

Parish Diary this Week

Date	Time	Feast	Intention
Saturday Mar 10 th	6:00pm	<u>Fourth Sunday in Lent</u> VIGIL MASS - St John's	
Sunday Mar 11 th	9:30am* 11:00am	SUNDAY MASS – St Martin's SUNDAY MASS – St John's	Ashcroft & Dixon Fam People of the Parish
Monday Mar 12 th	9:30am	<i>of the Fourth Week in Lent</i> Morning Prayer & Liturgy of the Word	
Tuesday Mar 13 th	9.30am	<i>of the Fourth Week in Lent</i> Morning Mass Tea, biscuits & chat after Morning Prayer	Kryisia Clews
Wednesday Mar 14 th	9:30am* 12.00* 7.00pm	<i>of the Fourth Week in Lent</i> Morning Mass Stations of the Cross – St Martin's Stations of the Cross – St John's	Frances Foulds
Thursday Mar 15 th	Note Time: 8.15am	<i>of the Fourth Week in Lent</i> Early Morning Mass	Bridget Scanlon
Friday Mar 16 th	9.30am 7.00pm	<i>of the Fourth Week in Lent</i> Morning Mass St Patrick's Ceilidh, Parish Hall <i>Feast of St Patrick –</i>	Private Intention
Saturday Mar 17 th	9.30am 10.00am 10.00am 5.00pm 6.00pm	Morning Mass Reconciliation Exposition of Blessed Sacrament <i>First Communion Preparation</i> <u>Fifth Sunday in Lent</u> SUNDAY VIGIL MASS - St John's	Mme Georgette Cyr
Sunday Feb 18 th	9.30am* 11.00am	SUNDAY MASS – St Martin's SUNDAY MASS – St John's	Leonard Porter People of the Parish

*indicates: a service at St Martin & St Hilda's Chapel

Morning Prayer of the Church: 15 minutes before weekday Mass and at Liturgy or the Word

Reconciliation: Confessions from 10am to 11am on Saturday and by request.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Saturday from 10am to 11am

Please play for: Baby Jennifer Holmes, Megan (aged 10), Louis Crowson, Christopher Brown, Pauline Cafferty, John Ireland, Kate Lingard, Antonio Palmer, Joanne Porter, Mary Robertson, Chris Taylor, Fr Joseph Maley, John Vincent, Paul Tipping, Stephen Booth, Joyce Bachman, Celia Schofield Fr John Walsh and all those who are sick.

Lately Dead: Ruth Birch (Service 10th March); Margaret Metcalf (Service 19th March),

Anniversaries at this time: March: 3rd Gerry Carr, 6th Richard Brown, 7th Kathleen Watmough, John Cooke, 10th Anita Monteiro 12th–15th Kryisia Clews, Francis Foulds, Linda Gallagher, Peggy Whitworth, 17th Leonard Porter, 19th Christopher Wren-Hilton, 20th Edith Hodkinson, Eileen Kelly. Margery Rose, John Doherty

Parish of

St John the Evangelist

Poulton-le-Fylde

Sunday 11th March 2018 (Laetare Sunday) Fourth Sunday in Lent (Cycle B)

Mothers' Day 2018

Thank God
For
Mothers!



God sent his Son
into the world....
so that through
him the world
might be saved.



PRAYER FOR OUR NEW BISHOP

(Ordination 9th April)

'Almighty God,
Eternal shepherd
and guide.
In your love for us,
grant that our Bishop-Elect,
Fr Paul Swarbrick,
may lead us to be:
Christ's heart of mercy,
voice of hope,
and hands of justice.
Help him to fill our
minds and hearts
with the truth of the Gospel,
the power of the sacraments,
and the desire to build up
your holy Church.
We ask this through Christ
our Lord. Amen.'

We heard this week that Fr Paul's ordination will be a ticket-only event due to numbers. Our parish has three tickets. Its difficult, but I think the only way to share them is to ask who wishes to be put into a hat to draw three people. There may be the chance to share travel with the Deanery.

Please could you let Fr Peter know soon (on paper, please) if you wish to be considered. Thanks.
(No Takers yet!)



Parish St Patrick Ceilidh

This Friday – 7.00pm
Hot Pot / BYO Drinks
Contact for tickets: see over >

LENT 2018



Parish opportunities during Lent:

Stations of the Cross on Wednesdays:
12.00noon at St Martin & St Hilda's Chapel
7.00pm at St John's

Lenten Sharing Course Churches Together:
either Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays
(Please see details inside)

Thursday Early Mass:
Morning Mass on the Thursdays of Lent will be at 8.15am at St John's. School has asked so that their staff, children and parents could celebrate – can you call in on the way to work?

Its good to see so many joining us for weekday Mass in Lent and making the most of hearing God's Word. Thanks.

The Church's Solemn Easter Triduum: (St John's)
Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7.00pm
Good Friday: Celebration of the Lord's Passion – 3.00pm
Holy Saturday: Solemn Easter Vigil – 8.00pm

St John the Evangelist

Breck Rd, Poulton-le-Fylde FY6 7HT

St Martin de Porres

Fleetwood Rd, Carleton FY6 7PB

Welcome to all parishioners and visitors to our Mass today
and throughout the week

Parish Priest: Fr Peter J Sharrock
Parish Deacon: Rev Bill Milton

Presbytery: 98 Breck Road, FY6 7HT
Telephone: 01253 883110
email: saintjohnpoulton@gmail.com
Website: www.stjohnspoulton.org.uk

Parish School: St John's Primary School:
Telephone: 01253 883690
www.st-john-rc12.lancsngfl.ac.uk

This week we pray for those living in:
Chester Ave, Chew Gardens, Chiltern Ave,
Compley Ave, Compley Green, Compton
Close, Coniston Ave, Corbridge Close, Cottam
Place, Crescent Rd, Curzon Rd,

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for March:
That the Church may appreciate the urgency
of formation in spiritual discernment, both
on the personal & community levels.

Baptism Preparation: Our next gatherings
for parents wishing to prepare for their
child's Baptism will be organised soon:
Please take a leaflet from church.

Foodbank. Please continue to donate dried
or tinned foods, warm clothing & blankets to
the foodbank. They are much appreciated in
this cold weather.

The Wednesday Word is available to take
away and pray next week's Sunday scripture.

Tea, Coffee & Biscuits are served after the
11:00 am Mass every Sunday at St John's and
after the 9:30 am Mass every 2nd Sunday of
the month at St Martin's & St Hilda's. Please
come along and join us.

Also: after the Tuesday morning Mass most
weeks. Come along and meet others.

Parish Bulletin News: If you have any items
for the bulletin please contact Elaine
(Tel: 886219 or email at
elainebrownwood@hotmail.com)

COMING PARISH EVENTS PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

The parish Centre Rebirth: Continuing from our gathering
before the new year I have gathered a number of
parishioners who represent the ministries in the parish to
prepare to share with the architect who will develop our
needs for the building. I am grateful to the members of this
group for their experience in the parish. There is a list of
this group on the noticeboard so that you can share own
experience, knowledge and just thoughts as we develop. I
hope to be able to share development with the whole
parish as we move forward. Thanks for your work in
ministry and in the social life of the parish.

Parish 300 Club – Subscriptions have been coming in slowly
& at this point there are not enough funds to pay out the
prizes. Please complete one of the application forms which
can be found at the back of church

St Patrick's Day Ceilidh: at St John's Hall on Friday 16th
March 7pm. Tickets £8 / £3 includes Hot Pot. BYO drinks.
Tickets after Sunday Masses or 895722.

CAFOD LENT FAMILY FAST DAY – Please return your Fast
Day envelopes as soon as conveniently possible. Please also
note that all donations given to the Family Fast Day will be
doubled by the UK Government. If you did not receive an
envelope, please take one from the back of church.

"On the Third Day" Ecumenical Lenten Study Course –
starts week of 18th February "On the Third Day" will run for
5 weeks during Lent – a simple gathering of Christians once
a week based on a set programme to explore the
Resurrection. Very enjoyable. There is a choice of venue:
Wednesdays – 1.30pm at St Martin & St Hilda's
Wednesday – 7.30pm at St Chad's Vicarage
Thursday – 7.30pm at Bridget & John Gildert's House

Christian Aid Lunches during Lent - a simple lunch of soup
& bread in fellowship with our fellow Christians - will be
held at 12:30 on:
Sun 11th March - Mothering Sunday. No Lenten lunch.
Sun 18th March at the United Reformed Church
Sun 25th March at St John's

Advance Notice – Parish Dinner The Annual Parish Dinner
will take place on Sunday 15th April (2:15 for 2:30 pm) at
Singleton Lodge. Menu & further information available in
the next few weeks.

LOCAL & DIOCESAN NOTICES

National Eucharistic Congress – 7th – 9th September
*The bishops of England and Wales will hold a National
Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress in Liverpool next year.*

*Eucharistic Congresses are gatherings of clergy,
religious and laity which promote an awareness of
the central place of the Eucharist in the life and
mission of the Church. The last International
Eucharistic Congress in England was held in 1908
when permission for a public procession of the
Blessed Sacrament was refused.*

*On the first day of the Congress, there will be a
Theological Symposium, with workshops for parish
catechists, (especially for those involved in First Holy
Communion programs), RE teachers, Hospital and
Prison Chaplains, Seminary Communities and
Extraordinary Ministers.*

The sessions will focus on:

*Scripture; Ecclesiology;
Eucharistic Language and Catechesis;
Rites and Music for Eucharistic Adoration*

*The Echo Arena in Liverpool will be the home to a six-
hour stage programme on the second day of the
Congress, which will include a Congress Mass,
keynote speakers and a drama highlighting the
beauty of reverence and devotion. The day will
conclude with Adoration.*

*On the final day of the Pilgrimage and Congress,
Sunday, there will be pilgrimage Masses and a street
procession - open to all.*

You will find further information in the present
edition of the Diocesan Voice newspaper – free. **The
bishop is encouraging two representatives from
each parish in the country to attend this event,**
Veronica Kelly has offered to represent us and let us
know what happened – any other volunteer?

School Chaplain: Cardinal Allen High School is
looking to employ a Chaplain from May 2018. If you
know people who may be interested and suitable
please see the notice at the back of church for details
or check with the school website

Community Centre for the over 60's Poulton
Community centre for the over 60's, on Queensway,
has recently been refurbished. Would you like to
join one of the teams who volunteer at the centre on a
rota basis serving teas & coffee? If so, please
telephone Colette on 01253 884709 or
07714280231 for more details.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham - NEW DATES!
– 2nd to 5th October 2018 led by the bishop £280.
Contact 01946 834834 or guildshop@yahoo.co.uk

Oberammergau Passion Play 2020– Fr Hayes, from
St Wulstan is asking if anyone would be interested in
a trip to the passion play – Please contact him on:
01253 873607

Some Notice Board Messages:

Pilgrimage to Knock: 7th-11th May 2018

St Wulstan & St Edmund's Charity sight:
Fleetwood on 10th March at 7.30pm

Castlerigg Manor, Keswick:
Easter Weekend Retreat – 29 Mar-1 April
Gap year place on the team – Aged 18+



Better Relationships = Better Lives

Do you know about Marriage Care?

Marriage Care is a national organisation dedicated
to supporting couples that are struggling with their
relationships. Marriage Care draws on Catholic
Christian tradition & contemporary research to
provide professional relationship counselling for
couples – from ALL Faiths. For a counselling
appointment please call **0800 389 3801**

Or visit the Marriage Care web pages:
www.marriagecare.org.uk

Some Diary Dates:

17 th March	Communion Preparation 3
25 th March	British Summer Time starts
29 th March	Holy Thursday 7pm Mass of Lord's Supper
30 th March	Good Friday 3pm Service of Passion
31 st March	Holy Saturday 8pm Easter Vigil
1 st April	Easter Sunday
9 th April	Ordination of Bishop Paul
14 th April	Communion Preparation 4
15 th April	Annual Parish Dinner
21 st April	Communion Preparation 5
28 th April	Communion Preparation 6
5 th May	Communion Practice

First Holy Communion Day

Saturday 12th May 6.00pm Mass

First Holy Communion Celebration Supper

Saturday 19th May after 6.00pm Mass in Social
Centre

7-9 September Eucharistic Congress, Liverpool

Gospel Acclamation for Lent:

Praise to you, O Christ, our Saviour,
Word of the Father, calling us to life;
Son of God who leads us to freedom:
glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!