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St Oswald's Masses W/B 24th January 2026

| Date | Time | Mass Intention |
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| Sat 24 th January | 5.00pm | Joanne Phillips LD |
| Sun 25 th January | 8.30am | Parishioners |
| Mon 26 th January | 9.30am | Gerard Bullon ill |
| Tues 27 th January | 9.30am | Mollie Abbott B'Day Remembrance Y5 Children to join us at Mass |
| Wed 28 th January | - | |
| Thurs 29 th January | 9.30am | Priest's Intention |
| Fri 30 th January | 9.30am | Priest's Intention |
| Sat 31 st January | 5.00pm | Pauline Pope B'Day Remembrance |
| Sun 1 st February | 8.30am | Bette Turner (A) |

Refreshments in the parish hall following the 8.30am Sunday morning Mass

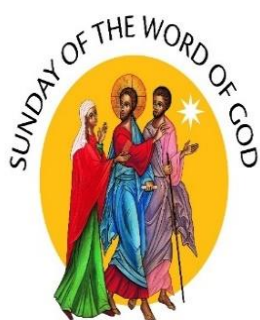
Journey of Faith The next session is on **Wednesday 28th January** at St. Mary's Social Centre, Broadfield Walk, Broadfield Drive Leyland PR25 1PD at 7pm. Theme: The Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation

Bereavement Meeting: The next meeting will be on **Sunday 1st February** 2pm – 3pm in the parish hall.

The next **Caritas lunch** will be on **Friday 13th February starting at 12.00**. Everyone is welcome, and why not bring along a neighbour or friend! Our thanks go to South Ribble Borough Council Western Parishes Hub for a generous grant to support these monthly community lunches which will enable us to continue in 2026.

Sacrament of Confirmation 2026: Young people in Year 8 and older are now invited to visit www.liverpoolcalled.co.uk in order to register to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Enrolment closes on **13th February 2026**. Pupils at All Hallows will receive information through school. The Confirmations for our family of parishes will take place on **Tuesday 28th April and Thursday 30th April at 7pm** at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Leyland with Bishop Tom Naylor.

Sunday of the Word of God -25 January 2026



The Catholic Church will celebrate the Seventh Sunday of the Word of God on Sunday, 25 January 2026, under the motto: *"The word of Christ dwells among you"* (Col 3:16). Observed each year on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, this day invites the faithful to reflect on, celebrate, and share the Word of God in their daily lives.

The celebration was established by Pope Francis in his 2019 Apostolic Letter *Aperuit illis*, emphasizing the essential connection between the Risen Lord, Christian communities, and Sacred Scripture. The Pope calls on all believers to make the Word of God a living presence in their hearts, guiding their actions and inspiring their witness.

"Saint Paul's words to the Colossians, 'The word of Christ dwells among you', invite us not only to listen to the Word but to let it dwell within us. The Word shapes our thoughts, guides our desires, and unites the Christian community. To welcome it is to allow Christ to speak through our lives, bringing hope and life to those around us."

Prayer of the Week

Lord, give us the grace to know you more deeply, in order to love you with all of our being. Grant us a pure heart, to love our neighbour as ourselves. May the gift of your Holy Spirit enable us to see your presence in our sisters and brothers, that we may love each other with the same unconditional love with which you love us. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

