



St John Vianney & St Monica Parish, Blackpool

15th/16th September 2018

Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)



WELCOME to all our visitors at Mass this

weekend. After the 9.00am & 11.00am Mass on Sundays Tea & Coffee is available in the Parish Centre. Each of you are most welcome!

Word of Life

You are the Christ, the Son of God

We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. To show His love for us, He suffered grievously and died for us upon a cross. If we want to find life, He tells us to be prepared to lose it. It is the manner in which we accept suffering that we show our love for God.

CONFIRMATION COURSE ENROLMENT

Enrolment for this year's Parish Confirmation programme is now closed.

**The Masses of Enrolment here will be on
22nd/23rd September.**

Confirmation will be celebrated around the end of November/beginning of December (to be confirmed). Please pray for our Catechists and those children preparing for Confirmation in our parishes. Any questions please contact Fr Etienne.

(Fr Kopec is also running a Polish programme and will hope to have separate Polish Confirmations)

ADOREMUS CELEBRATIONS

St Cuthbert's will have their **Parish Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** on Friday 28th September (from after the 10.00am Mass to 8.00pm); on Saturday 29th September (from after the 10.00am Mass to 5.00pm) and on Sunday 30th September (from 1.00pm to 2.00pm). This is the first such celebration there for some years. Do please visit St Cuthbert's or speak to one of the priests about taking a slot to keep watch for half an hour!

We had our hugely successful St John Vianney & St Monica's Corpus Christi Procession on 3 June and our Solemn Exposition before that in February - but St Cuthbert's Parish Solemn Exposition will culminate in a special **Deanery Corpus Christi Procession & Benediction at 2.00pm on Sunday 30th September at St Cuthbert's** - all are most welcome!

ADULT FORMATION

This week we are pleased to have the first session of on-going formation for Catholic adults. This will take place on Thursday at 7.00pm at St John Vianney's Presbytery. This is for all adult members of our two parishes, and all are encouraged to come along.

N.B. This formation is particularly important for those who undertake a ministry in our parishes or if you are a catechist in one of our parishes or may consider being so in the future.

Prayerful **VISITS** to our Church (which is open all day) during the week are a good way of praying for your parish and your personal intentions before the Blessed Sacrament.

Priests: Fr Janusz Kopec (Parochial Adm), Canon Tim Sullivan, Fr Daniel Etienne

Deacon: Tom Bland (Retired)

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Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Kathy MacLeod & Shirley Procter-Dow

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PARISH WEEKLY CONFESSIONS, PRAYER & DEVOTIONS

Confessions: Saturdays 11.00am – 11.45am & 30 minutes – 10 minutes before each Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday 9.30am - 10.00am

Sunday Benediction is at 3.30pm

Rosary: every Saturday at 11.30am before midday Mass in the Day Chapel (for Vocations to the Priesthood)

MASS OFFERINGS

Mass offerings for your intentions, living and dead, are always gratefully received. This practice is a well-established part of Catholic life. Envelopes for this purpose are at the back of Church. Many days both Weekdays and Sundays are available.

“Put all the good works in the world against one Holy Mass; they will be as a grain of sand beside a mountain.” – St. John Vianney

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Baptism Preparation - The next meeting for parents, **from both** St John Vianney & St Monica and St Cuthbert's Parishes, wishing to have their child baptized will be on Tuesday, 2nd October at St Cuthbert's at 7.00pm.

Preparation for 1st Confession & 1st Holy Communion – Year 3+, starts in Advent though to the end of Eastertide 2019. More information will be available shortly.

FAITH FORMATION GROUPS – This month, we are giving pastoral priority to on-going adult formation for all. We can never stop learning about our Catholic Faith; particularly vital if we undertake a ministry in the parish or will do so in the future.

- For Ages **16-30yrs** meets each 2nd Thursday of the month, 7.00pm @ SJV Presbytery – next meeting 11th October.
- **Ongoing Formation** (for the whole parish) meets each 3rd Thursday of the month, 7.00pm @ SJV Presbytery – **Starting This Thursday, 20th September.**

Those who are thinking about becoming a Catholic, or if you know someone who may want to consider becoming a Catholic, this latter course will be particularly appropriate - but please speak with one of our priests first. (Why not ask someone you know to come along!)

TEA & COFFEE ON TUESDAY AFTER MASS

Tuesday Tea & Coffee in the presbytery after the 9.15am Mass this week. All very welcome! Why not make a new routine of Daily Mass on Tuesdays at 9.15am and meet with your fellow parishioners afterwards.

CAN YOU HELP? Our parish depends on YOU contributing to its life in so many capacities. Have you ever thought of becoming a reader at Mass, cleaning the Church, polishing the brasses, counting our collections, flower arranging, becoming a Catechist, helping with the Children's Liturgy, Serving at Mass or helping in any other way? Please speak to one of the priests about it. **THERE'S A PLACE FOR YOU!**

PARISH GARDENING GROUP – Tuesday Afternoons 1.00-3.00pm on the Parish Field.
New gardeners are most welcome!

CATHOLICS GOING INTO BLACKPOOL VICTORIA HOSPITAL:

If you are going into hospital or know a Catholic who is and would like a visit from the Hospital Chaplaincy Team, please leave a message on the Chaplaincy answerphone on 01253 956299.

STILL SUPPORTING THOSE IN NEED!

As the linked Parishes of St John Vianney & St Monica and St Cuthbert's, we continue to seek ways to work and pray together as well as contributing to the aid of those in need in a way that is both sustainable and safe. Consequently, with the advice of the *Blackpool Food Partnership*, we have now moved (as from last week) our offerings and donations to one well-established and central distribution point - the SVP at St Cuthbert's on Lytham Rd.

Anyone interested from St John Vianney's in offering to help the SVP with this work please speak to Fr Etienne, or alternatively go along to St Cuthbert's on Monday mornings. Tinned meals/meat/fish/beans/veg/fruit, noodles, rice, cereals, jam, UHT milk, squash, cream crackers are still much needed and appreciated. Our donation box remains in St John Vianney Church porch for this purpose. Thank you for your generous support.

APF/MISSIO COLLECTION

If you have one, please empty your red box again. The latest *Missio* magazine is at the back of church as well as envelopes that you can put the money in, seal and return to church, either in the offertory collection or to the presbytery. All monies will be counted and forwarded in October, in support of people who are amongst the poorest in the world. Thank you to all generous donors and collectors. If you would like a red box, please do ask; it is a beautiful way of regularly remembering those in need.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED (ACN)

The latest ACN leaflets have arrived and can be taken from the back of church, including Mirror with worthy articles about Iraq, Armenia, Peru and family life. There are fascinating leaflets covering reasons for hope in Syria, forthcoming ACN events as well as the Christmas catalogue, which provides a great opportunity to support ACN's vital work by buying beautiful items. Many thanks for your support!

WALK THE LIGHTS

Thank you so much to Bob Milner for 'walking the lights' on 28th August in aid of St John Vianney Parish Funds. Sponsor forms are at the back of church for those who would still like to give to this. Collecting of sponsor monies can be made to a collector/welcomer after Sunday Masses or dropped in the collection in a marked envelope or through the Presbytery door in a marked envelope.

STATISTICS

Mass attendance for weekend 8th/9th September 2018: 225 Collection: £ 685.96
Catholic Education Services: £ 147.22

This weekend there is a special collection for Home Mission Day.

Next week there is a special collection for The Bishop's Administration Fund.

Thank you for your generosity!

Window Protection Fund so far: £2,020.00

(Further offerings will be gratefully received)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Barbara Chadwick, Jim Bottomley, John O'Keefe, Ted Peacock, Alan Cox, Angela Marie, Poppy & Coral Hughes, Rebecca Macleod, Dorothy Douglas, Margaret Messenger, Lily MacLennan, Veronica Swallow, Margaret Slater, Sam Smith, Ann Lee, Grace Parkinson.

And also all our sick and housebound parishioners and those who care for them.

LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED; especially for Jean Warr, Josephine McLaughlin, and all recently deceased and for those whose anniversaries are about this time. May they all rest in peace.

N.B. *If you wish to add or remove a name from our prayer list please contact the presbytery.*

MASSES & LITURGIES THIS WEEK

Liturgical Readings: Sundays: Year B & Weekdays: Year 2

Saturday 15th September

5.30pm 1st Mass of Sunday (Vigil) for all people of the parish (*pro populo*)

Sunday 16th September – Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00am Mass for Francis & Della Pope (Wedding Anv)

11.00am Mass for Ida Maria Brogi

3.30pm Benediction

5.30pm Syro-Malabar Mass (Qurbana)

Monday 17th September – St Robert Bellarmine

9.15am Mass (Latin, E.F) for Ann Winter RIP

11.30am Funeral Service for Mrs Josephine McLaughlin

Tuesday 18th September

9.15am Mass for the Holy Souls

Wednesday 19th September

9.15am Mass for Andy Taylor (Anv) followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

6.30pm Syro-Malabar Mass (Qurbana)

Thursday 20th September – Martyrs of Korea

9.15am Mass for missionaries

Friday 21st September ST MATTHEW, APOSTLE

9.15am Mass for General Ints

6.30pm Mass (Latin, E.F) for Bishops

Saturday 22nd September – BVM

12.00pm Mass for Lynda Germaine & Benoizine Germaine

5.30pm 1st Mass of Sunday (Vigil) for the Church

Sunday 23rd September – Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00am Mass for all people of the parish (*pro populo*)

11.00am Mass for Stan Weston (Anv)

3.30pm Benediction

5.30pm Syro-Malabar Mass (Qurbana)

Response to the Psalm:

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord;

No one can come to the Father except through me. Alleluia!

Sung Mass Setting: Kyrie 1012; Gloria 1013; Sanctus 1014; Mem Acc 1015; Agnus Dei 1019