

PRAYERS: *The Sick:* Jane Hindle, Dorothy Conroy, 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, Shelia Haslam, Laura Farrand, Pauline Lane, Liz Duffy, Sam Marlow-Wrigley Marie Fahey, Mary Hayton, Julie Benson, Jim Bryson, Edward Fahey, Duncan Campbell

Lately Dead: Mark Rogers

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Head: Mrs S Smith. Email: admin@st-cuthbert.blackpool.sch.uk

St John Vianney Catholic Primary School: Glastonbury Avenue FY1 6RD

Head: Mrs. C Evans. Email: admin@st-john-vianney.blackpool.sch.uk

Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Primary School: Common Edge Road FY4 5DE

Head: Mr. P Duffy. Email: admin@our-lady.blackpool.sch.uk

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Head: Mr S Eccles. Email: admin@st-mary.blackpool.sch.uk

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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	£314.13		134
OLA	£412.44		140
SJV	£764.23		512

*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 1-3pm

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

Special Collection This Week: Student Priest Training Fund

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

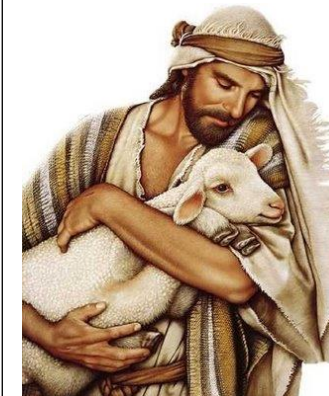
Serving the congregations of:
*ST CUTHBERT, OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION AND
ST JOHN VIANNEY*

26th April 2026

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Today has long been called 'Good Shepherd Sunday' because the Gospel depicts Christ as the Good Shepherd. It has also, by tradition, become a special day on which to pray for vocations to the priesthood. Priestly vocations are few and far between, the Lord is still calling but few are responding. One of our aims as a parish would be to create a 'culture of vocation' where it would be the most natural thing for a family to encourage a son to consider a priestly vocation. The last ordination at SJV was 25 years ago!



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:

Meeting for parents and candidates (Y7 and above) on 14/5/26, 7pm St John Paul Centre. Course will commence on 21/5/26. Confirmations: 29/6/26

NEW TAX YEAR: Is now with us. New sets of Offertory Envelopes are available. **An appeal:** If you regularly contribute to the collection and are a tax payer, please join the Gift Aid Scheme. That means each £1 you give attracts an extra 25p. **What to do?** Sign a Gift Aid Form at the back of church and either join the envelope scheme or set up a Standing Order with your bank. More details on the Form in the porch

Priests: Christopher Loughran, Frank Osman & Simon Hawksworth

Deacons: Rev Tom Bland & Paul Marley (Rtd)

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Sunday: Yr. A; Weekdays: of Easter. Psalter Week 4

Sun FOURTH OF EASTER

5.30pm: (SJV) Special Intention (JB)

6pm: (OLA) HSNL

6.30pm: (SJV) NeoCatechumenal Eucharist

9am: (SJV) Pat Winters RIP

10am: (ST C) Victor Milne RIP

10.30am: (OLA) Marie Teresa Forsey RIP

11.15am: (SJV) People of the parish

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

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

Mon: 4th Week of Easter

9.15am: (SJV) Patricia Sumner RIP

Tue: 4th Week of Easter

9.15am: (SJV) Bernard Walkden RIP

9.30am: (OLA) Special Intention

Wed: St Catherine of Sienna

9.15am: (SJV) Sr. Cilienne RIP

12 noon: (St C) Sr Gertrude

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

Thurs: 4th Week of Easter

9.15am: (SJV) Margaret Gilmartin RIP

9.30am: (OLA) Holy Souls on November List

Fri: St Joseph the Worker

9.15am: (SJV) Gerald & Clare Wilcock RIP

12 noon: (St C) Victor Milne RIP

Sat: St Athanasius

9.30am: (SJV) Novena Mass

Sun FIFTH OF EASTER

5.30pm: (SJV) Ralph Clarke & John Marshall RIP

6pm: (OLA) HSNL

6.30pm: (SJV) NeoCatechumenal Eucharist

9am: (SJV) Bernard Knights RIP

10am: (ST C) HSNL

10.30am: (OLA) Martin Brown 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.

First Sundays:

3pm SJV Rosary

& Benediction

Next Friday (May 1st)

EUCCHARISTIC

HOLY HOUR

7-8pm

Next Saturday (7th)

Miraculous Medal

Novena in the

9.30am Mass

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 April: For priests in crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

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

THANKS: to the NeoCatechumenal Community for their generous gift to parish funds.

DEANERY MEETING on Saturday, May 16th at St Mary's School from 10am till 1 pm as last time.

THINKING OF BEING A PRIEST? Come to the day of recollection and discernment! For single men 16 years or over considering priesthood: Sat 30 May 12.15pm – 2.30pm at St Peter's Cathedral, Balmoral Road, Lancaster LA1 3BT. Gather in the Cathedral for Mass at 12.15, then lunch and meeting with Bishop Paul. To book email Heather: Heather.Watts@lrcd.org.uk or Tel: 01524 841190. There is no charge. As well as meeting the Bishop, you will have the opportunity to get to know how discernment works and who can assist you. Many others from the Diocese exploring a vocation to priesthood will be there

CAN YOU HELP? An elderly parishioner's daughter is seeking some remunerated respite care for her dad a couple of times a week. Phone Lisa: 01253 765204

ASCENSION DAY: N.B The usual 9.15 (SJV) & 9.30 (OLA) will be replaced by early afternoon Masses to accommodate school exams.

MARIAN PROCESSION & BBQ: Sun 17th May 1pm beginning at St Cuthbert's.

DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE: 23-30 July. See details on poster in the church porch.

DIOCESAN WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE: is 28 Sept to 1 Oct. The theme is: "Mary, cause of our Joy." The all-inclusive cost is £360 or-£420- single or sharing. More information: Deacon Charlie Conner on 07711 345 176 or email charlie.conner@lrcd.org.uk

PRAYER IS FOR EVERYONE: A day at Hying Hall Sat 9th May 9.30-4pm. Details on poster in porch.

LANCASTER MARTYRS PILGRIMAGE: Monday 4th May meeting at 10.30am outside Lancaster Castle. Walking the footsteps of the martyrs to their place of execution, with stops for prayer along the way. The walk is quite steep. Concludes with 12.15 Mass in the Cathedral.

CATHOLIC FAMILY HOLIDAYS: Castlerigg Manor in is offering budget-friendly holidays for Catholic families: May, August, & early September. Head to www.castleriggmanor.com >> stay with us or contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk / 017687 72711

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

YOUTH MINISTRY GAP YEAR: Anyone 18-25 looking for a new challenge. The Diocese of Lancaster has a Youth Ministry team based in Keswick. They run retreats at Castlerigg Manor. The 'Youth Ministry Internship' scheme comes with high quality training, experience, and recognised qualifications and gives young people the chance to join a welcoming community and a vibrant team doing some amazing work. Interested? Contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk or www.castleriggmanor.com >> join the team