Beavers and Cubs now have vacancies – Beavers 6-8 yrs. & Cubs 8-10½ yrs. Meetings are on a Thursday evening in St Joseph's school hall. Leaders and helpers also needed.

Contact Graham and Angela Stevens on ₹268094 for more information.

St Joseph's School Christmas Raffle: The Annual Christmas raffle will be drawn on Friday 14th December, tickets priced 50p per book will be on sale after Mass this weekend. Any donations of prizes for the raffle can be left in church or sent to school. We continue to be very grateful for all your support.

Chorley & District Choral Society: present a "Christmas Concert" on Saturday 22nd December at 7.30pm in Chorley Town Hall. A feast of Christmas Music with Intrada Brass and audience participation. Tickets costing £12 each are available from Malcolm's Musicland or by contacting Society member, Chris Jenner 201257 278915.

Synod 2020: The Parish Synod Member for St. Joseph's will be:

Miss Francesca Vause.

One of the 8 Representing the Deanery Synod Members will be:

Miss Anita Tunstall (Nursing & Healthcare Experience)

We are very grateful to Francesca & Anita for agreeing to represent the Parish & the Deanery.

Father, we thank you
for the love you have shown us
in the gift of Jesus, your Son.
We thank you for the gift of the Church,
through which you show us
that you are always with us
and are always at work in our lives.



As we journey together to Synod 2020 help us to become the Church that you are calling us to be.

May your Holy Spirit be powerfully at work among us.

Strengthen each of us and guide Francis, our Pope and Malcolm, our Archbishop.

Help us to respond to the challenges of our times in new ways to bring your love to all our sisters and brothers. We make this prayer through Jesus Christ Our Lord. **AMEN** ST. JOSEPH'S, HARPERS LANE, CHORLEY PR6 OHR

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2nd Sunday of Advent – 9th December 2018

HOLY MASS & SERVICES

Sunday (Sat) **6.00pm** James (A) & Irene Snape (RIP)

8.30am Vincent Ellison(A), Pauline & Martin (RIP)

10.30am Lily O'Neill (A)4.30pm Frank Hegarty (A)

Monday 8.30am *Eucharistic Service:* Int: Parishioners

6.30pm Brothers of Charity Carol Service

Tuesday 8.30am Rebecca Hughes (Get Well)

Wednesday 8.30am Zygmunt Wojciechowski (RIP)

2.00pm Junior Nativity in Church

Thursday 8.30am Florence Masterson (RIP)

7.00pm Junior Nativity in Church

Friday 8.30am Florence Smith (A)
Saturday 9.00am Jack Waring (RIP)

Sunday next 6.00pm Elsy Nelson (B)

8.30am John & Mary Murphy (B/A)

10.30am Philip O'Neill & Mary Jackson (A's)

4.30pm Parishioners

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 10.30am – 11.30am

Please Pray For The Following Who Are Sick Canon Albert Shaw, Fr. Laurence Mayne, Bert Smith, Eileen Snape, Jean Thurston, James Desmond Gorman, Teresa Todd, Doreen Moss, Mark Rimmer, John Lee, Anna Hennessy & Baby Troy Halls (7 weeks old). We also remember to pray for all those in Chorley Hospital, Derian House Children's Hospice & our Nursing Homes. Eucharistic Ministers visit the Wards every Sunday morning with Holy Communion.

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V. Heal Thy Servants, O Lord, who are sick, and who put their trust in Thee.

R. Send them help, O Lord, and comfort from Thy holy place.

<u>IMPORTANT</u> – Please contact St Joseph's Presbytery, if any member of your family is admitted into Chorley Hospital and would appreciate a visit.

In an emergency the hospital switchboard will contact the on-call Catholic Priest. Please request this from any member of Staff on the Ward. Patients transferred to The Grange Rehabilitation Centre, The Grange, Oakbridge Drive, Buckshaw Village, PR7 7EP, please contact Euxton St Mary's on: 262655 or email: mail@stmarys-euxton.com

Please include in your Prayers: All those who have Recently Died: We also remember all those whose Anniversaries occur about this time: James Snape, Vincent Ellison, Lily O'Neill, Frank Hegarty, Florence Smith, John & Mary Murphy, Philip O'Neill, Mary Jackson & Margaret McPartlin.

Advent Services of Reconciliation

Sunday 16th December at 3pm: St. Gregory's Monday 17th December at 7pm: Sacred Heart Friday 21st December at 7pm: St. Mary's

Children's Liturgy – "Little Church" every Sunday morning at the 10.30am Mass for children up to First Holy Communion age.

"Little Church" TODAY: Paula and Julie C

"Little Church" Helpers NEXT week: Susan and Pauline

If you would like to help as a volunteer with Children's Liturgy on a Sunday would you make contact with Father Stanley. Thank you.

Mother & Toddler Group: Meet on a Wednesday morning in the Primary School, Cedar Road from 9.00am until 11.15am.

St Joseph's Retirement Club: New members welcome over 55 years of age. Every Thursday afternoon at 1.30pm in the Parish Centre. Admission 50p including Tea and Biscuits, Bingo, Artists and Outings. All welcome.

Faith Sharing Group: Every Wednesday evening in the Sacristy of the Church from 7.00pm to 8.15pm. ALL welcome. Tea/coffee provided. This is an ideal opportunity to develop your Faith Journey.

St Joseph's Parish Centre – Members Notice: For bookings please contact the Parish Centre Manageress: 275137 or □ 07932 404447. E-mail: StJosephsChorley@apcmc.co.uk Website: www.st-josephs-chorley.co.uk

Readers Today 9th December Next Sunday: 16th December

6.00pm	Francesca Vause	6.00pm	Martin Craven
8.30am	M Redshaw/J Weldon/E Whitney	8.30am	S Francis/G King/M Eccles
10.30am	Uniformed Groups	10.30am	T Dugdale/L Crowther/R Challoner
4.30pm	Richard Hunt	4.30pm	Catriona Scallon

Eucharistic Ministers Today: Next Sunday:

6.00pm	Geoff Kenyon	6.00pm	Eileen Vause
8.30am	A Nolan/W Gildert/J Weldon	8.30am	A King/L Clarkson/R Turner
10.30am	A Titterington/R Hart/K Hart	10.30am	T Schofield /E Broadstock/K Hart
	Alan Christie		Valerie Christie
4.30pm	Christine Farnworth	4.30pm	Peter Cahill

Counters Today: M Finch & K Wilkinson Next Sunday: M Smith, F & B Walmsley

Altar Boys (Tue, Wed, Thurs, Fri) Jaden and Aaron

Collection: Gift Aid: £595.72p Loose Plate: £400.17p Total: £995.89p Thank you for your wonderful generosity.

The Selection Box Bingo: raised £691.50p. Thank you to everyone who supported this event raising funds for the parish.

St. Joseph's Parish Bulletin: Would you like to receive the weekly parish bulletin by email? If you would, then please send a blank email to: stjosephchorleybulletin@gmail.com. Please, **ONLY** use this email to request the bulletin – the parish general email remains the same.

CAFOD Fun Run - This year the 35th Annual Fun Run will take place on Thursday 27^{th} December at Wavertree Sports Centre L15 4LE. Registration will be from 12pm and the 6k/3k run and 2k walk will begin at 1pm. Entry will be £5 for children, £10 for adults or £20 for a family. Posters and sponsorship forms and other information from liverpool@cafod.org.uk or 0151 228 4028.

Dementia Friendly Christmas Carol Service Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King, Friday 14th December 2pm, with Archbishop Malcolm.

The Family of the Late Gillian Bolton would like to thank everyone who attended her Funeral and for the messages of sympathy. Kevin & Ruby Hart, Gillian's parents, and all the family appreciate the support enormously.