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St Oswald's Masses W/B 25th April 2026

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Sat 25 th April	5.00pm	Fredrick Ainsworth (A)) Winifred Jones B'Day Remembrance
Sun 26 th April	8.30am	Vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life
	10.30am	Sacramental Programme Mass
Mon 27 th April	9.30am	Priest's Intention
Tues 28 th April	9.30am	Bernard Pope (A)
	7.00pm	Confirmation Service St Mary's, Leyland
Wed 29 th April	-	
Thurs 30 th April	10.00am	Requiem Mass: Geoffrey Watson
	7.00pm	Confirmation Service St Mary's, Leyland
Fri 1 st May	9.30am	Catherine Jones LD
Sat 2 nd May	5.00pm	Anthea Walmsley LD
Sun 3 rd May	8.30am	Anne Goode B'Day Remembrance

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

Priests' Training Fund Special Collection this weekend. Currently the Archdiocese has six men in training for the priesthood. One is in his formation year at St Alban's College, Valladolid, Spain, three are at Allen Hall Seminary in London, and two are at the Pontifical Beda College in Rome. We keep them in our prayers.

Services of Confirmation for our Family of Parishes are on Tuesday 28th & Thursday 30th April in St Mary's Church, Leyland at 7pm. Bishop Tom Neylon will preside. Please keep our young people in prayer!

The Sacramental Programme resumes after Easter with the children making their First Communion in May.

Sacramental Programme Mass 26th April at 10.30am **Session 5** Jesus is really present 27th April 6.30pm – 7.30pm

The Community Hall Gardening Team. Many thanks to those who came to the Friday meeting and for all of the ideas and offers of help. Our next part of our project will be to work to improve the hard standing area in front of the grass. We'll be getting prices for materials and get a date shared in the newsletter for when we will meet up next. Thank You.

Gift Aid Scheme: Many already contribute to the scheme either through a direct debit or through the gift aid envelope scheme with collections at Mass on Saturday and Sunday. If you are a taxpayer you could be part of the scheme to recover tax from the government. Please see Mike Boardman who organizes the scheme for the parish.

All Hallows High School Lay Chaplain: The Governors wish to appoint a committed and enthusiastic Lay Chaplain at All Hallows Catholic High School. The successful candidate will lead the spiritual life of the school and accompany staff and pupils on their faith journey. Permanent appointment to commence as soon as possible. Further details may be found on the school's web site.

St Oswald's Support Group: Sunday 10th May 2pm-3pm If you would like to come along for a cup of tea and a chat you will be most welcome.

Prayer of the Week: Prayer for Vocations

Loving Father, you call us by name. As we journey through life help us to be confident in our own unique identity and to find opportunities to develop our own gifts and passions.

We pray that the Holy Spirit will pour on us wisdom and guidance to help us realise and follow our dreams, discerning your plan for our lives. Bless your Church by raising up dedicated and generous people from our families and friends who will serve as Priests, Deacons, Sisters and Brothers. May we support one another in response to God's call. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

