

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, Mary Hayton, Julie Benson, Jim Bryson, Edward Fahey

Lately Dead: Eileen Webster, Linda Leonard

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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	£219.80		118
OLA	£351.70		112
SJV	£659.78		311

*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:

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**

2nd August 2026

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY YEAR A



Today's Gospel reveals a bereaved Jesus, he has just received the news of the death of John the Baptist. Seeking solace, he heads for a quiet place.

But it was not to be, he was met with crowds all wanting their piece of him. So, putting aside his grief, he focuses on their needs going even as far as to feeding them. The inference to draw from this, is that when we serve others, putting their needs above our own, Christ is made present.



DIOCESAN LADYEWELL PILGRIMAGE:

Sat 26th Sept.
Holy Mass St Mary's
11am followed by
procession of the Blessed
Sacrament to the Shrine
for Benediction.

Priests: Christopher Loughran, Frank Osman & Simon Hawsworth

Deacons: Rev Paul Marley (Rtd)

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

Sun: EIGHTEENTH IN YEAR A

5.30pm: (SJV) Mary Kearney RIP

6pm: (OLA) HSNL

6.30pm: (SJV) NeoCatechumenal Eucharist

9am: (SJV) Thomas & Tommy Cushen RIP

10am: (ST C) People of the parish

10.30am: (OLA) Michael Gardiner, Eileen, Gerry & Brian Salmon RIP

11.15am: (SJV) John Hebblethwaite RIP

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

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

Mon: of week 18

9.15am: (SJV) Leslie Cecil - health

Tue: ST JOHN VIANNEY

9.15am: (SJV) Margaret Downs RIP

9.30am: (OLA) **NO MASS**

Wed: Dedication of St Mary Major

9.15am: (SJV) Bernard & Teresa Baines RIP

12 noon: (St C) Margaret Parks RIP

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

Thurs: THE TRANSFIGURATION

9.15am: (SJV) HSNL

9.15am: (OLA) NO MASS

Fri: Sts Edmund Arrowsmith, Ambrose Barlow & Comps Lancaster Martyrs

9.15am: (SJV) Shiela Hall RIP

12 noon: (St C) Mike Lang Special Intention

Sat: St Dominic

Sun: NINETEENTH IN YEAR A

5.30pm: (SJV) Rev Tom Bland RIP

6pm: (OLA) Michael Hickey RIP

6.30pm: (SJV) NeoCatechumenal Eucharist

9am: (SJV) HSNL

10am: (ST C) Special Intention MM

10.30am: (OLA) Fr Frank - recovery

11.15am: (SJV) People of the parish

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

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

AUGUST No
First Friday

Holy Hour

EXPOSITION

Sat 11am-12 Our
Lady of the
Assumption &
St Cuthbert's.
First Sundays:
3pm SJV Rosary
& Benediction

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 August: For evangelization in the city. Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

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

Fr. FRANK: thanks for the many enquiries about his health and your good wishes. His convalescence will continue staying with friends in Preston.

A PLETHORA OF FEASTS: This week reveals a great harvest of the sanctified amongst them St John Vianney on Tuesday (Mass 9.15am); the lovely little feast of Our Lady of Snows (Dedication of St Mary Major); The wonderful feast of Our Lord's Transfiguration; Friday we become more local recalling those martyrs who gave their lives at Lancaster and, on Saturday we recall St Dominic through whom our Lady gave us the rosary. Mass is available everyday in our parish, let's make the most of it.

CONGRATULATIONS: to Otis Phipps baptised recently.

A REMINDER: at the back of our 3 churches there are containers to receive food gifts which, when they are full, are taken to the distribution point at Sacred Heart.

FAREWELL & WELCOME: Goodbye to Mr Simon Eccles who is leaving his post of Headteacher at St Mary's High School for pastures new, and also to Mrs Sarah Smith who has worked tirelessly as Headteacher at St Cuthbert's and is now to concentrate on Christ the King school. We say 'hello' to Juliet Morgan taking up the reins at St Mary's and to Louise Freeman appointed to St Cuthbert's.

DIOCESAN WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE: 28/9 to 1/10. The theme is: "Mary, Cause of our Joy." See poster or email charlie.conner@lrcd.org.uk

VENEZUELA APPEAL: Thanks to those who made donations £330.00 has been forwarded to CAFOD.

CHRISTIAN HERITAGE CENTRE: Free Will & Grace, 28 - 31 August 2026 Theme: Human freedom and Divine grace. This year's guest speaker will be Rev. Dr Simon Gaine, OP. <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/free-will-grace-course/>

CHRISTIAN DRUG EDUCATION CHARITY Hope UK is facing a funding crisis. Visit: hopeuk.org/appeal

FRIENDS OF CASTLERIGG: Please visit: castleriggmanor.com/friends for info on: A Quiet Retreat for Adults // October Half Term. **CATHOLIC HOLIDAYS.** 017687 72711

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