

PRAYERS: *The Sick:* Jane Hindle, Dorothy Conroy, Bob Priestly, John Radcliffe, 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, Kath Smith, Elisha Swales, Karen Wainwright, Carrie Walmesley, Rita Fraser, Kathleen Perfect, Bernadette Bunting, Kathleen Booth, Shelia Haslam, Laura Farrand, Pauline Lane, Liz Duffy, Tina Howarth, Sam Marlow-Wrigley Marie Fahey, Mary Hayton, Julie Benson, Jim Bryson, Edward Fahey, Duncan Campbell
Lately Dead: Bernard Knights, Kathleen Booth, Thomas Ainsworth

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	£233.99		168
OLA	£347.47		128
SJV	£747.18		497

*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: Every Tuesday will meet weekly 1.30pm

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

Special Collection This Week:

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**

8th March 2026

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT



Today's Gospel is 'the woman at the well' and there is so much going on in it that many thousands of words have been written and spoken of it. One small lesson gained from it is how Jesus broke down barriers: he spoke with a woman whilst they were both alone (forbidden); he spoke with a woman of Samaria, a sworn enemy (unacceptable); he spoke with this woman of 'questionable virtue' (taboo); he used her pail to drink from (proscribed). So many barriers dismantled so that the woman could feel accepted, valued, and loved.

LENT AT A GLANCE
 Masses: see overleaf
Exposition:
 Mon – Fri SJV 7.45-8.45am.
 Sat St C & OLA 11-12noon with Confessions.
Morning Prayer: Mon–Fri SJV 8.45am;
 St Cuthbert's 7am.
Stations: Fri St C 11.15am;
 Sun OLA 2pm & SJV 3pm
Holy Hour: First Friday SJV 7pm.
Lent Soup Lunch: Fridays St C after noon Mass
Lent Meditation Tues.
 OLA: 7pm for an hour

LENTEN SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION

Friday 27th March 7pm
 St Cuthbert's, Lytham Road

PARISH RETREAT DAY

Sat 21st March 10-4pm
 Ladyewell Shrine
 Sign-up sheet in Porch
 Bring a Packed Lunch – drinks provided
 Donation to the Shrine on the day.

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 3

Sun THIRD IN LENT

5.30pm: (SJV) Margaret Woodward RIP

6pm: (OLA) Fr Peter Foulkes RIP

6.30pm: (SJV) NeoCatechumenal Eucharist Pro pop

9am: (SJV) Arthur & Marie Louise Aspin RIP

10am: (ST C) HSNL

10.30am: (OLA) Margaret Kennedy RIP

11.15am: (SJV) Patrick Dempsey RIP

3.30pm: (ST C) *Mass in Polish*

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

Mon: of 3rd week in Lent

9.15am: (SJV) Francis Walkden RIP

Tue: of 3rd week in Lent

9.15am: (SJV) Margaret Fallon RIP

9.30am: (OLA) Tony (RIP) & Marie Butler

12 noon: (SJV) Kathleen Booth Requiem Mass

Wed: of 2nd week in Lent

9.15am: (SJV) Private Intention (Wendy)

12 noon: (St C) Alan Cox RIP

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

Thurs: of 3rd week in Lent

9.15am: (SJV) Souls in Purgatory

9.30am: (OLA) Jean Freeman RIP

Fri: of 3rd week in Lent

9.15am (SJV) Vicki Ratcliffe RIP

12 noon: (St C) Peter Nicholls RIP

Sat: of 3rd week in Lent

Sun FOURTH IN LENT

5.30pm: (SJV) Dean Simcock - Health

6pm: (OLA) Special Intention (Luca)

6.30pm: (SJV) NeoCatechumenal Eucharist

9am: (SJV) Louise Rea RIP

10am: (ST C) Guido De Feo RIP

10.30am: (OLA) Wally Thompson RIP

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.

During Lent
SJV 7.45-8.45am

First Sundays:
3pm SJV Rosary
& Benediction

(In Lent replaced
by Stations of the
Cross)

Sat 21 March
NO Exposition or
Confessions

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.

**STATIONS OF
THE CROSS**

Fri 11.15am St C

Sun 2pm OLA

3pm SJV

Pope's Prayer Intentions for March: For disarmament and peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

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

SITES TO VISIT: Complete Guide to Lent

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DqYrg_CBB8k Fr. Mike Schmitz's Top 10 Tips for Lent <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CNszyCNI4Hs>

FRIDAY LENTEN SOUP: St Cuthbert's will host soup and roll after 12 noon Mass. Volunteer soup makers for one of the weeks, please contact Linda 07738022054. ALL WELCOME.

LAUDS IN ST CUTHBERTS with the NeoCatechumenal Way. Come and join us for Morning Prayer - the psalms are sung and there is a scripture reading together with a reading from the Fathers of the Church weekdays during Lent at 7am.

OLA GARDENING CLUB: to maintain the grounds will recommence on 2nd Sat of the month at 10am. Please help if you can.

A WEEK OF RETREAT AND A SCHOOL OF PRAYER: Online course. March 9-13 (7-8.30pm) plus day retreat (10am-3pm) on Saturday 14th March. 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.

B&B STAYS AT CASTLERIGG MANOR: in Keswick, have a few empty slots between now and the end of the summer and are offering them all for £60pp for two nights, fully catered. May 8-10th; 22-24th; 29-31; July 3-5 Visit <https://castleriggmanor.com/stay-with-us/>
For a bit 'posher' Castlerigg Manor Lodge a luxury holiday cottage!
<https://castleriggmanor.com/lodge-last-minute/>

FORMING CATHOLIC STUDENT LEADERS: Two summer courses exploring faith, ethics and leadership for sixth form students, explore themes linked to The Common Good (Year 12, 10-15 August) and to The Human Ecology (Year 13, 5-10 July). www.christianleadershipformation.com

Called to Love, 2 - 3 May: **A retreat for singles, dating and engaged young adults** who want to think more deeply about relationships and the call to marriage. Runs from Saturday 2nd to Sunday 3rd May, with the option of **staying Friday night**. <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/called-to-love/> See flyers.

DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING COMMITTEE: New members required. See poster in porch for more details. Contact: safeguarding@lrcd.org.uk for an expression of interest form and a role description.

SPUC DEMONSTRATION: Wednesday 18th March outside Parliament, telling Lords to vote NO to abortion up to birth. If you are able to get to London, please do your best to attend. We need to tell politicians and the media that the public do NOT endorse these evil proposals.