



# CHRIST THE KING AND ST KENTIGERN PARISH BULLETIN

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## MASSES, SERVICES, AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Confessions at St Kentigern's, Saturday 11am to 11:30am and at Christ the King on request.  
This week we shall pray the third Eucharistic Prayer with the first preface of Lent.

Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March		Third Sunday of Lent	
6pm (Saturday Vigil)	Mass at St Kentigern's	Margaret Ogden (Anniversary)	Thank you for your generosity towards collections taken in the Parish recently:
9:45am	Mass at St Kentigern's	Harry Turley (Anniversary)	
11:15am	Mass at Christ the King	The People of the Parish	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March			Sunday Collection
4pm	Mass at Victoria Hospital		£774.69
6pm	Holy Hour, St Kentigern's		CAFOD FAMILY FAST
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March			£517.39
9.30am	Mass at St Kentigern's	Holy Souls	
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March			Attendance
9:30am	Mass at Christ the King	Intentions of Henry Raj	Christ the King - 76
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March			St Kentigern's - 342
9.30am	Mass at Christ the King	Sr Helen Forshaw (SHCJ), RIP	
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March			Readings next week
7:30am	Mass at St Kentigern's	Thanksgiving Mass	2 Chron. 36:14-16, 19-23
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> March		Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sun.)	
6pm (Saturday Vigil)	Mass at St Kentigern's	John Groszewski (RIP)	Psalm 136 (137): 1-6
9:45am	Mass at St Kentigern's	D'cd members of O'Rourke family	Ephesians 2:4-10
11:15am	Mass at Christ the King	The People of the Parish	John 3:14-21

Please pray for all who have died recently; Wendy Goulding, Joe Moxham for all whose anniversaries are about this time; Margaret Ogden, Harry Turley, Mercy Raj, A V Raj, Rajiv Ribeiro, John Groszewski, Rita O'Neill

Please pray for all the sick and housebound of our parish and all those known to us especially; Aaron Brookes, Alma Lumley, Steven Hester, Bernard Courtenay, Jeannie Courtenay, Carmel Worden, Kathleen Wade, Barbara Turner, Maureen Whiteley

Please speak to one of the priests after Sunday Mass if you are a parent and would like to have your child baptised or are hoping to get married either in this parish or elsewhere (minimum six months' notice for weddings is required).

**POPE'S MARCH PRAYER INTENTION:** Let us pray for those who have suffered because of the wrongs done to them by members of the Church. May they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

**WELCOME TO OUR PARISH:** If you are new to Blackpool, or are visiting us just for the weekend, you are very welcome! Please introduce yourself to the priest after Mass. Tea and coffee is served after the 9.45am Mass at St Kentigern's and the 11.15am Mass at Christ the King. You will be made very welcome.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION DURING 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. Please be reminded that throughout Lent and Eastertide we will be using the Apostles' Creed.

### OUR PARISH LENTEN PROGRAMME 2024

**WEDNESDAYS** – Bishop Robert Baron's Catholicism videos on prayer and Jesus' Passion will be held in the Parish Centre with Fr Philip at 7pm.

**THURSDAYS** - Stations of the Cross at Christ the King after the 9.30am Mass.

**FRIDAYS** – Mass at 7.30am at St Kentigern's with tea and toast in the Parish Centre afterwards.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** at St Kentigern's at 7pm.

Please note that there is no 9.30am Mass on a Friday during Lent.

**3PM DAILY** - Each day, except Sunday, we will upload a reflection on our parish Facebook page based around the three Lenten disciplines of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

### LENT AROUND THE DEANERY

*St John Vianney, Glastonbury Ave:* MEDITATION ON SUNDAY'S GOSPEL: Each week Fr Frank will lead this in the chapel Tuesdays 7pm.

*St Cuthbert, Lytham Rd:* SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION: Friday 22nd March at 7pm.

*St John the Evangelist, Poulton:* "JESUS THE STORYTELLER", a series of reflections and sharing on the Parables of Jesus. On Tuesday 5th, 12th Mar in the Sacristy.

*St Kentigern's:* Parish Penitential Service on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 7pm. Further details to follow.

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 24/25** have recently been delivered and will be distributed this month. If you would like to join the Gift Aid Scheme and donate through the envelopes, please let us know. Details can be left with the steward. Gift Aid forms are also available at the steward's desk for taxpayers. The Gift Aid Scheme helps the parish immensely. By signing the form, we can claim 25p back for every £1 you donate.

**ASSOCIATION DRAW:** Thank you to everyone who has renewed and joined the Draw for 2024. However, there is still time to join this parish fund-raiser. Forms are available today at the Steward's Desk as you leave Mass. Each entry costs £15. Over the years, we have raised thousands of pounds which has enabled us to undertake extra projects in and around the parish. The next draw takes place in the Lounge in the Parish Centre after the 9.45am Mass today.

**LANCASTER VOICE:** Please take a copy of the diocesan newspaper as you leave Mass today.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION:** The next meeting is on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm for St Kentigern's families and Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm for Christ the King families. Please make sure that the children are up to date with the chapters in the I Belong book.

### PARISH CENTRE NEWS:

**MEMBERS' POOL COMPETITION:** After the success of our Pool Competitions last year, we're going to run two new tournaments for 2024. The matches can be played on a Friday evening or a Sunday after Mass. The first tournament will be for families with children in KS2+ and the second will be for families/adults with children in KS3+. Entry costs £5 per team and each match will consist of three games with the best of three going through to the next round.

**2024 MEMBERSHIPS are now due (over 18s).** Subscriptions can be handed in at the Steward's Desk in a clearly labelled envelope. Even if you don't frequent the premises often, please do consider joining as we really do need the support.

**BOOKINGS 2024:** Please contact us with any dates for family celebrations at the Parish Centre.

**FRIDAY QUIZ NIGHT:** Every Friday Night we run a quiz in the Lounge starting around 8pm. All welcome.

**ZUMBA HOSTED BY THE FILIPINO COMMUNITY:** Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March from 2pm-5pm in the Hall followed by pot luck finger food. £3 per person. All welcome.

**ST PATRICK'S NIGHT QUIZ:** Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March starting around 8.15pm. We invite you to join us in the Lounge for a themed quiz with light refreshments served during the interval. Please let us know you're coming for catering purposes and wear something green!

**LOURDES 2024:** Please join Bishop Paul Swarbrick on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (July 23<sup>rd</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>). The Youth Section will travel by coach with an evening and a day sightseeing in Paris (22<sup>nd</sup> July- 1<sup>st</sup> August). Further details are available on the Diocesan Pilgrimage website; www.lancasterlourdes.co.uk or youth email youth@lancasterlourdes.co.uk or collect a leaflet from the back of church.

**LANCASTER LOURDES YOUTH PILGRIMAGE:** If you are thinking of going on the Youth Pilgrimage this year, please let us know and we can help you to organise some fundraising events to support your pilgrimage. Speak to one of the priests after Mass.

**ST KENTIGERN'S SCHOOL SECRET GARDEN PROJECT:** Raffle tickets will be on sale for £1 at St Kentigern's after the 9.45am Mass and also in the Parish Centre for an outdoor planter (planted by the children) to raise funds for their Secret Garden Project. All support appreciated.