**Diary Events This Week:** 

SUN 21<sup>st</sup> Dec. 9.30am: No Children's Liturgy MONDAY: 9.00am: No Pre-School Club\*

3.20pm: No After-School Club\*

6.00pm: No Cubs 6.45pm: No Scouts

TUESDAY: \* No Usual activities\*

7.30pm: No Prayer Group

6.00pm: No Seekers & GFF Youth Groups

WEDNESDAY: \* No Usual activities\*
THURSDAY: \* No Usual activities\*

6.15pm: No Beavers 7.45pm: No RCIA

FRIDAY: \* No Usual activities\*

SATURDAY: 7.30pm: AA Meeting

Advance Diary Dates: 2015: January: 18<sup>th</sup>>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins; 15<sup>th</sup>>First Communion Parent's Meeting: 30<sup>th</sup>>Prize Bingo;

#### PARISH PETITION BOOK

near Our Lady's statue. For your intentions which will be prayed for at the Sunday Masses and at other times.

# NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL:

FROM THE

PTFA Used Batteries/

Mobile Phones please place in

box in porch.

Funds to Bosnia

First Saturday - 10.00am Mass.
Blest medals available,

ABORTION RECOVERY HELPLINE Arch can help: 0845 603 8501- Poster

#### MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES: 2015

25<sup>th</sup> Jan; 26<sup>th</sup> April; 11<sup>th</sup> Nov: Tel Barbara Ryan - 01772 717131

**CENACOLO COMMUNITY:** Thank you for your support with gifts of food.

NEW TO THE PARISH? Or if

**you have changed:** email, phone or address? Please complete the *Details Update Form* available in the porch.

**PRESTON FOOD BANK** Thanks for last time; **Next Coll: 17/18 Jan** 

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**: to help with the youth groups on Tuesday evening. If you are able to spare a couple of hours each week in term time please see Fr. D. after Mass or email <a href="mailto:frdarren@saintclares.co.uk">frdarren@saintclares.co.uk</a> Age range school years 4-6 &7-11.

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## ST CLARE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sharoe Green Lane, Fulwood, Preston

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT 21<sup>st</sup> December 2014



The Liturgy this Sunday makes immediate preparation for the celebration of Christ's birth. The Gospel is that of the annunciation; the Angel sent to seek Mary's 'Yes' to the invitation from God to bring forth the Saviour of the world. Our salvation hung on Mary's 'Yes'. The Church sets Mary before us today as a model, to remind us that we too have to say 'yes' to God. Yes in the great and small events of our lives; yes day to day, moment to moment.

### CHRISTMAS AT THE MOVIES

# It's a Wonderful Life

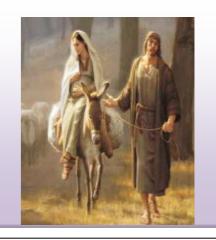
Sun 21<sup>st</sup> Dec 2pm at Palace Cinema, Longridge

Tickets: £5, Children & OAPs £4
Come and raise funds for our new porch
As part of our porch fundraising

effort there will be a showing of this film. We have free use of the cinema so all proceeds are going towards our new porch.

Tickets will be sold after all Masses this weekend but if you can't make it and would like to reserve tickets please contact:

roma.birtles@btinternet.com



# ALTAR SERVERS' MASS St. Stephen's (Boxing) Day December 26<sup>th</sup> at 10.00am All Altar servers to attend

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MASSES THIS WEEK: 21st Dec 2014. – Mass Book Page: 90

Office: Of the Season Readings: Sunday: Cycle A: Weekdays: Proper

**EXPOSITION:** 

Mon & Tues morning 7-8am.

Sat 10.30am-Noon (not 27/12)

Intention: for priestly vocations

**CONFESSIONS:** 

Sat 11-12noon. (Not 27/12)

Or by appointment

**Rosary for Life Challenge** 

The Mysteries of Light will be prayed

each day after the 9am Masses and

before the Friday noon Mass, for this

intention

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

6.00pm: People of the Parish Vigil

7.00pm: Holy Mass with the NeoCatechumenal Community

9.30am: Special Intention (D&FS)

6.00pm: Rose Metcalf RIP **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December** 

9.00am: Jon & Teresa Michnowien

5.15pm: Mass in RPH **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December** 

7.00pm: Anthony Hollebone RIP

**CHRISTMAS EVE** 

9.00am: Dorothy Lawrenson RIP

**6.00pm:** Bill Tracey RIP **VIGIL MASS** 

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Midnight: SOLEMN MASS OF CHRISTMAS

People of the Parish / Deceased Members Turner Family

10.00am: Isabel & William Loughran / John & Veronica Baines RIP

Friday ST. STEPHEN (Altar Servers' Mass)

**10.00:** Mary Sinnott RIP/ Dorothy & Frank Smith Wedding Anniversary

5.15pm: No Mass in RPH

Saturday ST. JOHN

10.00am: Joe Traynor RIP

THE HOLY FAMILY

6.00pm: Ronald & Mary Airey RIP Vigil

7.00pm: Holy Mass with the NeoCatechumenal Community

9.30am: Roger & Florence O'Donnell RIP

6.00pm: People of the Parish **LATELY DEAD**: Gerald Vandome

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Rose Metcalf, Jim Donnelly, Philip Salthouse, Yolande

Schofield, Richard Burkhardt.

**Pope's Prayer Intentions for December** 

That the birth of the Redeemer may bring peace and hope to all of good will. That parents may be true evangelisers, passing onto their children the precious gift of faith.

WORLD YOUTH DAY (WYD)'16: Krakow, Poland July 2016— Also **FLAME 2** for year 10 and above, 6-8<sup>th</sup> March 2015 only 50 places at each for our Diocese. See poster or visit www.castleriggmanor.co.uk

**IN ADVENT** *Side-Chapel*, Mon & Tues (this week) 7-8am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Morning Praver at 7.45am

**DIOCESAN DIRECTORIES:** (2015) on sale £3 each.

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS**: if you wish to make a donation for these in memory of a loved one, write the name on an envelope, add your donation and hand it in. Your loved ones names will be displayed in church.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** and thanks to those who organised, took part in and supported our Carols by Candlelight

**CAN YOU HELP:** We are making the Christmas flower arrangements on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> from 11am in the Church Hall.

**GOOD HOUSEKEEPING:** to keep the church tidy, at the end of Mass please: 1) return your Hymn Book to the shelves, 2) leave your Mass Book on the trolley in the porch and, 3) take your bulletin home.

MASS REQUESTS: whilst we will do our best to accommodate requests for certain Mass times and dates, these cannot be guaranteed, and funerals always come first.

**PORCH UPDATE:** Our target to refurbish and extend the porch is £150,000. To date we have raised a third. Future fund raising events include: Parish Lottery (ongoing) Sportsman's Dinner, Golfing Event, Porch 'Shares'. Substantial donations would help enormously for the longer we take the higher the cost!

**PORCH LOTTERY FUND:** Draw for December – Roll Over to January! A £17.14'consolation prize' was won. £240 to Porch Fund. List in the notice board.

CASTLERIGG: Gap year opportunities 2015 See poster

**CATHOLIC HERALD:** New 'Magazine' format. Special offer 12weeks for £12 – See poster or visit <a href="www.catholicherald.co.uk">www.catholicherald.co.uk</a>

**BRAVE OF HEART:** A Weekend Journey for Men 23<sup>rd</sup> -25<sup>th</sup> Jan, also Called to Glory 6<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> Feb. at St. Cuthbert's Wigton. More information in the porch.

PRESTON INTERFAITH DIALOGUE: First Thursdays. See poster.

**LOURDES DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE:** 24<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> July See Poster in porch. Also for **YOUTH:** apply by 31.1.15 visit www.castleriggmanor.co.uk

LAST WEEK: Attended: 379: Offertory: £792.29: Thank you.

Fr. Loughran, Fr. Darren and Deacon Fred Wish you a happy and holy Christmas