

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, 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, Sam Marlow-Wrigley Marie Fahey, Mary Hayton, Julie Benson, Jim Bryson, Edward Fahey.

Lately Dead: Christopher Eagle, Cecelia Duckworth, Ettore Rossi

OUR SCHOOLS:

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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	£298.13		160
OLA	£391.68		126
SJV	£901.21		449

*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: at the Crib for Families in the Holy Land

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**

28th December 2025

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY



The feast of the Holy Family is well situated in the heart of the Christmas season. The Holy Family of Nazareth is held up to us as an example of family life: each caring for and concerned about the others. This is not a 'pretend family,' they knew hardship and danger but their love and determination got them through.



*The Priests of the Parish wish you all a very
Happy New Year*

*And look forward to seeing you at New Year's Day
Mass – 12 noon!*

Priests: Christopher Loughran, Frank Osman & Simon Hawksworth

Deacons: Rev Tom Bland & Paul Marley (Rtd)

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Sunday: Yr. A; Weekdays: Yr. 2. Psalter Week 1

Sun THE HOLY FAMILY

5.30pm: (SJV) Bill & Vie McGarvie RIP
6pm: (OLA) William Hayton RIP
6.30pm: (SJV) **NO** NeoCatechumenal Eucharist
9am: (SJV) People of the parish
10am: (ST C) Sr Gertrude
10.30am: (OLA Pauline Lane - Recovery
11.15am: (SJV) Mark Billing RIP
3.30pm: (ST C) *Mass in Polish*
4.30pm: (SJV) *Mass in the Syro-Malabar Rite*

Mon: ST THOMAS BECKET

9.15am: (SJV) Family peace & harmony

Tue: Sixth day of Christmas Octave

9.15am: (SJV) Col Houston
9.30am: (OLA) Sean Glen RIP
Wed: Seventh day of Christmas Octave
9.15am: (SJV) Shiela Hall RIP
12 noon: (St C) Souls in Purgatory
6.30pm: (SJV) *Mass in the Syro-Malabar Rite*

Thurs: MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

12 noon: (SJV) Lucy's Intentions & Alban Davies - recovery

Fri: SS Basil & Gregory

9.15am (SJV) John & Veronica Baines RIP
12 noon: (St C) Cecelia Duckworth RIP

Sat: The Holy Name of Jesus

Sun: SECOND AFTER THE NATIVITY

5.30pm: (SJV) Anne Marie Kneale RIP
6pm: (OLA) Stephan McKenna RIP
6.30pm: (SJV) NeoCatechumenal Eucharist
9am: (SJV) People of the parish
10am: (ST C) Barbara & Brian RIP
10.30am: (OLA Eileen Guerin RIP
11.15am: (SJV) Bernard & Teresa Baines RIP
3.30pm: (ST C) *Mass in Polish*
4.30pm: (SJV) *Mass in the Syro-Malabar Rite*

Pope's Prayer Intentions for JANUARY: For prayer with the Word of God.

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

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

MANY THANKS: from the priests of the parish for your Christmas Greeting, kind gifts and generous offerings. Mass will be celebrated for your intentions.

MUCH GRATITUDE: to the people in our three churches who have worked so hard in so many ways for our Christmas celebrations to run smoothly and to give glory to God.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: in memory of a loved one. Memorial list is displayed on the Lady Altar

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.

FR FRANK: is having a few days well-earned rest, we shall see him in the New Year.

FORTHCOMING PARISH EVENTS: “**TOMBOLA**” at the back of St Cuthbert's Church Sun 21st January, after 10am Mass, in aid of Lourdes Medical Team and Mary's Meals. Afternoon Tea: Wed 21st Jan

CHILDRENS' PARTY: Thanks to Anne for organising this and for all the hard work that went into it.

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.

B&B STAYS AT CASTLERIGG MANOR: in Keswick, will be available for a few days in Jan & Feb Jan 5-7th, Feb 9-11th & Feb 16-18th. Visit <https://castleriggmanor.com/stay-with-us/> For a bit 'posher' Castlerigg Manor Lodge a luxury holiday cottage! <https://castleriggmanor.com/lodge-last-minute/>

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