

NEWSLETTER.

ST PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Sunday 22nd Nov 2020, Feast of Christ the King - 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 22nd November	St. Joseph's Intention	Recorded Morning Mass
	St. Joseph's Intention	Private Mass
Monday 23rd November	No Mass	-
Tuesday 24th November	St. Joseph's Intention	Recorded Mass
Wednesday 25th November	Tom & Peggy Worsley	Private Mass
Thursday 26th November	Norman & Kathleen Benyon (60th WA)	Recorded Mass
Friday 27th November	St. Joseph's Intention	Private Mass
Saturday 28th November	Kath Wilding RIP	Private Mass
Sunday (Vigil)	People of the Parish	Recorded Vigil Mass
Sunday 29th November	St. Joseph's Intention	Recorded Morning Mass
	St. Joseph's Intention	Private Mass

PRIVATE PRAYER:

The church will be open and stewards will be present for Private Prayer on - Wednesday 9 - 10am Saturday 10 - 11am.

This week's Memorials:

Mon: St. Clement I, Pope & Martyr (see overleaf), & St. Columban, Abbot.

Tues: Sts. Andrew Dung-Lac Priest, & Companions, Martyrs.

Wed: St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr.

Reminder: Sunday 29th is 1st Sunday of Advent.

Sanctuary Lamp Bookings

(Red) "Peter & David - Diaconate training"

(Blue) "Thankşgiving for a Diamond Wedding

Anniversary - Kath & Norman Benyon"

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. Sue is now taking bookings for 2021 so, to avoid disappointment, book early.

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.

FOOD BANK REMINDER:

Pete & 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. Another option is items can also be dropped off during the private prayer times. All donations are very much needed at the moment.

RECORDED MASSES:

The Masses that are recorded are the Sunday vigil and Sunday morning, also the Masses on Tuesday and Thursday. Masses on other days will be said in private. 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.

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 'recorded Masses' item above).

CAFOD

We have received a letter from CAFOD this week 'thanking St Peter's parishioners for their generous support (£548.41)' of this year's Harvest Fast appeal. Thanks to your support CAFOD can continue to reach more families threatened by the coronavirus. Working through the local church amazing work is already happening. **THANKS TO ALL!**

CHRISTMAS MASSES:

Masses for Christmas will be **8pm Vigil on Christmas Eve & 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.

Update from last week: bookings can still be made but Christmas Day is getting quite full, some space left but not a lot! Christmas Vigil, a lot more space.

MASS INTENTION RECEIVED: Norman & Kathleen Benyon (Diamond Wedding)

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember in your prayers those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Colin Hershall, Gertrude Walsh, Helen May, Margaret Long, Fr. G. Lomax, John Marsden, Patricia Weir, Joyce Lewis, Philomena Barrett, Fr. J. Sheehan, Audrey Funnell, Charlie Blizzard, Sr. Wilfreda, Nicoletta D'Attona, Hannah Patricia Jeffers.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

ADVENT RETREAT DAYS:

Hyning Monastery is offering 2 retreat days via Zoom - <u>Thursday 3rd December and Saturday 12th December 2020.</u> The overall theme will be **HOPE**, much needed at this time! Start time both days is 10.15am concluding with Vespers at 4.30pm. Please contact Sr. Mary Bernard on -

hyningbookings@yahoo.co.uk or 01524 732684 or 01524 989380

before Monday 30th November to book.

There is a voluntary contribution of £10 for the day, but the Sisters would not want anyone who wishes to join to be left out because of finance.

CHRISTMAS DAY:

St. Joseph's is unable to offer their normal hospitality this year due to the pandemic but, in conjunction with other local churches, we can offer, instead, delivery of a 3 course Christmas Dinner and a light supper if you are elderly or on your own in the Lytham St. Annes area. **Booking by 10th December is essential.** Please telephone Edwina on **736630** for the menu and to make a booking.

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.**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The CEO of the SVP has written to all Parish Priests about their work, and in particular about Pope Francis' call in his new encyclical, *Fratelli tutti* for us to unite in a spirit of cooperation in facing the needs of the world together. In practical terms, the following may be of interest:-

The SVP is running a series of information meetings (via Zoom) which will each last for no longer than an hour. Some meetings are concerned with forming new conferences in parishes, but in a parish like St Peter's where we have an existing conference, the following meetings may be of interest to both existing members and parishioners:

Mon 30th November 4pm & Tues 1st Dec pm (no time given) 'Joining efforts with the SVP'.

Wed 2nd Dec 4pm 'Supporting your existing conferences'.

Fri 4th December 4pm 'Joining the SVP'

If you wish to attend please email:-

membership@svp.org.uk

to register and receive the Zoom meeting link.

ONLINE RETREAT: There will be an online retreat entitled 'Living Laudato Si: Your Parish and Your Planet' available on Zoom on $22^{nd} - 25^{th}$ January 2021. Laudato Si is Pope Francis' Encyclical on the environment. The retreat will be led from Boarbank Hall, Cumbria. Cost – Free but voluntary donations gratefully accepted. To apply, simply email Sr. Margaret Atkins on margaret@boarbankhall.org.uk

Nov 23rd - SAINT CLEMENT I, Pope & Martyr

A Roman of Jewish extraction, St. Clement owed his conversion to Sts. Peter and Paul. He was ordained Bishop by St. Peter. After the martyrdom of Sts. Peter and Paul, St. Linus became Bishop of Rome, and after governing eleven years, was succeeded by St. Cletus. Upon the death of the latter, about the year 91, St. Clement became Pope.

Clement wrote a classic Epistle to the Christians at Corinth. He died a martyr about the year 100.