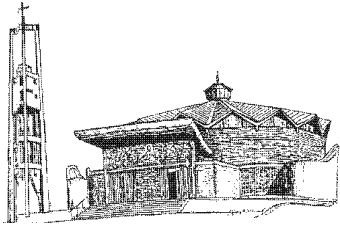


Regenerating the Parish



Do unto others as you would have them do to you

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS / VISITORS

Please fill in our new Record Form, or if you move house within the parish please amend a new form.

Sat January 17th 6.00 (Vigil Mass) Myers Cowdall & Halliwell Families / Kathleen Addison Jones RIP

Sunday January 18th IN ORDINARY TIME

9.30 Turberfield Family Intentions
11.00 The Parish Intention RIP

Monday 19th Jan St. Sebastian

9.00 Mary
12.15 Winifred Atkinson

Tuesday 20th January Sts Fabian and Sebastian

8.00 (with schools in church) Special Intention (WJ)
12.15 Keith Bretherton Birthday Remembrance

Wednesday 21st January St Agnes

9.00 Hilda Sutch
12.15 Harry Butterworth B'day Remembrance

Thursday 22nd January

8.00 (Alverna) Vincent Forde
12.15 Requiem David Munley

Friday 23rd January

9.00 Bernard Ribchester
12.15 Kathleen Hall.

Sat 24th January

St. Francis de Sales

9.00 Patrick Keane
6.00 (Vigil Mass) Ralphs Family Intention / David Munley RIP

Sunday 25th January

9.30 The Parish
11.00 English Benedictine Congregation

Confessions Saturday 9.30 - 10.00 a.m.. (or when they end) and 5.00 - 6.00 p.m. Also Confessions at any time. Ring for a mutually convenient time with one of the priests.

Last Sunday: Offertory Loose Plate £608.49 Gift Aid £251.60
White Flower Collection for SPUC £315.51

For Gift Aid contact Gerry Brown 431002 **Many thanks!**

HOLY COMMUNION OF THE SICK

The Congregation says: May this sacrament unite them with Christ and his Church and give them consolation and peace.

Adoration in Church. St. Joseph's Adoration Chapel

Exposition is at any time that you can make it.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, BROADFIELD DRIVE, LEYLAND

455955 CHURCH Sister Veronica 424665

Steve i.c. Youth 07977249636 Website leylandstmarys.org.uk

SUNDAY 2nd Sunday in ordinary time. (B)

Theme: *Discipleship under a Teacher*

THE PARISH FAMILY

BY BAPTISM WE WELCOME: Ellie May Tether and Liam Ellis Leech to the family of the Church

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR SICK Tracey Anne Holly, Evelyn Swarbrick, Jamie Nelson, Joe Copeman, Gerald Ralphs, Sister Mary Cairns, Eileen Kenyon, Monica Maguire, Bro. Francis Casey FC. (Lisieux Hall), Tegan Hyslop (5yrs), Helen Meldrum, Paul Bruce, Steve Clarke, Martin Glancy, Edith Rice, Harris Iqbal, Danny Bonner, Alice Ogden, Margaret Wallbank, Graham Halstead, Baby Casey Cross, Baby Liam Hodgkinson, & connected with us, Brian Thomas, Andrew Liddell, Anne Brien, Louie Baines, Stephen Harris Joe Harris, Stephen Leah, Joan Robinson, Marian Littlechild, Malcolm Pyman, Peter Mee, Baby George Bushell, Frank Dever, Stephen Taylor, Thomas Lionel Edens, Joan Robinson. *Long-term sick are prayed for each day at mass. Let us know those who you wish to pray for by Thursday of each week for either the bulletin and / or the long term sick.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR DEPARTED: Especially David Munley, who died recently and the following whose anniversaries occur about this time: Christopher Wall, Geoffrey Parkinson, Margaret Crossley, William Berry, Margaret Mary Hall, Vincent Glover, Rose Coyle.

THIS WEEK Today: 18th January '09

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins today. Please see below on each day for the Daily Prayer.

Family Rota of Prayer: Loring Family 128 Mendip Rd.

Journey in Faith 5-6 pm. – **Youth Group** 7 pm

Monday 19th January Church Cleaning: 'B' Team

Christian Unity service 12.00 pm Leyland Methodist Church

Word of Life / Focolare Meeting 7 pm to share the Gospel. All welcome.

Tuesday: 20th January

Christian Unity service 7.30 pm St James Slater Lane

Wednesday: 21st January

Christian Unity service 12.00 pm UR Church Hough Lane

Thursday 22nd January

Parents of First Holy Communion Children 2.30 pm meet for introduction to the programme in St. Anne's or St. Mary's primary school.

Main Christian Unity service 7.30 pm in our Church. The theme is "Seeking to Overcome Division" Make an effort & come

Friday: 23rd January

Christian Unity service 12.00 pm St. Andrew's Church by Tesco

Saturday 24th January

Christian Unity service 12.00 noon our St. Mary's Church

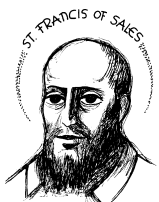
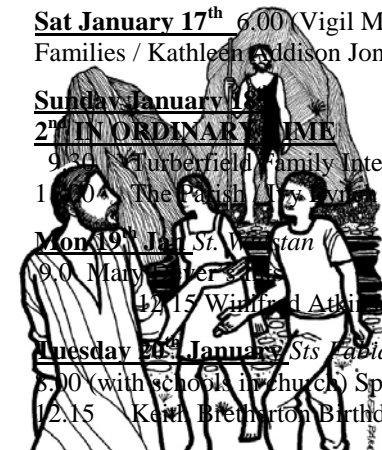
NEXT SUNDAY 25th January 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

2000 YEARS SINCE THE BIRTH OF ST. PAUL

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends

Journey in Faith 5-6 pm **Youth Group** 7 pm

Krakow Cribs We have greatly benefited over Christmas by the beautiful cribs that our students in the High School made. Congratulations to the Art teacher Mrs Dickinson who inspired them. On 25th January we will offer these to be purchased, money going to an Art project at school and to CAFOD.



Week of Prayer for

Christian Unity The pain of division was palpable. But amidst his overwhelming grief over the plight of his nation, the prophet Ezekiel received a vision of a future where God's people were united once more.

The promise of God is that of "one nation in the land, on the mountain of Israel".

The Churches in Korea have found that this passage in Ezekiel resonates with their own sense of sadness over the division of their own country since the Korean War and have brought some of the insights they have gained to the worship for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

We too may feel the pain of a divided church.

The "Charta Oecumenica" (Guidelines for the Growing Co-operation among the Churches in Europe) states "Fundamental differences in faith are still barriers to visible unity. There are different views of the church and its oneness, of the sacraments and ministries. We must not be satisfied with this situation. Jesus Christ revealed to us on the cross his love and the mystery of reconciliation; as his followers, we intend to do our utmost to overcome the problems and obstacles that still divide the churches."

A crucial part of this task is for us - people of different churches and traditions - to come together to pray for this unity, in faithfulness to our Lord Jesus Christ who prayed that his disciples might be one.

I therefore commend to you the worship for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2009 and trust that they may help to resource your praying and working together for the full visible unity of the Church.

Revd Bob Fyffe Gen Sec Churches Together in Britain and Ireland

Mass with Archbishop Patrick on his return to Liverpool from the Holy Land

On Friday last Archbishop Patrick presided at mass with about 30 priests and 200 faithful in the Cathedral, the first thing he did on his return to Liverpool from the Holy Land after being in Bethlehem with Bishops from North America and Europe for the previous 5 days. This was the final statement of the Bishops.

Stop the violence! Stop the killing! Start to build peace!

Over and over again we heard these cries during the 9th visit of the Co-ordination of Episcopal Conferences to the Mother Church of Jerusalem in this divided and suffering land. The violence in Gaza was on everyone's minds and lips. We heard directly about the human tragedy from the parish priest of Gaza, Father Manawel Musallam.

There can be no peace unless people believe in peace. There can be no security unless there is security for all. There can be no justice unless there is justice for everyone in this land. Faith gives us hope that justice, peace and forgiveness are possible—a conviction shared by our hosts, His Beatitude Fouad Twal and the Assembly of Catholic Ordinaries of the Holy Land.

We are pastors, not political leaders, but the religious voice is vital to the search for peace. The reality that every human person is created in the image of God demands dignity for all. The message of the Prince of Peace, born in this land, reminds us that peace is possible. "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light." (Isaiah 9:2) The darkness of this time will give way to light.

To the leaders of the international community we say: Work with Israelis and Palestinians to stop the violence in Gaza and provide urgently needed humanitarian assistance. But do not stop there. With one voice press



Israelis and Palestinians to build a just peace with security for Israel and a viable state for Palestinians.

To the people of God in our countries we say: Intensify your prayer for the welfare of the Mother Church and the peace of Jerusalem. Do not be afraid. Come as pilgrims to the Holy Land and meet the living Christian communities here. Join us in persuading our governments to make Israeli-Palestinian peace a high priority. Support concrete projects and partnerships with the local Christian communities that are struggling for survival.

To the Christians of the Mother Church in the Holy Land we say: We see in you the suffering face of Christ who lost everything for our sake. You are not alone. We are one family, a worldwide communion in Christ. We hear your cries as you suffer alongside your brothers and sisters in the wider community.

We assure you of our love, our prayer and our continued solidarity. We ask you to pray for us.

Father Manawel Musallam pastor of Holy Family Parish in Gaza City, and the only Catholic priest in Gaza wrote: "What you see on television cannot be compared to what is happening. The word love is choking in my throat. ... We are living like animals in Gaza. We cry and nobody hears us. I am asking God for mercy and pray that the light of Christianity continues to shine in Gaza."

Archbishop Patrick last Friday night said: that surprisingly he has had an experience of Resurrection during his time in the Holy Land this year for three reasons:

1. A Catholic Wedding took place at the first official mass of the 10 Bishops – much to the surprise, amazement and joy of all, a sign that light will overcome the darkness.
2. Father Manawel Musallam said that after these tragic days are over Muslims and Christians in Gaza will continue to work together and help each other as they still do, a sign of hope in the dark times.
3. The seminary in the West Bank is so full of students that some have to be turned away. They have to study for 9 years to become priests, because they must first learn French – no theology books exist in Arabic. If they are prepared to study for 9 years the seminarians must hope in a future for which they offer their lives and so can we!

500 CLUB' CONGRATULATIONS! £100 Winner
Week 52-No. 249 M. Manghan Agent K. Jordan

WORD OF LIFE

There are many members, yet one body. (1 Cor 12-20)

If each of us is different, each is able to be a gift for the others. In this way, we all can be ourselves and fulfil the plan that God has for us in relation to the others. And Paul saw in the community where different gifts are at work something that has a wonderful name: Christ. The fact is that this body made up of members of the community was truly the body of Christ. Christ continues to live in his Church and the Church is his body. Through Baptism, in fact, the Holy Spirit incorporates the believer into the Christ, and he or she becomes a part of the community. Where all are Christ, every division is eliminated, and every discrimination is overcome.

Copies of the Word of Life in front of the Piety Shop

Parish Regeneration Prayer

Father, in the regeneration of our parish we pray that we will hear your word in our hearts as Mary did. With the help of your Holy Spirit may we bring the peace and justice of your kingdom to our parish, our community and our world.

In all our needs Lord, we come to you. Amen.