



Advanced Notice for Papal Visit - in order to allow people to watch the Pope's visit on the television, Mass times will change as follows: Saturday 18th September, evening Mass will be at 5 pm. Sunday 19th September Masses will be at 12.30 pm and 5 pm only.

There are 9 places left for the Mass at Birmingham on the 19th (Luxury coach from Leyland) and for London 8th September there are a few places as well (luxury coach from Preston). Please see Father Jonathan if interested.

Bishop's Conference Publication "Faith Today" has now produced four issues, and we have found it really helpful & easy to read in our Priory community. It could well be of interest to parishioners. It aims *to encourage by the example of others, to support people by the teaching of the Church, to inspire people to witness to their faith, to inform about new developments and to educate on topical issues.* Only four issues have come out, and we have found them all excellent. It will come to your door via the post, email faithtoday@alivepublishing.co.uk call 01782 745600 or visit www.alivepublishing.co.uk. Cost is £19.95 p.a.

Schools return Thursday 2nd September.



St Mary's Primary at 8.50 am,
St Mary's CTC and St Anne's
Primary both at 9.00 am



Congratulations to pupils at our Technology College. This year they have achieved a 67% pass rate for grades A - C including Maths and English, up from last year's rate of 61%. Over 80% of students achieved 5 or more GCSE's at grade C or above. 16 pupils also achieved A level qualifications. Head teacher, Mr Wright, congratulated the pupils attributing their success to "their hard work and the contribution that their parents and the staff at St Mary's have made".

Ministers of Holy Communion - there will be a Holy Hour service this Thursday, 2nd September, for Ministers of Holy Communion, starting at 7.15 pm. There will be a short meeting afterwards to discuss practical and business issues. Everyone is invited to the service.

Lourdes 2012 After the initial meeting we have only four seats left. If you are interested please ring Barrie Cox on 432488

Archdiocesan Job Vacancies - The following post is available within the Safeguarding Department based at The Liverpool Archdiocesan Centre for Evangelisation (LACE), Sefton Park.

Post 1 - Safeguarding Officer 20 hours per week, permanent Salary: £17,000.00 p.a. Closing Date: Friday 10th September 2010

This post is subject to an Enhanced CRB Disclosure. Full details and application pack can be downloaded from the vacancy page at: www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk

Forthcoming Events

Right to Life Morecambe Bay Sponsored Walk talks place on Saturday September 4th starting at 1.45pm meet at Arnside Pier. Fr. Jonathan hopes to go and others might like to join him. There is a sponsor form in the Narthex to raise money. The RTL group is desperate for funds to keep its campaigns going.

Family Fancy Dress Disco in aid of St Mary's RC Primary School Playground Fund on Saturday 11th September in the Parish Centre. Theme: Book Characters. Cost £6 family, £3 adult, £2 children, including food.

St Mary's Bownedge Church & Local Churches Working Together - Garden Fete in the Church grounds on Saturday 11th September 10 am - 4 pm - to be opened by the High Sheriff of Lancashire. Admission 50p adult, children free. Please see poster on the Notice Board,

A concert for L'Arche, Preston will take place on Saturday 11th September at 7.30 pm in St John's Minster, Church Street, Preston. The concert is to be performed by young musicians based around Preston who may be studying in other parts of Britain. They are all doing the concert for free. Please see poster on the Notice Board.

Fr Stephen's retreat at Caldey Abbey, Tenby, South Wales is from 11 - 14 September. It is the third of his Benedictine retreats in 2010. There are still places left and he may have 2 spare seats in his car. If you would like to join him, pick up an application form in the Narthex or contact him on 01772 455955

SPUC - because of the summer holidays, there will be no meeting of the Leyland Area Branch this month. The next meeting will be on Monday 13th September at 8 pm at St Mary's Priory, Bownedge Lane, Bamber Bridge.



Society for the **Protection** of Unborn Children

Aglow International Leyland Chapter - Monday 13th September 7 pm onwards, meal and coffee with guest speaker Anne Sanderson. Book by 5th September. Please see poster on the Notice Board.

Vocation Discernment Group 'Here I am Lord' - for those considering a vocation to the Priesthood and Religious Life meets on Friday 24th September 2010 at St Bede's Presbytery, Appleton Village, Widnes, WA8 6EL at 6.30pm with mass, meal, discussion & prayer with. Archbishop Kelly For more information Fr. James Preston on 0151 424 2738.

Our Garden Party is postponed one week this year to 26th September - wanted good quality jewellery, bottles and prizes for the tombola, unwanted gifts, good bric-a-brac, filled jars and good clean toys for the children's tombola. **NO JUMBLE PLEASE.** Thank you to those who have given so far. Raffle tickets are on sale after Mass.

Lourdes one day pilgrimage for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on Wed 8th Dec. By air from Manchester £239. See poster on the Notice Board



WORD OF LIFE

And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord. (Luke 1:45)
When, in everyday life, we come into contact with God's Word by reading the Scriptures, let's open our hearts to listen, believing that what Jesus is asking and promising will come about. We will soon discover, like Mary, that he keeps his promises.
Copies of this word of life are available from the top of the cupboard by the Piety shop window in church.