

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, Edward Fahey

Lately Dead: Eileen Webster, Robert Dillon. John Bogan

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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	£256.52		136
OLA	£408.24		118
SJV	£670.54		358

*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: Next week: Catholic Trust For England and Wales.

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

16th August 2026

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN



Today's Feast marks the middle of summer: The Assumption of our Blessed Lady. Mary has many titles but none more glorious than that of *First Disciple* of her Son, Jesus Christ. And this feast of her Assumption into the glory of heaven reminds us of the reward awaiting all who are faithful disciples of the Lord Jesus.

Mary, as first disciple, is the first to receive this reward. Today, God honours Mary for her discipleship; this is a good day to ask her prayers.



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 Hawksworth

Deacons: Rev Paul Marley (Rtd)

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Sunday: Yr. A; Weekdays: Year 2. Psalter Week 4

Sun: THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY

5.30pm: (SJV) Rev Tom Bland RIP

6pm: (OLA) For Our Lady's Intentions

6.30pm: (SJV) **NO** NeoCatechumenal Eucharist

9am: (SJV) Sandra Special intention

10am: (ST C) Irene Braithwaite RIP

10.30am: (OLA) Eileen Guerin 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: of week 20

9.15am: (SJV) Tom O'Connor RIP

Tue: of week 20

9.15am: (SJV) T & D Holliday

9.30am: (OLA) Eugene Kelly RIP

Wed: of week 20

9.15am: (SJV) Marion & Bernard Anderton RIP

12 noon: (St C) Fr Frank - recovery

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

Thurs: St Bernard

9.15am: (SJV) WP - health

9.30am: (OLA) Souls in Purgatory

Fri: St Pius X

9.15am: (SJV) Amanda Reynolds Ints

12 noon: (St C) Linda Leonard RIP

Sat: The Queenship of Mary

Sun: TWENTY-FIRST IN YEAR A

5.30pm: (SJV) Irene Bennett RIP

6pm: (OLA) Peter Hayton RIP

6.30pm: (SJV) **NO** NeoCatechumenal Eucharist

9am: (SJV) Bill Burns RIP

10am: (ST C) Norman Lunn RIP

10.30am: (OLA) People of the parish

11.15am: (SJV) Kathy MacLeod - health

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

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 continues, he is staying with friends in Preston.

FEASTS: More spartan than in previous weeks but we are to look forward to St Bernard, St Pius X and the Queenship of Our Lady. A spiritual exercise would be to 'Google' these saints.

CONGRATULATIONS: to Alexander Moyle baptised here last Sunday and to Nnamdi & Ogachi married here during the week. **ALSO:** to St Mary's Sixth Form on their remarkable Public Exam results.

ADVANCE NOTICE: This year's parish lunch will be on Sun 4th Oct (nearest Sunday to the Feast of the Guardian Angels) at the Boulevard Hotel. Poster & Sign- up sheets at the back of church.

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.

ASSOCIATION DRAW: August winners: Vicky Gilheaney (£50 prize) Sheila Collins (£40 prize) Fr F (£30 prize) Jeremy Eyre (£20 prize) Sylvia Simi (£20 prize) Kathleen Houghton (£15 prize)

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.