

**SYNOD 2020:** On Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 3.00pm, the Archbishop, at a special service in the Cathedral, will celebrate formally the calling of a Synod for the Archdiocese of Liverpool. This Service will begin an important period of time leading up to the Synod itself in October 2020. As the Archbishop himself said in his Pastoral Letter for Synod Sunday 2018 the Synod is the time when we choose the path to walk on.

Everyone is welcome to come to this service. The Synod Members (Parish, Pastoral Area, and others) will be mandated to undertake their task and we will all be invited to pray with and for them and for the working of our Synod. Please join the Archbishop at 3pm on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February in the Cathedral.

**Annual Celebration of Marriage and Family Life** Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> February at 11am in the Cathedral. Archbishop Malcolm will celebrate Mass with a renewal of marriage vows.

**Archdiocese of Liverpool Marriage and Family Life Department** – Recovery from Divorce and Separation. Meetings in February and September. Contact Maureen O’Brien ☎ 07967 753371 for further information.

**On-going Incarnation:** They think it’s all over! No, it isn’t! True, the decorations have been put away, the turkey and trifle eaten, all the celebrations have ended, - but the reality of the Incarnation lives on in us the Body of Christ. It is now possible to say that God is working through each of us, indeed that God has chosen to need each one of us to make known the reality of the Incarnation day by day starting when Jesus sent his disciples out to the world. How can this be true? When the Word became flesh all humanity was raised to a different level. We have always known that God is with us, what is perhaps new is thinking of this as a continuance of the Incarnation. Theologians today remind us of the divine presence within us, the inseparable union between God and we humans and that *'All too often we fail to recognise this divine presence'* (Daniel O’Leary). We don’t follow one step behind Christ: the divine presence is in us! Something to think about when we go about our daily life this week working with others, or if we should see or hear of people who are in need, or anyone being treated unfairly. This is where God relies on us to be giving expression to God’s love, justice and mercy.

**Fr. Daniel O’Leary died this week. May he rest in peace.**



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## 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – 27<sup>th</sup> January 2019 “School Sunday”

### HOLY MASS & SERVICES

<b>Sunday</b> (Sat)	<b>6.00pm</b> Parishioners	
	<b>8.30am</b> Ned Casey (RIP)	
	<b>10.30am</b> Hughie Webster (RIP)	
	<b>4.30pm</b> Carmel Gray (A)	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> <i>Eucharistic Service:</i> Int: Alan & Elsie (A) Jenner	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> <i>Eucharistic Service</i>	
	<b>1.30pm</b> Albert Meakin (RIP) ( <i>Mass at Holy Cross HS</i> )	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Teresa Badderley (Sick/B)	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Colin Stacey (RIP)	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> John Maurice Smith (A)	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9.00am</b> John Booth (A)	
<b>Sunday next</b>	<b>6.00pm</b> Parishioners	
	<b>8.30am</b> Rita Mary Platt	
	<b>10.30am</b> Gillian Bolton (RIP)	
	<b>4.30pm</b> Fr. Michael O’Neill (RIP)	

**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 Hunter Halliday (9 months old) & Baby Troy Halls (11 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.

**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.

**IMPORTANT** – 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:** Fr. Daniel O’Leary, Fr. Tom Cullinan & Margaret Curwen. We also remember all those whose **Anniversaries** occur about this time: Fr. Kevin Finn, Carmel Gray, Elsie Jenner, John Maurice Smith & John Booth.

**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:** Meetings take place in the Sacristy of the Church from 7.00pm to 8.15pm every Wednesday. **“Come and See”** (John 1:46). ALL welcome. Tea/coffee provided. This is an ideal opportunity to develop your Faith Journey.

**St Joseph’s Parish Centre – Members Notice:** Available for all types of social events. 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

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**Readers Today 27<sup>th</sup> January**

**6.00pm** Sr. Cecilia  
**8.30am** M Redshaw/E Whitney/A Nolan  
**10.30am** School Children  
**4.30pm** Catriona Scallon

**Next Sunday: 3<sup>rd</sup> February**

**6.00pm** Francesca Vause  
**8.30am** J Weldon/E Whitney/C Carter  
**10.30am** J O’Leary/S Tierney/C Clarkson  
**4.30pm** Richard Hunt

**Eucharistic Ministers Today:**

**6.00pm** Francesca Vause  
**8.30am** A Rabbitt/L Clarkson/J Weldon  
**10.30am** K Hart/T Schofield/G Riley  
**4.30pm** Peter Cahill

**Next Sunday:**

**6.00pm** Eileen Vause  
**8.30am** M Redshaw/R Turner/A Rabbitt  
**10.30am** R Hart/A Christie/V Christie  
**4.30pm** Anne Marie Hegarty

**Counters Today:** C Farnworth/J Horrocks **Next Sunday:** M Finch/K Wilkinson

**Altar Boys (Wed, Thurs, Fri):** Volunteers please!!

**Children’s Liturgy – “Little Church”** every Sunday morning at the 10.30am Mass for children up to First Holy Communion age.

**No “Little Church” THIS week: “School Sunday”!**  
**“Little Church” NEXT week** Paula and Julie C

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.

**Archdiocesan Directory** – the 2019 Directory is available to buy at the back of church £3.50.

**School Sunday** – we welcome pupils, staff, governors and their families to the 10.30am Mass this Sunday as we celebrate School Sunday. All parishioners are invited into school after the 10.30am Mass for refreshments and a look around.

**Table Top Sale:** St Joseph’s School Hall - Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> February 8am-12noon. Free entrance, refreshments available. New and Pre-loved items. If you would like to book a table (2 school tables provided) for a fee of £10 to be prepaid or for more information please contact St. Joseph’s Primary School on ☎01257 265998. Proceeds to St Joseph’s PTA.