PRAYERS: *The Sick*: Jane Hindle, Anne Corcoran, Bob Priestly, Alan Cox, John Radcliffe, Tony & Marie Butler, Alice McGowan, John Corcoran, Janina Crow, Peter Doherty, Moya Eastwood, Pat Fishwick, Beattie Flannigan, Cathy Gaughan, Maureen Gillespie, Joe Higgins, Rose Hornby, Bernadette McDaid, Amanda Martin, Michael Moughton, Kenzie McDermott, Peter Nicholls, Colleen O'Donoghue, Rose Price, Baby Sean John, Amy Rose Sanderson, Anne Marie Seabury, Kath Smith, May Stocky, Elisha Swales, Karen Wainwright, Carrie Walmesley, Dorothy Conroy, Rita Fraser, Kathleen Perfect, Bernadette Bunting, Kathleen Booth, Shelia Haslam, Laura Farrand, Peter Borysiewicz, Pauline Lane,

Lately Dead: Rowland Fairhurst, Francis Platt

OUR SCHOOLS:

St Cuthbert's Catholic Academy: Lightwood Avenue FY4 2AU Head: Mrs S Smith. Email: admin@st-cuthbert.blackpool.sch.uk

St John Vianney Catholic Primary School: Glastonbury Avenue FY1 6RD

Head: Mrs. C Evans. Email: admin@st-john-vianney.blackpool.sch.uk

Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Primary School: Common Edge Road FY4 5DE

Head: Mrs. E Mannix: admin@our-lady.blackpool.sch.uk

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Head: Mr S Eccles. Email: admin@st-mary.blackpool.sch.uk

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A WARM WELCOME: to new parishioners. Please make yourself known to one of the priests. Welcome too, to those visiting Blackpool for a holiday break.

ENQUIRIES: regarding Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals, First Communions, Confirmations or those wanting to become Catholic, please contact the Parish Office. Also, for all enquiries regarding the newsletter.

FIGURES	OFFERTORY	SPECIAL	ATTENDED
St C			313
OLA			217
SJV			778

NB The above figures do not take into account offertory given by Standing Order Attendance figures now include Polish, Syro-Malabar & Neo Catechumenal celebrations

PARISH GARDENING CLUB SJV: Tuesday 1pm-3pm on the Parish field at SJV. All welcome. Bring a drink!

REFRESHMENTS: <i>a</i>	after Mass: 9am	SJV, 10am S	St C &	10.30am Ol	LA
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Special Collections: None

THE PARISH OF THE GUARDIAN ANGELS

Serving the congregations of: ST CUTHBERT, OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION AND ST JOHN VIANNEY

7th APRIL 2024 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER



This Sunday has often been referred to Low Sunday' comparing it to all the 'high jinx' of Easter. In recent years it has also gained the name 'Divine Mercy Day.' A glance at the Gospel shows why. The first act of Jesus risen from the dead is to show the Apostles the wounds, the price he paid for our peace. Then he commissions them to mediate that peace through forgiveness of sins.



TODAY DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: 7th April. A Service will be held at Our Lady of the Assumption church (FY4 5DF) at 2.45pm. Including Chaplet, Exposition, Confessions & Mass.

GIFT AID & OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: 2024/25 have arrived. To save expense, we are only providing envelopes for those in the Gift Aid Scheme. If you are in the scheme and there are no envelopes for you please complete the details on the sheet at the back of church.

Church income barely matches outgoings. We know this is a time of economic difficulty for many. We do not ask for more in the offertory collection but if you (or your spouse) pay tax please join the Gift Aid Scheme. This way for every £1 you give the church can claim 25p. See the leaflets at the back of church.

Priests: Christopher Loughran, Frank Osman & Simon Hawksworth
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Sunday: Yr. B; Weekdays of Easter. Office: of Easter Sun SECOND OF EASTER (Divine Mercy Day)

5.30pm; (SJV) Margaret Kennedy RIP

6.00pm: (OLA) Tony Brady RIP

6.30pm: (SJV) NeoCatechumenal Eucharist

9am: (SJV) People of the Parish

10am: (ST C) Malcolm and Maureen RIP

10.30am: (OLA) Intentions WP 11.15am: (SJV) Mary and Ken Palm 3.30pm: (ST C) *Mass in Polish*

4pm: (OLA) Divine Mercy Mass

5.30pm: (SJV) Mass in the Syro-Malabar Rite Mon THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

9.15am: (SJV) Priests - thanksgiving

10.30am: (St C) Rowland Fairhurst Requiem Mass

Tue of Easter 2

9.15am: (SJV) John Constable - health 9.30am: (OLA) Joyce Kilshaw RIP

Wed of Easter 2

9.15am: (SJV) Fr Martin Poland [Class Mass]

12.00: (St C) Mgr Michael Tully RIP

6.30pm: (SJV) Mass in the Syro-Malabar Rite

Thurs St Stanislaus

9.15am: (SJV) Ken & Mary Palm 9.30am: (OLA) Pamela Thompson RIP

Fri of Easter 2

9.15am: (SJV) Ints of WP

12.00: (St C) Jack Cunningham RIP

Sat of Easter 2

Sun THIRD OF EASTER

5.30pm: (SJV) Jane Daniels RIP 6.00pm: (OLA) Elizabeth Gray RIP

6.30pm: (SJV) NeoCatechumenal Eucharist

9am: (SJV) Friends & Family

10am: (ST C) Holy Souls on November List

10.30am: (OLA) Paul & Sylvia Marley – Diamond Wedding

11.15am: (SJV) People of the parish 3.30pm: (ST C) *Mass in Polish*

5.30pm: (SJV) Mass in the Syro-Malabar Rite

CHILDRENS' LITURGY: (SJV) at the 11.15am Mass during term time

PARISH PETITION BOOK: There is one of these in each of our churches for your intentions prayed for each Sunday.

CONFIRMATION: for Y7 children and above will be held on June 27th @ 6:30pm. Details of Preparation Course will be available in the next few weeks.

EXPOSITION

Sat 11am-12noon
Our Lady of the
Assumption &
St Cuthbert's.
(Today) First Sunday in
April
Divine Mercy
Celebration OLA
2.45pm

CONFESSIONS

At St Cuthbert's:
Sat: 11.30am or
At Our Lady of the
Assumption:
Sat 11-11.30am or
St John Vianney:
Sat: 5pm &
Sun: 8.30am.
By request to any priest
in church.
Also by appointment.

Pope's Prayer Intentions for April:

For The Role of Women: We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognised in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

LAST WEEK: Friday: The Sacred Triduum had begun the night before, today: celebration of the Lord's Passion; disturded night with call to BVH. Saturday: all the high jinx of preparation for the most complex of Services – the Easter Vigil which went off reasonably well with the joy of receiving new members into the family of the Church. Sunday: packed churches all the way [where are they the rest of thye time?]. Monday: the great tidy up begins at all three churches, so much clearing away and rearranging, replenishing the stocks with the newly blessed Oil & Chrism; and a myriad of other behind the scenes activities. Tuesday: Visit to the sick; couple of meetings; flowers to parent's grave; conversation with 'roofer' St C. Wednesday: There is a strange silence around our schools with the children being away (except for holiday clubs), same in the presbytery with 2 priests and the secretary away. Thursday: blessing of a diamond jubilee couple, distal prep for a busy weekend; visited the 'roofers' – off sick!

THANK YOU: from the priests for your kind greeting, gifts and generous Easter Offerings. **GRATEFUL THANKS** too, to all those who worked so hard preparing for and assisting at the Holy Week Services.

MANY THANKS: to the OLA Sunday Coffee group for £200 to parish funds. And yet more thanks to the same group who by a cake sale raised £116 for the Lourdes Youth Fund.

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LOURDES QUIZ: April 12th St John Paul II Centre. To raise funds to send young helpers for the sick. Entry £5. Refreshments served BYOB. Quiz Master: Fr Frank. Donations for raffle prizes etc. gratefully accepted.

LENT SOUP FOR LOURDES: Total raised £536.14

EASTER FLOWERS: List of donor's intentions at the Lady Altar

PUBLICATIONS: the latest edition of the Catholic Voice & Parish Pump are at the back of church.

PREPARING FOR PENTECOST with the Apostles: English Martyr's, Poulton 7-8pm Wednesdays in April. See poster or ring Ursula 07821 691888

COME AND SEE WEEKEND: With the Bernardine Sisters at Hyning for single women: 18-45 seriously discerning what the Lord is asking of them. Participants will be able to share in the life and spirituality of the sisters. Date: Fri 10th - Sun 12th May. Info from Sr Mary Helen sistermaryhelen@hotmail.com

MODERN SLAVERY AWARENESS: talk Tue 9th April 7pm English Martyr's Poulton. See poster.

BOOK LAUNCH: *The Roman Catholic Bishops of Lancaster*. Tue 9th April, Boarbank Hall. See poster