

St John the Evangelist

Poulton-le-Fylde

Parish Diary this Week

Date	Time	Feast	Intention
31st Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Saturday November 3 rd	6:00pm	SUNDAY VIGIL MASS - St John's	People of the Parish
Sunday Nov 4th	9:30am*	SUNDAY MASS - St Martin's	Len Porter
	11:00am	SUNDAY MASS - St John's	Private Intention
Monday November 5 th	-	of the 31 st week of the Year NO Service This Morning	-
Tuesday November 6 th	9.30am	of the 31 st week of the Year Morning Mass	Private Intention
	2.00pm	Tea, Biscuits & gather after Mass - Faith Sharing Video Group meeting	Presbytery
	7.00pm	Baptism Preparation for Parents II	Presbytery
Wednesday November 7 th	9.30am*	of the 31 st week of the Year Morning Mass (Ss M & H's)	Hilda Malone RIP
Thursday November 8 th	9.30am	of the 31 st week of the Year Morning Mass	Private Intention
Friday November 9 th	7.00pm	of the 31 st week of the Year Mass for the Feast	Patricia Harrison
	10.30am	School Service for celebration of End of WW1 Parish Quiz for Refugees	St John's - All Welcome Parish Hall
Saturday November 10 th	9.30am	St Leo the Great Morning Mass - St John's	The Holy Souls
	10.00am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
	10.00am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time			
	6.00pm	Remembrance Sunday SUNDAY VIGIL MASS - St John's	People of the Parish
Sunday Nov 11th	9.30am*	SUNDAY MASS - St Martin's	Len Porter
	11.00am	SUNDAY MASS - St John's	Kryisia Clews
	11.00am	Poulton Remembrance Service	Market Square/ St Chad

(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, Antonio Palmer, Joanne Porter, Mary Robertson, Chris Taylor, John Vincent, Paul Tipping,, Joyce Bachman, Celia Schofield, Fr John Walsh, Veronica McNeil, John Brownwood, Beryl Whiteley, Jim Brown, Ann Marie Cooke, Peter Gardener and all those who are sick.

Anniversaries at this time: October: 2nd Edward Ellwood, 10th James Faulkner, 13th Joyce Gouldbourne, 21st Cath Doherty, Flo Tonge, Frank Craven Gorman, 30th Anne Egan

Recently Died: Fr Gerry Dunn; Kevin Walsh; Jacob Stringer (Funeral 16th November)

Sunday 4th November 2018

31st Week in Ordinary Time

Indonesian Tsunami emergency
collection last Sunday raised £462.28 - sent.



Starts on 18th November at the 11am Mass

20 Years of Shared use of our Chapel:

Have a look in the "Voice" for a quite good article and photo of our recent celebration.

Our School RE Inspection:

As well as OFSTED inspecting our schools our Diocese also checks the quality of the spiritual life of our schools. On 20th November our school is being inspected so pray for our children, parents, staff and governors. But our school is called "St John's" because it is part of our parish and the Diocesan examiners, on behalf of the Bishop, are also interested in whether we involve the school in our parish community vision and events. If you have been impressed with the children and their staff in Mass etc please do write it down and we can contribute it to the report. (To Fr Peter or the head teacher)

End of World War One Service:

The school children will be celebrating the end of the First World War on Friday at 10.30am in church. Those of you who have children at school will know of the work they have been doing to research the war at school.

Please put your family & parish members for prayer by the altar. Saturday morning during November will be celebrated for them.

Why not have Mass celebrated.

Remember those who have died - during November



WWI Army
Chaplains

As part of our remembering of the end of the First World War Steve Bellis has offered to give a talk on his research for his recent book on Catholic Chaplains on the Western Front:
Thursday 15th November 2018
2.00pm in the Parish Hall

2019 First Forgiveness & First Holy Communion

If you have a child in Year 3 or above and think they are mature enough to prepare for these Sacraments please pick up a leaflet with details. The leaflet contains a form to Fill in to let us know you wish To join in with the preparation. Could we have thee back this weekend, please.



Our Iraqi Christian refugees in Jordan:

The group of refugees we are helping live in the area of Amman called "Marj Al Hammam" (which means "Meadow of Doves"). They are part of a Catholic parish dedicated to the "Martyrs of Jordan" and we work through Sr Sara who has a religious community in the parish with a number of novices - some who are also Iraqi refugees.

There are other English parishes who are helping other groups in Jordan and we are aware that the immediate needs of these people are money for food and accommodation. Presently we are dealing with about 17 extended families (about 70 people) and for Christmas we would like to send each family a month's rent - about £250 - and possibly a greeting. If you can help us come to the Parish Quiz for fun!

Autumn Parish Fun Event!

Its getting darker and we will soon need some cheer!

Thanks to those who have suggested a pariah Quiz to mark in our calendars and also raise some money for our Iraqi refugees in Marj Al Haman in Jordan at Christmas.

Food, entertainment and BYO:

This Friday 9th November

See the posters for more details



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

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This week we pray for those living in:
Riversway, Robins Lane, Robins Close, Rose Way

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October: Evangelization – The Mission of Religious
That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice.

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

Tues 30th October & 6th November
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 2nd 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

Tuesday Faith Sharing – at 2.0pm On some of the Video material on the history of the Mass which from the English speaking bishops. All Welcome.

Cardinal Allen Newsletter – The October edition is available at the back of church.

Ss Martin & Hilda Christmas Fair: Myra has asked if people could offer bottles for the Fair – not sure what sort of bottles, or what's in them but we may guess? Thanks.

FUN QUIZ NIGHT – Friday 9th November – In aid of the Iraqi refugees in Marj Al Hamman, Jordan. Tickets are now available after all Masses. The evening will include a wonderful entertainment with food – though you are invited to bring your own choice in drink. Tel: 890763.

Calling all Cake makers: There will be a cake stall at the Christian Aid Coffee morning. Supplies/donations of cakes gratefully accepted. Please take them to the Methodist Church on Sat. 27th October.

Remembrance Time:

St John's School "End of the First World War" Service: This Friday at 10.30am in church. All welcome to come along

Poulton Remembrance Service – Sunday 11th November at 11.00am

St John's Remembrance – A number of parishioners have suggested joining the celebrations of Remembrance, the centenary of the end of WW1 and the memory of our Catholic Chaplains in that war highlighted by Steve Bellis's book by using one of the soldier symbols in church for a while – it has been suggested that when you buy your poppy you could buy a second one so that we can use 100 poppies in celebration. (please leave them at the back of church, thanks)

Talk on "Catholic Chaplains of WW1" – on Thursday 15th November at 2.00pm in the Hall Steve will be telling is of his research into his recent



book. Please have a think of people beyond the parish who would love to share this. (did you know: some of our past parish priests were chaplains in WW1?)

300 Club Summer Draw Winners

2nd Prize of 25.00 No. 156 Mrs J Twentyman
1st Prize of 100.00 No. 15 Margaret Sheppard

Congratulations to both winners. Numbers drawn by Mrs G Hodgson, Headteacher, St John's school.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (Faith Story)
If you wish to consider becoming a Catholic Christian (or being Confirmed as an Adult) please speak to Fr Peter to talk about how the Church does this these days.

Also we need a small group of parishioners who can join these people as they travel down their road to share faith and grow together. Please speak to Fr Peter for details and possibilities.

Red Wednesday: You may remember that we supported this event last year by lighting up our church in memory of those Christians who are persecuted for their Faith. This year it is on 28th November. More later.

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?

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

LOCAL & DIOCESAN NOTICES

Christian Aid will be holding a Coffee morning on Saturday 27th October at Poulton Methodist Church. Tickets on sale after Mass.

Women Together in the Diocese of Lancaster:

"A Journey with Mary & Joseph" – 1st December 2018 at Xaverian Mission Spirituality Centre, Fulwood (Previously Tabor) – 10.30am to 3.30pm led by Fr Nyagasaza Bideri (£5 Please bring packed lunch) Information 0177 715495.

Pope Francis on World Day of Care for Creation

To mark the "World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation", pope Francis issued a statement intended to galvanise the global community into saving the "impressive and marvellous," God-given gift of the "great waters and all they contain."

"Sadly, all too often many efforts fail due to the lack of effective regulation and means of control, particularly with regard to the protection of marine areas beyond national confines," the pope wrote.

"We cannot allow our seas and oceans to be littered by endless fields of floating plastic," Pope Francis said.

"Here, too, our active commitment is needed to confront this emergency." Francis recommended a two-pronged approach, saying: "We need to pray as if everything depended on God's providence and work as if everything depended on us."

He also denounced as "unacceptable" the privatisation of water resources at the expense of the "human right to have access to this good." With countries from Italy to Australia promoting policies to thwart migrants from arriving by sea, Francis prayed that "waters may not be a sign of separation of peoples, but of encounter for the human community."

"Let us pray that those who risk their lives at sea in search of a better future may be kept safe," Francis added.

Some Diary Dates:

6 th November	Baptism Preparation II
9 th November	Parish Quiz
11 th November	Remembrance Day
15 th November	Talk on WWI Chaplains
18 th November	Children's Liturgy of the Word starts at 11am Mass
18 th November	Joint Ss Martin & Hilda's Service
24 th November	Parent/Children meeting for First Communion Preparation
1 st December	First Communion Candidates' Commissioning Mass
2 nd December	1 st Sunday of Advent
6 th December	Christmas Music in Church
9 th December	11am Special Advent family Mass
15 th December	Carols on the Square
25th December	TUESDAY – Christmas Day
20 th January	Prayer for Christian Unity service – URC Church 6.30
6th March	Ash Wednesday
Lent:	Lent Study Meetings
2 nd June	Songs of Praise – Ss M&H