



Bishop Patrick O'Donoghue RIP

Bishop Patrick O'Donoghue, who was Bishop of Lancaster 2001-2009, died last Sunday at his home at Nazareth House in County Cork.

Born on 4th May 1934, he discovered his vocation to serve God as a priest, and began his training at Campion House, Osterley, in 1959. He continued his training at Allen Hall, Chelsea, and was ordained priest back home in Ireland on 25th May 1967, to serve as a priest of the Archdiocese of Westminster.

Having served in various roles he was ordained to serve as an auxiliary bishop in Westminster on 29th June 1993, and on 4th July 2001 he was installed as the fifth Bishop of Lancaster. He quickly set about getting to know people, touring the diocese, living in each area for a



couple of weeks. During his time in Lancaster he instituted many reforms, tackling some very difficult problems with the diocesan administration and looking to the future, whilst all the time calling us to be a more missionary Church. He had a particular care and concern for the marginalised, for refugees, and for the poor.

Those who knew Bishop Patrick well will remember him as a jovial, outgoing and friendly man, filled with faith and tireless in his work. He had a seemingly limitless enthusiasm for the Gospel and a great deal of courage; all of this coupled with a lovely, gentle sense of humour and an ability to laugh at himself. He retired back to Ireland on 1st May 2009, where he served as an assistant priest in Bantry before his health began to decline. We pray that the Lord will reward him for his faithful ministry as a priest and bishop. May he rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Office: Psalter week 4; Sundays: year B; Weekdays: year 1, week 4

Morning Mass is livestreamed each day and will be available for viewing later in the day on our YouTube channel. All information and links at www.saintclares.co.uk

Date	Time	Occasion	Intention/Details
Saturday	6pm (vigil)*	FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Ints Amanda Bower
Sunday 31 st	9:30am*		People of the Parish
	11:30am*		Thanksgiving
	6pm*		Marie Howson RIP
Monday	9:30am		Ints Marie Culshaw
Tuesday	9:30am	The Presentation of the Lord	Lawrence Culshaw RIP
Wednesday	9:30am		Hilda Dean RIP
Thursday	9:30am		Priscilla Lepcha RIP
Friday	9:30am	St Agatha	Donald McDonald RIP
Saturday	9:30am	Sts Paul Miki and co.	David Hurst RIP
	6pm (vigil)*	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Les Thornton RIP
Sunday 7 th	9:30am*		Donor's Intention (JW)
	11:30am*		People of the Parish
	6pm*		Sharon Carraher RIP

* These Masses can only be attended by those who have booked in advance.

LATELY DEAD: Please pray for **Bishop Patrick O'Donoghue** and all who have died recently.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday 11am-12noon and on request.

ROSARY: Prayed after 9:30am Mass, Monday-Friday.

ANNIVERSARIES: Agnes Noblet, Agnes Allen, Lily Riley, Bronia Kacperek, Kevin McEvoy, Mary Teresa Ray, Alice Bee, Maureen Pike, Maureen Chessell, Gerard Regan, Frank Thompson, Brian Winterbottam.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY: We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR: This Friday, 7pm in the church and on YouTube. Readings, reflections and quiet prayer in the presence of Our Lord.

CHURCH OPENING: Under the current lockdown, the church remains open. Please do not mix with others when visiting.

WORK ON SHAROE GREEN LANE: From Wednesday there is work taking place on Sharoe Green Lane. The road will remain open but there are likely to be delays.

SCHOOL NURSERY PROVISION: Mrs Charnley, headteacher, writes: We at Saint Clare's Catholic Primary School are constantly striving to ensure that we are meeting the ever-changing needs of children and families within this community. With this in mind, we would welcome your opinion and feedback on what nursery provision your child used or what you would be thinking of using. Please use the link here to access the questionnaire: <https://forms.gle/Lby2AVu2qSTcP1RV8>
Can I take the opportunity to thank you for finding the time to complete this questionnaire as this will help us plan for the future. The questionnaire will close on Sunday the 7th of February.

VISITING THE CRIB: Tuesday this week is the Feast of the Presentation (Candlemas), 40 days after Christmas. After this day the crib in the narthex will be dismantled. If you've not yet had chance to call and see this beautiful scene, take the opportunity over these next few days.

YOUNG PEOPLE: Although our youth groups can't meet at present, there is online material on the Metanoia Project Facebook page for Seekers, and Zoom sessions taking place for members of the 'Sent' group and for young leaders. Please contact Metanoia Project or Father Andrew for more details. Also see back page for more initiatives, run by the Diocesan Youth Service.

CATHOLIC NEWSPAPERS: From February we will no longer be supplying the Universe/Catholic Times in the parish. These are available to order directly from the publisher (www.thecatholicuniverse.com or 0161 820 5722). It can be posted to you each week. Introductory offers: printed copies for three months - £25; twelve months - £99; or digital copy £55 for twelve months.

FOOD BANK: Donations may be left in the house porchway at any time. Demand is increasing, with over 200 food parcels being distributed each week. There is currently need for: toilet rolls, tinned potatoes, tinned fruit, coffee and soap powder. They also collect used stamps.

THE DRAMA DISPLAYED: A free series of online talks examining the key moments of salvation history, with the aid of great works of art. At 7:30pm every second Thursday, from 14th January to 25th March. For info and registration: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/the-drama-displayed/>

Events this week (occasional/one-off events in bold type)

Day	Time	What?	Where?
Every day	Anytime	Food Bank Collection	House Porch
Sunday 31 st	3pm-4pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
Mon-Fri	5-6pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
Friday	7pm	First Friday Holy Hour	Church and YouTube
Saturday	11am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
Sunday 7 th	3pm-4pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church

Events marked 'YouTube' are streamed live on our channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/StClaresChurch>

A prayer of spiritual communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Lancaster Diocese Youth Service during lockdown

Our diocesan youth service, based at Castlerigg Manor, is organising various online events to help nourish the faith of young people and for all adults during the new lockdown. Are you interested? Or do you know someone who may be? Please pass the details on to anyone who may enjoy and benefit from these events.

RISE // Online Youth Group - Our first online Youth Group launches on March 11th. It's free of charge and open to anyone in Year 7 to 9. Every other Thursday from 7pm to 8pm. www.castleriggmanor.co.uk/riseonline

Online Study Days for Adults - Our first study day will be on Saturday March 13th. Father Michael Docherty will be talking to us about Salvation History. Tickets £5. 1pm to 5pm. www.castleriggmanor.co.uk/study

ENGAGE // Online Youth Ministry Course - The second run of the ENGAGE course starts on March 16th. The course is aimed at people starting out in Youth Ministry or people who've been around a while and want to learn a little more. Earlybird price £48 until February 10th. www.castleriggmanor.co.uk/engage