



NEWSLETTER
ST PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
 CLIFTON STREET, LYTHAM, FY8 5EP
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FOR
 Sunday 23rd February 2020, 7th 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 Time	Reader/s	Eucharistic Ministers
TODAY Sunday 23/02	People of the Parish	Mass 10.30am Welcomers: Anne & Michael Hayes	Marie Wilcock & Sue Shakespeare	Joe & Teresa Mallabone, Anne-Marie & Michael O'Malley
Wed 26/02	Mary & Richard Waugh (Ann) Sophie & Dan Lindsay	Mass 8.30am Ash Wednesday Mass 7.00pm	Mary Waddington To be arranged	Sister Dominic Savio & Teresa Mallabone To be arranged
Thurs 27/02	Thomas & Annie Ainsworth (Ann)	Mass 8.30am	Sister Dominic Savio	Mary Waddington & Adrian Denye
Sat 29/02	Tony Whittaker (Ann)	Mass 10am followed by Exposition & Confessions 10.30-11.30 followed by Rosary & Angelus	Mary Chesworth	Anne-Marie & Michael O'Malley
Sunday 01/03	People of the Parish	Mass 10.30am Welcomers: The Bushell Family Stations of the Cross & Benediction at 4pm	Andy Evans & Sue Newsham	Anne Hayes, Richard Hazeldine, Anne-Marie & Michael O'Malley

St Joseph's Mass times:
 Sunday 23rd: Masses 9.15am & 5.05pm.
 Tuesday 25th: Mass 9.00am
 Wednesday 26th: Masses 12 noon & 7.00pm
 Friday 28th: Mass 9.00am
 Saturday 29th: Vigil Mass 6.00pm.
 Sunday 1st March: Masses 9.15am & 5.05pm.

Sunday 1st March is the 1st Sunday in Lent. Following Mass on that day, there will be a pulpit appeal in respect of CAFOD Family Fast Day. Envelopes for your donations will be handed out after Mass.
Also, on that day, 1st March, there will be
Stations of the Cross & Benediction at 4pm.

TODAY - Day of Prayer for the Unemployed.

TODAY - The Catholic Women's League will be holding a coffee morning in the Parish Hall after Mass. There will be lots of lovely cakes/refreshments, a raffle and sale of Christmas items. *Your support will be very much appreciated.*

TODAY - The Catholic Voice will be handed out after Mass, please make sure you take a copy, it is free!

WEDNESDAY of this week is **Ash Wednesday**, the start of the Holy Season of Lent and is a day of fasting and abstinence. Ashes will be blessed and distributed on that day. **Mass times at St Peter's will be 8.30am & 7.00pm.**

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK please continue to pray for - Joan Keefe, Frank Loftus, Jennie Antoine, Anne Jones, Margaret Baldwin, Jean Bolton, Graham Bentley, Mgr Jim Hook, Fred & Mary Wylie, Bobby Kelly, Ruth Whiteside, Anne Smith, Kath Hywel-Buckley, Joe Ainsworth, Rose Moss, John Lavelle, Mattie Simpson, Margaret Fearn, Joan Woodcock, Iain Fair, Don O'Toole, and all those in the Hospice, Hospital, Rest Homes & the Convents.
May God give them His healing grace.

LAST WEEK: Attendance: **200.**
 Collection **£699.43.**
 Standing Orders received in January : **£856.00.**
Many thanks to all who contributed.

Sanctuary Lamp Bookings (Red)
*"In loving memory of Jack Cross" &
 "Special Intention of K. Murray".*

Our Lady's (Blue) Lamp:
"A sick person".

To book, please email Sue on info@stpeterslytham.co.uk (or speak to her). *Suggested donation - £5 for each lamp.*

MASS INTENTIONS:
*Blacoe Family Intentions. Private Intention.
 Tony Whittaker (Ann). John Worsley.*

LATELY DEAD: John CLARE
*Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let the perpetual light shine upon him.
 May he rest in Peace. Amen.*

CASTLERIGG MANOR EVENTS

In last Sunday's Parish Newsletter, future events at Castlerigg were listed. It goes without saying, due to space, all the details cannot be listed each week, but you will find posters on the porch notice board for each event, with all the information you need to book including contact details.

FOUR DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- 1. Catholic Women's League** - reminder that the next CWL meeting will take place on Thursday 27th February in the parish hall at 7.30pm.
- 2. Day of Renewal** - led by Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal. Saturday 29th February 10am - 4pm, St Clare's Church, Fulwood. *For further details, please see poster on porch notice board.*
- 3. Card Making Day** - Tuesday 10th March, 10am - 4pm Art Studio at Hying. *For further details, please see poster on the porch notice board.*
- 4. St Joseph's Ansdell** are having a Parish Mission from 14 - 22 March led by the Sion Community. A full programme of events, to which everyone is invited, will be available shortly. The programme includes our annual Lenten Deanery Reconciliation Service on Thursday 19th March. Prior to this week, the Sion Community will be leading a week of mission in St Peter's School.

LENT EXTRA - many thanks to everyone who purchased a *Lent Extra* - it was a complete sell out!

THIS YEAR IS DEDICATED AS A 'YEAR OF THE WORD'

We are all invited to grow in our knowledge and love of the word of God. What can each of us do to become more familiar with the Scriptures and base our prayer and our daily living on the food of God's word? One suggestion is to focus on the Gospel which is being read on Sundays during this year (Yr A of the 3 Yr cycle) that is St Matthew's Gospel.

Responsorial Psalm for 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time and the response is:

THE LORD IS COMPASSION AND LOVE.

Responsorial Psalm for Ash Wednesday and the response is:

**HAVE MERCY ON US, O LORD,
FOR WE HAVE SINNED.**

OUR OVERSEAS PINPRICK MISSION - LATEST

I want to SHOUT OUT that our Running Total for Our Overseas Mission shot through **£150,000** on **7th February** which is amazing in anybody's money. Thanks to your generosity The Parish of St Peter's has been able to help two of The Cross and Passion's (CP) PINPRICK Overseas Missions. The first was from 2006 to 2010 in **Tsabong** in the Kalahari Desert, Botswana run by Sister Therese O'Regan CP. We sent her a total of **£48033** to build 15 of 45 small permanent shelters that CP built for abandoned families of AIDS victims, look after an orphanage for 80 children, buy ARV treatment, other medicines, food and clothing. After Tsabong was handed over in October 2010 to a local organisation, we were asked to support a unit run by Sister Maeve O'Driscoll CP that operated within their Mission in Villa El Salvador (**VES**), a shanty town in the sand dunes 20km south of Lima, Peru. To date, we have sent **£100,187.51** to help look after destitute Taytaco's (Grannies and Granddads in local dialect) who have been abandoned by their families. Sister Maeve relies on our help to keep the unit open and to supply medicines, all sorts of medical care and equipment, a doctor and nurses for more hours a week, hot food, fresh running water, the list goes on. So troops, a zillion thanks and pats on the back to all for your support and for being so generous, it's been True Mission at work, a real team effort, it wouldn't work without you! A-M-A-Z-I-N-G. * (for the eagle-eyed mathematician, the remainder is in the bank ready to send, **100% goes to PINPRICK**)

SVP NATIONAL RAFFLE - There are just a few raffle tickets left so if you haven't already bought some an SVP member will be in the porch today to help you.

The draw takes place on the 27th March, the top prize is £3,000 with additional prizes of £2,000, £1,000 & £50. Tickets cost £1 each and are available in books of five. The Parish SVP benefits from this as it is allowed to retain a percentage of the income. Many thanks to all those who have already purchased tickets - **your support is very much appreciated.**

To book the Parish Hall, please contact William Whiteside on 07754060246.

PIETY STALL: Open each Sunday morning from 9.30am-11.30am. Offers selection of Daily & Sunday Missals, Rosary Beads, Medals, Greeting Cards, Crucifixes, Statues, Pictures, Children's Books, Prayer Books, etc.