

SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

Monday 23 December

Local Churches where Masse will be celebrated:

- 0900 St Teresa, Upholland
0900 St John the Evangelist, Burscough

CHRISTMAS—THE BIRTH OF JESUS CHRIST

Tuesday 24 December

- 1900 Christmas Carols followed by Vigil Mass
St Mary
2330 Christmas Carols followed by Midnight Mass
St Richard

Wednesday 25 December—CHRISTMAS DAY

- 0900 Dawn Mass
St Francis of Assisi
1030 Christmas Morning Mass
Our Lady and All Saints
The Parish

Thursday 26 December—St Stephen

- 1000 St Richard
Altar Servers

Friday 27 December—St John the Evangelist

- 1000 Our Lady and All Saints
Trudie Caine

Sunday 29 December — THE HOLY FAMILY (A)

Vigil Saturday

- 1700 St Mary
1800 Our Lady and All Saints
Maureen Ashton

Sunday

- 0900 St Richard
1030 Our Lady and All Saints
Peter Osbaldeston
1200 St Francis of Assisi

Please take this Newsletter home with you

A Parish in the Upholland Pastoral Area of the Archdiocese of Liverpool

**The Catholic Parishes of
Our Lady and All Saints, Parbold
and Saint Richard, Skelmersdale
Lancaster Lane, Parbold, Lancashire WN8 7HS**

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**Sunday 22 December 2019
4th Sunday of Advent**

VIGIL 1800 Gerald and Cecelia Hitchen
SUNDAY 1030 Mary Bernadette Anderson

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

George Jennings (Brother in Law of
Dot Snead)

Brian Daley

Those who have died recently

Those whose anniversaries are this week

Jonathon Conroy

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Tuesday **Rosary Group**
7 January 12 Burnside Parbold

Thursday **SVP**
9 January Church Meeting Room

OFFERTORY

Loose	£206.04
Envelopes	£165.60
Standing orders (est)	£252.00

MONTHLY SECOND COLLECTION

Thank you for £179.45 donated to
the SVP last weekend.

FR GORDON ADDRESS

23 Abbotsford Avenue
Hamilton
Lanarkshire
Scotland ML3 0PP
Please address the envelope to
G. Beattie OSB

ALTAR SERVERS

You are welcome to attend the
Mass, together with all the Altar
Servers across the two Parishes,
to be held at St Richard's at
10am Thursday 26 December.

This is the Feast of St Stephen, the
Patron Saint of Altar Servers.

Please bring your Alb.

CHRISTMAS VOLUNTEERS

The list for volunteers for
Stewards, Eucharistic Ministers,
Reader and Coffee for Christmas
Day is at the back of Church.

Please put your name down for
whatever you can do.

ALTAR SERVERS THANK YOU

Thank you to all seven of our
weekend Altar Servers who
donated hampers and together
with members of our SVP, visited
elderly and housebound in our
Parish this week. Thank you to the
SVP for their support.

CATHOLIC NEWSPAPERS

The Universe, Catholic Herald and
Irish Post are delivered to our
Parish each week on a 'sale or
return' basis.

From January we will be charged
for all papers delivered
regardless of the number sold and
this new method of charging may
not be financially viable for us.

Please email the Parish Office:
parbold@hotmail.com or leave a
message on 463248 if you would
like delivery of any of these
publications to continue.

SYNOD TALK

The next synod talk, Faith in the
Family, will take place at
7.30pm Monday 13 January at
LACE Conference Centre,
Croxteth Drive, Liverpool L17 1AA.
(Please note change of venue). Tea
and coffee from 7pm. See Poster.

AUTHORISED PERSON FOR MARRIAGES

We currently only have one
Authorised Person for Marriages in
the Parish and it would be useful to
have one or two others.

The Authorised Person for OLAS
Church ensures that the legal
requirements of a marriage at the
Church are met and includes
marriage preliminaries and
registration.

If you are interested please see
David Bennett or contact the Parish
Office on 463248.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

There is a Basket at the back of
Church for Donations. Please give
generously.

DOUGLAS VALLEY OUTREACH

The AGM and Social will be held
7.30pm on Monday 27 January at
Parbold Village Hall. All welcome

CONFIRMATIONS

If there are any Year 8's in
non-Catholic Schools who would like
to be confirmed this school year,
they are invited to a
Preparation Day 10am-1pm on
Saturday 29 February 2020 at
Lowe House, St Helens.

They should sign up via Eventbrite
(search Animate Youth Ministries).

Year 8 Pupils in Catholic Schools
will be given the opportunity to be
Confirmed through a specific
Diocesan Confirmation website in
the New Year. See Poster.

ST JOHN RIGBY COLLEGE

The deadline for applying for a
place at St John Rigby College
for September 2020 is
Monday 3 February. Applications
can be made online via the College
website: www.sjr.ac.uk

ROTA

We are very short of Volunteers in
most areas. If you are not already
involved, please think about
whether you could help. Even a few
more names would make a huge
difference.

Please contact Jim on 462937 or
email mellor.jim@gmail.com

CAFOD THANK YOU

CAFOD wishes to thank
Our Lady and All Saints Church
for their donations during 2019,
totalling £1057.60.

This will help CAFOD keep the
Flame of Hope burning in some of
the hardest to reach places in the
World.

COMMUNION OF THE SICK

Priest: Let us pray for our Sick as
our Eucharistic Ministers
are sent out to give them
the Sacrament of Christ's
Body.

ALL: May this Sacrament unite
them with Christ and his
Church and give them
consolation and peace.

Priest: Ministers, in the name of
the Church gathered here,
take the Body of the Lord
to the Sick of this Parish.