

Holy Mass

Monday 15th December

Weekday of Advent

8:30am

Terry Brewer (LD)

Tuesday 16th December

Weekday of Advent

5:50pm

7:00pm

Holy Hour with Benediction

Alan Williams

Wednesday 17th December

Weekday of Advent

9:00am

St John the Evangelist

David Hardman (LD)

Thursday 18th December

Weekday of Advent

11.00am

Julian Dutton

Friday 19th December

Weekday of Advent

8:50am

Requiem

10:00am

St John the Evangelist

Holy Hour with Benediction

Stephen McLoughlin

Saturday 20th December

Weekday of Advent

10:00am

Mary Bernadette Anderson

Vigil Saturday

Of the Sunday

6:30pm

St John the Evangelist

Parishioners

Sunday 21st December

FOURTH SUNDAY ADVENT

9:00am

10:30am

St John the Evangelist

Parishioners

Please take this newsletter home

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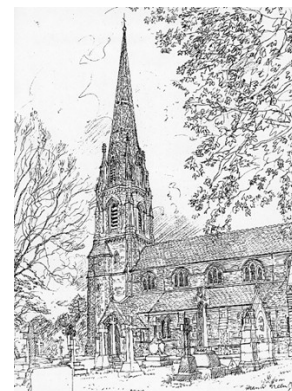
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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday 14th December 2025

Sunday 10:30am Parishioners

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Mass Setting nos: 480, 482, 483, 487

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Archdiocese of Liverpool CIO number 1199714*

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sheila Jennings, Denise Fletcher,
Mary O'Loughlin, Win Kamel,
Richard D'Alton, Phillip Fletcher,
Fr Gordon Beattie OSB, Olive Allen

ANNIVERSARIES

Thomas Emery, Mary Anderson

HOLY HOUR

5:50pm—6:50pm Tuesdays.

CONFESSIONS

6:00-6:30pm on Tuesday or by app.

ROSARY

7:30pm Tuesdays.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

The next session will be in the new year; **6:00pm, Thursday 15th January** in the Presbytery, **Saint John the Evangelist**.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Loose	£118.28
Envelopes	£90.00
Standing orders (est.)	£517.00

Thank you for your offerings.

200 CLUB DECEMBER WINNER

Congratulations to Simon Finch,
winner of £200 in this month's
Draw.

OFFERINGS, DONATIONS, AND PAYMENTS

Please scan the QR
Code to make any of
the above.
Thank you.



NEXT SUNDAY BAMBINELLI

Next Sunday, you are welcome to
bring your Bambinello (Baby Jesus)
from your crib set at home for Father
O'Shea to bless during Mass, ready
to be placed in your crib on
Christmas Day.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES

Thank you to all those who are
already doing Christmas Ministries.
The following roles still need to be
filled: **Christmas Eve (10:00pm):**
one more steward and one more
reader; **Christmas Day (10:30am):**
one more steward.

If you can help, please put your name
on the sign-up sheet at the back of
church. Thank you.

ADVENT CAROL SERVICE

Thanks to all who volunteered and
supported the Carol service—staff
and children of Our Lady and All
Saints school, Organist, Readers,
Stewards, Parish Photographer and
the team who provided the
refreshments. With so many
volunteers and participants, this
really was a parish community event!
Photos of the afternoon are on the
new Gallery page of the parish
website: [Gallery - Our Lady & All
Saints Church, Parbold](#)

TRACTOR APPEAL

Thank you for £55.00 of donations
given last week, bringing the current
total to **£1,930.00**.

AN EVENING OF RECOLLECTION FOR MEN

Thank you to all who supported this
event. We were pleased to welcome
visitors from other parishes too.

GAUDATE SUNDAY

Today is Gaudete Sunday, Latin for
"Rejoice!"

MINI VINNIES AND SVP CHRISTMAS FOODBANK APPEAL

We are asking for extra donations for
the SVP Foodbank, located at Saint
Francis Church, Skelmersdale, which
serves the many families and
individuals who are struggling even
more this time of year.

Items needed are: Tins of mincebeef,
chicken, chilli, hotdogs, meat balls in
gravy/sauce, Irish stew, curry) peas,
carrots, potatoes, tuna, tomatoes,
spaghetti, custard and rice pudding,
Instant mash, Long life milk, pasta
chocolate treats, boxes of biscuits
crisps, jars of meat/fish paste, jam/
marmalade, noodles.

Please leave your donations in the
box at the back of church and SVP
will transfer them to the foodbank
from Tuesday 17th December and
onwards towards Christmas.

The staff at the Foodbank are really
grateful for all the donations from
the parish, so thank you supporting
this Appeal. What may seem like a
small donation to us, can go a long
way in helping others. **THANK YOU!**

ADULT FAITH FORMATION: THE O ANTIPHONS

The O Antiphons are sung with
solemnity at evening prayer from
the **17th-23rd December**.

They are a magnificent theology that
uses ancient biblical imagery, drawn
from the messianic hopes of the Old
Testament to proclaim the coming
Christ as the fulfilment not only of
the Old Testament hopes, but
present ones as well.

Their repeated use of the imperative
'Come' embodies the longing of all
for the Divine Messiah. Read
backwards, each letter spells the
Latin phrase 'ero cras' meaning
'tomorrow I will be here.' Hence the
expectation of the one who sings the
antiphons looking forward to the
birth of the Messiah.

Some time ago, the Bishops of
England and Wales produced eight
short podcasts, an introduction and
one for each O Antiphon, which are
now on our parish website. To
listen, go to: [What's On & Features -
Our Lady & All Saints Church, Parbold](#)

BIBLE STUDY THE CHOSEN

The next session - "Indescribable
Compassion" will take place in the
new year, at **10:45am Friday 9th
January** at the presbytery at **Saint
John the Evangelist, Burscough**.

You don't need to have attended
previous sessions to participate.