## REGULAR PARISH GATHERINGS/MEETINGS

# All meetings take place in the St John Vianney Meeting Room Weekly:

Monday 1.00pm-3.30pm Craft Group 10.00am-12.30pm Deaf Craft Group Tuesday

Wednesday Faith, Seeking, Understanding Oct-April **Thursday** 

Baby & Toddler Group 9.00-11.00am

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

**SVP Meeting** 10.00am

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-3.45pm

and Friday 9am-3.45pm CLOSED ALL DAY WEDNESDAY and WEEKENDS Contact information Tel 0151-722-2231 Email ctkandol@rcaol.org.uk Web site www.ctkandol.org.uk https://@www.ctkandol.org

#### Schools

**Christ the King** 0151-722-3462 Head Teacher Mr D Delanev 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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# The Twenty- Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 17th September 2023 Psalter Week 4 Year A

### UNDERSTANDING FORGIVENESS

The parable of the Unforgiving Servant in the Gospel for the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A (Matthew 18:21-35) conveys a significant lesson about forgiveness. Though the details of slavery and debt bondage may seem distant, the core message resonates with contemporary readers: God's mercy is abundant, and we must pass that mercy on to others. Just as the king forgives the servant's debt, we too have been forgiven by God, and we are called to extend that same grace to others.

The parable takes a serious turn when the forgiven servant fails to show mercy to another. This harsh act is met with severe consequences, reflecting a spiritual truth: If we do not forgive others, we risk losing the grace we have received. The Gospel calls Catholics to be mindful of how we treat others, recognizing that our actions reflect our relationship with God. Forgiveness is not optional but a necessary expression of our faith.

Lastly, the Gospel challenges the tendency to quantify or limit forgiveness. Peter's question about how many times to forgive is answered by Jesus with a call to unlimited mercy. God's forgiveness is not constrained by numbers or conditions; it's a boundless grace that transforms us. For Catholics, this is a reminder to approach others with the same unlimited compassion and forgiveness, reflecting God's own boundless love in our daily lives.

### PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING & OUR LADY

## The Twenty-Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday Sunday	16th 17th	5.30pm 9.30am 11.00am	Frank Barnwell- Get Well People of the Parish John Begley RIP		
Monday	18th	9.10am <b>12.00pm</b>	Tony Caslin RIP Funeral Liturgy Frederick Murphy		
Tuesday	19th	9.10am	Margaret Lloyd RIP		
Wednesday*	* 20th	9.10am	CtK Friends Apart Group		
Thursday *	21st	7.00am	Hughie Windrow RIP		
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9.30 –10.30am					
Friday	22nd		NO MASS		

<sup>\*</sup>Please note change of Mass times

### The Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday	23rd	5.30pm	Catherine Morris RIP
Sunday	24th	9.30am	Walter Crummey RIP
		11.00am	People of the Parish

## Confessions commence at 4.45pm each Saturday

Next weekend we welcome Fr John Poland back to the parish to celebrate Masses, while Fr Colin is Minister at a wedding in Spain.

Masses received this week: Brendan Kelly RIP, Mary O'Farrell & Family, John Murphy RIP, John Thornton RIP, Kay Thomas—Get Well, Rita Bloo: Anniversary, Irene McFadden RIP, Christina Howell RIP, Kayleigh Bold—Special Intention

Mass Association: Christine Gordon RIP, Ellen Donald RIP

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for: John Thornton RIP

The Marian Lamp burns this week for: Abbie & Antony: Wedding Blessings

## **Knights of St Columba Annual Sponsored Walk**

The Knights of St Columba will be undertaking their Annual Sponsored Walk on Sunday 24th September 2023

Starting at 2.00pm from the Royal Albert Dock gates (opposite the Hilton Hotel), we will be walking along the riverside to finish at St Charles church on Aigburth Road where refreshments will be provided for all of our walkers.

This year's walk is in aid of Marie Curie and the local branch at Woolton will receive all of the amount raised.

If you would like to join us you would be most welcome.

If you would like to sponsor us, sponsorship envelopes will be distributed at Masses the week before the walk 16th /17th September and collected the week after the walk 30th Sept/1st Oct. Bank details are shown on the envelopes if you wish to donate on line or by cheque.

It is important to say that we, The Knights, are acutely aware of the financial challenges currently facing so many families and appreciate that not everyone might be in a position to donate at this time.

Whatever your situation, we will keep you in our prayers.

Many thanks on behalf of the Knights of St Columba Council 9

## Our Lady of Good Help Catholic Primary School - Open Days

Saturday 30th September at 10 am & Wednesday 11th October at 4 pm

## Christ the King Catholic Primary Reception places for Sept 2024

We will be holding two Open Evenings on Wednesday 20th September 2023 4pm – 6:30pm and Wednesday 18th October 2023 4pm – 6:30pm. We are not operating a booking system for these events. Please visit our website for more information <a href="https://www.christthekingcatholicprimary.co.uk/admissions/">https://www.christthekingcatholicprimary.co.uk/admissions/</a>

### CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

We currently have vacancies for Lunchtime Supervisors and a School Cleaner - required to start as soon as possible. Please see <a href="https://www.christthekingcatholicprimary.co.uk/vacancies/">https://www.christthekingcatholicprimary.co.uk/vacancies/</a> for more information.

## Sacramental Preparation for First Holy Communion 2023/24

Parents' meetings:

**OLGH School:** Monday 25th September at 3.15pm in school. **St PB School:** Tuesday 26th September at 6.00pm in the church. **CtK School:** Wednesday 27th September at 6.00pm in the church.

First meeting for children attending *non-Catholic schools*: Friday, 6th October at 3.45 pm in the church

## Rite of Catholic Initiation in Adults (RCIA)

If you, or anyone you know, would be interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith why not join our next program commencing Wednesday 11th October 2023 at 7pm.

To register your interest please contact the Parish Office—722 2231

# The Relics of the Scottish Saints to visit the Cathedral Monday 18 - Thursday 21 September

As part of their tour, the Relics of the Scottish Saints (St Andrew, St Margaret and St Columba) will be hosted at the Metropolitan Cathedral from **Monday 18 – Thursday 21 September**.

A welcome Mass will be held on **Monday at 5pm - 7pm**, and a closing Mass will be held on **Thursday at 12:15pm - 1pm**. During their time at the Cathedral, all are welcome to visit the Relics in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

### **An Exhibition of Icons**

**Liverpool Parish Church** 

Friday, September 29th - Sunday, October 1st 9.00am—5.00pm

Old Church Yard, Chapel Street, Liverpool, L2 8TZ

All are welcome and admission is free for more information, please visit:

www.bai.org.uk/exhibition-2023

## **ANIMATE YOUTH**

There's lots going on at Animate Youth:
Lourdes Pilgrimage, Faith in Action, Eucharistic Ministry
To find out more see notices at the back of Church

## **FOOD BANK**

Please try and donate to the Foodbank this Harvest time.

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

Clare Battiste, Patricia Prentice, Julian James, Pauline Roberts, Scarlet Keating, Pat Brumskill, Connie McCarten, Kath White, Danny Smith, Margaret O'Connor, Ann Martin, Residents of Oak Springs Care Home, John Rix, Keith Nieman, Adrian Williams, Garry Hilton, Anne King, Margaret Hopkins, Frank Barnwell, Kaleigh Bold, Moira Houghton, John Williams, Mary Joyce, Mary Dunne, Bobby Rodriguez, Peter Fitzpatrick, Christopher Byrne, Samantha, Patricia Brittles, Josephine Jones, David Sellars, Peggy Aliski and Terence Murphy.

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: Angela Lynch** 

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

Lately Dead: Frederick Murphy.

We offer our prayers and sympathy to his family and friends.

**Baptisms:** This week we welcome into the Church

### Agatha Iris Wendy Feeney and Felix Thomas White

**Weekly Collection:** Thank you for your contribution to the work of the Parish which raised: £ 851.65 plus the Standing Orders £845.40

Total: £1,697.05

### **CTK Makeover Fund Tote**

The winning numbers for the September Draw are 12 & 25

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.

Draw numbers are in a transparent pouch pinned to the notice board in the Church Porch.

### **Events**

Latest events from across the archdiocese can be found here:

<u>Events - What's on (liverpoolcatholic.org.uk)</u>

### SAINTS OF THE WEEK

**19th September - St Januarius.** Januarius was born in Italy and was bishop of Benevento during the Emperor Diocletian persecution. Bishop Januarius went to visit two deacons and two laymen in prison. He was also imprisoned along with his deacon and lector. They were thrown to the wild beasts, but when the animals did not attack them, they were beheaded. What is believed to be Januarius' blood is kept in Naples, as a relic. It is said to liquify and bubble when exposed in the cathedral. Scientists have not been able to explain this miracle to date. St. Januarius lived and died around 305 A.D.

19th September - St Theodore of Canterbury. Born at Tarsus (Turkey) about 601, Theodore died at canterbury on this day in 690. A Greek by birth, Theodore was a monk in Italy who was not ordained priest until he was appointed Archbishop of Canterbury by Pope Vitalian in 666 at the age of 65. He arrived in England in 669, and for the rest of his life reorganized and reformed the life of the Church throughout the country. He is remembered for his scholarship and for his bringing unity and organization to a divided church.

20th September –Ss Andrew Kim Teagon, Paul Chong Hsang and his Companions. The evangelization of Korea began during the 17th century through a group of lay persons. A strong vital Christian community flourished there under lay leadership until missionaries arrived from the Paris Foreign Mission Society. During the terrible persecutions that occurred in the 19th century, 103 members of the Christian community were martyred. Outstanding among these witnesses to the faith were the first Korean priest and pastor, Andrew Kim Taegon, and the lay apostle, Paul Chong Hasang. Among the other martyrs were a few bishops and priests, but for the most part lay people, men and women, married and unmarried, children, young people and the elderly. All suffered greatly for the faith and consecrated the rich beginnings of the Church of Korea with their blood as martyrs.

**21st September** - **St Matthew** Called Levi by Mark and Luke, publican i.e. tax collector of Jewish race, Matthew worked for the Romans before he left at the call of Jesus. From very early times he has been regarded as the author of the Gospel that bears his name. He was the son of Alphaeus. His apostolic activity was first restricted to the communities of Palestine. There is a tradition that associates him with Ethiopia; other traditions mention Parthia and Persia. It is uncertain whether he died a natural death or received the crown of martyrdom. His Gospel was written to fill a sorely-felt want for his fellow countrymen, both believers and unbelievers.

**23rd September** - **St Pius of Pietrelcina** "Padre Pio" was born in 1887 in the small Italian village of Pietrelcina. He joined the Capuchin Friars at the age of sixteen and was ordained a priest seven years later. For fifty years at the Monastery of San Giovani Rotundo he was a much sought after spiritual advisor, confessor and intercessor whose life was devoted to the Eucharist and prayer. In 1918 he became the first priest to receive the stigmata. In 1956 he founded the House for the Relief of Suffering, a hospital that serves 60,000 a year. Yet despite such notoriety, he would often say "I only want to be a poor friar who prays." He was canonized in 2001.

## Are you in year 5?

Do you love our world and want to care for it?
Are you willing to share ideas? Willing to work in a team?
Want to care for others? WE NEED YOU!
Tuesdays 3.45 -4.45pm St John Vianney Meeting room each week
Look forward to seeing you at the First 3Ps Meeting
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September
Prayer! Purpose! Praise!

### Makeover Fund - CAN YOU HELP

We are now planning our *Christmas Fayre on Saturday December 2nd* in the Parish Centre.

We would be very grateful if you could donate any of the following:
Small selection boxes. Gift / toiletry sets. New toys.
Wrapping paper. Bottles: alcoholic and non alcoholic. Raffle Prizes.
Boxes will be in the porch for any donations.
Many thanks for your continued support.

# Coffee Mornings Friday 9.30 to 11.30 am in church porch

This is a great opportunity to get together with fellow parishioners and enjoy a cup of tea and a natter. Please come along.

All Welcome!

## **Baby and Toddler Group**

Thursdays 9.00—11.00am. Come have a chat and a cuppa while you watch your children play in the St JV Meeting room

### **Bereavement Care Team**

The Bereavement Care Team are holding a Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday, September 29th from 10.00am—12.30pm in the St. John Vianney Meeting room. You are all invited to attend.

## **Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2024**

There will be a meeting for adults willing to encourage and support the young people of the Parish to travel with next year's Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes on *Monday 18th September at 6 pm in the Church Porch*