<u>FINANCES:</u> Cathos Collection £ 382.17 SAB £38.40 Church Repairs £17.80 Nugent Care £60.47 Thank you. Mass @ Convent THIS Wednesday 8 Cherryfield Drive. with Fr Sean O'Connor, at 2.30pm. All Welcome

Next We	ekend	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Sophie Bennett	Kay O' Meara
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Libby Ely	Margaret Byrne
Narr	J McGuinness	Barbara Lye
Single V	Annette Ruane	Teresa Taylor
Int	Paula Hines	Sr Jessie
HL	Jane Hines	Sr Eva
CL	Gerard Riley	Alex Fleming
CL	Clare Tyrrell	Annmarie Fleming
HR	Ray Hines	Ann Conning
CR	Chris Davies	Ellen Richards
CR	Tony Bennett	Stan Lye

# Year 4 children and their families: - Special Invitation

Our parish community will be giving extra support to our Catholic children in Year 4 and their families, so that together we will all deepen our faith and understanding about the Church in the coming months. This will focus on the gift of God's forgiveness in Reconciliation/Confession and on God's gift of Jesus in Holy Communion- His Body & Blood seen at the altar, in the Tabernacle and at Holy Communion time during Mass. As part of family-preparation for receiving these gifts for the first time ALL Year 4 families, living in the parish, are especially invited to attend WEEKLY Saturday night/Sunday Masses, every week: Masses and prayers together prepare us all for the year ahead and beyond. Families NEED to be coming regularly to Mass if they are to be ready to receive the gifts, for the first time, so as to then LIVE-the-faith more fully in daily life. If they are not ready in 2018, they will celebrate later in their Year 5, during 2019. The next special invitation to Masses for Year 4 families is THIS weekend. 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> March, where we will again have a focus on our Year 4 children and families at Mass.

# **ST JOSEPH AND ST LAURENCE'S PARISH**

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As we still continue to live through the holy season of Lent, so now we enter its final two weeks including Holy Week-Palm Sunday, then the three-day sacred triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday. We need to prepare to <u>be here and attend Church</u> for each of these threedays of special Church services too:

Holy Thursday evening, the Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7.30pm; Good Friday and veneration of the Cross at 3pm ; Then, as it was before the Sun rose on the first Easter day, the dead and buried Jesus Rose from the tomb, we will also gather for the night-time vigil of Holy Saturday at 8pm, in preparation for His rising, and then celebrate the first Mass of the eight-day feast of Jesus' rising and then the second Mass of Easter, at 11am on Easter Day morning itself.

Plan now for Holy Week- Palm Sunday to Easter day- plan to be at Church for each of these special days and Church services!

### FR SEAN

## **NOTICES** @ St Joseph & St Laurence's Parish Centre

**Parish Social:** Come and join us on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March, at our Parish Centre. Hot food, Live Entertainment, bingo, raffle, and tombola. Doors open at 1.00pm. £5 per Ticket.

**Parish Social:** Prize Bingo fundraiser, contributing towards the costs of the younger parish pilgrims going to Lourdes this Summer. Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, with raffle and Tombola at our Parish Centre. Doors open at 7.30pm. Free entry. Bring a friend! along?

#### Saturday/Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> / 18<sup>th</sup> March 2018. 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent /Year B.

#### Mass and Service Times

(Sat 17th St Patrick 4th Century Briton. Bishop, Patron Saint of Ireland

### St Joseph, Husband of Mary

Mon 19<sup>th</sup> 9.00 am No morning Service in Church Mon 19<sup>th</sup> 9.15 am Lenten Mass in St Joseph's School Hall

Tue 20<sup>th</sup> 9.00 am Eileen Yang

- Wed 21<sup>st</sup> 9.00 am No Morning Mass 2.30 pm Mass at the Convent
- Thur 22<sup>nd</sup> **7.30 pm** Kevin Jordan
- Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> 9.00 am Eucharistic Service
- Sat 24<sup>th</sup> 9.00 am No Morning Mass

### Palm Sunday of Lent/Year B

Sat 24<sup>th</sup> 6.00 pm **PARISHIONERS** Sun 25<sup>th</sup> 11.00 am Eliizabeth Hodson

# Consider some choices for this Lenten Season

Consider Weekday Mass/Services, including Thursday 7.30pm Holy Hour/Mass 2.30pm Wednesdays at Convent

## Stations of the Cross: now <u>Thursdays</u> of Lent, 7pm, at Church

**Reconciliation/Confession at Church** – Saturday Evenings 5.15-5.45pm or Sundays 10.15am-10.45am

**Pastoral Area Holy Hour**, with the Archbishop Malcolm Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March, 7.30pm, St Aloysius Church, Huyton

**Kirkby Parishes- Lenten Reconciliation Service** Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March, 7pm, St Michael and All Angels Church

**CHRISM MASS** @ Cathedral, Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm *Free* Coach leaves from Church at 6pm and returns by 9.30/10pm.

When Mass intentions are received by the Parish, the names will be put on the Newsletter the following week so that prayers can be said by everyone for those people and then Masses will be offered by a priest in the order that they are handed in & appear in the parish Mass book. When people's anniversaries, or birthday remembrances fall in a given week, their names will also now be listed on the newsletter for that week.

At some point in the future, the individual's name will also now be printed on the newsletter for a particular Mass, to show that the Priest is fulfilling his obligation to offer in his own prayers that named person during a particular Mass.

We cannot guarantee that any specific Mass intention will be possible at a particular Mass, on a particular day, but their name will now appear on the parish newsletter up to three times – the week it was handed in, the week of the actual anniversary/birthday and the day the Mass intention is being offered by the priest at Mass. Every Sunday and Holy Days the Parish Priest must also offer one of the Masses for all of his parishioners.

Every Mass is always celebrated for <u>everyone</u>. No-one is forgotten by God, on any day, whether their name is on the newsletter or not and each of us may also be praying for someone else at the same Mass we all attend.

Anniversary Remembrance intentions requested at this time:

Birthday Remembrance intentions requested at this time: Mass intentions received this week:

Mass intentions received this week:

Maureen & John Lamb, Colin Bamber, Richard Manion, Joanne Gaul, Dolly Lamb, Sr Eva Thanksgiving, John Hicks, Christine Halligan. Billy O'Brien Richard Manion Chris Keegan, Jan Clenley, Jimmy Ruthlinge, Auntie Sheila's Intentions, Rita & Patrick Cushley

All our Special Intentions for family and friends, alive or dead. The empty place at the table; a candle light and prayer before our meals; the separated and divorced; the unemployed, the hungry and the homeless.

We pray for those who have died recently, especially; Colin Bamber, John Dwyer, Robert Morton their families and friends and all those who are bereaved, or sad, the sick, lonely, or depressed.