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

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 ,
Tuesday 9am-2.45pm
Thursday 9am-1pm and Friday 9am3.45pm
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Parish Centres

Christ the King 0151-722-3110 St. Paschal Baylon 0151-722 -6361

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.



16th May, 2021 Year B Seventh Sunday of Easter

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Lord, teach us to move beyond ourselves, and to set out in search of truth.

Teach us to go out and see, teach us to listen,

not to entertain prejudices or draw hasty conclusions.

Teach us to go where no one else will go,

to take the time needed to understand,

to pay attention to the essentials,

not to be distracted by the superfluous,

to distinguish deceptive appearances from the truth.

Grant us the grace to recognize your dwelling places in our world and the honesty needed to tell others what we have seen.

Amen

Rome, Saint John Lateran, 23 January 2021, Vigil of the Memorial of Saint Francis de Sales

World Communications Second collection at all Masses

PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING & OUR LADY

	Seventh Sunday of Easter			
We apologise when	Saturday	15th	5.30pm	Agnes Smith
times and	Sunday	16th	9.30am	People of the Parish
Mass intentions			11.00am	Sarah Peacock
occasion- ally need	Monday	17th	7.00pm	Easter List
to be changed at short	Tuesday Wednesday	18th 19th	9.10am	James Nicholls (Get Well) NO MASS
notice for Requiem	Thursday	20th	9.30am	Clare—Special Intention
Masses etc.	Friday	21st	12.00pm	Jimmy Quirk RIP

Pentecost Sunday

Saturday	22nd	5.30pm	Peter Cammack RIP
Sunday	23rd	9.30am	People of the Parish
		11.00am	Brian Murray RIP

Confessions commence at 4.45pm each Saturday.

Rosary: During the month of May the Rosary will be said half an hour before each Mass. If you would like to lead the prayers please contact Kay Duggan.

Masses received this week: Christopher Byrne, Nancy Sutton, Maureen Birch RIP, Bill Woods RIP, Helen Daly (Birthday), Teresa Silver RIP, Sheila Malone (Birthday), Aine Cullen (Birthday), Kevin Taylor RIP

Enrolled into Mass Association this week:

Get well soon; Christopher Byrne; Ronnie Pimblett; Edith Isobel Smith RIP; Josephine Smith RIP.

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

Fundraiser for Pax Christi.

In the week from 15 to 21 May, Pax Christi, the Catholic Peace organisation, will be trying to raise funds to make up for lost income due to Covid19. Fausta is having a dance-a-thon, Bruce is delivering a peace message to foreign embassies in London, Matt is cycling 50 miles visiting peace sites, Pat is going on a walk from Victoria to the Peace Pagoda in Battersea Park, Rachel will be cycling for 75 miles, to celebrate Pax Christi's 75th anniversary. More fundraisers are joining the fun.

Please go to their website www.paxchristi.org.uk/register-you-interest/ for details on how you can sponsor them.

Volunteers for Defibrillator Training

We have a training session booked for 12 people with the Oliver King Foundation on the morning of Saturday 12th June between 10am and 12pm in church. Volunteers should be attending masses under the current Covid restrictions. We need volunteers for all weekend mass times but particularly some who normally attend 11am mass on Sundays. If you are interested, please call the parish office and leave your details

Mary's Meals

Throughout the month of May, we are asking churches and people of faith to pray with us to bless Mary's Meals, as we recognise the special place of prayer in our work. Since our humble beginnings, Mary's Meals, named after Mary the Mother of Jesus, has been built on a foundation of prayer and the many little acts of love from those who support us. Throughout the month of May we invite individuals, churches and faith groups to pray with us, that our work continues to flourish and grow, and that more children throughout the world will see their lives transformed by receiving a daily meal in a place of education. Please pray each day through the month of May using the enclosed prayer card.

Loop System: The audio system in Church has recently been serviced and we have been advised that anyone using the Loop System would get a better reception when sitting on the right-hand side when entering Church.

The Parish of Christ the King: Gift Aid it.

The Gift Aid scheme allows us to claim back tax (25pence for every £1) you have already paid and as such, Gift Aiding benefits the Parish at no extra cost to you! You can use Gift Aid if the amount of tax you have paid in any tax year (6th April one year to 5th April the next) is at least equal to the amount the charity is reclaiming on your behalf.

If you would like to sign up, just fill in a **gift aid form** available from the parish office. Some people who for whatever reason are away frequently or simply forget to bring their envelope each week have signed a **standing order**. If you wish to change to this method please ask for a **mandate form** by contacting the Parish office. For Parishioners who use Offertory envelopes but are not Taxpayers we thank you for your regular support.

Millenium Group

I had the pleasure last week to visit *Moving Senses* in Whiston, a charity which supports children with special needs and their families. I gave them a cheque for £2,500 to enable them to buy some outdoor play equipment. We have decided as a group to raise another £2,500 for them. To date now, we have donated £132,800 to 28 different charities in 12 countries. Many thanks for your continued support. *Kath Nolan*

RCIA - On Pentecost Sunday we look forward to welcoming three adults into our Parish Community as they celebrate the sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion. This would normally have taken place during the Easter Vigil but due to restrictions in place because of Covid the celebration was moved to Pentecost. Please keep our catechumens in your prayers.

We are now taking names for our next RCIA course due to begin in October. If you know of anyone who is thinking of joining the Catholic Church, or you yourself would simply like to know more about our faith, please contact the Parish Office to register your interest. A big thank you to Norman who willingly gives of his time to instruct our candidates each year.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

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

Mrs Sue Williams, Matthew Goodwin, Michael Fardey, Mrs Clare Battiste, Patricia Prentice, Julian James, Keith Nieman, Pauline Roberts, Scarlet Cook, Pat Brumskill, Nigel Dowie

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: Maureen Birch

We offer our prayers and sympathy to her family and friends. May she rest in peace.

Anniversaries: Francis Tisdale, Andrew Sterling, Eileen Spilsbury, George Boyd, Bernard Marshall, Eileen McLoughane, Agnes Geraldine Smith, James McNicholas.

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur around 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.

Baptisms: This week we welcome into the Church

Lucy Georgia Crowe & Barnie Luke Higgott

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for: Rosemary Nicholson Anniversary

The Marian Lamp burns this week for: Bert and Nellie Nicholson Anniversary

The St. Paschal Baylon Lamp burns this week for Maisie Briggs

The St Joseph Lamp burns this week for: Ryan Hughes: Confirmation in Canada



Saints of the Day

18th May - St John I. Born in Tuscany, he became Archdeacon of Rome. He was chosen Pope in spite of advanced years and ailing health. His time as pope was mainly filled by the embassy, which the Arian Emperor Theodoric the Goth compelled him to make to Byzantium. The object of this was to obtain toleration of the Arians in the East; if he failed there would be reprisals against the orthodox Catholics in the West. John was received with immense respect by the Greeks, but obtained only minor concessions from the Eastern Emperor. When he returned to Ravenna, then Theodoric's capital, he was imprisoned because Theodoric suspected him of betrayal and of siding with the Emperor against him. John died in prison shortly afterwards in 526.

19th May-St Dunstan. 909-988 Dunstan was born near Glastonbury and educated at the abbey. After ordination as priest at Winchester, he returned to Glastonbury briefly, but was soon called to court. Dunstan was appointed Abbot of Glastonbury. He set about restoring monastic life, which had almost been extinguished under Danish invasions. In 995, through intrigue at court, he w as exiled to Ghent, and he saw for the first time a reformed monastery on the continent. Recalled by King Edgar at Bath, he became successfully Bishop of Worcester, London, and Archbishop of Canterbury.

20th May - St Bernadine Siena 1380-1444. Bernadine was a Friar minor and priest. His preaching skills were so great, and the conversions so numerous, that he became associated with all areas of speaking, advertising, public speaking etc. Bernadine's charismatic preaching brought thousands of listeners flocking to hear him and participate in dramatic rituals, which included collective weeping, bonfires of vanities, and exorcisms. He was a renowned peacemaker, in the Franciscan tradition, who tried to calm feuding clans and factions in the turbulent political world of the Renaissance.

22nd May-St Rita of Cascia. Born at Roccaporena in central Italy, 1381, Rita wanted to become a nun but was pressured at a young age into marrying a harsh and cruel man. During her 18 year marriage, she bore and raised two sons. After her husband was killed in a brawl and her sons had died, Rita tried to join the Augustinian nuns in Cascia. Unsuccessful at first because she was a widow, Rita eventually succeeded. Over the years, her austerity, prayerfulness, and charity became legendary. When she developed wounds on her forehead, people quickly associated them with the wounds from Christ's crown of thorns. She meditated frequently on Christ's passion. Her care for the sick nuns was especially loving. She also counselled lay people who came to her monastery. She died in 1547 and was beatified in 1626, Rita was not canonized until 1900. She has acquired the reputation, together with St Jude, as a saint for impossible cases. Many people visit her tomb each year.

Pauline Books and Media have now opened their new shop at 84 Church Street, Liverpool, L1 3AY. The opening hours are Tuesday - Saturday from 10.00 am to 5.00 pm.

Recruitment for Boy & Girl Choristers 2021

Do you know a child who would like to be a chorister at the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King here in Liverpool? The search is now on for our next generation of boy and girl choristers. We are recruiting: Boys currently in years 2 & 3; Girls currently in year 5. All choristers are educated at Runnymede St Edward's Catholic Primary School (Boys, year 3-6) and St Edward's College (Boys and Girls, year 7-10).

Full details of choristerships at the Metropolitan Cathedral, alongside application forms and voice trial booking slots can be found at:

https://www.liverpoolmetrocathedral.org.uk/music/joining-the-choirs