

## 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](mailto: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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### Schools

**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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# CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING

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## Christmas Newsletter 25th December 2022

### Fr Colin's Christmas Message

As 2022 draws to a close, I wish to offer my heartfelt thanks to each and all for your continued support, encouragement, prayers and friendship. So many from our parish community serve Christ the King in all sort of different ways, volunteering willingly in a spirit of service out of love for Christ's church.

I am truly grateful for all that you do, and feel privileged to be your parish priest. As we continue to live through this time of hardship for many, may we draw strength from the Christmas message trusting that God is with us in every step which we take, being ready always to love, help and guide us.

On behalf of Sisters Pat and Maureen and Deacons Adrian and Sean, may we wish you all a joy filled Christmas and may the peace of the Christ Child forever reign in our hearts and our homes.

God Bless

*Fr. Colin*

Copies of Archbishop Malcom's Christmas message are available at the back of the Church and on our Parish website



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

**Christmas Masses**

Saturday 24th December		5.30 pm	Christmas List
		9.00 pm	Christmas List
		12.00 Midnight	Christmas List
Sunday 25th December		9.30 am	People of the Parish
Monday	26th	9.00am	<b>St Stephen, First Martyr</b>
		Intention	Kay Duggan
Tuesday	27th	9.00am	<b>St John, Apostle</b>
		Intention	Helen Foy
Wednesday	28th	7.00am	<b>The Holy Innocents</b>
		Intention	Monica Lowe
Thursday	29th	9.00am	<b>St Thomas Becket</b>
		Intention	Denise Purcell
Friday	30th	12.00pm	<b>The Holy Family</b>
		Intention	Eva Heeney
Saturday	31st	12.00pm	<b>Mary Crawford RIP</b>

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**Masses received this week:** Clare Richards: get week, Daphne McCann RIP X3, John Large RIP, John & Sheila Kenny RIP, Ellen Cassidy RIP, Connie Moul: Spec Int, Christina Howell RIP, Pat O’Leary, Agnes Bowe, Win Pickup, Bill Woods RIP, Julie Atherton RIP, Clare Richards: Get Well Mr& Mrs D.Cullen, Garvey family, Jean Smears, Sr Agnes Kavanagh SMG & Community

**Enrolled into our Mass association this week:** Daphne McCann RIP, John & Angela’s intentions, Fr Colin & Parish, Maureen, Mark Dennis Bell RIP x2, Mrs McCann Rip, Christina Howell RIP, Joan Fearon RIP, Denise Saunders , Marty Owens, Josie Kahl RIP.

**The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for:** Dennis Adderley RIP

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

**The St Paschal Baylon Lamp burns this week for:** Rose Harrington RIP

If you have a child who will be starting one of our Parish Schools (Christ the King, Our Lady of Good Help or St Paschal Baylon) in September 2023 please be aware that the applications close on 15th January 2022. You must apply online <https://liverpool.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-admissions/> as well as completing a supplementary faith form that is returned to the individual schools to show proof of Baptism. If you have any questions please contact the schools direct. Christ the King 0151-722-3462, Our Lady of Good Help 0151-733-6937 , St. Paschal Baylon 01517220464

**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](mailto:ctksvp@gmail.com) Also, there is information on the notice board for those needing help with food (Zero Waste Project) or energy costs



With family and friends at **The Mystery, Wavertree Athletics Centre, Wellington Road, Liverpool, L15 4LE**

**CONTACTLESS AVAILABLE CASH ACCEPTED**



We rely heavily on your support to make this event a success. Please sign up and gather sponsorship to raise much needed funds, visit <https://register.enthuse.com/ps/event/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!



### Rite of Catholic Initiation in Adults (RCIA)

The next meeting of the group will be held in the SJV meeting room on  
**Wednesday, 11th January at 7.00 pm**

### Tots & Toddlers Group

The Group finishes for the Christmas holidays on Thursday 15th December  
and returns on Thursday 12th January 2023

### Food Bank

Please donate what you can over the Christmas holidays and thank you  
for all the support received throughout the year.

**A very big Thank you to Wavertree Christmas Trees and Desmond Bannon's Funeral services** who have kindly donated each a beautiful Christmas tree which will be placed on the Sanctuary and in the porch.

### Thank you to the Liverpool Catenian Association

for their generous Christmas gift of £75.00 to the Parish for our Warm  
and Cosy centre which is held in the Parish Club every Tuesday from  
1.00 pm until 3.00 pm

### Thanks to everyone who takes part in the CTK Makeover Fund Tote The December draw has now taken place.

The winning numbers were **9 & 32**. If you would like to join in with the  
Tote please set up a Standing Order to

CTK Makeover Fund. Sort code 53-70-44.

Account 8541 1434. £5 on the first of each month.

See more information in the Church Porch.

### Theatre Visit 10th March 2023

Why not join us for a night of fun and laughter at the royal court to  
watch the comedy "bingo Star". We have tickets available for Friday  
10th March, 23 priced at £15 each. Have your dabbers ready as there will  
be a chance to win £150 in a game of bingo at every performance!

Numbers are limited so ring the office.

### Mary Mother of God

Saturday	31st	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	1st	9.30am 11.00am	Anita & Jim Carson Thanksgiving to Sacred Heart
Monday	2nd	9.00am	<b>St Basil the Great and St Gregory Nazianzen</b> Intention Sheila Malone
Tuesday	3rd	<b>10.30 am</b>	<b>The Most Holy Name of Jesus Requiem Mass Joan Fearon</b>
Wednesday	4th		NO MASS
Thursday	5th	<b>1.00pm</b>	<b>Requiem Mass Julie Atherton</b> <b>The Epiphany of the Lord (Holyday of Obligation)</b> <b>7.00pm</b> Intention Peter Gianassi RIP
Friday	6th	<b>The Epiphany of the Lord (Holyday of Obligation)</b> 12.00pm	Holy Souls
Saturday	7th	5.30pm	Harry Seagreaves RIP
Sunday	8th	9.30am 11.00am	People of the Parish Colette Davies RIP

### Lately Dead: Julie Atherton , Joan Fearon & David Alexander

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

**Anniversaries:** Charles McVey, Anthony Larkin, Ann Fong Richards,  
Jean Lally, Veronica Ward, Vincent Lavery, Raymond McCormack,  
Harold Seekts.

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

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

**The Marian Lamp burns this week for:** Andrew & David Gale

**The St Paschal Baylon Lamp burns this week for:** Bernard Bakpa RIP

## 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

### 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

**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, JohnWilliams, Mary Joyce and Mary Dunne.

*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*