

**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:* Christopher Eagle, Rosalita Watts.

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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	£266.39		156
OLA	£351.34		128
SJV	£623.23		439

*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*

**4<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

**SECOND AFTER THE NATIVITY**



Today we are presented with the prologue to the fourth Gospel (St John's). He leaves us in no doubt as to whom he is introducing in his work: 'In the beginning was the Word: and the Word was with God and the Word was God.' For St John Jesus Christ is the Word of God: true God and true man. It is the faith that we recite week by week in the creed: God from God, light from light, true God from true God.

### TUESDAY: FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

Mass Times

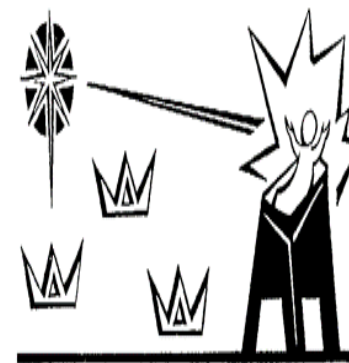
Vigil (Mon) 7pm SJV

9.15am SJV

9.30am OLA

12noon St C

7pm OLA



**Priests:** Christopher Loughran, Frank Osman & Simon Hawsworth

**Deacons:** Rev Tom Bland & Paul Marley (Rtd)

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

**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*

**Mon: of Christmas Season**

9.15am: (SJV) Rees, Sam & Francesca Hunt

**Tue: THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

7pm (SJV) Annakutty Thomas RIP [Vigil (Monday evening)]

9.15am: (SJV) Family & Friends [school Mass]

9.30am: (OLA) Fr Geoff Bottoms

12noon: (St C) People of Bethlehem

7pm: (OLA) Fr Simon Marley

**Wed: after Epiphany**

9.15am: (SJV) Mark Billing RIP

12 noon: (St C) Sr Gertrude

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

**Thurs: after Epiphany**

9.15am: (SJV) Wallace Thompson RIP

9.30am: (OLA) Sally Sutton (school Mass)

**1.30pm: (SJV) Christopher Eagle –Funeral Service**

**Fri::after Epiphany**

9.15am (SJV) Harry Howorth RIP

12 noon: (St C) Margaret Bowyer RIP

**Sat: after the Epiphany**

**Sun THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

5.30pm: (SJV) Yvonne McBride RIP

6pm: (OLA) Souls in Purgatory

6.30pm: (SJV) NeoCatechumenal Eucharist

9am: (SJV) Special Int (JS)

10am: (ST C) Mary & Vincent Westhead RIP

10.30am: (OLA) Fr Andrew Broster

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-12 Our

Lady of the  
Assumption &  
St Cuthbert's.

First Sundays:

3pm SJV Rosary  
& Benediction

**CHILDRENS'  
LITURGY: (SJV)**

at the 11.15am  
Mass during term  
time

**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.

**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.

**WARM WELCOME:** to Mr Peter Duffy our new Headteacher at OLA

**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.

**WELCOME BACK:** to the children and staff in our schools.

**FORTHCOMING PARISH EVENTS: "TOMBOLA"** at the back of St Cuthbert's Church Sun 25<sup>th</sup> January, after 10am Mass, in aid of Lourdes Medical Team and Mary's Meals. Ladies afternoon tea Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Feb 1pm at the Scala Hotel.

**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/>

**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.