

## REGULAR PARISH GATHERINGS/MEETINGS

**Weekly: All the meetings listed below take place in the**

### **Saint John Vianney Meeting Room**

Monday	1.00pm-3.30pm	Craft Group
Tuesday	10.00am-12.30pm	Deaf Craft Group
Wednesday	7.00pm	Faith, Seeking, Understanding
Friday	1.00pm	UCM Meeting

### **Monthly:**

1st Monday	1.00pm-3.45pm	Millennium Group
Last Tuesday	6.00pm	Baptismal Meeting
Last Friday	10.30am- 12.30pm	Bereavement Drop-in
Saturday	1st and 3rd 10.00am	SVP Meeting

### **Parish Team**

**Parish Priest:** Father Colin Fealey  
**Deacons:** Rev. Adrian Anwyl and Rev. Sean O'Donovan  
 Sister Pat Redgrave CP and Sister Maureen McNally CP

**Parish Office Administrators** Robert Kidd and Brenda Williams

**Office Hours:** Monday 9am-3.45pm, Tuesday 9.30am-3.30pm, Thursday 9am-3.45 pm and Friday 9am-3.45pm CLOSED ALL DAY WEDNESDAY and WEEKENDS  
 Contact information Tel 0151-722-2231 Email [ctkandol@rcaolp.co.uk](mailto:ctkandol@rcaolp.co.uk)  
 Web site [www.ctkandol.org](http://www.ctkandol.org)

### **Schools**

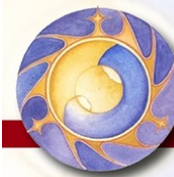
**Christ the King** 0151-722-3462 Head Teacher Mr D Delaney  
**Our Lady of Good Help** 0151-733-6937 Head Teacher Miss S. Peacock  
**St. Paschal Baylon** 01517220464 Head Teacher Mr E Flood

**Parish Centre** Christ the King 0151-722-3110

### **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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## Christmas Newsletter

25th December 2021



### **Fr Colin's Christmas Message**

*In this final newsletter of 2021, I would like to thank each and everyone of you for your continued support, prayers and friendship during what has been another challenging year. I am continually inspired by your example and of how you strive to make the name of Christ known through your service of the church and our parish. It is both a privilege and an honour to be here at Christ the King and Our Lady as your parish priest. May we look to 2022 with renewed hope, trusting that better times will come and that in every step we take God is always with us, watching over us in love.*

May each one of us, and our loved ones, experience the closeness and love of God as we celebrate afresh the truth that God took on human flesh in order to dwell amongst us.

Please be assured of my prayers and wishing a restful and blessed Christmas to you all.

**Fr. Colin**



# PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING & OUR LADY

## Second Sunday after Christmas

### Christmas Masses

Friday	24th	5.30pm	Christmas List
		9.00pm	Christmas List
		12.00am	Private Intention ( <i>Carols at 11.30pm</i> )

Saturday	25th	9.30am	Christmas List
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### Feast of the Holy Family

Sunday	26th	9.30am	People of the Parish
		11.00am	Danny Hastings RIP
Monday	27th	9.00am	Pat Easton's Intentions
Tuesday	28th	9.00am	Suzanne Taylor RIP
Wednesday	29th	9.00am	Private Intention
Thursday	30th	9.00am	Peter Rooney RIP
		12.00pm	Funeral Liturgy - William Robinson
Friday	31st	12.00noon	Requiem Mass— Marie Thornton

### New Year's Day - Mary Mother of God

Saturday	1st	12.00noon	Cath Wylie RIP
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### Second Sunday after Christmas

Saturday	1st	5.30pm	Peggy Rodgers RIP
Sunday 2nd		9.30am	People of the Parish
		11.00am	Baby Oliver Amos RIP

**Masses received this week:** Sue Battin, Joan Deening :Get well, Denise Pursall's intentions, Sheila & John Kenny, Bennett family: Special Int, Clare Oliver: New Home, Sr Agnes Kavanagh SMG & Community, Monica & Len Rand, Sr Maria Natella O.P.

**Enrolled into our Mass association this week:** Mary Smathers, Barbara.

Saturday	1st	5.30pm	Peggy Rodgers RIP
Sunday	2nd	9.30am	People of the Parish
		11.00am	Baby Oliver Amos
Monday	3rd	9.10am	Vera Boyland RIP
Tuesday	4 <sup>th</sup>	9.10am	Josephine Sweeney RIP
Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup>		NO MASS

### Solemnity of the Epiphany the Lord (*Holy Day of Obligation*)

Thursday	6th	12.00noon	Thanksgiving Nazareth family
		7.00pm	Ann Finnan RIP
Friday	7th	12.00noon	Tommy and Thomas Cushen RIP

### Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Saturday	8th	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	9th	9.30am	Helen Daly
		11.00am	Special Intention (Tony C)

**The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for:** *Peggy Phillips Birthday Remembrance*

**The Marian Lamp burns this week for:** *Helen Toan & Abigail Macey*

**The Saint Paschal Baylon lamp burns for:** *Williams & Tyler families*

**CAFOD is combining with the DEC to launch the Afghanistan Crisis Appeal.** Please donate to save lives: [cafod.org.uk/AfghanistanAppeal](http://cafod.org.uk/AfghanistanAppeal) and please pray for the people of Afghanistan.

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

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### **38th CAFOD Fun Run**

**Monday 27th December 2021**

*Please register from 10am for an 11am start*

*Run or Walk 3K or 5K with family and friends at*

The Mystery, Wavertree Athletics Centre, Wellington Road, L'pool L15 4LE

£5 per Child, £10 per Adult, £20 per Family

Cash accepted, Contactless available

We rely heavily on your support to make this event a success.

Please gather sponsorship to raise much needed funds, visit

[www.justgiving.com/campaign/cafodchristmasfunrun](http://www.justgiving.com/campaign/cafodchristmasfunrun)

to set up your own online sponsor page or contact

**[liverpool@cafod.org.uk](mailto:liverpool@cafod.org.uk)** for a sponsor form.

Can't make it on the day?

Don't miss out, join in virtually wherever you are!

### **Walking Club**

Please note a change of date and venue for our **'Twixmas Walk'**

We will now be taking part in the CAFOD Fun Run/Walk on

**Monday 27th December.** This will be an ideal opportunity for strollers/walkers/families and even dogs to come together to support this worthwhile event—plus a chance to walk off that Christmas pud!

Meet at the Mystery Park, Wavertree at 10.30 for an 11 am start.

Tea and coffee available after the walk. For further info or if you need a lift

contact Liz 07874129947

All Welcome

### **Food Bank Donations**

Please, if you can, continue to give generously. We would be grateful for items of food, toiletries, etc. especially at this time of year. Thank you

### **A.P.F./Mill Hill**

Red boxes will be emptied in the coming weeks. A message from the National Director....."Your support has changed lives, enabled us to build churches and classrooms ,comfort the sick and vulnerable, support seminarians, train catechists, and been a lifeline to priests and sisters during the pandemic" Thank you

### **SICK AND HOUSEBOUND**

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

Colette Davies, Clare Battiste, Patricia Prentice, Julian James, Keith Nieman, Pauline Roberts, Scarlet Cook, Pat Brumskill, Connie McCarten, Winnie Tague, Kath White, Danny Smith, Margaret O'Connor, Ann Martin and Residents of Oak Springs Care Home.

*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:** William Robinson and Marie Thornton.

*We offer our prayers and sympathy to their families and friends.*

**Anniversaries:** Jean Lally, Veronica Ward, Ann Fong Richards, Joseph Martin, Nicholas Patterson, Vincent Lavery, Joan Anderson, Veronica Aston, Jack Wilson.

*We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur around this time.*

**Weekly Collection:** Thank you for your contribution to the work of the Parish which raised £867.72 plus the Standing Orders £845.40  
Total £1,713.12

**The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for:** Brian Beeley RIP

**The Marian Lamp burns this week for:** Josephine Smith RIP

**The Saint Paschal Baylon lamp burns for:** Adderley Family

**The St Joseph Lamp burns this week for:** Horan Family



### **Covid Guidelines for Christmas 2021**

We are still living with the Pandemic—in spite of the action of many it has not gone away (and is currently getting worse). We want all parishioners (especially families) to feel welcome to celebrate Christmas in church, so please follow the guidance to keep everyone as safe as possible:

- Face coverings are still expected to be used in church, as well as hand sanitising.
- The building will be well ventilated, so please wrap up warmly.
- Please do not stay inside the church for longer than necessary.

## Saints of the Day

**26th December—St Stephen** or Stephan, traditionally venerated as the Protomartyr or first martyr of Christianity, was according to the Acts of the Apostles a deacon in the early church at Jerusalem who aroused the enmity of members of various synagogues by his teachings. Accused of blasphemy, at his trial he made a long speech denouncing the Jewish authorities who were sitting in judgement on him and was then stoned to death. His martyrdom was witnessed by Saul of Tarsus, a Pharisee who would later himself become a follower of Jesus.

**27th December - St John.** John the Apostle was one of the Twelve Apostles of Jesus according to the New testament. He was the son of Zebedee and Salome. His brother was James, who was another of the twelve Apostles. He died about 100 AD.

**28th December - The Holy Innocents.** Based on an account in Saint Matthew's Gospel, King Herod slaughtered a number of male babies in an attempt to rid himself of the perceived threat of a usurper of his throne. What he didn't realize is that Jesus' kingdom is not of this world – a fact that emerges later in Saint Matthew's Gospel.

**29th December - St Thomas Becket** 1118-70. Born in London, he became archdeacon of Canterbury and Chancellor of Henry II. He was a close friend of the king. Henry obtained Thomas' election as Archbishop, Thomas adopted an austere way of life and resigned the chancellorship. There emerged conflict with the king over Church-State relations and finally Thomas went into exile in France. On his return to England his reconciliation with the king proved superficial. In a rage the king asked who would rid him of this turbulent priest and four barons slaughtered him in Canterbury Cathedral

**31st December - St Sylvester.** Sylvester became Pope in 314, a time of relative peace, expansion and consolidation for the Church. He was a wise ruler and defender of his people against Arian and Donatist heresies. The council of Nicea was held during his pontificate in 325. he died in 335

**1st January– Mary, Mother of God.** St Athanasius wrote This was no mere fiction, as some have thought. Far from it! Our Saviour really did become man and this brought about the salvation of the whole man. Our salvation is no illusion, nor is it salvation of the body only: the salvation of the whole man, body and soul, was really brought about in the Word Himself. What was born of Mary, was by nature human, the Lord's body was a real one– real because Mary was our sister, since we all descended from Adam.' The Council of Ephesus decreed in 431, that Mary is Theotokos'- God-bearer, as her son Jesus is one person who is both God and man, human and divine.

**2nd January St Basil the Great and St Gregory Nazianzen.** Two close friends and saints of the Eastern Church. Both were teachers, coming from families which produced several saints. Basil became bishop of his native city of Ceasarea (Modern Turkey); Gregory became bishop of Constantinople, but resigned his see to return to monastic life

**7th January– St Raymond of Penyafort.** Raymond c. 1180-1275 was born in Catalonia. At Barcelona, he took doctorates in civil and canon law. After two years as archdeacon of Barcelona, he joined the Dominicans in 1221. He loved both solitude and the apostolate of reconciling people to the Church. In 1238 he was elected Master-General of the Dominicans. He revised the Dominican constitutions. He was canonised in 1601.

### St Vincent de Paul

If you or someone you know is in need of a helping hand or listening ear, please contact the parish SVP on our CONFIDENTIAL PHONE LINE 07562 694 624