Bentley, Fred & Mary Wylie, Ruth Whiteside, Anne Smith, Kath Hywel-Buckley, Joe Ainsworth, Rose Moss, John Lavelle, Mattie Simpson, Margaret Fearn, Jean Bolton, Tony Bolton, Patricia Sumner, and all those in the Hospice, Hospital, Rest Homes & Convents. **May God give them His healing grace.**

CASTLERIGG LOTTERY

As you can appreciate, Castlerigg Manor (our Diocesan Youth Centre) has taken quite a hit financially during the Covid pandemic as they have been unable to host their usual programme of retreats for our schools. As a fundraising initiative, they have just launched a lottery. It costs £3 a month to enter and the winner each month takes half of the total subscribed that month. To sign up please go to:
<https://www.castleriggmanor.co.uk/lottery>

On the sign up page, set the amount at £3 for each ticket that you want to buy and set the frequency to 'Monthly-1st'. Full terms and conditions can be found on the page linked above. Thank you for helping our Diocesan Youth Service.

ANNIVERSARIES occurring about this time:

Joan Turpin, Joseph Morris, Robert Waring, John Kettle, Molly Noblet, Anne Beesley, Elizabeth Weaver, Barbara Royle, Peter Doherty, Winnie Moxham, Lily Simpson, Frederick Chwastiak, Thomas Rooney, Cyril Bould, Elizabeth Hayes, Frank Makinson, Gertrude Davies, Peter Stappard Jnr., Ted Ashton, Stella Wilson, Robert Ashton. *May they rest in peace. Amen.*

How to make an Act of Perfect Contrition

Perfect Contrition is a grace from God, so sincerely ask for this gift throughout the day prior to making your act of contrition: "My God, grant me perfect contrition for all my sins".

1. In reality or imagination kneel at the foot of a crucifix and say to yourself: "Jesus, my God and my Saviour, in the midst of your agony, you remembered me, you suffered for me, you wished to wipe away my sins".
2. Contrition is 'perfect' if you repent of your sins because you love God and are sorry for offending Him and causing the sufferings of Christ on the cross. Before the Crucified Christ remember your sins, repent of them because they have brought our Lord to His sufferings on the Cross. Promise him, that with His help, you will not sin again.
3. Recite, slowly and sincerely, an act of contrition focused on the goodness of God and your love of Jesus: "O my God, because you are so good, I am very sorry that I have sinned against you and by the help of your grace I will not sin again. Amen".
4. Make a firm resolution to go to sacramental confession as soon as practically possible.

How to make a Spiritual Communion

Desire, with earnest longing, to receive our Lord present
— Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity —
in the Blessed Sacrament.

Say this prayer of St. Alphonsus de' Ligouri:

"My Jesus, I believe that

You are present in the Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things

and I desire You in my soul.

Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.

As though You are already there,

I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You;
do not let me ever be separated from You. Amen".

THE CATHOLIC VOICE 2021 EASTER EDITION

(digital) can be accessed on St. Peter's website.

Closing date for submissions for May edition is 5th April.

SPONSOR APPEAL

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE for your exceptional generosity, prayers and support. It has been a very moving and powerful experience walking alongside our brothers and sisters in Ethiopia on their daily journey for water. Please continue to keep them in your prayers, as whilst our walk has come to an end, theirs continues.

Thanks to the **£1030** we have raised so far, CAFOD will be able to bring water to the affected communities.

You can still donate and read our blog by visiting:

<https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/st-peters-walk-for-water-patricia-rowlings>

ST. MARTIN, POPE AND MARTYR : April 13th

A native of Tuscany and a member of the Roman clergy, St. Martin was sent to Constantinople. Upon the death of Pope Theodore, he was elected to succeed him in the year 649. In the following October he held a Council in the Lateran Church, in which he condemned the leaders of the heresy of the Monothelites - a document emanating from the Emperor Constans was also censured.

This incensed the Emperor and he sent his chamberlain to Italy with orders to cause the Pope to be put to death. An attempt on the saint's life in the Church of St. Mary Major was miraculously frustrated. The Emperor then gave orders to seize St. Martin - the Pontiff who lay sick was seized and conveyed to Constantinople. In 654 he was confined in a dungeon - his sufferings were extreme. Like his Divine Master, he seemed to be abandoned by all, friends who had been in contact with him seemed afraid to render him the slightest assistance. The prolonged martyrdom of this saint was brought to an end in 655 when he died.

FOOD BANK RETURNS FOR MARCH -

All proceeds to St. Cuthbert's in Blackpool:

01.03.21: 15kg food & 3 bags of children's clothes.

08.03.21: 17kg food & bag of children's clothes.

23.03.21: 21kg food & £20 cash donation & 18 Easter eggs.

24.03.21: 31kg food & £40 cash donation.

29.03.21: 8kg food & 6 Easter Eggs.

Totals:

92kg food.

£60 - cash donations.

4 x Bags of Children's Clothes.

24 Easter Eggs.

Another successful month with the Food Bank and very grateful thanks to all those who have contributed. It is all very much appreciated by the community.

To donate to the Food Bank, you can either leave your contribution in the church porch or get in touch with Pete Rickards on 07929 553968 and he will be happy to collect from your home. *Many thanks.*