



St John Vianney & St Monica Parish, Blackpool

24th/25th November 2018

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (B)



WELCOME to all our visitors at Mass this weekend. After the 9.00am & 11.00am Mass on Sundays Tea & Coffee is usually available in the Parish Centre.

All most welcome!

Please note, next Sunday Tea & Coffee will be served in the side chapel (former sacristy) after both Masses.

CHRIST THE KING



Christ's Lordship over the universe is commemorated in various ways in feasts of the Church's year, including the Epiphany, Easter, and the Ascension. With the *Solemnity of Christ the King*, instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 in the context of the growing secularization of the world, the Church wishes to highlight even more clearly Christ's sovereignty over all creation, including human history.

Jesus' reign, as the Liturgy of the Mass underlines, is a reign of Truth, life, holiness, grace, justice, love and peace: these are the values that the human heart most longs for, and we Christians can contribute to bringing them about.

Nevertheless, Jesus himself warned us that his kingdom is not of this world. His sovereignty will be seen in its fullness at his second coming in glory, when there will be new heavens and a new earth, and all creatures, free from the slavery of sin, will serve and never cease to praise him.



CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Today, (25th November) is our Parish Christmas Fayre. Do come and support us in the Pope John Paul II Centre after the 11.00am Mass for great fun and fraternity. There is also an extensive children's area in the former playschool which much for the whole family to enjoy.

We have several stalls, games, tombolas and plenty of refreshments all from 12.15pm – do join us!

This year we hope the Fayre will help support towards the purchasing of a much-needed new Sound System for our church and to cover the required maintenance of our Parish Centre which is requiring much attention in these days.

PRAYERFUL VISITS to our Church (which is open all day) during the week are a good way of praying for your personal intentions before the Blessed Sacrament and in thanksgiving for those graces received. Do call in!

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Deacon: Tom Bland (Retired)

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PARISH WEEKLY CONFESSIONS, PRAYER & DEVOTIONS

Confessions: Saturdays 11.00am – 11.45am & 30 minutes – 10 minutes before each Mass

Weekly Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Tuesday 10.30am – 11.00am at St Cuthbert's and
Wednesday 9.30am - 10.00am

SUNDAY BENEDICTION IS AT 3.30PM – All welcome!

Rosary: Every Saturday at 11.30am before midday Mass in the Day Chapel (for Vocations)

WOMEN TOGETHER IN THE DIOCESE OF LANCASTER:

Are holding an Advent Day of Prayer & Reflection will be held on Saturday 1st December, 10.30am – 3.30pm at the Xaverian Mission Centre (Formerly 'Tabor'), Preston, PR2 8HE.

THIS WEEK:

LADIES GROUP – meet this Monday 2.30pm – 4.00pm in the Presbytery

CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL – Monday, 7.00pm in St John Vianney's Church

TUESDAY TEA & COFFEE after Morning (9.00am) Mass on Tuesday

ST JOHN VIANNEY'S SENIOR CITIZENS – meet each Wednesday from 2.00pm – 4.00pm

****CONFIRMATION**** – This Thursday at 6.30pm at St John Vianney's Church

All Welcome!

OUR SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

1st Confession & 1st Holy Communion: Year 3+ N.B: Preparation starts with the Mass of Enrolment here at St John Vianney's today, Sunday, 25th November at our 11.00am Mass. Welcome to our children

who will now be beginning this great journey towards meeting Jesus in the Sacraments of Confession and the Eucharist. The various aspects of the programme will now run through to the end of Eastertide 2019.

Confirmation - Please pray for those to be Confirmed by Bishop Swarbrick this coming Thursday and also for our Polish children who will be Confirmed on Sunday 2nd December at St Cuthbert's.

RCIA – Please pray for those who are seeking Baptism and for those who are preparing to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church. Thank you to those parishioners who have been welcoming and encouraging to those inquiring about the Catholic faith.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED (ACN)

Please take one of the Christmas Gifts of Faith brochures from the back of church. They offer opportunities to support persecuted Christians throughout, as well as providing excellent gifts, perhaps given in the name of loved ones; for example, just £10.00 can provide 10 Bibles for children.

DO VISIT OUR NEW PARISH WEBSITE: www.stjohnvianneyblackpool.com

After much work over the last few months, our parish has a new comprehensive and attractive website ready to bolster our already-strong parish presence on social media.

On our website you will find all relevant information for things happening in the parish, information on our mission and there is also a latest news section inform us of things happening in the wider Church across the world. Thank you to those parishioners who have put great and generous effort into making this new website a reality.

ST CUTHBERT'S CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON TEA: All are welcome to this gathering to be held in the Presbytery on Crystal Road on Wednesday 5th December 2018.

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL: In this way, just as we benefit from the generosity of those who have gone before us, so those who follow after us will benefit from our generosity to them. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

CHRISTMAS FAMILY HAMPERS

In keeping with our parish custom, we seek to help our needy families in the parish for Christmas. A hamper of food for Christmas dinner and gifts for the whole family are prepared by the parish and this year an increase in demand has arisen; namely for 29 families. Any monetary donations for this initiative would be deeply appreciated in a marked envelope in the regular collection.

STILL SUPPORTING THOSE IN NEED!

Tinned meals/meat/fish/beans/veg/fruit, noodles, rice, cereals, jam, UHT milk, squash are still very much needed and appreciated. Thank you for all your generous support in this collection for St Cuthbert's SVP and their Monday Morning 'Drop-in'.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS & BENEDICTION



We hope you will be able to join us on the Fourth Sunday of Advent, 23rd December, at 3.30pm for a short carol service with readings concluding with our usual Sunday Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Confessions will also be heard during this time. Do come and bring a friend!

OUR CHRISTMAS BINGO

Our Christmas Bingo will take place on **Sunday 16th December 2018 at 6.00pm** in our Parish (Pope John Paul II) Centre.

From next week you will be able to book tables from the back of Church.

Book a place so not to be disappointed (for fire regulations we have a limit) or book through ringing Carole Cox on: Tel: 07866543107.

ADVENT REFLECTION & PRAYER using the *CaFE* resource 'Global Healing': how faith helps us to care for our Common Home - a programme sponsored under the aegis of the Bishops of England & Wales. Mondays in December 3rd, 10th, 17th from 7.30pm - 8.30 pm at the Holy Child Sisters' House: 34 Heron Way, FY3 8FB.

STATISTICS:

Mass attendance for weekend 10th/11th November 2018: **236** Collection: **£576.42**

Missio Count: **£524.57**

The Special Collection today: is for Diocesan Youth Service

Next Sunday special collection for the Poor Missions Fund

Thank you for all your generous support!

PARISH NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: All notices for consideration for our Parish Newsletter should be emailed or delivered to the Presbytery – **by noon each Wednesday please.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Barbara Chadwick, Jim Bottomley, John O'Keefe, Ted Peacock, Alan Cox, Angela Marie, Poppy & Coral Hughes, Rebecca Macleod, Dorothy Douglas, Margaret Messenger, Veronica Swallow, Margaret Slater, Sam Smith, Ann Lee, Betty Jones and also all visited by the priests in the Harbour Hospital and all the sick and housebound parishioners and those who care for them.

LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED; and all recently deceased and for those whose anniversaries are about this time. May they all rest in peace.

MASSES & LITURGIES THIS WEEK

Liturgical Readings: Sundays: Year B & Weekdays: Year 2

Saturday 24th November

5.30pm 1st Mass of Sunday (Vigil) for Michael & Kathleen Kelly RIP

Sunday 25th November - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

9.00am Mass *Pro Populo*

11.00am Mass for Jim Lynch

3.30pm *Benediction*

5.30pm Syro-Malabar Mass (**Holy Qurbana**)

Monday 26th November

12.00pm Mass (Latin, E.F) for Alexander, Policarpia & Rogelio Mercarder

Tuesday 27th November

9.15am Mass for Amando, Victoria & Federico Mercarder

Wednesday 28th November

9.15am Mass for Thanksgiving

9.45am *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*

6.00pm Syro-Malabar Mass (**Holy Qurbana**)

Thursday 29th November

9.15am Mass for Deceased members of the O'Keefe family

Friday 30th November – St Andrew

9.15am Mass for the deceased members of the McDonnell family

6.30pm Mass (Latin, E.F) for Jim Southern RIP

Saturday 1st December – St Ralph Sherwin & Companions

12.00pm Mass for the Conversion of England

5.30pm 1st Mass of Sunday (Vigil) *Pro Populo*

Sunday 2nd December – 1st Sunday of Advent

9.00am Mass for Ronald Davies RIP

11.00am Mass for Gertrude Irwin (Anv)

12.30pm *Baptism of Anderson Friedman*

3.30pm *Benediction*

5.30pm Syro-Malabar Mass (**Holy Qurbana**)

Response to the Psalm:

The Lord is King, with majesty enrobed.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! *Alleluia!*

Sung Mass Setting: Kyrie 1012; Gloria 1013; Sanctus 1014; Mem Acc 1015; Agnus Dei 1019