

**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

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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*

**28<sup>th</sup> 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*

**NO**

**EXPOSITION**

Sat 11am-12Our

Lady of the  
Assumption &  
St Cuthbert's.

First Sundays:

**3pm SJV Rosary  
& Benediction  
January 4<sup>th</sup>**

**NO**

**First Friday or  
Saturday  
Devotions**

**NO 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 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 21<sup>st</sup> June; St C 28<sup>th</sup> June; OLA 5<sup>th</sup> 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 21<sup>st</sup> January, after 10am Mass, in aid of Lourdes Medical Team and Mary's Meals. Afternoon Tea: Wed 21<sup>st</sup> 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 24<sup>th</sup> – Sun May 3<sup>rd</sup> OR Sat April 25<sup>th</sup> – Sat May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

For more info visit: [hyningbookings@yahoo.co.uk](mailto: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 5-7<sup>th</sup>, Feb 9-11<sup>th</sup> & Feb 16-18<sup>th</sup>. 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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