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LENT 2019

6th March 2019



Ashes will be blessed and distributed during the Masses at **8.20am and 6.30pm**

Commencing on Ash Wednesday and throughout Lent, the Church will be open on Sundays and Weekdays from **7.30am** with *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament* until Mass at **8.30am**. On Saturday mornings there will be *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament* from **8.00am** until Mass at **9.00am**. This is an opportunity to spend some time at the beginning of the day in peace and quiet to pray for our needs and the needs of others. There will be *Stations of the Cross* on Friday evenings at **7.00pm**. In

preparation for Easter, please try to attend an extra Mass & Devotions each week during Lent to help deepen our prayer & spiritual life. **Ash Wednesday** marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. It is a season of penance, reflection & fasting which prepares us for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday, through which we attain Redemption. The Church reminds us all of the disciplines that help us to live the Christian life in the world. The practises of prayer, of fasting and of almsgiving are the focus not only of the Lenten season, but also of every day of our lives. Lent is our reminder. Now, and every day, is the day of salvation, the day of living the life of faith. Personal and communal prayer leads us out of our narrow selves into the light of the Lord. Fasting from food, drink, television & the pursuit of our own agenda opens us to the encounter with other people. Almsgiving, sharing what we have with others - be it money, time, assistance, patience, consideration - brings blessings on humanity. We are fellow workers with Christ. Daily conversion to the Lord fits us to join in with the reconciliation of the World.

SYNOD 2020: Prayer

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.**



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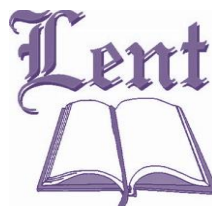


8th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 3rd March 2019

HOLY MASS & SERVICES

Sunday (Sat)
6.00pm Liam Gibson (B)
8.30am Parishioners
10.30am Brian Lamb (RIP)(WA)
4.30pm Jack Waring (A)

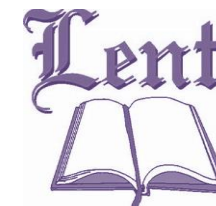
Monday **8.30am Eucharistic Service: Int:** Gorman Family
Tuesday **8.30am Eucharistic Service: Int:** Canon Charles Dorran



ASH WEDNESDAY 6TH MARCH

(A Day Of Fasting & Abstinence)

8.20am Albert Meakin (RIP)
6.30pm Rose Harrison (A)



Thursday **8.30am** F J Smith (A)
Friday **8.30am** Louis & Harry Catterall (A's)
7.00pm *Stations of the Cross*
Saturday **9.00am** Special Intention (DH)

Sunday next **6.00pm** Canon Sylvester Cowell (A)
8.30am Parishioners
10.30am Violet Mewse (A)
4.30pm Julie Beesley (A)

NO Confessions Saturday 2nd March: Resumes on 9th March!

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during Lent

(Starts Thursday 7th March) Sun – Fri. 7.30am; Sat. 8am

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 & Baby Troy Halls. 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:** Francis Bagot and all those whose **Anniversaries** occur about this time: Jack Waring, F J Smith, Louis & Harry Catterall, Canon Sylvester Cowell, Violet Mewse, Rose Harrison & Julie Beesley.

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: Wednesday evenings in the Sacristy of the Church from 7.15pm to 8.30pm. ALL welcome. Tea/coffee provided. **"Come and See"** (Jn. 1:46) This is an ideal opportunity to develop your Faith Journey.

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.

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: 3rd March

6.00pm Sr. Cecilia
8.30am G King/C Jenner/M Redshaw
10.30am J O'Leary/S Tierney/C Clarkson
4.30pm Laura McLoughlin

Next Sunday: 10th March

6.00pm Francesca Vause
8.30am E Whitney/J Weldon//S Francis
10.30am Uniformed Groups
4.30pm Catriona Scallon

Eucharistic Ministers Today:

6.00pm Geoff Kenyon
8.30am W Gildert/P Smith/A King
10.30am G Riley/P Hilton/A Christie
4.30pm Christine Farnworth

Next Sunday:

6.00pm Eileen Vause
8.30am J Weldon/P Smith/A Nolan
10.30am A Christie/V Christie/T Schofield
4.30pm Peter Cahill

Ash Wednesday 6th March

8.20am Readers: C Jenner/J Maynard/J Weldon
Eucharistic Ministers: C Carter/M Redshaw/P Smith
Ashes: Michael Anderton
6.30pm Readers: A Wetzstein/M Craven/T Dugdale
Eucharistic Ministers: P Evans/I Love/C Kinnaird
Ashes: Geoff Kenyon

Counters Today: S & M Craven/C Jenner **Next Sunday:** G Massey, J & A Nolan

Altar Server this week: Volunteers please!

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

"Little Church" TODAY: Julie and Sandra

"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.

Collection: Gift Aid: £621.32p **Loose Plate:** £416.57p **Total:** £1,037.89p
Thank you as always for your wonderful generosity.

Lenten Reflections can be downloaded from www.synod2020.co.uk

The Protection of minors in the Church: Sunday, 24th February 2019.
Address of his Holiness Pope Francis at the end of the Eucharistic Concelebration.
The Link:

http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/speeches/2019/february/documents/papa-francesco_20190224_incontro-protezioneminori-chiusura.html