



# PARISH OF ST. JOHN HENRY NEWMAN MORECAMBE

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**SUNDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2020**

**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday	St Patrick's	6.00pm	Hurley family
Sunday	Good Shepherd	8.30am	Lancs Infirm Secular Clergy
	St Mary's	10.30am	Suzanne Boutin (choir)
Monday	St Mary's	<b>9:30am</b>	Intentions – Kathleen Mullen
Tuesday	St Patrick's	10.00am	Terry Nockels
Wednesday	Good Shepherd	10.00am	John and Eddie Dwyer
Thursday	St Mary's	12.10pm	Pat Fitzpatrick
Friday	St Patrick's	10.00am	Nickson and Ireland families
Saturday	Good Shepherd	10.00am	John Kenny
	St Patrick's	6.00pm	Connors family, living and dec'd
Sunday	Good Shepherd	8.30am	For the parishioners
	St Mary's	10.30am	Patrick Raleigh (month's mind)

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Louis Rowan, Martin Hipworth, John Brien, Margaret Kyle, Barbara Byrnes, Margaret MacQuaker, Keith Townsend, Hannah Barlow and the sick and housebound in the parish and those in local hospitals and nursing homes.

The Parish is in the Lancaster Diocese. Registered Charity No. 234331



## ANNIVERSARIES

Fr Severs, Fr Bernard Smith MHM, Catherine Lawton, Veronica Murphy, Constance Higgins, Therese Towers, Geoffrey Southgate, Robert Thompson, Cath Mahood, Maisie Lyons, Lucy McDowell, Austin Dobson, Brian Kinnish, Mary Clinton, Bert Towers, Jessie Nicholson, Sheila Carr, John Kavanagh, Kathleen Mann, Bernadette Lydon, Margaret Walsh and all those whose anniversaries occur between 1<sup>st</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> March.

## SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION - SATURDAY

Good Shepherd	10.30am to 11.00am
St Mary's	11.30am to 12 noon
St Patrick's	5.15pm to 5.40pm

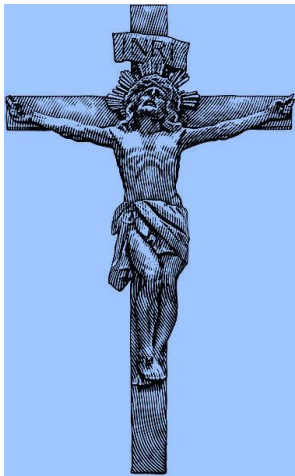
## THIS WEEK

Wednesday	St Casimir, Opt Collect
Saturday	Sts Perpetua & Felicity, Mem, Collect



## LAST WEEK

Attendance	401
Collection	£1,582.45 (including standing orders)



## LATELY DEAD

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

**William Jones** of Thornton Road who died on 20<sup>th</sup> February, aged 81. Funeral Service on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March at Lancaster and Morecambe Crematorium at 11.30am.

Parishioners have asked prayers for relations and friends lately dead:

**Terry Hill and Ted Curley**

## CAFOD

This Friday (6<sup>th</sup> March) is Lent Family Fast Day. We are asked to deny ourselves something we normally enjoy and to give whatever we save to support CAFOD's work among our poorer brothers and sisters in other parts of the world. Please take an envelope today and return it next weekend.



CAFOD are highlighting the growing hunger due to drought in Zimbabwe and Zambia. Given our historic close ties to Zambia, the Bishop encourages us to respond generously.

## LEGION OF MARY LECTIO DIVINA

Tuesdays, St Patrick's after the 10.00am Mass.  
Thursdays, 7.30pm in St Mary's presbytery.

## BINGO

Mondays, 7pm in St Patrick's Church hall.

## CUPPA & CHAT

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 10am to 12 noon in St Patrick's Church Hall.

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

### Reconciliation

Preparation in St Mary's school, Tuesdays at 3.30pm. Children will receive the Sacrament on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March.

Preparation in St Patrick's school, Wednesdays at 1.15pm. Children will receive the Sacrament on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April.

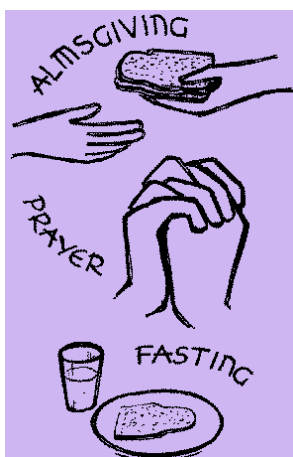
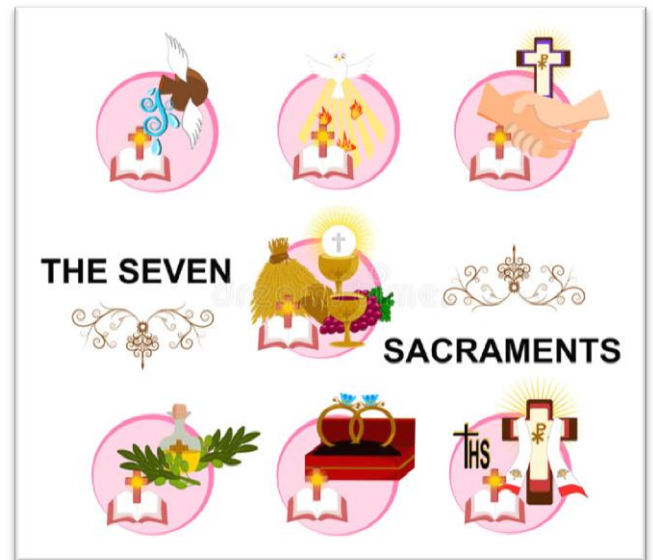
### Holy Communion

1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion celebration on either Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June at the 6pm Mass at St Patrick's or at a separate Mass at St Mary's on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June at 11.30am.

### Confirmation

A number of parents have handed in names for confirmation. This will be celebrated at the Cathedral on Pentecost Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> May at 2.30pm. Preparation sessions will be announced in due course.

It is becoming quite common to learn when couples book marriages that in a number of cases, the Catholic has not been confirmed. Sacraments are there to support us through life and it would be good to have a group of adults also preparing for Confirmation.



## LENT

During Lent, there will be a *Holy Hour* at St Mary's on Thursdays from 11am to 12 noon.

The Legion of Mary will be leading the *Rosary* on Sunday mornings before the 10.30am Mass.

In his message for Lent, Pope Francis takes as his text the words of St Paul "We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God." The Pope also says "Christian joy flows from listening to, and accepting, the Good News of the death and resurrection of Jesus."

## **MORE NEEDED!**

More **extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist** are required. Thank you to the new readers who have volunteered. *Canon C.*

*Stations of The Cross at St Patrick's on Friday at 7pm.*



**MISSIO** “The APF red boxes are due to be emptied and the contributions given to us or left with Canon Cooper by 30<sup>th</sup> March. Magazines are available on request.”  
*Mavis and Eddie Kingsley*

## **ST MARY'S PLAYGROUP**

Mondays 10:00am – 11:30am in St Mary's Church Hall. £2 with snack provided. Find us on Facebook.



## **WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

St John the Divine, Sandylands, Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30pm.

## **COVID-19 (Coronavirus)**

We should all heed the NHS's campaign “Catch it. Bin it. Kill it” In the entrance to our Churches, a hand sanitiser and tissues will be available. I would ask those who help to distribute Holy Communion, to use the hand sanitiser that will be on the credence table before and after giving Holy Communion. I would ask those whose preference is to receive Holy Communion on the tongue, if for the time being, they would receive the Host in their hand.

*Refreshments served in the hall following the 10.30am Mass.  
All welcome.*

## **EU CITIZENS SETTLED STATUS**

The Bishop has asked that the following information be given:

“All EU, EEA and Swiss citizens living in the UK are required by the government to apply through its Settlement Scheme to continue living, working and accessing services here. The deadline for applications is 30 June 2021. Details and links to the application process can be found at: [gov.uk/eusettledstatus](https://www.gov.uk/eusettledstatus) Please bring this to the attention of friends, family members and fellow parishioners who may need to apply. Information on assistance for those who may have difficulty applying is available at: [gov.uk/help-eu-settlement-scheme](https://www.gov.uk/help-eu-settlement-scheme) The Catholic Church in England and Wales stands in solidarity with all European citizens who have made their homes here. They are a valued part of our parishes, schools and communities.”

*Welcome to our visitors at Church this weekend. Visits unite us more closely with the Blessed Sacrament.*