

CHORLEY AND PRESTON HOSPITALS: Please contact St Joseph's Chorley (262713) if any member of your family is admitted into Chorley Hospital and needs a visit. Please ask the ward staff to call the Chaplain on his bleep/phone. For the chaplaincy service at Royal Preston Hospital please ring 01772 522435. For the chaplaincy service at Wigan Infirmary T. 01942 822324.

HEALTH AND SAFETY UPDATE: We will continue to wear masks and gel hands. Please remember to social distance to people who are not in your immediate circle. Hospital admissions are still in concerning numbers, and it is people who have not been vaccinated who are becoming poorly and have to be admitted to hospital. It is a very wise step to arrange your vaccines. Please be aware that since it is not legally required to isolate if one has tested positive for COVID, some people are being very selfish and walking around contaminated. Stay away from people who are not well or have cold like symptoms, or stomach problems.

BISHOP VINCENT MALONE It will be two years since Bishop Malone left this earth for his heavenly reward. Please remember him in your prayers. Thank you.

WHERE HAVE YOUR DONATIONS TO UKRAINE BEEN SENT?

Over the last weekend, 6 vans loaded with the Archdiocese's donations left Liverpool and were driven to the Polish border village of Medyka and then transferred to Bishop Gregory's vans. There is a neutral zone between the Polish and Ukraine border and the unloading took place there. Teams of two drivers per van from the Archdiocesan staff and volunteers have hopefully returned home safely. This is the second delivery from Liverpool Archdiocese to Bishop Gregory Komar and Drohobych diocese. During the handover, Bishop Gregory expressed his immense gratitude to Gillian Boggan, Archdiocesan Finance Director. Everything that had been donated has been sent to the neediest and medicines and hospital necessities have been forwarded to the areas that have most urgency, including Kyiv and Dnipro. Bishop Gregory has coordinated supplying the people and areas and he knows exactly where the 'hot spots' are. Your financial support from this parish and others locally has been sent to Bishop Gregory also. £6,500 was sent this week and last month we sent £5,800. Bishop Gregory stated that every pound is an important life link for someone. We don't know the person we are helping but that person knows that someone cares for them. Thank you very much for your great generosity.

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St Mary's Catholic Church, Chorley

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

1ST MAY 2022



Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.'

They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No', he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord', Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore, they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

After the meal Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?' He answered, 'Yes Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He replied, 'Yes, Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Look after my sheep.' Then he said to him a third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was upset that he asked him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and said, 'Lord, you know everything; you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. I tell you most solemnly, when you were young you put on your own belt and walked where you liked; but when you grow old you will stretch out your hands, and somebody else will put a belt round you and take you where you would rather not go.'

In these words, he indicated the kind of death by which Peter would give glory to God. After this he said, 'Follow me.' **John 21 1-19**

Sat 30th
17.00
 16.15-16.45
Sun 1st May
 p.265)
10.00

St Pius V, Pope
Mass – Shaun McGeown (LD)
 Confessions at presbytery door

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (Mass book

Mass – Brian Murphy, Bleasdale Families, RIP and Stephen Murphy (very poorly)

Mon 2nd
 12.00

St Athanasius
 Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion

Tues 3rd
 12.00

SS Philip and James, Apostles
Mass – Leo Walmsley (LD)

Wed 4th
12.00

The English Martyrs
 Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion

Thurs 5th

St Asaph

Fri 6th

St John of Beverley

12.00
Mass – Michael Bolton, Leo, Janet & Rosie

Sat 7th
17.00

Mass – John Brown (LD)

Sun 8th

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Mass book p.268)

10.00
Mass – Hilda Lopacinski RIP
Crowning of Our Lady during Mass

Mon 9th
12.00

Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion

Tues 10th
12.00

St John of Avila
Mass – Michael Dervan

Wed 11th
12.00

Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion

Thurs 12th

St Pancras

Fri 13th
Our Lady of Fatima



12.00
Mass – McCrory Family

Sat 14th
 16.15-16.45
17.00

St Matthias, Apostle
 Confessions at the presbytery front door
Vigil Mass - James Murphy (A)

Sun 15th
10.00

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Mass book p. 271)
Mass - Bishop Vincent Malone RIP

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Tues, Fri 12.30 - 13.00

Please pray for the sick and the housebound: Rev. John Cree, Fr John Poland, Fr Barry McAllister, Fr Laurence Mayne, Emily Atkins, Kevin Bailey, Dorothy Burgoyne, John and Margaret Brown, Brigid Cain, John Campbell, Tom Carmichael, Michael Collins, Hughie Daly, Colette Ellis, Yvonne Finlayson, Desmond Gorman, Julie Gruszka, Jacob Hughes, Rosemary Hough, Debbie MacFarlane, Teresa O'Malia, Molly Redhead, Caroline Rigby, Sr Magdalene Roskell, Denis Smith, Joan Smith, Eileen Snape, Terry Tingey, Alan Willetts, Mike White, Ann Woodruff, Agnes Young and parishioners in *The Adelphi, The Gables, Westwood, Gillibrand Hall*

ANNIVERSARIES: Bp Vincent Malone, Laura Dolan, Maria Mosalska, Jan Malcharek.

READERS: 30th Sat: 17.00 Kinga Grzeczynska 1st May Sun 10.00 Simon Eccles.

7th Sat: 17.00 Richard Gillett. 8th. Sun: 10.00 Dominic Simpson. 14th Sat: 17.00

Andrew Jenner. 15th Sun: Greta Fazakerley.

A WARM WELCOME to Fr Patsy Foley who next weekend will very kindly celebrate the Sunday Masses here and at St Joseph's Anderton.

THANK YOU to Fr Crowther and Fr Ball who have celebrated the Masses here during the week.

FILM AFTERNOON will resume on Monday 16th May at 14.00

LITTLE CHURCH: Children are invited to come to Mass and take part in the Little Church. Children aged 4 – 10 meet with catechists in the sacristy, during the Liturgy of the Word and Homily part of the Mass. They then return to their family and the Mass continues as usual. Infants and toddlers can have a play time with their parents in the narthex area. If you would like to assist in the Little Church, please see Alison O'Keefe. Please note that DBS checks must be made before any adult can start assisting in the Little Church at St Mary's.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES: Some boxes still need collecting. Please make arrangements to collect them during office hours.

PARISH OFFICE is closed until Monday 16th May. The next newsletter will be issued on the weekend of 15th May.

WELCOME TO GOD'S CHURCH AND FAMILY: The following children were recently baptised; Thea Rose Grimshaw, Indie Rose Markland, Lucy Elizabeth Carpenter, Lucas Liam Godfrey, Lana Dorothy Helen Morris.

WEDDING BANNES: Adam Holmes and Danielle Anne Godfrey are to be married here on Saturday 4th June.

WALKING DAY: Saturday 18th June

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS: Corpus Christi - Sunday 19th June at 10.00 Mass