

Catholic Parish of St Mary Magdalen & St Teresa in Penwortham

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Upcoming Mass & Service Details for the week beginning 25th – 26th April 2026

Fourth Sunday of Easter – Year A			
Saturday 25th <i>St Mark</i>	5.15pm	St T	Exposition & Confessions
	6.00pm	St T	Mass: David Thomas (LD)
Sunday 26th	9.30am	St T	Mass: Parishioners <i>Refreshments after Mass in the Romero Room, all welcome!</i>
	10.40am	St MM	Rosary
	11.00am	St MM	Mass: Jenkinson Family, Susan + David Parkinson, Cath Jones (LD)
Hymns 804 603 780 785			
Monday 27th			
Tuesday 28th	7.00pm		Service of Confirmation in St Mary's, Leyland
Wednesday 29th <i>St Catherine of Siena</i>	11.00am	St MM	Funeral Mass: Catherine Jones
Thursday 30th	9.30am	St T	Exposition, Confessions & Morning Prayer
	10.00am	St T	Mass: Deceased Parishioners
	7.00pm		Service of Confirmation in St Mary's, Leyland
Friday 1st May <i>St Joseph the Worker</i>	9.40am	St T	Rosary
	10.00am	St T	Mass: Fr Fred Rose
	11.00am	St MM	Funeral Service: Kevin Knight
Fifth Sunday of Easter – Year A			
Saturday 2nd <i>St Athanasius</i>	5.15pm	St T	Exposition & Confessions
	6.00pm	St T	Mass: Parishioners
Sunday 3rd	9.30am	St T	Mass: Geoff Watson (LD) <i>Refreshments after Mass in the Romero Room, all welcome!</i>
	10.40am	St MM	Rosary
	11.00am	St MM	Mass: Cath Jones (LD), Joseph Jenkinson, Win Varetto (A) Soul of Rosenio Abrigo Snr

Your prayers are asked for: The Sick: Christina Hill, Anne Jones, Francesca Turner; those who have died recently Fr Gerry Cobham, Catherine Jones, David Thomas, Kevin Knight, and those who are bereaved.

If you would like a sick person to be included for prayer, please obtain their consent first.

First Holy Communion Families are with us at Mass this weekend. Parents are asked to collect their children's homework folders and letters explaining what happens as we prepare for their celebration Masses on Saturday 9th May at 10am for St Mary Magdalen's School; Saturday 16th May at 10am for St Teresa's School and Sunday 17th May in St Teresa's Church at 9:30am for children at other schools.

Services of Confirmation for our Family of Parishes are on Tuesday 28th & Thursday 30th April in St Mary's Church, Leyland at 7pm. Bishop Tom Neylon will preside. Please keep our young people in prayer!



World Day of Prayer for Vocations

In 1964, Pope Paul VI, launched the first Vocations Sunday, which since then has been celebrated on the Fourth Sunday of

Easter, Good Shepherd Sunday. This gives us an opportunity to reflect on our own vocation as baptised members of the Church but also gives us an opportunity to pray that others may find their vocation.

We know that God has a plan for each of us, calling us to grow in holiness and to live in His love. Some are called to live their baptismal calling through Marriage, some are called to the Priesthood, the Diaconate or Religious Life and others to live as single people. Everybody is called! It is good to have these conversations to stir hearts and minds, especially with the young to help them respond generously to the Lord. What is God calling you to?

Our Piety Shops have a lovely selection of olive wood items from Aid to the Church in Need which supports the craftspeople in Bethlehem. Olive wood rosary beads are £2 each We also have some blank greetings cards from the Carmelite Nuns in Norwich at £1 each along with some First Holy Communion items. Please call in and have a look.

Penwortham Farmers Market in St Teresa's Car Park takes place next Saturday 2nd May for local produce including eggs, cheese, meats, vegetables, fresh fish, jams, cakes, pies, veggie curries, fudge, plants, soaps and a variety of craft stalls. Stalls are both inside and outside the Scout Hut, with tea and coffee served inside with breakfast barmes and cakes available from the stalls.

The Foodbank would appreciate cereals, tinned tomatoes, rice pudding and, as always, tins of ready-made meals like Irish stew, curries, chilli con carne and similar products.

All Hallows High School Lay Chaplain

The Governors wish to appoint a committed and enthusiastic Lay Chaplain. The successful candidate will lead the spiritual life of the school and accompany staff and pupils on their faith journey. Permanent appointment to commence as soon as possible. Further details may be found on the school's web site.

Mary's Meals This May, our parish is invited to join Mary's Meals UK, in their annual Pray in May campaign, praying for children worldwide who rely on a daily meal at school. It has produced a range of free prayer resources, including bidding prayers, rosary reflections and a prayer calendar. These resources help us reflect on how prayer can lead to hope and practical action for those most in need:
<https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/get-involved/churches-and-prayers/pray-in-may-resources>



Continuing along the Path of Synodality We have an opportunity to reflect on the document that came from the final session of the Synod on Synodality called by Pope Francis that Pope Leo is now urging us to embrace at every level in the life of the Church. Tuesday evenings 7 - 8.30pm: 21, 28 April, 5, 12, 19 May. To join the zoom meeting use the weblink below, enter the meeting details or use the QR code:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89983555285?pwd=VBTox3xbJiWrU8x00sbuCGmnO97Xn.1>
Meeting ID: 899 8355 5285 Passcode: 981267

General Catechist Course: from 6th May until 27th June. Key elements of the Catholic faith and how they can be explored through Catechesis. If you are considering being catechist or are existing catechist (e.g. RCIA, first holy communion, confirmation etc) looking to refresh your knowledge, this course is for you. Wednesdays 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th May and 3rd, 10th, 17th, 27th June at St John Fisher Church, 55 Moorfield Road, Widnes, WA8 3JA. Time: 18.30 – 20.30. For more information, please contact Moses at m.mui@rcaol.org.uk.

Finances: Priest's Training Fund collection this weekend after all Masses.

Offertory Envelopes for the new financial year are now available. Please take yours from the porch in our churches.

Offertory collection 05/04/2026 Easter: £1536.41
Many thanks.

St Teresa's Social Centre

Activities during the week:

Monday: - **Activ8** with Andy 10am – 11am (children's mini athletes' group); **Knit-a-bit** 10am – 12pm

Move It or Lose It 12.15pm; 7.00pm Pool Team & Anthony Padgett Dancing

Tuesday: All Hallows Community Choir from 7:00pm

Wednesday: Blue Flamingo Dementia-friendly Café 12:30pm - 2pm; **PM Dance** group 7pm - 8:15pm beginners' class & 8:15 - 10:40pm just dancing, 7.00pm Darts

Thursday: Dance like a mother (baby wearing Dance & social group) 10am - 11:30am; **STEP4WARD** Dance beginners line dance class from 11:15am - 12:45pm, **Improved skill** class 1pm – 3pm & **LA DANCE** (Children's street dance group) 4pm – 7pm

The last **Friday** of every month we host **STEP4WARD Line Dancing Social** - everyone welcome.

Friday/Saturday/Sunday: we host many family parties. For more information contact Dan, the manager, on 07377 341993.

Coming Soon – Penwortham Live 8th - 9th May Wristbands (£6) available behind the bar.

Sunday Masses in the Family of Parishes:

Leyland St Mary Saturday 6pm & Sunday 10am
Broadfield Walk PR25 1PD Tel 455955
Website: www.leylandstmarys.org.uk

Longton St Oswald Saturday 5pm & Sunday 8.30am
76 Chapel Lane PR4 5EB Tel 612136
Website: www.stoswaldlongton.org.uk

Tarleton Our Lady Sunday 10am
Hesketh Lane PR4 6AS Tel 786114
Website: www.ourladystarleton.co.uk