

REGULAR PARISH GATHERINGS/MEETINGS

All meetings take place in the St John Vianney Meeting Room

Weekly:

Monday	1.00pm-3.30pm	Craft Group
Tuesday	10.00am-12.30pm	Deaf Craft Group
Wednesday	7.00pm	Faith, Seeking, Understanding
Thursday	9.00-11.00am	Baby & Toddler Group

Monthly:

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

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 or email ctksvp@gmail.com

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

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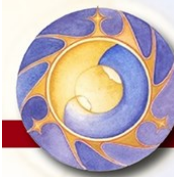
Christ the King	0151-722-3462	Head Teacher	Mr D Delaney
Our Lady of Good Help	0151-733-6937	Head Teacher	Mr M McQuiston
St. Paschal Baylon	0151-722-0464	Head Teacher	Mr E Flood

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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Second Sunday of Advent 4th December 2022 Psalter Week 2 Year A Bible Sunday

Thoughts for the 2nd Sunday of Advent

We can all imagine John the Baptist calling people to repent. Somewhat wild. Unusually clad. Why were people drawn to such a seemingly eccentric man?

John did not fear standing up to the religious leaders of the day. John tells the people, if you produce good fruit, if you do good works, then you are not held back by your ancestry or your lack of scriptural schooling. This viewpoint is not popular with the religious leaders of the day.

John calls all to repentance. God will separate the good from the bad. It will happen at the end times or when we die. Are we ready? And who will lead us? Isaiah tells us that leaders must be ready to promote peace and justice. Are the leaders we are following doing that? If not, then perhaps we are following the wrong people.

During Advent there will be a 7.00 am mass each Wednesday.



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

Second Sunday of Advent

Saturday	3rd	5.30pm	Sr. Agnes Kavanagh S.M.G & Community
Sunday	4th	9.30am	Constance Moulst RIP
		11.00am	People of the Parish
Monday	5th	9.15am	Joan & Bill Formby Anniversary
			School Mass in St PB School
Tuesday	6th	9.10am	Monica & Len Rand
Wednesday	7th	7.00am	Christina Howell RIP
Thursday	8th	9.30am	Aidene Hennessey Birthday

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 10.00– 11.00am

Friday	9th	12.00pm	Jimmy McCombe RIP
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Third Sunday of Advent

Saturday	10th	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	11th	9.30am	Sheila & John Kenny
		11.00am	Sr Maria Natella O.P.

Confession: Saturday evening 4.45 pm to 5.10 pm

Masses received this week: Michael Lane RIP; Peggy & Gerry Rogers RIP; Friends & family; Margaret Hilton RIP; Bartley & Nora Sharkey RIP; John, Hannah & John Jnr Mohan RIP; Paul, Irene Mohan & family - Christmas Bouquet; Anthony, Maria Mohan & family - Christmas Bouquet; Damien, Ann-Marie McLaughlin & family - Christmas Bouquet; Gladys O'Brien RIP; Debbie Kenna: Get Well.

Enrolled into our Mass association this week:
Pat Darracott—Safely to Heaven

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for:
Mary Joyce: Special Intention

The Marian Lamp burns this week for:
The Shannon Family: Special Intention

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We invite you to submit articles/news and celebrations about your local parish activities

Please see link below for this week's Universe Catholic Weekly. <https://universecatholicweekly.co.uk/universe-weekly-newsletters/november-2022/UNIVERSE-11-NOVEMBER.pdf>.

St Francis Xavier's College—Music for Advent & Christmas

Monday 19th December at 6 pm in the College Chapel
Woolton Hill Road, L25 6EG

A service that reflects the tremendous Christian message of the change from darkness in people's lives to the Light of the World coming when Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour was born.

Our College Lay Chaplain will lead the service. The College Schola Cantorum will be singing seasonal favourites along with some well known carols.

Mulled wine and mince pies available after the service

LGBTQ+ Catholics Archdiocese of Liverpool

The next gathering and Mass will be on **Sunday 11th December 2022** at All Saints Anfield, do let Canon Stephen know if you are able to attend. There will be a social gathering after Mass. Mass will begin at 2.00pm. For more information, please contact Canon Stephen Maloney frsmaloney@aol.co.uk

CAFOD Advent prayers and resources

CAFOD 'Pray this Advent' and 'Prayers for Christmas' Daily Advent calendar reflections straight to your inbox if you sign up. See: <https://cafod.org.uk/Pray/Prayer-resources>

St Vincent de Paul Information

There is now an email address that people can contact as well as the mobile number. The address is ctksvp@gmail.com Also, there is information on the notice board for those needing help with food (Zero Waste Project) or energy costs

Christmas Film Night

On Monday 19th December 7pm there will be a screening of The Nativity Story In the St JV Meeting Room.

Mulled wine and mince pies will be served. This is a free event but due to the size of the meeting room numbers will be limited.
To reserve a place please book through the Parish office.

Bereavement Care Team

The Christmas Drop-In session will take place on Friday 9th December. Our last drop-in of the year, join us for cakes and festive treats.



Millenium Group



Many thanks to everyone who supported our Cake / Craft Sales last weekend. We raised **£557.80** which means we have reached our £5,000 target to buy an Ultrasound Machine for a Maternity Hospital in Yemen in just six months.

There will be another chance to buy our crafts or raffle tickets for knitted Paddington Bears after Masses on 10 / 11th December. The raffle will be drawn on the 11th. Good luck.

The Group have made Christmas Pots for graves which will be available in the Church Porch and Piety Stall until Christmas. The pots are £5.00 and will also be for sale at the Christmas Fayre this weekend.

Thanks also to those who bought poppies. A cheque for **£371** will be going to the British Legion.

Christmas Coffee Morning

Friday 9th December 2022 from 9.30 to 11.30 am

Please join us for our last coffee morning of the season. Mince pies, cakes and other festive treats will be served.



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

Clare Battiste, Patricia Prentice, Julian James, Pauline Roberts, Scarlet Cook, Pat Brumskill, Connie McCarten, Winnie Tague, Kath White, Danny Smith, Margaret O'Connor, Ann Martin, Residents of Oak Springs Care Home, John Rix, Kath Brumskill, Keith Nieman, Adrian Williams, Garry Hilton, Anne King, Margaret Hopkins, Frank Barnwell, Kaleigh Bold & Moira Houghton.

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.

Anniversaries: William Robinson, Irene Emery, Joseph Bickerstaff .
We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Baptisms: This week we welcome into the Church:

Penelope Rose Owens & Archie Thomas Rollinson

Weekly Collection: Thank you for your contribution to the work of the Parish which raised: £944.93 plus the Standing Orders £845.40

Total: £1,790.33

Christmas Masses

Saturday 24th December	5.30 pm
	9.00 pm
	12.00 Midnight
Sunday 25th December	9.30 am

Piety Stall

We have a good range of religious Christmas Cards on sale in our Piety Stall, please take a look and help to keep Christ in Christmas.

Saints of the Day

6th December—St Nicholas: Nicholas was a fourth century bishop of Myra, south western Turkey, and although he is one of the most venerated saints in both East and West, virtually nothing is known of his life. He was reputed to have given three bags of gold to three girls for their marriage dowries in order to save them from prostitution. "Santa Claus" is based ultimately on his patronage of children, who in the Low Countries receive presents on his feast day in remembrance of his charity.

7th December - St Ambrose Born about 339 at Trier to senatorial aristocracy, Ambrose was appointed governor of the provinces of Aemillia and Liguria about 371. He was elected bishop of Milan in 373. As governor, he had gone to the assembly to pacify a dispute between the Catholics and the Arians, and he was quite unprepared for the enthusiastic cry of 'Let Ambrose be bishop' which greeted his efforts at meditation. Though his family was Christian, he had not yet been baptised. He was baptised on November 24th, ordained priest and consecrated bishop on December 1st. He held the See of Milan till his death on April 4th, 397.

8th December Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary - the Immaculate Conception is the conception of the Virgin Mary free from original sin by virtue of the merits of her son Jesus. The Catholic Church teaches that God acted upon Mary in the first moment of her conception, keeping her "immaculate".

9th December - St John Diego Cuahtlatatzin 1474-1548. The Virgin Mary appeared to Juan Diego Cuahtlatatzin, "talking eagle", an Aztec Indian in Guadalupe Mexico. Juan repeatedly went to the clerics in the region and told them of his vision. On his last attempt to prove it was real, he returned to them with his tilma (cloak) filled with rose blossoms, believed to be miraculous since they grew at the wrong time of the year. When he opened his cloak, not only did the roses spill out, but also imprinted on the cloth was an image of the Virgin. St Juan is an important symbol for those who have suffered persecution including slavery.

10th December - Our Lady of Loreto is **the title of the Virgin Mary with respect to the Holy House of Loreto** and the image displayed therein. In the 1600s, a Mass and a Marian litany was approved. The "Litany of Loreto" is the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary, one of the five litanies approved for public recitation by the Church.

Rite of Catholic Initiation in Adults (RCIA)

The next meeting of the group will be held in the SJV meeting room on **Wednesday, 7th December at 7.00 pm**
The theme will be **Word of God (2)**

First Holy Communion Preparation FHC Session 3 Dates

SPB School: Tuesday 10th January at 4.15 and 6.00 pm
CtK School: Wednesday 11th January at 4.15 and 6.00 pm
OLGH School: Wednesday 11th January at 3.15 pm
Mary's Group FHC Preparation Sessions:
Friday 13th January at 3.45 pm in the Church

"I was sick and you cared for me..."

The Catholic Chaplaincy to the Liverpool Hospitals, is looking for new volunteers to join our team. Volunteers often enjoy visiting patients and their families on the wards. These visits can include praying with patients, and bringing them Holy Communion, or simply having a chat. It is possible to volunteer just a few hours one morning or afternoon each week. Full training and support will be given. You don't have to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. If you are interested in this very rewarding opportunity, please contact Fr Peter by email peter.murphy@rlbuht.nhs.uk or by calling 0151 706 2828.

Christmas Flowers/List Envelopes

If you would like to have your loved ones remembered at Christmas, please put their names on an envelope together with your donation which will serve as 'Stipends' for Christmas List Masses which will be offered for our four Christmas Masses and towards the church Christmas flowers. Please return your envelopes to the parish office.
Please remember to include your Gift Aid Number.

COST OF LIVING CRISIS:

The Liverpool Archdiocese 'Warm and Cosy' Centres
will be open during the winter months

Christ the King Parish Centre every Tuesday 1.00– 3.00pm
Please come and join us for some friendly company
free tea/coffee, biscuits and Wi fi.