

The Parish of St. Anne, Ormskirk

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28th November 2021

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Readings: Jer 33:14-16; Ps 24:4-5, 8-9, 10 & 14; 1 Th 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36.

Sat	27	5.00pm	All Parishioners
Sun	28	10.30am	Marlene Bruder (Streamed Mass) <i>Coffee available in the pastoral centre after Mass</i>
		Noon	<i>Baptisms: Indie & Noah Rivas-Thompson</i>
Mon	29	9.30am	Jimmy Parry
		11.00am	Funeral Service: Elizabeth Hyder
Tue	30	9.30am	Michael Scanlon <i>Feast of St Andrew</i>
Wed	1	9.30am	John Moore
Thu	2	11.00am	<i>Holy Hour with the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>
		Noon	Flo & Ted Willis
Fri	3	9.30am	All Parishioners
		Noon	Funeral Service: Mary Bickle
Sat	4	Noon	Mass for deceased members of Religious Orders & Congregations
		5.00pm	Marie & Andy Rule
Sun	5	10.30am	John Coffey

Sat 4 Dec at 12noon

This will be a special Mass to pray for all deceased members of the Religious Orders and Congregations in our archdiocese. Everyone, of course, is welcome to come to this Mass.

The West Lancs authority has sent out a notice about the rise in our area of newly confirmed cases of Covid. Please continue to follow the guidelines such as ventilation, face coverings and testing.

**Please join us in the pastoral centre today and every Sunday
after Mass for coffee, tea, biscuits, and a catch up.
All contributions go to support Marian Care**



Dear Parishioners and Friends

I ought to be welcoming you with, 'Happy New Year' since on the first Sunday of Advent we begin another new year in the life of the Church. The Prophet Jeremiah in the first reading for Advent Sunday heralds what lies in store for us at the beginning of the year, 'See, the days are coming ...'. Over the coming week leading up to the great feast of Christmas we shall be looking back to what God has done for his people, we shall reflect on where we are now in our lives, and very much looking to the future when we shall reside in the glory of God. For our prayer and reflection, I offer the following prayers suggested by CAFOD.

Godine OSB

Planetwise by Dave Bookless.

Come Lord, your wounded world is yearning
for you to come again.
Come Lord, your weary world is crying
out for you to lift us up
out of our despair, our hunger,
our thirst for something better,
our need for the food that will last.
Come Lord, come again,
we need to begin again.

By Rachel McCarthy

God of hope,
we cling to you,
for you to renew the face of the earth.
Through the gift of your Son,
our Lord Jesus,
we follow you on the path of dawn.
Enlightened by your love and wisdom,
help us to lead each other
and all creatures
back to your open arms. Amen.

Wake us up Lord!

God of Salvation,

Wake us up Lord!

The night is nearly over.

Let us begin our Advent journey.

Move us from our lives

Of greed and selfishness,

From our globalised world

Of inequality and exploitation,

To your kingdom

Of righteousness and mercy.

To a transformed world,

Where peace is built on understanding not weapons,

The poor are empowered to live their lives to the full,

Businesses are built on need not greed

And your Creation is nurtured not abused.

Wake us up Lord!

Let us live as people of the light.

Amen.

Sue Cooper/CAFOD

Anniversaries (Last 10 yrs up to Sat 4 December 2021)

John Parr, Bernard Rice, Eva Byron, Frederick Arthur Payne, Elizabeth Rutherford, Annette Marie Graham, Kitty Dowd, Leslie Wood, Bob Taylor, Gerard Francis Swarbrick, Helen Margaret Nolan, Colin Leslie Houghton.

Please pray for the sick in our parish:

Anne Ashcroft, Jane Ashton-Campbell, Teresa Blaney, Derek Campbell, Nicola Carroll, Eileen Culpin, Jean Daunt, Agnes Dawes, Fr Cassian Dickie OSB, Maria Gibbons, Liam Gilchrist, George Grimes, Fr Anthony Hayne, Jim Holland, Sue Jacobs, Margaret Johnston, Sheila Lavin, Terry McDonnell, Hughie McGinley, Stella Potter, Dougie Ross, Gregory Rutherford, Mark Sellek, Irena Small, Frances Smith, Maureen Taylor, Per Tinberg, Gerry Tuite, Marcella Varey, Tony Walsh, David Whittaker.



First Holy Communion for children not attending St Anne's School:

The first preparation session will begin on **Sunday 5 December at 10.30am** in church. Please ask for Maria as you enter.

St Anne's News:

From this Sunday we shall belong to the new deanery of the West Lancashire Deanery.

Liverpool Archdiocese Pastoral Development Bulletin: Available at the back of church.

Church Flowers: Retiring collection next weekend 4 & 5th Dec for church flowers.

Guides Christmas Fair Invitation: Come along and join our Christmas fair in aid of the Mayor's Charities on Tuesday **30 November** 2021 from 7.30pm. There will be stalls including cakes and crafts for sale plus a raffle and our ever-popular tombola. This will be held in the pastoral centre downstairs in the Uniform Group's Hall. **Jacqui McDermott**

S.V.P. Next meeting in pastoral centre on Monday 6 Dec at 8pm.

CHRISTMAS SHOP: Please come along to the shop & see the display of small nativities, many suitable for children's bedrooms, play cribs, Christmas & advent candles gifts and cards.

Christmas Mass cards together with the usual range of all greeting & Mass cards. Also on sale are cards & missals for Confirmation. Shop is open before & after the weekend Masses & happy to deliver to anyone who cannot get to Mass. **Pat 578264**

My daughter Alexandra Adams-Duff is taking part in this year's 5K Santa Dash taking place on 5th December in Liverpool. Alexandra is hoping to raise awareness for this year's Alder Hey Christmas Charity Appeal. If you could...please kindly take a moment to click the link below to find out more about this great cause for which she is supporting ...

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/alexandra-adams-duff>

Your support is greatly appreciated!

Colette, parish office

LAUNCH of the PASTORAL PLAN

The Pastoral Plan for Liverpool Archdiocese is being officially launched today, the First Sunday of Advent. Written as a result of the Archdiocesan Synod, it will have a major impact on all of us across the Archdiocese well into the future.

In church you will notice posters, as well as post cards and leaflets for you to take home.

The Plan itself is online from Saturday 27 Nov on www.liverpoolpastoralplan.org.uk

There will be more details in the new year about what the Plan will mean for us at St Annes, so please keep an eye on the Bulletin for details.

In the meantime, there are 3 open meetings that you are welcome to attend to hear more about the Plan.

- Saturday 4 Dec, 11am – 12.30pm in St Mary's Church, Leyland PR25 1PD
- Tuesday 7 Dec, 7pm – 8.30pm in Holy Rosary Church, Aintree L10 2LG
- Thursday 9 Dec, 7pm- 8.30pm on Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86421512557?pwd=SVd5cFhtQ0dwUFJzQjhLSlQ5VjJJQT09>

Meeting ID: 864 2151 2557 / Passcode: 132667

Preparing together for Christmas.



Finding Ways which will help us to prepare:

- **Each Sunday**, pray using the CAFOD prayer Card - cards are at the back of church.
- **From Wednesday 1st December**. On our Facebook page, Fr Godric's Advent talk.
- **Wednesday 8th December** 7pm, Mass in church celebrating the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.
- **From Wednesday 8th December**. On our Facebook page, Deacon Peter's Advent talk.
- **Tuesday 14th December, 7pm**. Service of Reconciliation in church.

A Quilt for St Anne's?

Following the recent exceptional display of patchwork quilts in the parish Church, the idea has grown that maybe a quilt could be made for St Anne's church.

So whether you are a dab hand at quilting or haven't a clue where to begin but like the idea of making a block for the quilt, do come along for an hour to the Pastoral Centre lounge, **10.30am Monday 6th December**.

Ideas can then be exchanged on how and when to start this group project (maybe in the new year) and particularly on what guidance and support can be offered to those new to patchwork, applique and quilting.

If you are interested but can't make 6th December, just call **07773 398458 Jean Ellis**



If your child or guardian would like to become an Altar Server at St. Anne's, and they have made their First Holy Communion, please pass their details into the parish office marked "Altar Servers". As we begin to gradually return to some normality, we look forward to introducing more servers into our Saturday and Sunday celebrations, giving more of our young people the opportunity to serve God in this very special way. Training for new servers will take place in January, **please have contact details in by Friday December 10th.**

Deacon Peter

Refugee food collections

Thank you so much for your support during November for refugees in West Lancashire. We are continuing to collect during December for the following items.

- Bags of rice and flour
- tins of vegetables, tomatoes, and fish in oil
- long life milk and cooking oil
- tea coffee and sugar
- fresh ginger and garlic

Please leave items at the back of church. Matthew will take them to the Ecumenical Centre in Skelmersdale to distribute them to the people who need them.

Justice and Peace group



Christmas Cards to the Holy Land

St Anne's, like other parishes in the Archdiocese, has for many years sent Christmas cards to parishes in the Holy Land and Jordan, where life for Christians is very difficult. The cards are much appreciated by the parishes who receive them. In previous years parishioners have signed them at the Christmas Fair, but this year there will be cards at the back of Church on the first Sunday of Advent. Please take one to sign and, if you like, add a message. The Justice and Peace Group will collect the cards on the second Sunday of Advent and post them. Post is slow in the Middle East, so they need to go early!

Thank you very much.

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Our Common Home

This is a space on the bulletin for everyone to share their ideas and tips about practical things we can do to respond to Pope Francis's call to hear the Cry of the Earth and the Cry of the Poor.

Do you have a good suggestion of something we can do to help with the climate crisis?

Share it with everyone by e-mailing Colette on paxorm@btconnect.com



From Susan O'Halloran:

Christmas Cards and Wrapping Paper – what can't be recycled?

As we start Advent, the shops and TV adverts are in full swing for Christmas. Something to watch out for - some cards and wrapping paper cannot be recycled – anything with glitter, anything shiny and wrapping which cannot be crushed in your hand. All others can be recycled – something we can all do for Creation this Christmas.



If you have any ideas for a Creation –friendly Christmas, why not share them here? Just send to Colette in the Parish Office. Thank you.

The following is an extract from Planetwise by Dave Bookless.

Perhaps the single most effective step I have taken in terms of avoiding waste, is to try to pray every time I put something in the bin. As I do so, I thank God for the natural resources that have created the item and reflect on whether I have been a good steward. Often my prayers end up as guilty confessions, as I have to admit my careless wastefulness again. Did I need to buy this? Did I need the item with all this packaging? Sometimes my anguish is not personal so much as frustration with the culture that dictates I can't buy things that aren't covered in plastic, and I simply say sorry to God for what we as the human race have done in taking his world for granted. Seeing waste as a spiritual issue has caused me to go back to the start of the process; buying things in the first place. Now, before I buy something, I always try to ask whether I really need it.

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Let us Pray. Creator of our common home you fill the earth and sea and sky with life. Forgive us our neglect of your creation, the choking waste of our pollution, the damage done by careless habits and our indifference to future generations. Help us amend our lives, to refuse more plastic if we can't reuse it, to lift our voice for lasting change, and to live well and gently on the earth. Amen

CHILDRENS LITURGY

LOOK

Sunday 28 November 2021
Luke 21:25-28. 34-36
1st Sunday of Advent

IN THE GOSPEL TODAY

Jesus wants us to stand tall and hold our heads high. Bad things might happen, but we don't need to be afraid, because God is with us.

My name is _____

STAND TALL

Jesus tells us today that it is important to pray.
Spot the 4 differences
Between these two people who are praying to God.

Jesus tells us so often in the Bible, **"Do not be afraid"**

Write down, or draw some things you are afraid of and then find out at the bottom why you don't need to be afraid any more!

I am afraid of

But because God loves me, I am not afraid of these things any more!

Jesus is coming

Jesus' friends are on their way to meet him. They are not frightened by the scary things on the way. Help them to get to Jesus quickly.

Word puzzle

Can you fit all these words in the grid?

ADVENT
AWAKE
JESUS
READY
PRAY