Rest in Peace



Please pray for

John Dixon

Annie Griffiths

Margaret Mary Thurston
Patricia (Pat) Lawrenson
Alice Prescott

We extend our sympathy and prayers to their families

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Our next meeting will be on **Monday 13th January**. Rosary in Church at 1.45 pm followed by a meeting in the Parish Centre. Capitation fees of £16 are due to be paid at this meeting.

Could you be a Deacon?

The Archbishop will be hosting a Diaconate Information Evening on **Thursday 30th January** at **St John's, Wigan**. The evening will begin at 7.30 pm (refreshments available from 7 pm) and will end by 9 pm.

This is open to anyone wanting to find out more about the diaconate, especially men who are wondering if they may be called to this ministry.

Food Bank

In addition to food donations, a total of £157.60 in cash donations was received last weekend.

Due to your continued generosity and support, both the Irenaeus Project in Waterloo and St Leonard's in Bootle each received £78.80 last week.

Saturday 11.30 am to 12 noon

Please pray for those Parishioners who are sick



Tia Berry Kay Chadwick Rosaleen (Ros) Clark Jeremy Conlon Patricia Cuddihy Bill Cunningham Catherine Delbridge Annie Donoghue Teresa Feury Madeleine Fitzpatrick James Homes Anne Inman David Jones Joan Jones Baby Logan Jones Sue Keal Raffie Keatina Terry Kinsella Iris Liptrot Miriam Lucy Patricia (Pat) Madden Sr. Marie Rita Martin Josephine O'Neill Joseph Orr Helen Owens Cathy Sing John Smith Meaan Sauire Helen Stewart James (Jimmy) Sutton **Andrew Taylor** Marie Tobin John Urbanka Patricia Vogel Robina Walker

Andrew Whitmore Busia Wozniak

NEWSLETTER



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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (C)

Sunday 12 January 2025 (Psalter Week 1)

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## **Masses and Other Services**

# Sunday 12th January THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

6.30 pm (Sat) People of the Parish
Theresa Hoole (L.D)

Monday 13th January

9.30 am David & Betty Tafe (Birthday Remembrance)

Tuesday 14th January

9.30 am William Wood (Anniv)

Wednesday 15th January

9.30 am Funeral Mass - Margaret Thurston

Thursday 16th January

11.00 am Funeral Mass - John Dixon

Friday 17th January

10.00 am Funeral Mass - Annie Griffiths

Sunday 19th January

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME** 

6.30 pm (Sat) People of the Parish
11.30 am Tom & Eileen Kehoe (F)

Please note, there will be <u>no</u> 9.30 am Mass on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday

#### **Parish Website**

**News Page** - 2025 The Jubilee Year - What's it all about? A look at the origins of the jubilee year and major events across the Archdiocese for the Jubilee Year.

If any parishioners would like to contribute a story to the website, please contact Paul by email at <a href="mailto:stgeorgesweb@yahoo.com">stgeorgesweb@yahoo.com</a>.

## Consultation about our next Archbishop

You are invited to contribute to the process for appointing a new Archbishop of Liverpool at one of two meetings:

Thursday 16 January, St Mary's Leyland, PR25 1PD (7.00 pm – 9.30 pm) Saturday 18 January, St Margaret Clitherow Centre, (10.30 am - 1.00 pm)

Each meeting will look at where we are as a diocese and our future development and at the qualities needed in our future Archbishop. To reserve a place please use this link: <a href="mailto:bit.ly/ASCMeetingAOL">bit.ly/ASCMeetingAOL</a>

If you are unable to take part in person, you can join the second meeting by Zoom at 10.30 am on Saturday 18 January using this link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89983555285

pwd=GbHwdzCo42YoaRMvllg8GgZBz5M5NW.1

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

As of **Saturday 18th January**, Fr. Cobham will hear confessions from **11 am** until **12.15 pm**. This change of time will allow confessions to be heard without anything else taking place in Church at the same time.

#### Readers

19/1 6.30 pm Noreen McGinnity
11.30 am Steve Crummey

# **Eucharistic Ministers**

19/1 6.30 pm Carmel McMahon 11.30 am Paul Reilly

# Ministry of Welcome

Lill Boyle

12/1 6.30 pm Joan Goodfellow
11.30 am Maria Caton
Gill Muflahi

19/1 6.30 pm Noreen Ford
Noreen Smith

#### Cleaning

13/1 Team 4 M/s Walsh, Wightman, Kelly, Parr, Griglin
20/1 Team 5 M/s Douglas, Green, O'Brien, Edwards, Goodfellow

## Counting

12/1 Team 2 John Carlin, Marie Woods19/1 Team 3 Paul Reilly, Joe Kennedy

# The meaning of your baptism

Scripture has some remarkable things to say to us about the consequences of our own baptism:

You have been anointed by the Holy One, and all of you have knowledge' (1Jn 2:20).

As for you, the anointing that you received from him abides in you, and so you do not need anyone to teach you. But as his anointing teaches you about all things, and is true and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, abide in him.

(1Jn 2:27).

What the First Letter of John is pointing to here is the fact that every baptised Christian possesses, as God's gift, the graced ability to recognise the truth of the Christian faith and of right teaching. It is almost like an instinct so that something in us responds when we hear the truth proclaimed: it comes to us as natural and almost self-evident in the light of what we have already understood in faith.

Each of us has the free choice whether or not to keep alive and nurture this gift or to ignore or bury it. Nurturing by prayer and the practice of our faith increasingly enables us to recognise how the faith is unfolding in the reality of our daily experience and the overall journey which is our life. This does not mean that each one of us is infallible but it does mean that the faithful together, that is the Church which together recognises how the timeless truths of the Gospel are unfolding in the specifics and particularities of life as we live it. The Church talks about doctrine developing, that is, being understood in the light of changing specific times and circumstances. You and I are part of this way in which God speaks to us and through us. It is all the baptised, not just the hierarchy.

The Church teaches that this sense of faith in the faithful

'...is a sort of spiritual instinct that enables the believer to judge spontaneously whether a particular teaching or practice is or is not in conformity with the Gospel and with apostolic faith. It is intrinsically linked to the virtue of faith itself; it flows from, and is a property of, faith. It is compared to an instinct because it is not primarily the result of rational deliberation, but is rather a form of spontaneous and natural knowledge, a sort of perception...It is a knowledge by empathy, or a knowledge of the heart.'

#### Questions:

- 1. What strikes you when you read the above?
- 2. Have you ever had this kind of felt sense of something true about teaching you are hearing?
- 3. Can you spot particular features of the faith that warm your heart and make you feel more alive?

Fr. Lister