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: Monica Sanderson, Margaret McCarthy, Margaret Gilmartin

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

St Mary's Catholic Academy: St Walburga's Road FY3 7EQ

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

SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS: Linda Wisdom (07738022054) linda.wisdom@lrcd.org.uk & Lynne Worden (07484691907)

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	£215.24		145
OLA	£423.36		149
SJV	£620.30		415

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: after Mass: 9am SJV, 10am St C & 10.30am OLA

Special Collections: Today - Ecclesiastical Education Fund

THE PARISH OF THE GUARDIAN ANGELS

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

21st APRIL 2024 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Because of the content of today's Gospel, this Sunday is known as 'Good Shepherd Sunday.' It has traditionally been a special time of prayer for priestly vocations. Jesus is the Good Shepherd, our priests are called to share in his ministry. But those answering the call to priesthood are very few and far between. And the ones we have are becoming more thinly stretched.

Bishops can only send priests to parishes if parishes first of all send priests to the bishop. It has been many years since this parish has produced a priest. We need not only to pray for vocations, but also to create a culture of vocations. We need to encourage men of the parish to seriously consider priesthood.



CONFIRMATION: for Y7 children and above will be held on June 27th @ 6:30pm. **A parent and candidate meeting** will be held at 6pm on Thursday 23rd May in the St John Paul II Centre Glastonbury Avenue.

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
Deacons: Rev Tom Bland & Paul Marley (Rtd)
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Sunday: Yr. B; Weekdays of Easter. Proper & Psalter wk 4

Sun FOURTH OF EASTER

5.30pm: (SJV) HSNL 6.00pm: (OLA) HSNL

6.30pm: (SJV) NeoCatechumenal Eucharist

9am: (SJV) Des Kearney - Health 10am: (ST C) Kathleen Wisdom RIP 10.30am: (OLA) People of the parish 11.15am: (SJV) Bernard Walkden RIP

3.30pm: (ST C) Mass in Polish

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

Mon of Easter 4

9.15am: (SJV) Patricia Ann Doherty RIP

Tue ST. GEORGE

9.15am: (SJV) Thanksgiving (JR) 9.30am: (OLA) Elaine Wright RIP

Wed of Easter 4

9.15am: (SJV) Private Intention (KM) [Year 6 Mass]

12.00: (St C) Margaret Kennedy RIP

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

Thurs ST MARK

9.15am: (SJV) Francis Platt RIP 9.30am: (OLA) HSNL [Year 3 Mass]

Fri of Easter 4

9.15am: (SJV) Paul Sherrington RIP 12.00: (St C) Teresa Larkin RIP

Sat of Easter 4

Sun FIFTH OF EASTER

5.30pm: (SJV) Fr Barry McAllister RIP 6.00pm: (OLA) Pamela Thompson RIP 6.30pm: (SJV) NeoCatechumenal Eucharist

9am: (SJV) People of the parish 10am: (ST C) Rowland Fairhurst RIP 10.30am: (OLA) Andrew Pareskeva RIP 11.15am: (SJV) David Monks RIP 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.

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.

EXPOSITION

Sat 11am-12noon
Our Lady of the
Assumption &
St Cuthbert's.
First Sunday in Month:
3.30pm SJV
Rosary & benediction

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.

LAST WEEK: Friday: After visits to the sick and housebound, a day of meetings topped by The Lourdes Quiz Night. Saturday: preparations for weekend Masses and a baptism meeting. Sunday: our usual Mass commitments and a baptism at St Cuthbert's. Monday: lots of activity with little to show for it and a baptism meeting; your food gifts taken to Sacred Heart; called in on First Holy Communion class. Tuesday: set the hall at OLA for Wednesday's Communion preparation; office catch up; called in at OLA school; meeting with Headteacher SJV; visit to the English Hub; altar server training; Parish Council & Finance Meeting. Wednesday: Mass with Y5 SJV prior to their few days at Hothersall Lodge outdoor learning; baptism meeting; trip to St C – boilers out of action. Thursday: meeting with a parishioner and 'Site Watch' regarding CCTV@SJV and an unscheduled governor meeting SJV.

THANK YOU: to those who supported last week's Lourdes Quiz Night. £270 was raised.

OLA BINGO & QUIZ NIGHT: Friday April 26th Parish Centre. BYOB. Doors 7.15pm, eyes down 8pm. For the Lourdes Youth Fund. Raffle donations gratefully accepted.

CONGRATULATIONS: to Georgetta Chapman who was baptised recently.

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

SPUC PRO-LIFE: Sat 27th April 11am – 1 pm. Annual silent act of witness to remember the millions of unborn babies lost to abortion. London Road, Preston – just north of Ribble Bridge. Stay for all/ part time; bring a chair if required. Tel 01772 723094

FROM CAFOD: with a General Election looming later this year Cafod have sent a link. Please see cafod.org.uk/encounter for more information, including online sessions on 25 April and 4 May to learn more.