

# Holy Family



# Newsletter

9<sup>th</sup> December 2018 + 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Advent, Year C + Weekdays Advent  
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## This Week...

### Readings this Sunday

First reading: Baruch 5:1-9

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 125

**What marvels the Lord worked for us!  
Indeed we were glad,**

Second reading: Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

Gospel acclamation:

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Prepare a way for the Lord,  
make his paths straight,  
and all mankind shall see the salvation  
of God.**

**Alleluia!**

Gospel: Luke 3:1-6

Communion Antiphon:

**Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the  
heights, and behold the joy  
which comes to you from God**

### Collections

Offertory Collection: £765.51

Friends of Holy Family: £99.41

Animate: £34

CAFOD: 40p

### Altar Flowers.

If you want to dedicate flowers for the altar please see Tess Newton, or post an envelope in the presbytery door clearly stating your intention.

**Children's Liturgy 9.30am Mass**

## Masses this week:

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December 6pm** – Thomas Cahill

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am** – The People of the Parish

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December 11am** – Winnie & Joe Lamb

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am – The Intention of Angela Barker

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am – Karen Plumley

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am – The Ford Family,

Staff and Residents of Henshaw House

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am – Katie Daley

## Next weekend 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent, Year C

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December 6pm** – Deceased Members of the  
Hodgson Family

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am** – The Intentions of MF

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December 11am** – The People of the Parish

## We pray for our sick

Paul Mahoney, Jimmy Hubbard, Ian Gardner, Cecilia Walsh,  
Michael O'Neill, Eric Almond and Bill L.

*To be included on the sick list please, write down names and post them in the presbytery letter box. Please make the person aware, as they may not want their name published.*

## The lately dead

Cathy Walsh

## Anniversaries

Stephen Eley, George Barton, Thomas Quinn, Alfred George Bignell, Gerard Waring, Edith Joan Lawler, Harold Smart, John Colin Barton, Bridget May, Jean Bradley, Joan Knight, Mary Audrey Hancock and Stuart Shanks.

**Mass Intentions:** these can now be "gift aided" please use the envelopes provided in the church porch. All Mass offerings can be placed in the collection plate or presbytery letter box.

**Advent Service of Reconciliation** for the parishes of Holy Family, St Marie's and St Patrick's. 7pm Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December at St Patrick's on Marshside Road.

**St Paul's Missals** – Now available at the back of church, cost £5.95

## A Special Honour

Next Sunday the 16th December Gordon Whiteside will be presented with The Insignia of The Venerable Cross during the 9.30 Mass.

The honour was established especially for those who are distinguished in their outstanding works and zeal for the Church and the Pontiff.

Our heartfelt congratulations to Gordon on this very special occasion.

## The Christmas Fair

A huge thank you to everyone who donated, worked, supported and came to last Sunday's Christmas Fair. A particular thank you to Kathleen Smith who took the lead, gathered everyone together and as a team provided a great parish get together!

Lots of laughter and a great "family" feeling! A wonderful start to our Christmas preparations... And as a bonus we raised £945.60! A truly great day!

## Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2019

Father Patsy has agreed to sponsor three young people from Holy Family to join the Liverpool youth in Lourdes next July.

All three have agreed to speak about their experiences when they return.

It is wonderful that we continue to provide young people to do the wonderful work the youth are famous for at Our Lady's Shrine.

**Please pray for** Jacob and Joshua Spencer, born at 23 weeks. Jacob Joshua Spencer is currently in critical care at the Liverpool Women's Hospital please pray that he will be able to come home to his family. Sadly his brother Joshua Joseph died a few hours after he was born.

The family are asking for prayers for Sabine and Joseph who are grieving the loss of a son but at the same time praying Jacob will survive. They need strength and hope at this very difficult time.

## Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December



**Children's Liturgy Christmas Party** – The Christmas Party will take place from 10.30 to 12noon, after the 9.30am Mass. Please sign the list in the church porch if you would like to attend.

**Carol service** – There will be a Christmas Carol Service in the Church at 4pm. We need volunteers to serve mince pies and tea/ coffee in the Hall after the Carol Service. If you could do this please leave your name and contact details in the presbytery or email

[kathleenandseansmith@gmail.com](mailto:kathleenandseansmith@gmail.com)

## Churches Together in Southport

Our Tuesday morning prayer meetings in December will take place at Christ Church 7.30am – 8.30am. Everyone is welcome.



Pope Francis Prayer intention for December: **In the Service of the Transmission of Faith** That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

**In hospital?** For Holy Communion and all non-urgent pastoral care please call St Joseph's 01704 568313 or ask the ward staff to contact the Catholic chaplain on the above number. **For emergencies** ask the ward staff to contact the priest on call. **You have to request a visit** so we can see you when in hospital.