

First Holy Communions 2025

Today we welcome to Mass our Year 4 children, and their families, who begin their preparations for First Reconciliation and Holy Communion today. During our Mass they will be received onto the Preparation Course and our first meeting will be held immediately after Mass. Once a month we will meet for preparations and the children will make their First Confession on Tuesday 3rd December and First Holy Communions on Saturday's 10th May (St. Albert's) and 17th May (St. Brigid's). Please keep all the children and their families in your prayers as they begin this special time of preparation for meeting the Lord in the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion.



Ladywell Day Pilgrimage

The parish is running a day trip to Ladywell near Preston, and on to Lancaster, leaving St. Albert's at 9.00am on **Saturday 12th October**, arriving home about 6.00pm. Ladywell is a very quiet spot in the heart of the countryside, and if you want water from the well, please bring a bottle with you, or you can purchase one from the shop. Lancaster is an historical town, with a castle, museum and lots of shops and restaurants for you to visit. If you are interested in going, please put your name on the list on the noticeboard in the church porch.



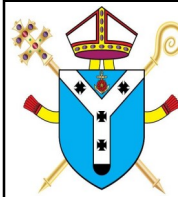
Sight Loss Sunday - 13th October

Sight Loss Sunday is an opportunity for churches across the UK to put on a sight loss accessible service and to become more aware of ways that services can be adapted to be more sight loss friendly. This year's theme is Walking by Faith. The hope is that churches around the UK will join in celebrating the gifts of people who are blind or partially sighted and recognising that they have vital roles to play in communities and congregations. With your support, TTB can reach more churches than ever before with their resources, supporting churches to become more sight-loss friendly.



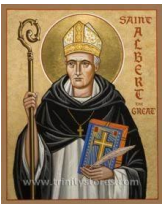
Music at the Met

This coming Wednesday, 9th October, BBC Radio 3 will be broadcasting choral Evening Prayer, live from the Cathedral at 3.00pm, on the feast of St. John Henry Newman. I am sure a congregation will be welcome to attend. If you cannot attend or listen on the day, it will be repeated next Sunday at 3.00pm or on the BBC Iplayer.



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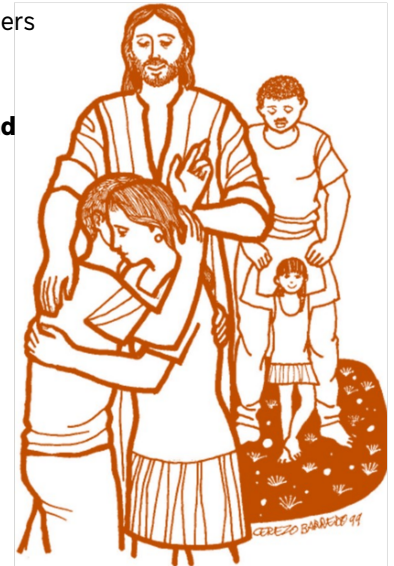


27th Sunday of the Year (B)

6th October 2024

Mass Times and Intentions

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| Sunday 6 th October | (27 th Sunday of the Year (B)) |
| 10.00am | Izabela Jagodka & Parishioners |
| Monday 7 th October | (Our Lady of the Rosary) |
| 6.30pm | Day of Prayer & fasting for the Holy Land |
| 7.00pm | Rosary |
| | Mass Peace in Middle East |
| Tuesday 8 th October | |
| 10.00am | Helen McEvoy |
| Wednesday 9 th October | Mass in St. Brigid's School |
| 10.00am | Thomas Morley |
| Thursday 10 th October | |
| 10.00pm | Mr & Mrs Lee & Family |
| Friday 11 th October | (Saint John XXIII—Pope) |
| 10.00am | No Mass |
| Saturday 12 th October | (Saint Wilfrid) |
| 10.00am | No Mass |
| Sunday 13 th October | (28 th Sunday of the Year (B)) |
| 10.00am | Jessie Nuttall |



What God has united,
man must not divide.

Please remember in your prayers:

The Sick in our parish:

Sylvia Fleming, Tobin Lee, Katie Westwell, Rose Mary Marston, Ethel Waite, Betty Carroll, Anne Viz, Archbishop Patrick Kelly, Patricia Louise Jones, Mr & Mrs McDonagh, Christopher McRae, Sister Savio, Denise Ball, Br. John Smith MHM, Matt Ingham, Sr. Eva M^cHale, Vera Henry, Fr. Manus Ferry MSC, Mary Abbott, Barry Lee, Joan Moran, Charlie Hall, Jean Taylor, Jesse D'Souza, Helen Benson

Those who have died recently Mary Cameron

*Eternal Rest, grant unto them O Lord,
And let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace, Amen.*

Day of Prayer for the Holy Land -

On Monday, Pope Francis and the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem have called for a Day of Prayer, fasting, and penance to mark the first anniversary of the latest conflict in the Holy Land. To mark this, Archbishop Malcolm will say the Rosary at 4.30pm, followed by Mass at 5pm, in the Cathedral. All are welcome to attend and pray for peace in the Holy Land.

We will also have Rosary at 6.30pm followed by Mass at 7.00pm. Please if you can attend do so, our world is in such a precarious place at the moment and we all need to do what we can.



Foodbank

I am told that we used to have a regular collection for the local foodbanks, sadly we have not done this for some time. So I will leave a large box at the back of church for anyone who wants to make donations of food, and I will make sure they are distributed locally. Perhaps when you are shopping, you might like to add one tin of something, some cereals or dried goods to your list and bring to church with you. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



New Offertory Envelopes

The new Offertory Envelopes are now available at the back of the church for those who wish to renew them. If you do not use envelopes and would like a box, please see Jackie Dalton or Father David, after Mass and we will take your details and arrange for you to get a box.



Suyton Family of Parishes

On Wednesday 2nd October we came together with all the parishes within the Huyton Family of Parishes. This was to offer an opportunity to express thoughts, hopes and concerns regarding the proposals that have been in the newsletter over the last few weeks.

We are aware that not everyone was able to attend the meeting but may still like to share their views. Feedback forms are available at the back of the church. Due to time constraints on collating the data, please only fill in a form if you were unable to attend the meeting. All forms will need to be returned by Sunday 20th October 2024.



2ND OCTOBER
2024

CAFOD Family Fast Day —Harvest Appeal 6th October

CAFOD
Catholic Agency for
Overseas Development

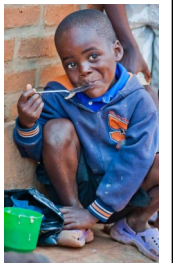
Daniel, a young man in Democratic Republic of the Congo, is carving a better future for his family with carpentry skills he learned in a CAFOD-funded training centre. Give to CAFOD today and you'll fund training, tools, equipment and safe spaces so more people like Daniel can learn new skills and fulfil their God-given potential. Use the envelope in church they are available at the back of the church, or give online at cafod.org.uk/envelope.



If you have any donations for CAFOD, please leave them in the basket at the back of the church, marked CAFOD. You can also include this QR code which you can scan on your phones to take you straight to CAFOD's virtual envelope where you can make their Fast Day donation online and (NEW this Fast Day!) link their online donation to their parish.

Mary's Meals—World Porridge Day

Mary's Meals will be celebrating World Porridge Day on 10th October, and with oat-based events throughout October - we would love your church community to take part! We would like to invite you to host a porridge event to raise funds and awareness for Mary's Meals. This could be before or after a church service or at an event during the week. We have lots of information and ideas on our website, where you can also download our Porridge Party pack: www.marysmeals.org.uk/campaigns/world-porridge-day.



Why do we celebrate World Porridge day?

In Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe, Mary's Meals serves children steaming mugs of vitamin-enriched porridge, helping them to learn and grow. That's why we celebrate World Porridge Day on 10 October every year – we know that porridge has the power to change lives. A huge thank you for the support that you have given to Mary's Meals.