



Sunday 5th April 2026 – Easter Sunday

Today we rejoice because Jesus was raised from the dead. We also rejoice because we were raised to new life with him. In the letter to the Colossians, St. Paul challenges us to live this mystery. He wrote, "If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above." Through baptism, we were raised with Christ. Are you living this mystery?

Today "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever." Trust in God's abundant mercy that raised Christ from the dead. Walk with the awareness of God's abundant mercy. Walk together with all people and be a channel of God's mercy.

May you and your families be touched by the Risen Lord's grace of mercy and love and receive His joy and peace this Easter.

Mass Times This Week (6th Apr -12th Apr 2026)

**Monday - Wednesday: 8.30am Adoration,
9am Mass.**

**Thursday 9th April -10am – Requiem Mass for
Luigia Caddone RIP (Mass of the Day)**

**Friday 10th April -9.30am Requiem Mass for
Margaret Fielding RIP (Mass of the Day)**

**Saturday: 9.30am Mass, 6.30pm Vigil Mass
Confessions: 5.50 pm – 6.10 pm**

**Sunday: 9.30am Mass, Syro-Malabar Mass in
Malayalam 11am followed by Catechesis**

Hymn Numbers: Easter Vigil 657, 589 (Exultate)
527 (sprinkling with Holy water), 105, 684, accl 1,
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Legion of Mary Group: Please note that the Legion
of Mary Group now meet on **FRIDAY MORNINGS**
after the 9am Mass. New members' welcome!

Prayer Group: Friday 10th April 2026 - 7pm – All
welcome!

Our Lady of Lourdes Men's Group: Meet every
WEDNESDAY in the Blue Room at 7pm.
ALL WELCOME!

Mass Intentions

Anniversary: Alice Hayes, Ronnie Boustead, Terry
Callaghan,

Memorial: Nancy McCann, Vincent Tonge, Alice &
Thomas Yates, James & Margaret Tatlock, Vincent
Tatlock, Maria Willet. Gargan & Kelly Families.

Birthday: Ann Maria Spratt-Clark

Special Intentions: Gorton, Edwards & Holland
Families, in thanksgiving for two safe deliveries, Wyre
Family – in thanksgiving,



Shroud of Turin: a replica of the Shroud of Turin and supporting exhibition will be displayed at Blackburn Cathedral. It is a life size replica believed to have been used to wrap the body of Jesus after the Crucifixion.

If you are interested in visiting Blackburn Cathedral on FRIDAY 10th April – leaving Church here at 12.30pm please put your name on the list at the back of Church this weekend – depending on numbers, there will either be car sharing or minibus.



LITTLEWAY
HEALING MINISTRIES

Little Way Healing Retreat

Thursday 23rd April 2026-Sunday 26th April 2026
here at Our Lady of Lourdes & St Gregory's Church.

Open Day on Saturday 25th April

There are small tickets with information at the back of Church, please take them and hand to people you know who don't normally attend Church but may benefit from the Healing Ministry.

Gift Aid Envelopes: The new gift aid envelopes start **NEXT SUNDAY 12th April** which is the first Sunday in the new financial year, please use up old envelopes before then. **There are still some uncollected boxes, please take them this weekend.** If you pay UK tax the Parish can claim 25% tax refund without it costing you anymore and you can sign up any time during the year

**PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA
10TH AUGUST 2026.**

Fr David will be leading a Pilgrimage from the Parish to Fatima on 10th August 2026. There will be a meeting in the

Blue Room on Tuesday 7th April at 6pm to complete booking forms for all those interested. You will need to bring your passport and deposit (£300.00 pp). This can be paid by cheque, cash or by putting your card details on the form. If you need insurance, this should be paid with deposit.

**Ministry Prayer
Radiating God's Love**

Dear Jesus, help me to spread Your fragrance everywhere I go.

*Flood my soul with Your spirit and light.
Penetrate and possess my whole being so utterly,
That all my life may only be a radiance of Yours.*

*Shine through me and be so in me
that every soul I come into contact with may feel Your
presence in my soul.*

*Let them look up and see no longer me, but only
Jesus.*

*Stay with me, and then I shall begin to shine as You
shine,*

*so to shine as to be a light to others;
The light dear Jesus will be all from You,
none of it will be mine.*

*It will be You shining on others through me.
Let me praise You in the way You love best,
by shining on those around me.*

*Let me preach You without preaching,
not by words but by my example,
by the catching force,*

*the sympathetic influence of what I do,
the evident fullness of the love my heart bears for You.
Amen.*

First Holy Communion: The next preparation session for children **not** at our schools is now on **Sunday 17th May at 9.30am** Mass. Children from Our Lady of Lourdes & St Gregory's schools will be expected to attend Mass on that day.

Church Collection: 29/3/26 £556.66 an average of £196.95.00 per week received in standing order donations in March. This week we have received a refund from HMRC of £3114.15, thank you for all your Gift Aided Donations. Thank you for your generosity.

Gift Aid: Thank you to those who signed up to join the Gift Aid Scheme, new envelope packs will be available soon to start at the beginning of April. If you opted to set up a standing order and had difficulty with long payee name online, please use 'TSDT' as payee, it will work with online set ups.

Sort Code: 20-55-34

Account No: 00099309

Payee: TSDT

Please use the correct reference so that it is clear what the money is for - choose from these references

- 1. Gift Aid**
- 2. Donation (if not gift aided)**
- 3. Piety**

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