



Newsletter for the Catholic Parishes of St John Vianney & St Monica and St Cuthbert, Blackpool **CHRIST THE KING** (23rd/24th November 2019)

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A WARM WELCOME TO MASS: At St John Vianney's, tea and coffee is served after the 9.00am & 11.00am Sunday Masses in the Parish Centre. At St Cuthbert's, refreshments are served after the Sunday 10.00am Mass in the presbytery.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE: We pray for Marie Cochrane, Richard Howells & Mary Smith and for all who have died recently and for all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please remember in your prayers all who are facing illness at this time: Bishop Patrick O'Donoghue, Alan Cox, Gail Colton, Adam Billing, Eileen Whalley, Norma Farricker, Anne Mary Lee, Margaret Slater, Lina & Bill Kirton, Phyllis Hatton, Kathryn Barlow, Joan Edge, Jo Hickman, Josie Gleeson, David Cyples, John Murdoch, Dorothy Douglas, John Malone & also those who receive pastoral visits from our priests at the Harbour Hospital.

NOVEMBER LISTS: A remembrance box is available at the Sacred Heart Altars in both of our churches in which to place your customary November Lists for remembrance at Mass. Also; you might like to **consider having a Mass celebrated for a particular soul** – using the **Mass envelope** (found at the back of our churches) along with your offering. Masses at St John Vianney's are available for January but many Masses are still available for December at St Cuthbert's.

THE 'YEAR OF THE WORD' - THE GOD WHO SPEAKS: As an accompaniment to the 'Year of the Word' we will soon be offering an engaging, year-long course on the Sacred Scriptures at St John Vianney & St Monica's. An Introductory Session for this will be in the Day Chapel of St John Vianney's Church on Monday 9th December at 7.00pm. Do please consider coming along to this and invite others who may want to look more deeply into the story of Salvation. See the poster for more details. This course is open to all within our Deanery.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

ST JOHN VIANNEY & ST MONICA CHRISTMAS FAYRE is Today, (24th November) Do come and support your parish community in the Pope John Paul II Centre after the 11.00am Mass for great fun and fraternity. There is also an extensive children's area with much for the whole family to enjoy. We have several stalls, games, tombolas and plenty of refreshments all from 12.15pm – do join us!

ST CUTHBERT'S PRE-CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON TEA will be on Wednesday 27th November at 2.00pm in St Cuthbert's Presbytery. All are most welcome! Please sign up at the back of St Cuthbert's Church.

ST JOHN VIANNEY & ST MONICA CHRISTMAS BINGO will take place in the Pope John Paul II Centre on Sunday 8th December at 6.00pm. Please book tables at the back of Church on the notice board or if easier call Carole Cox on Tel: 07866543107.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS & BENEDICTION: We hope you will be able to join us at St John Vianney's church on the Fourth Sunday of Advent, 22nd December, at 3.30pm for a short carol service with readings and concluding with our usual Sunday Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Confessions will also be heard during this time. Do come and bring a friend!

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Bishop Swarbrick will be coming to St Cuthbert's Church on Tuesday 3rd December at 6.30pm for Mass and Confirmation of 28 young people from between our two parishes and the Polish Catholic Mission. Please keep these young people in your prayers and do please come along to this Mass.

FIRST CONFESSION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMMES 2019/2020: Sunday 24th November, 11.00am Mass (at St John Vianney & St Monica) and Sunday 1st December, 10.00am Mass (at St Cuthbert) will mark the enrolment of those children who will be preparing for these Sacraments in 2020. Please pray for them and for their families and do please encourage them when you meet them. Our first session is today at St John Vianney & St Monica, after 11.00am Mass.

RADIANT 2019 (a youth initiative) is on Saturday 30th November at Corpus Christi Catholic College, Preston. Tickets can be purchased online at: www.eventbrite.co.uk

FAMILIES IN NEED AT CHRISTMAS: In keeping with tradition, at both St John Vianney & St Monica's and at St Cuthbert's, we quietly help local families most in need at Christmas. Please give as you are able towards Family Hampers and the SVP. Please mark bags or boxes for this intention and place them in the porch after Sunday Masses. Any monetary donation for this initiative would be deeply appreciated in a marked envelope placed in the regular collection.

GUIDED RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE: Sunday 24th November - 16th December 2019. See the poster and leaflet in our church porches for more information on this initiative organised by *Blackpool and Fylde Prayer Guides*.

ALL NOTICES FOR THIS NEWSLETTER: should be sent directly to Fr Etienne in writing at St John Vianney presbytery marked 'for the Newsletter' or email them to: catholicsinsouthblackpool@gmail.com – by noon each Wednesday.

OUR STATISTICS FOR 16th/17th November 2019:

St John Vianney & St Monica - Attendance: 240 Collection: £ 639.21

St Cuthbert - Attendance: 111 Collection: £ 282.13

THIS WEEKEND: A SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR OUR DIOCESAN YOUTH SERVICE

NEXT WEEKEND: A SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THE POOR MISSIONS FUND

CONFESSIONS, ADORATION & BENEDICTION, DEVOTIONS & PRAYERS:

Confessions at St John Vianney's: Saturdays: 11.00am - 11.45am & 5.00pm – 5.20pm

Confessions at St Cuthbert: Tuesday 10.30am – 10.50am & Saturday 5.30pm – 5.50pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Tuesday: 10.30 – 11.00am at St Cuthbert & Wednesday: 9.45am - 10.15am at St John Vianney's.

Sunday Benediction is at St John Vianney's at 3.30pm.

Rosary at St John Vianney's: Every Saturday at 11.30am before midday Mass in the Day Chapel (for Vocations).

Rosary at St Cuthbert's: Each Tuesday at 10.30am during Exposition.

Saturday 23 rd November		
5.30pm	SJV	Mass for Bridget & Jack Woods RIP
6.00pm	SC	Mass for Hilda Elliott L.D (<i>with the NeoCatechumenal Way</i>)
Sunday 24 th November		OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE
9.00am	SJV	Mass <i>Pro Populo</i>
10.00am	SC	Mass for Mary Cusack RIP (Anniv)
11.00am	SJV	Mass for Alan Smith & Tony Bristow RIP
12noon	SC	Mass in Polish
3.30pm	SJV	<i>Benediction</i>
5.30pm	SJV	Syro-Malabar Qurbana
7.00pm	SC	Polish Mass
Monday 25 th November		<i>St Catherine of Alexandria</i>
12noon	SC	Requiem Mass of Richard Howells
Tuesday 26 th November		
9.15am	SJV	Mass for David Hall Woollard RIP
10.00am	SC	Mass for Lina & Bill Kirton (Sick)
Wednesday 27 th November		
9.15am	SJV	Mass for Ted Peacock RIP
10.00am	SC	Mass for Br John (B/day)
6.00pm	SJV	Syro-Malabar Qurbana
Thursday 28 th November		
9.15am	SJV	Mass for Mary Brown, John Brown & Mark Drake
Friday 29 th November		
10.00am	SJV	Requiem Mass for Mary Smith
10.00am	SC	Mass for the Holy Souls
6.30pm	SJV	Latin Mass (E.F) for the Kelly Family
Saturday 30 th November		<i>St Andrew</i>
12noon	SJV	Mass for Ronald Hall RIP
5.30pm	SJV	Mass for the Deceased Members of the late Owen Duffy
6.00pm	SC	Mass <i>Pro Populo (with the NeoCatechumenal Way)</i>
Sunday 1 st December		FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
9.00am	SJV	Mass <i>Pro Populo</i>
10.00am	SC	Mass for Candidates for Confirmation
11.00am	SJV	Mass for Elizabeth Carroll L.D.
12noon	SC	Mass in Polish
12.30pm	SJV	<i>Baptisms of Luna & Loki Browne</i>
3.30pm	SJV	<i>Benediction</i>
5.30pm	SJV	Syro-Malabar Qurbana