

# St John the Evangelist

Poulton-le-Fylde

## Parish Diary this Week

Date	Time	Feast	Intention
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>			
Saturday September 1 <sup>st</sup>	6:00pm	SUNDAY VIGIL MASS - St John's	McGovern Family
<b>Sunday</b> <b>Sept 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	9:30am*	SUNDAY MASS – St Martin's	Stephen Wainman
	11:00am	SUNDAY MASS – St John's	People of the Parish
Monday September 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30am	Feast of St Gregory the Great Liturgy of the Word & Morning Prayer	-
		Feast of St Cuthbert SCHOOL STARTS FOR CHILDREN	
Tuesday September 4 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Morning Mass	Celia Chadwick
		Tea and good biscuits after Mass in house	
	2.00pm	"Catholicism" last DVD	(Presbytery)
	7.00pm	Baptism Preparation Evening II	(Presbytery)
Wednesday September 5 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am*	of the 22 <sup>nd</sup> week of the Year Morning Mass (Ss M & H's)	Private Intention
Thursday September 6 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	of the 22 <sup>nd</sup> week of the Year Morning Mass	Private Intention
Friday September 7 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	of the 22 <sup>nd</sup> week of the Year Morning Mass	Private Intention
		Feast of the Birth of Blessed Virgin Mary of the 22 <sup>nd</sup> week of the Year (No Morning Service Today)	
Saturday September 8 <sup>th</sup>			
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>			
	6.00pm	SUNDAY VIGIL MASS – St John's	Mojo Family
<b>Sunday</b> <b>Sept 9<sup>th</sup></b>	9.30am*	SUNDAY MASS – St Martin's	James Faulkner
	11.00am	SUNDAY MASS – St John's	People of the Parish
	12.30pm	Baptism of Anthony Ovono Meakin	

(Sundays of Ordinary Time: Year B; Weekdays of Ordinary Time: Year 2)

\*indicates: a service at St Martin & St Hilda's Chapel

**Morning Prayer of the Church:** 15 minutes before weekday Mass

**Reconciliation: (Normally)** Confessions from 10am to 11am on Saturday and by request.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (normally):** Saturday from 10am to 11am

**Please pray for:** Baby Jennifer Holmes, Megan (aged 10), Louis Crowson, Christopher Brown, Pauline Cafferty, John Ireland, Kate Lingard, Antonio Palmer, Joanne Porter, Mary Robertson, Chris Taylor, Fr Joseph Maley, John Vincent, Paul Tipping,, Joyce Bachman, Celia Schofield, Fr John Walsh, Veronica McNeil, John Brownwood, Beryl Whiteley, Paul Bradley, Jim Brown, Ann Marie Cooke and all those who are sick.

**Anniversaries at this time: August:** Winnie Beatty, 6<sup>th</sup> Agnes Chaloner, 11<sup>th</sup> Mary & Michael Tighe, 12<sup>th</sup> Frank Craven, 17<sup>th</sup> Pat Taylor, 23<sup>rd</sup> Eileen Cassidy, 25<sup>th</sup> Josephine Fusco (O'Hagan)

**Lately Dead:** Wilheimine Thornton (Funeral: 12<sup>th</sup> Sept); Audrey Perfetti (Funeral: 14<sup>th</sup> Sept)

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2018

22<sup>nd</sup> Week in Ordinary Time

### "Catholicism"

By Bishop Robert Barron  
Episode 8 – "World without end:  
The last things"



This Tuesday at 2pm in the Presbytery

The recently ordained auxiliary Bishop of Archdiocese of Los Angeles produced this series of very lavish one-hour programmes on various aspects of the Faith. He is the key speaker at the coming Eucharistic Congress at Liverpool.

### Preparations for the new year:

As we come down from our sunny summer, our holidays and our children return to school we can look to the year ahead. It is a fresh time, with a new bishop and a world which is changing very fast – how do we as disciples of Jesus respond? These are a few "churchy" tings to keep our eyes on – but there are other practical, community, and evangelising ones about also.

**Confirmation:** I have had only two letters from young people asking to be involved in the parish preparations (More inside)

**First Holy Communion:** If you have a child in year three (or above) whom you intend to prepare for First Holy Communion please do begin now by accompanying them to Mass and speaking to them about how important this is to you.

**New Catholics:** In recent months I have been approached by four people interested in becoming Catholic Christian. The way our Church does this is through the process known as the "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults" (RCIA) which involves sharing faith with existing members of the Church community and, often, other members who have become Catholics. If you are interested in being part of this please speak to Fr Peter.

### 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the shared Chapel

#### of St Martin & St Hilda, Carleton

with new Anglican Bishop of Lancaster and a letter from our new Bishop of Lancaster, music & prayer of thanks to God. Come along.



**Tuesday**  
**11<sup>th</sup> September**  
**7.30pm**

at Ss Martin & Hilda's



### The Eucharistic Congress 2018

Liverpool 7-9<sup>th</sup> September

People from parishes in all the Diocese of England and Wales are attending the Congress at Liverpool next weekend. Please pray for Elaine and Veronica who are representing us in our parish. They will be returning with news of the even and I have asked them each to bring back two personal new insights into the Eucharist to share with us. This is the programme so watch out for it on the news.

#### Day One – Friday 7<sup>th</sup>

On the first day of the Congress, there workshops for parish catechists focusing on: Scripture, Ecclesiology, Eucharistic Language and Catechesis Rites and Music for Eucharistic Adoration

#### Day Two -Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>

The Echo Arena in Liverpool will be the home to a six-hour stage programme which will include a Congress Mass, keynote speakers and a drama highlighting the beauty of reverence and devotion. The day will conclude with Adoration.

#### Day Three – Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>

On the final day of the Pilgrimage and Congress, Sunday, there will be pilgrimage Masses and a street procession - open to all.

#### Parallel Programme

Talks, discussions, workshops, prayer opportunities and cultural events happening in local churches and places around Liverpool – some of these look particularly interesting.

*Welcome to all parishioners and visitors to our Mass today  
and throughout the week*

**Parish Priest:** Fr Peter J Sharrock  
**Parish Deacon:** Rev Bill Milton

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**Website:** www.st-john-rc12.lancsngf.ac.uk

**This week we pray for those living in:** Myrtle Ave, Newby Ave, Newland Ave, Newton Ave.

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for September:** That young people in Africa may have access to education & work in their own countries.

**Baptism Preparation:** Our next gatherings for parents wishing to prepare for their child's Baptism will be on:

**Tues 28<sup>th</sup> August & Tues 4<sup>th</sup> September**  
at 7pm at the presbytery  
Please take a leaflet from church.

**Foodbank.** Please continue to donate dried or tinned foods, (not clothing at the moment, thank you) to the foodbank. They are much appreciated.

**The Wednesday Word** is available to take away and pray next week's Sunday scripture.

**Tea, Coffee & Biscuits** are served after the 11:00 am Mass every Sunday at St John's and after the 9:30 am Mass every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at St Martin's & St Hilda's. Please come along and join us.

**Also:** after the Tuesday morning Mass most weeks. Come along and meet others.

**Parish Bulletin News:** If you have any items for the bulletin please contact Elaine 886219 or email elainebrownwood@hotmail.com)

### **COMING PARISH EVENTS** **PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Please note: NO Video** sharing of "Catholicism" this Tuesday. Returns the following Tuesday.

**Electronic Bulletin?** If anyone, you or others, would like to receive a copy of this bulletin by regular email please let us know.

**Brian House Hospice** - Later this month, 18-24 September, I will cycle from London to Paris (some 300 miles), raising funds for Brian House, the children's hospice here on the Fylde. The Hospice relies almost entirely on donations and sponsorship to keep it going. If you feel able to offer me and Brian House some support (financial or otherwise), I will be outside St John's and St Martin's after Mass next weekend (8-9 September). Thank you in anticipation.  
*Slav Baran*

**Baptismal Preparation** – If you have family who wish to have their child Baptised could you please direct them to the leaflet available at the back of church and the dates of the next two preparation dates on this bulletin so that they know how to progress. The next parents' preparation evenings are on 28<sup>th</sup> August and 4<sup>th</sup> September. Thanks.

**Parish Confirmation** – I mentioned to the Bishop that we would like to Celebrate this sacrament next year with those who wish to be Confirmed in their Faith in Jesus – we do have to find twelve candidates to have our own liturgy, though, or we will have to share with another parish – or they share with us if you have a young person who is in year 7 or above after the summer (who has not been confirmed) please speak to them about what celebrating this Sacrament means. If you wish to begin the preparation could you write (on paper) to me before the new term starts – you might like to say something about your own faith in Jesus and what you expect celebrating the Sacrament to do for you?

**St Martin & St Hilda's 20 year celebrations:** On 11<sup>th</sup> September it will be 20 years since St John's and St Chad's entered the agreement to share the

chapel in Carleton. On this date this year one this night there will be a prayerful celebration of this sign of Christian collaboration. Please come along. The two new bishops of Lancaster have been invited: Bishop Jill Duff will be attending, but sadly, Bishop Paul Swarbrick has sent apologies as he has been called to Rome that week for a course on how to be a Bishop! More later.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word** – Our team of Catechists are keen to hear from other parishioners who can help us provide a regular liturgy of the Word for our primary school children. Children's Liturgy is exactly that – it is not a play group or creche, but an opportunity for children to develop their faith through sharing the Gospel each week as we adults do (It also allows parents to listen to the scriptures at Mass without distraction!) My experience has been that adults are amazed at how they grow in faith by praying and sharing scripture with children. Don't be worried if you haven't done this before – we will train and support leaders – very few Children's Liturgists I have known have been teachers! Please speak to Fr Peter or existing Liturgists.

*If you wish to look further there are guidelines and other resources on our bishops' liturgy office site: <http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Resources/LOWC/index.shtml>*

**Parish 330 Club** – the winners in the latest 330 Club Draw are:  
2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – 25.00 – No. 121 Margaret Hodgkinson  
1<sup>st</sup> Prize – 100.00 – No 158 Mary Holmes

Numbers drawn by Mrs G Hodgson, Head teacher, St John's School

**Parish Luncheon Club** – the next meeting of the luncheon club will be on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 12:30 in the Hall at St John's.

**The Divine Mercy Prayer Group is now meeting again at St John's** every Friday at 2:00 pm

**"That Book"** – interestingly this week two parishioners have asked me the title of that book I said I was reading in a homily recently (One person even accosted me in the street in town!) It is excellent at so many levels – if upsetting at times. Here it is: "East West Street" by Philippe Sands – Wiedenfeld & Nicolson 2016 – Paperback £9.99.

### **LOCAL & DIOCESAN NOTICES**

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO CLEATOR:** Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> September with Mass and Blessing of the Sick at 3pm. Tea and coffee is available afterwards in the Parish Room. For further details please contact St Mary's Priory, Cleator on 01946810324 or email [stmadstj@gmail.com](mailto:stmadstj@gmail.com)

**St Mary's, Fernyhalgh:** 8<sup>th</sup> September to Celebrate the Nativity of Mary. 11am to 1pm – details on notice board.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham - NEW DATES!** – 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> October 2018 led by the bishop £280. Contact 01946 834834

### **"New Ways of Being Church"**

**Pope John XIII on the Second Vatican Council:**

*"Everyone wants the forthcoming Ecumenical Council (Vatican II) to give all possible impetus to the spread of Christianity. It must give louder and louder utterance to that "word by which the kingdom is preached" mentioned in the parable of the sower, and help to bring about the wider extension of "the kingdom of God" in the world. But all this must depend to a large extent on the dispositions of the souls which the Council will be endeavouring to inspire to truth and virtue, to the worship of God both in private and in public, to a disciplined life and to missionary zeal."*

—John XXIII. *Paenitentiam Agere*. 1962



### **Some Diary Dates:**

28 <sup>th</sup> August	Baptism Preparation I
4 <sup>th</sup> September	"Catholicism" Video X
4 <sup>th</sup> September	Baptism Preparation II
4 <sup>th</sup> September	School Opens to children
7-9 September	Eucharistic Congress, Lpl
11 <sup>th</sup> September	St Hilda & St Martin's twenty Year anniversary covenant celebrations