

NEWSLETTER.

ST PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

CLIFTON STREET, LYTHAM, FY8 5EP Parish Website www.stpeterslytham.co.uk FOR



Sunday 15th November 2020, 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year 'A'
Priest in Charge: Rev David Burns - 01253 737037

Deacons: Rev Michael Harrison - 01253 730508 & Rev William Riley (Retired)

Day & Date	Mass Intention	Mass details
Sunday (Vigil)	People of the Parish	Recorded Vigil Mass
Sunday 15th November	St. Joseph's Intention	Recorded Morning Mass
	St. Joseph's Intention	Private Mass
Monday 16th November	No Mass	-
Tuesday 17th November	St. Joseph's Intention	Recorded Mass
Wednesday 18th November	Dec'd Stephenson & Spafford Families	Private Mass
Thursday 19th November	Tom & Monica Hindley	Recorded Mass
Friday 20th November	St. Joseph's Intention	Private Mass
Saturday 21st November	Dec'd Hindley Family	Private Mass
Sunday (Vigil)	People of the Parish	Recorded Vigil Mass
Sunday 22nd November	St. Joseph's Intention	Recorded Morning Mass
	St. Joseph's Intention	Private Mass

Sunday 22nd Solemnity of
Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe
(Youth Day).

This week's Memorials:

Mon: St. Edmund of Abingdon, Bishop. St. Margaret of Scotland & St Gertrude, Virgin.

Tues: St. Hilda, Abbess.

St. Hugh of Lincoln, Bishop. St Elizabeth of Hungary.

Wed: Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles (*see overleaf*). **Sat:** The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (*see overleaf*).

'Thank you'

Collection Wednesday 4th November:- £54.00.
Sick & Retired Priests:- £30.00.
Other donations received:- £263.00.

Thank you for your generosity.

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

CHRISTMAS MASSES: Masses for Christmas will be 8pm Vigil on Christmas Eve and 10.45am on Christmas morning. Times for St Joseph's to be finalised. Due to the likely demand for places in church, we are going to have to take bookings. We will be doing this via email via the parish website (info@stpeterslytham.co.uk). If you don't have email yourself, please ask a family member or friend who does have email to make the booking on your behalf. Booking is necessary to avoid large numbers of people having to be turned away when the church is full at Christmas. Available spaces are filling up fast!

RECORDED MASSES:

As of this coming week, the Sunday Vigil and Sunday Morning Masses, and only the Tuesday and Thursday morning Masses will be recorded. It has been rather demanding to produce a recorded video each day, with all that this entails so, a somewhat reduced schedule should lighten the load. Apologies for those who look forward to a daily Mass video, but this will be a more manageable arrangement for Fr David.

PROTECT THE UNBORN:

Sadly, abortion is currently available in the UK, right up to birth, for babies with cleft lip, cleft palate and club foot. All of these conditions can be corrected. A cross-party group of MPs from the three largest parties in the UK Parliament have come together to bring forward the Abortion (Cleft lip, cleft palate and club foot) Bill. The Bill will change the law to clarify that cleft palate, cleft lip, and club foot are not grounds for abortion in the UK. Can you help with getting your MP to support the Bill? Please visit www.standupandsmile.org.uk

to email your MP asking them to support the Bill. **Thank you.**

LOCKDOWN RESTRICTIONS:

The government have imposed restrictions until at least the 2nd December that include the closure of all places of worship apart from some opening for private prayer, and for funerals. There will be no public Mass, or other services apart from funerals, in St Peter's until this period of restriction ends – hopefully on the 2nd December. Mass will continue to be recorded and made available online (Please see notice about recorded Masses overleaf)

Wednesday 18th November - Dedication of the Churches of Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles -

Among the sacred places venerated by Christians from ancient times, one of the most celebrated has always been the tomb of St Peter, at Rome. The Emperor Constantine erected a splendid basilica over this tomb and another basilica on the Ostian Way at the place where St. Paul suffered martyrdom. Both were consecrated by St. Sylvester. The anniversaries of both dedications are united and form the object of this feast.

Saturday 21st November - Presentation of Mary -

There was a religious custom among the Jews, in former times, of promising to dedicate children to God's service in the temple, even before the children were born. Tradition tells us that the Blessed Virgin Mary was vowed to God by her parents, St. Ann & St. Joachim, and taken by them to the temple when she was three years. old. This offering and dedication of the Blessed Virgin to the Lord, the Church commemorates by the feast of the Presentation on 21st November. In some religious communities the day is observed with special devotion as a patronal feast.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Please remember in your prayers those whose anniversaries occur about this time:

Rt. Rev. Thomas Bernard Pearson (Auxiliary Bishop of Lancaster), Mgr. O'Reilly, William Brockbank, Elizabeth Hoyle, Alfred Green, Lesley Cookson, Angela Hoole, John Lavelle, John Johnson, Alfred Upton, Elizabeth Hothersall, Margaret Fox, Nellie Lenehan, Jim Cottam, Sr. Augustine CP, Doris McNulty, John Wolstenholme, Bill Henderson, Sr. Marie Hamill CP, Jim Pownall, Jim Connaughton, John Wilkinson (Jack), Arthur Hulse, Joe Hampson, Wilmur Forshaw.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

Sanctuary Lamp Bookings (Red) "Deceased Priests of St Peter's Parish" "Our Lady's (Blue) Lamp "Tony & Jean Bolton"

Sanctuary Lamp bookings will continue during lockdown as lamps will burn during the week.

To book, please email Sue on info@stpeterslytham.co.uk (or speak to her). Suggested donation - £5 for each lamp. **Please note:** Sue is now taking bookings for next year so, to avoid disappointment, book early.

ALPHA COURSE STARTED THURSDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 7PM ONLINE

WHAT IS ALPHA? Alpha is a parish tool for evangelisation based on hospitality, sharing and open conversation. The same Alpha content is run all over the world, by Christians of all traditions, sharing the good news of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. Everyone is welcome. Millions of people have experienced Alpha in over 100 countries and over 100 languages around the globe.

Our course is aimed at everyone.

So whether you are a long standing Catholic but have never had any religious education after school or maybe someone who doesn't feel they have any faith at all, you will be made more than welcome.

Each session consists of a chance to

CONNECT with one another WATCH an interesting, thought provoking film DISCUSS different topics each week dealing with faith. It is an 11 week course where you can bring friends for a conversation about faith, life and God. Starting at 7pm, lasting no longer than an hour.

There is no pressure on you to take this any further.

If you would like to join us email

davidpope41@hotmail.com

You will be very welcome.

ONGOING FOOD BANK UPDATE:

During October, Pete & Ellen Rickards delivered 27.7 kgs to Fylde Food Bank + £20 donation to St. Cuthbert's, Blackpool.

A big **THANK YOU** to the parishioners who have kindly donated food, etc.

Pete and Ellen Rickards are keen to mention for those still not able or confident to come out to Mass or reluctant to bring food to church, you can contact Pete - mobile number 07929 553968 - and he will collect donations from your home.