Sick and Housebound LET US HOLD IN PRAYER Those who are sick or housebound, especially: Ann Dingsdale William Donoher Bervl Gaskell Vera Green Sheila Haigh Carol Heath Mary King Angela Pearlman Mary Powell Pat Powell **Hughie Slavell** Kath Swales **Nell Taylor**

Lately Dead PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY:

Aoife White

May the Lord embrace them

with His healing love.

Joseph Vernon Bailey
Frank Hamley
Mary Stannard King
Sister Eileen Moore
Jim Rigby
Eternal rest grant unto them
O Lord, and let perpetual light
shine upon them.
May they rest in peace.
Amen.

Anniversaries

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR

PRAYERS
James Bollom
Judith Parr
Helen Sherratt

whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Collection Amounts

Week beginning 24/11/2024

The offertory collection for St Luke's was £312.35 at the 9am Mass, and was £125.67 at the 5pm Mass.

Thank you for all your contributions.

Please scan QR Code with your phone to donate



St Leo's church is now open again! Services will resume on Saturday 7th December at 5pm.

Mass Intentions

There is a now a poster at the back of church with a list of dates available for Mass Intentions. Please get in touch with Judith in the church office, or complete an envelope if you would like Mass to be said for someone. Leaving your contact name and number where it says 'Donor Name and number' means we can get in touch if needs be.

Christmas Raffle



Please keep your donations coming in! and many thanks to those who have donated so far. We would particularly appreciate Christmas gifts,

such as selection boxes, mulled wine sets, Xmas puddings, luxury boxes of biscuits etc.

Don't forget to buy your tickets!

Our Archdiocesan Synodal Council met recently to discuss the life of the archdiocese. Each deanery, including our own was represented at the Council and a Summary Report has been produced. Please take a copy from the back of church to have a look at the main points discussed. With kind regards and good wishes for the Season of Advent, On behalf of the Archdiocesan





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Whiston, Prescot

Fr Michael Thompson (Parish Priest) Rev. Joseph Morgan (Parish Deacon) Judith Aveling (Parish Administrator)

Parish Office hours 9.30am - 2.30pm, Tuesday to Thursday

2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year C) - MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday 7th November		Memorial of St Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor
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St Luke's	10am	Julie Marie Hollinghurst (B)
		VIGIL OF THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
St Leo's	5pm	Fr Henry Holden—Lancashire Infirm Clergy
Sunday 8th December		SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
St Luke's	9am	Margaret Rimmer (B)
	10am	Preparation for the Sacraments: 'Come to the Water'
Hospital Mass	11am	NHS STAFF & FAMILIES
St Luke's	6.30pm	Mass of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday 10th December		Weekday of Advent
St Luke's	9am	Anne Hanley (T)
Wednesday 11th December		Weekday of Advent
St Luke's	9am	James Bollom (A)
Thursday 12th December		Weekday of Advent
St Leo's	9.30am	Norah and Colin Tinsley (T)
Friday 13th December		Memorial of St Lucy, Virgin and Martyr
St Luke's	9am	The Joseph Family (T)
Saturday 14th December		Memorial of St John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor
St Luke's	10am	Julie and Derek Yates (T)
		VIGIL OF THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
St Leo's	5pm	Kathleen O'Brien (LD)
Sunday 15th December		THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (GAUDETE SUNDAY)
St Luke's	9am	Mary Stannard King (LD)
Hospital Mass	11am	NHS STAFF & FAMILIES

Synodal Council

Christmas can be difficult for anyone, at any point in their life. You might be struggling



this year for the first time. Or you may have found Christmas difficult in the past, and you're dreading it again this year. You may also enjoy Christmas, but not be able to celebrate it how you'd like to. Or you might find some parts enjoyable, but other parts stressful. The Mind website has some helpful resources if you are experiencing money worries, practical issues, loneliness, difficult situations and relationships, and bereavement. Visit

www.mind.org.uk/information-support/tips-foreveryday-living/christmas-and-mental-health/whychristmas-is-hard/



Don't forget that CAFOD offers a wide range of attractive Christmas gifts. Please ask Tracy or Peter for more details.

First Holy Communion Badge Competition

The First Holy Communion Badge Competition is back for its second year! Children preparing to make their First Holy Communion next Spring are invited to design a badge to commemorate the special day. To get the template and enter the competition, please ask Tony McCaul for a form and template and email your entry to badges@rcaol.org.uk.

All entries need to be in by **27th January**.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

MASSES & SERVICES

Advent Reconciliation Service

St Luke's, 18th December, 7pm

Advent Stations

St Luke's, 21st December, 10.30am

Christmas Eve Vigil Mass

St Luke's, 7pm

Midnight Mass

St Leo's

Christmas Day

St Luke's, 9am

Whiston Hospital, 11am



Advent Retreat (age 15 to young adults) at Castlerigg Manor

Bookings will close for the Advent Retreat at Castlerigg on December 11^{th} at Midday. The open retreats at Castlerigg give teens and young adults a great way to make friends, deepen their faith, and have some fun and they usually prove very popular. The weekend costs £65 but anyone who might struggle with this is invited to get in touch.

Further details—director@castleriggmanor.co.uk Sign up at castleriggmanor.com >> what's coming up.

The CAFOD Christmas fun run is celebrating 40 years on **Friday 27 December**! It's a day not to be missed! We'll be joined by CAFOD celeb supporters Frank Cottrell Boyce and former England Lioness, Sue Smith. Festive treats: raffle, live music, mince pies, mulled wine or a hot cuppa. Run, walk or wheel 3k or 5k, or just come along to be part of the atmosphere and cheer on our runners! Dogs on leads are welcome and the route is pram friendly.

10am registration for an 11am run. Wavertree Sports Centre, Wellington Road, L15 4LE. Visit cafod.org.uk/christmasfunrun



There is a big transparent tub in the church porch for you to leave your SVP donations until the 15th December.

Many thanks.

