PRAYERS: *The Sick:* Jane Hindle, Dorothy Conroy, 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, Bernadette McDaid, Michael Moughton, Kenzie McDermott, Rose Price, Baby Sean John, Amy Rose Sanderson, Anne Marie Seabury, Kath Smith, Elisha Swales, Karen Wainwright, Carrie Walmesley, Rita Fraser, Kathleen Perfect, Bernadette Bunting, Kathleen Booth, Shelia Haslam, Laura Farrand, Peter Borysiewicz, Pauline Lane, Liz Duffy, Tina Howarth, Sam Marlow-Wrigley Marie Fahey, Mary Hayton, Julie Benson, Jim Bryson, Edward Fahey.

Lately Dead: Fr Tony Walsh (former Parish Priest), Anne Marie Kneale,

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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	£132.03	£58.30	139
OLA	£413.59	£124.80	148
SJV	£819.65	£134.89	514

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: Is closed now until spring,

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

Special Collections: Today: None

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

PARISH OF THE GUARDIAN ANGELS

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

7th December 2025 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



In today's Gospel, John the Baptist makes his first Advent appearance. His message is forever the same: Repent! To repent means to turn, to change, to enter a new way of living. In this season Confession is a must, it is the best way to begin to change, to become the man or woman that we are called to be.



ADVENT

Evening Prayer & Benediction:

SJV 3pm. Dec 7, 14, 21

Reconciliation Service: This Fri: 12th Dec 7pm SJV

Advance Notice of Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve: 4.30pm: St Cuthbert's;

5.30pm: St John Vianney

6.30pm: Our Lady of the Assumption

Christmas Day: 9am: Our Lady of the Assumption;

10am: St Cuthbert; 11.15am: St John Vianney

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Sunday: Yr. A; Weekdays: Yr. 2. Psalter Week 2

Sun SECOND IN ADVENT

5.30pm: (SJV) Souls in Purgatory 6pm: (OLA) Linda Porter RIP

6.30pm: (SJV) NeoCatechumenal Eucharist

9am: (SJV) People of the parish 10am: (ST C) Val Fahey RIP

10.30am: (OLA Thanks to God, BVM, Saints & Angels

11.15am: (SJV) For prayers answered. 3.30pm: (ST C) *Mass in Polish*

4.30pm: (SJV) Mass in the Syro-Malabar Rite

Mon: THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

9.15am: (SJV) Roy Dickinson RIP 7pm: (SJV) NeoCatechumenal Eucharist

Tue: of Advent week 2

9.15am: (SJV) Clifford Hughes RIP

9.30am: (OLA) John & Veronica Baines RIP

Wed: of Advent week 2

9.15am: (SJV) Souls in Purgatory 12noon: (St C) Tom Jackson - Health

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

Thurs: of Advent week 2

9.15am: (SJV) First Communion Children

9.30am: (OLA) W P - Health

Fri: of Advent week 2

9.15am: (SJV) Bridget & Jack Woods RIP

12noon: (St C) Fr John Baron RIP

Sat: St Lucy

Sun THIRD IN ADVENT

5.30pm: (SJV) Bill & Vie McGarvie RIP 6pm: (OLA) Lena & Albert John RIP 6.30pm: (SJV) NeoCatechumenal Eucharist 9am: (SJV) Lawrence & Monica Slater RIP

10am: (ST C) Peter Nichols RIP

10.30am: (OLA Holy Souls on November List

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

4.30pm: (SJV) Mass in the Syro-Malabar Rite

EXPOSITION

Sat 11am-12Our Lady of the Assumption & St Cuthbert's. First Sundays: 3pm SJV Rosary & Benediction

CONFESSIONS

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

Pope's Prayer Intentions for December: For Christians in areas of conflict Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

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

FR TONY WALSH: His Requiem Mass will be on 10th December 2025 at St Wulstan's, Fleetwood at 12.00noon

GRATEFUL THANKS: To those who organised and supported the Bingo & Quiz at OLA £450 was raise plus £150 from the Sunday Coffee Morning

FAMILY CRIBS: The priests are very happy to come along and bless your home crib. Write your name and phone number on the sheet on the notice board.

OLA SCHOOL Recruiting for a Welfare Assistant. Visit: https://www.ourladyassumption-sch.co.uk/

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026: will be celebrated on: SJV 21st June; St C 28th June; OLA 5th July. There are letters in the church porch with details. Parent Meeting: SJV 9/2/26; St C (school) 10/2/26; OLA 11/2/26.

CHRISTMAS FAIR: Today (7th Dec) in the Pope John Paul II Centre and in the School hall. It will start at 12noon. There's lots of stalls and prizes and it's going be a great afternoon. St Mary's School Choir & St Cuthbert's/St Mary's dancers are performing, and there will be a visit from Fr Christmas. Don't forget to bring your Grand raffle stubs as they will be drawn at the fair. We really do need helpers on stalls. Please come along and help!!! **CHRISTMAS Bingo** next week (14th Dec) - eyes down @ 6.30pmin the Pope JPII Centre. Please book your place as we will only provide pie & peas if you have booked. Please call Linda 07738022054.

GRATEFUL THANKS: for the £100 collection from the Ladies Lunch on Wednesday for MARYS MEALS - 1,000 Meals for needy children abroad.

FORTHCOMING PARISH EVENTS: Dec12 – Advent Reconciliation Service 7pm SJV; Dec 21 - Childrens' Christmas Party OLA. See poster in porch.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: in memory of a loved one. Put your contribution in an envelope with your intention written on it and we will display the intentions on the Lady Altar.

ADVENT: Morning Prayer with the NeoCatechumenal Community at St Cuthbert's presbytery Mon - Fri 7am.

ADVENT SCRIPTURE SESSIONS: preparing for Christmas. 7-8pm English Martyr's Wed 3, 10 & 17 Dec. See poster

MONASTERY OF OUR LADY OF HYNING: individually guided retreat in the Ignatian tradition Fri April 24th – Sun May 3rd OR Sat April 25th – Sat May 2nd. For more info visit: hyningbookings@yahoo.co.uk or phone: 01524 732684.

THE PRESTON RETREAT – Youth 2000: 13th Dec. 9am-9pm. Young adults (aged 16-35 or Year 10+) are invited to a one-day retreat at Corpus Christi High School. To register, please visit: https://youth2000.churchsuite.com/events/s8vr6vf2