

Prayer in preparation for Synod 2021

Father, we thank you for the love you have shown us in the gift of Jesus, your Son.

We thank you for the gift of the Church, through which you show us that you are always with us and are always at work in our lives.

As we journey together to Synod 2020 help us to become the Church that you are calling us to be.

May your Holy Spirit be powerfully at work among us. Strengthen each of us and guide Francis, our Pope and Malcolm, our Archbishop. Help us to respond to the challenges of our times in new ways, to bring your love to all our sisters and brothers.

We make this prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

St. John Henry Newman,
Pray for us.

Parish Priest: Father Colin Fealey
Deacons: Rev. Adrian Anwyl
Rev. Sean O'Donovan
Rev. Tony Downes

The Sanctuary Lamp, Blessed Virgin Mary Lamp and St. Paschal Baylon Lamp can be lit for your intentions. Please contact the parish office—donation £5.

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Gift Aid

Anyone who pays tax can Gift Aid to the parish. For every £1 you give the parish can claim 25p from the HMRC with no expense to you. Standing orders can be organised via the parish office.



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7th February, 2021 Year B

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Psalter week 1

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel, learning more about the ministry of Jesus. Jesus cured Simon's mother-in-law, and she immediately began to serve Jesus and his disciples. Jesus also cured many others who were brought to him, healing their illnesses and driving out demons. As we will see throughout Mark's Gospel, Jesus did not permit the demons to speak because they knew his identity and would have revealed it to those who were present.

On the morning after this busy day, Jesus retreated in prayer, but was pursued by Simon and others who brought news that many people were looking for him. At this point in Mark's Gospel, we begin to see a distinct role for the inner circle of Jesus' disciples—they act as intermediaries between Jesus and the people. Jesus reports to his disciples that they need to leave Capernaum to preach in other places.

Today's Gospel completes a picture of Jesus' ministry: preaching, curing the sick, driving out demons, and then moving on to continue this work in another place. Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus did this throughout Galilee.

Jesus' compassion and healing of the sick is a sign of the Kingdom of God. The Church continues to extend Christ's healing presence to others in its ministry to the sick. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, the Church prays for spiritual and physical healing, forgiveness of sins, and comfort for those who are suffering from illness.

In today's Gospel we also notice the importance of prayer in Jesus' daily life. Jesus rose early in the morning, removed himself from the crowds, and went to a deserted place to pray. When the disciples found him, he told them that it was time to move on. We believe that in his prayers Jesus found guidance and direction from God. We also bring our decision-making to God in prayer, asking for his guidance and direction in our lives.

Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

We apologise when times and Mass intentions occasionally need to be changed at short notice for Requiem Masses etc.

Saturday	6th	5.30pm	Kath Conway RIP
Sunday	7th	9.30am	People of the Parish
		11.00am	Annette Duggan Birthday
Monday	8th	7.00pm	Alice Nazareth Get Well
Tuesday	9th	10.00am	Requiem Mass Mary Hirrell
Wednesday	10th		NO MASS
Thursday	11th	9.30am	Bill Woods RIP
Friday	12th	12.00noon	Jim Hennessy RIP

Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday	13th	5.30pm	Pat O'Hara RIP
Sunday	14th	9.30am	Franny McGurk RIP
		11.00am	People of the Parish

Masses received this week: Ken Foy Birthday ,Sheila Evans RIP, Mary Ellis RIP, Veronica McLindon RIP x2, Harry Hill RIP, Eileen Clark RIP, John Murphy RIP, Mary Hirrell RIP, Cathy Walpole RIP, John Harrington & Ann-marie Burgess Rip, Norah Tarpey RIP X2, Anne Griffin RIP, Special Intention, Callaghan family.

Enrolled into Mass Association this week: *Mary Hirrell RIP.*
We entrust these and all our Intentions to the heart of our community of prayer.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for: Abigail Macy RIP

The Marian Lamp burns for: Alice Nazareth



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Before you arrive

- You should stay at home if you are unwell. Remember the Sunday obligation has not been reinstated and live-streaming of Masses will continue.
- You will need to bring your own face covering. All people entering church must wear a face covering at all times when on the premises.

When you arrive

- You will be welcomed by a volunteer steward and asked give contact details if you do not have the Track and Trace app on your phone.
- You will be directed to the hand sanitiser and then to a bench. It may not be where you usually sit.
- You must adhere to social distancing guidelines in place.
- Toilets will remain closed at all times, except for a genuine emergency
- The Piety Stall will be closed.

After Mass

- Please take home any newsletters, Mass sheets and other papers you may use.
- Use only the designated exit.
- **Strictly no gathering in the church porch or on church property for conversations.**
- Please continue to wear your fact covering until you leave the area where other people are.

Whilst we will attempt to take appropriate precautions consistent with the advice of public health authorities, parishioners should understand that they assume the risk of contracting COVID-19 any time they enter a public space since such precautions do not eliminate the risk of infection.

Track & Trace - The NHS QR code is available to use. If you cannot scan the code please sign the form in the Church porch leaving your details.



Lent is almost upon us

During Lent we are once more invited to ponder afresh our relationship with God. Our Lenten journey is an opportunity for us to do some serious soul searching as this alone can lead us to inner freedom and peace.

Below is are Lenten programme for 2021

Ash Wednesday 17th February, Mass times: 12.00 noon and 7.00pm

During both masses ashes will be sprinkled on people's heads, rather than marking foreheads with ashes due to the coronavirus, and is the customary practice at the Vatican and in Italy.

7.00am Early Risers Mass: Monday's 7.00am Starting 22nd February. (This will replace the 7.00pm mass throughout the season of Lent).

Stations of the Cross: Date and time will be published in next weeks newsletter and will be led each week by Fr Colin.

Christian Leadership Formation Programme

A fully sponsored course to forge the next generation of Christian Leaders

If you are in lower Sixth, you love God, and want to make a difference this course is for you! For the information & application pack visit:
www.christianheritagecentre.com/clf email clf@christianheritagecentre.com

Appeal for Unused Laptops

As you know during lockdown, many children are being taught remotely at home. Access to online learning and a suitable device to use essential for both primary and secondary school pupils. To help schools and families at this difficult time we are looking for a few unwanted laptops/tablets that parishioners may be able to donate. They must be in good working order and preferably less than 5 years old. When schools receive devices they are professionally wiped clean of any data that may have been stored on them before being sent out for the children to use. If you are able to donate an unused device could you please contact the parish office and leave your details.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please remember in your prayers the sick, housebound and all in our hospitals and homes.

Baby Bethan Cooper, Mrs Sue Williams, Matthew Goodwin, Michael Fardey, Josephine Smith, Mrs Clare Battiste, Patricia Prentice, Julian James, Alice Nazareth., Rev Gerald Marsh.

If you know of any Parishioner who would like to be remembered in the prayers of the Parish please pass the details into the Parish Office.

Lately Dead: Father Jim Matthews, Deacon Gerald Marsh, Mary Hirrell & Sheila Wright. We offer our prayers and sympathy to their family and friends. May they rest in peace.

Anniversaries: June Coultas, Joan-Marie Ryan, Neville Stafford, Rosemary Cook, Patrick O'Hara, Patrick Connolly, Francis McGurk.
and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Due to practicalities, anniversaries will be noted in the newsletter for up to 5 years after death. Thereafter they will be remembered in the priest's private prayer.

Weekly Collection:

Many thanks, your contributions are very much appreciated. You can now also donate on-line via the Parish website: www.ckandol.org If you would like to donate via Standing Order, please contact the Parish Office for a form.

Archdiocese of Liverpool

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

Mass online only - Thursday 11th February 2021 at 7.00 pm

This year we will be holding the Archdiocese of Liverpool Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes Mass online only. ***Please do not attempt to attend in person.***

You will be able to watch using the Facebook link below (no Facebook account is needed, simply click on the link below).

<http://www.facebook.com/Archdiocese-of-Liverpool-Feast-of-Our-Lady-of-Lourdes-Mass-106532301406114>

Saints of the Day

8th February—St Jerome Emiliani. Jerome Emiliani was born in Venice and, after a rather dissolute youth, he dedicated himself to the service of the poor, the sick, and abandoned children. He founded a congregation (Somaschi) which looked after the education of children, especially orphans. He died of the plague while serving the afflicted.

8th February - St Josephine Bakhita. Josephine was a young Sudanese girl sold into slavery and brought to Italy where, while serving as a nanny, she was sent to live with the Canossian Sisters of the Institute of Catechumens in Venice. There she was baptised, and having reached majority age, was granted her freedom by Italian law. In 1896 she joined the Canossian Daughters of Charity where she served humbly for the next twenty five years. She died after a long painful illness, during which she would cry out to the Lord: "Please loosen the chains... they are so heavy! Her dying words were "Our Lady, Our Lady!"

10th February— St Scholastica. Scholastica was the sister of St benedict and the first Benedictine nun. Her nunnery was about five miles from Monte Cassino. She would meet Benedict once a year and on his last visit to her, she asked him in vain to stay longer to discuss 'the joys of heaven'. When he refused, she prayed for rain to such effect that a violent thunderstorm prevented him leaving. She died three days later in c.543 and buried in the tomb Benedict had prepared for himself.

11th February—Our Lady of Lourdes. The appearance of the Immaculate Virgin Mary to Bernadette Soubirous in 1858 at Lourdes in France was a call to penance and prayer, which has found particular expression in the service of the sick and disabled. Between February 11 and July 16, Our Lady appeared eighteen times, and showed herself to St Bernadette in the grotto at Lourdes. On March 25th she said to the 14 year old Bernadette in the native patois ' I am the Immaculate Conception.'

Archbishop Malcolm invites us to pray together with him through these difficult times:

*God our Father,
each person is precious to You.
You are the Giver of life.
Have mercy on us and protect us at this time,
as the coronavirus threatens health and life.
You are an ever-present Helper in time of trouble.
Watch over those who are suffering,
give strength to those who are aiding the sick
and give courage to all in this time of anxiety.
We ask this of you in the name of your Son,
Jesus Christ. Amen*

The Archdiocese has produced a raft of resources for families that can be accessed at

<https://www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/family-life>

At the above link you will find the following sections

Parenting Support	Christian Homemaking
Parenting during COVID-19	Children's Books
Family Prayer Ideas	Family Rosary cards
Family prayer cards	Counting our Blessings
Messy Church at home	Domestic Abuse
How to talk to children and teens about COVID-19	
Dealing with the COVID-19 crisis for the divorced or separated	

Polite Notice

Everyone who enters the church for mass/funerals/baptism etc. must wear a mask or visor. Our Volunteer stewards who are following government guidelines should not be subjected to abuse when approaching someone who is not wearing a mask or keeping 2 metre distance and following the rules that have been set out. Thank you.