

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.

Office Hours

Monday 9am-3.45pm ,
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Parish Centres

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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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14th February, 2021 Year B

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Psalter week 2

Lent is a season of soul-searching and repentance. It is a season for reflection and taking stock. Lent originated in the very earliest days of the Church as a preparatory time for Easter, when the faithful rededicated themselves and when converts were instructed in the faith and prepared for baptism. By observing the forty days of Lent, the individual Christian imitates Jesus' withdrawal into the wilderness for forty days. All churches that have a continuous history extending before AD 1500 observe Lent. The ancient church that wrote, collected, canonized, and propagated the New Testament also observed Lent, believing it to be a commandment from the apostles.

GUIDANCE FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

The Vatican Congregation for Divine Worship issued a note on Jan 12th for the distribution of ashes in a time of pandemic. After blessing the ashes (at the usual time of the Mass or service) and sprinkling them with holy water in silence, the priest addresses those present, reciting once the formula found in the Roman Missal: "Repent, and believe in the Gospel" or "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return".

The recommended method of distributing ashes is to bless the ash at the usual point in the Liturgy and leave them until the end of Mass. People receive Holy Communion at the usual time, and then the ashes are sprinkled over the heads of people at the door of the church by a minister as they leave. The ash is sprinkled on each person's head without saying anything.

Sprinkling ashes on the top of people's heads, rather than marking foreheads with ashes, is the customary practice at the Vatican and in Italy. Given the spread of the coronavirus, the practice has the advantage of not requiring the priest to touch multiple people.

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
Monday	15th	7.00pm	Hughie Stamper Get Well
Tuesday	16th	9.10am	Joan & Bill Formby Wedding Ann

Ash Wednesday: Season of Lent begins

Wednesday	17th	12.00noon	Will Brash Special Intention
		7.00pm	Volunteer Stewards
Thursday	18th	7.00am	Betty Pearson RIP
Friday	19th	10.00am	Requiem Mass Angela Griffin

First Sunday of Lent

Saturday	20th	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	21st	9.30am	Julia Cherrett Rip
		11.00am	Elizabeth Wylie RIP

Masses received this week: Jean Withers: Special Int, Peter Easton RIP, Patricia Bryan, , Sandra Wibberley & family, Sylvia Richards RIP, Benna Harry RIP x 2, Norman Russell, Veronica McLindon RIP x6, Alan Hargreaves RIP X2

Enrolled into Mass Association this week: *Rev Gerald Marsh RIP X2, Eileen Lyons RIP, Mary Patricia Muir, Debbie Jones RIP X4, Patricia Anguin RIP, Benny O'reilly RIP, Rose Gorst RIP X3, Brian Tatton RIP*

We entrust these and all our Intentions to the heart of our community of prayer.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for:

Franny McGurk RIP

The Marian Lamp burns burns for:

Mass Association



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

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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 our Lenten programme for 2021

Ash Wednesday 17th February, Mass times: 12.00noon 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 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 evening mass throughout the season of Lent).

Stations of the Cross 6.00pm each Wednesday starting 24th February followed by Mass at 6.45pm

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

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 is 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 to 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, Jean Withers.

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: Sheila Wright , Angela Griffin, Mervyn Parsons . We offer our prayers and sympathy to their family and friends. May they rest in peace.

Anniversaries: Annie McEvoy

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.

A note of thanks

The family of Veronica McLindon RIP would like to thank Fr Colin, Fr. John, Fr Sean, and deacon Tony for the beautiful service they said for Veronica. Also thank you to O.L.G.H Staff, the Bereavement care team and all parishioners for your prayers, cards and support at this time.

God Bless and thank you.
Des & Helen McLindon

Saints of the Day

February 14. Saints Cyril and Methodius. Often missionaries face the difficulties of language and culture. Saints Cyril and Methodius were no exceptions. But they faced the difficulties by writing the foreign language in a new alphabet and translating the liturgy for the local people.

February 15. Saint Claude de la Colombière met Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque and eventually became her confessor. Together they advanced the devotion to the Sacred Heart at a time when God's mercy needed emphasis. God raises the right people at the right time to keep his Church on the right path.

February 16. Saint Gilbert of Sempringham could have been a wealthy priest, but chose to live far more poorly. He founded a religious congregation, the Gilbertines, who followed his example of living poorly and caring for those who want. Saint Gilbert lived past 100 years of age.

February 17. Seven Founders of the Servite Order. Rather than just talk about the problems of the day, the Seven Founders of the Servite Order did something about it— they consciously left all and formed a new religious congregation to address the issues. They put their money where their mouths were.

February 18. Blessed John of Fiesolo, a Dominican Friar, is also known as Fra. Angelico. He is famous for his devotional artwork and used his talents to praise God through paint. All talents can be used to praise God.

February 19. Saint Conrad. Saint Conrad offers a different slant of holiness. Married, he and his wife opted to live separate lives—she as a Poor Clare and he as a Franciscan hermit. All this after he set a fire which was spread by the wind and destroyed the nearby fields, forests, and town.

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.