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

> 3.45pm -4.30pm 3Ps YR 5 Youth Meeting

Wednesday 7 pm - 9 pm Faith, Seeking, Understanding 9.00-11.00am Baby & Toddler Group Thursday

Friday Coffee Morning 9.30—11.30am

Monthly:

1st Monday 1.00pm-3.45pm Millennium Group 6.00pm Last Tuesday **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

Father Colin Fealey Parish Priest:

Deacons: Rev Adrian Anwyl and Rev Sean O'Donovan Sister Pat Redgrave CP and Sister Maureen McNally CP

Robert Kidd and Brenda Williams Parish Office Administrators

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@rcaol.org.uk Web site www.ctkandol.org.uk https://@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 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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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 26th November 2023 Psalter Week 1 Year A

Today is Youth Sunday - a day for the world to recognise and celebrate young people in our local church communities, whether that be through school, at home, or of course in church. For us in England and Wales, there will be a number of resources made available for all settings including home, school, parish, university and individual. And you can find resources to help celebrate World Youth Sunday at home or in school at worldvouthsunday.com.

Whilst we might not see as many young people at Mass on a Sunday as we might like, there is still so much that young people bring to the Church that can often go unseen and un-noticed. Please do look at the Animate website and You tube channels for examples of how young people are involved in the life of the Church in our own diocese.

In order for the diocese to continue to work with young people the additional collection today goes to support the ongoing work of Youth Ministry here in the diocese. Every penny you are able to give goes to support the work of Youth Ministry here. Even in these difficult times any contribution you are able to give would be welcomed. Gift aid envelopes are available for those able to do so.

DON'T BE A GOAT

In the Matthew 25:31-46, the gospel for the Solemnity of Christ the King Year A, presents Jesus as both a shepherd and a king. This dual role signifies a leader who not only rules but also nurtures and protects. The sheep in the metaphor are those who follow Christ's example by showing compassion and service to others. Whether it's volunteering at a soup kitchen, taking care of the sick, or advocating for social justice, these actions align with Christ's teachings. Contrastingly, the goats represent those who turn a blind eye to the suffering of others. Indifference or rationalizing the plight of the marginalized reflects a departure from the core Christian teaching of empathy and love. Instead of blaming people for their misfortune, our faith calls us to uplift those who are vulnerable and marginalized.

Following Christ, our Shepherd King, means more than just adhering to rules; it means living a life of service and advocacy. When we assist those who are struggling, we are serving Christ Himself. Thus, caring for the needs of others isn't just a good deed—it is a direct response to the teachings of Jesus, our King.

PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING & OUR LADY

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Saturday	25th	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	26th	9.30am	Pious List
		11.00am	Dennis Adderley RIP
Monday	27th	9.10am	Ann Dalton RIP Mass in Church
Tuesday	28th	9.10am	Deaf Craft Group's Intentions
Wednesday	29th		NO MASS
Thursday	30th	9.30am	Alisio & Noemia Nazareth RIP

Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament starts at 9.00am

Friday 1st 12.00pm Celia Morris Birthday

First Sunday of Advent

Saturday	2nd	5.30pm	Betty Sagar RIP & Barbara Fairclough
Sunday	3rd	9.30am	People of the Parish
		11.00am	Robert & Pat Darracott Special Intention

Confessions commence at 4.45pm each Saturday

Masses received this week: Sean McGauley: Thinking of You. Family & friends of the Tinsley family, Jackie McGlynn RIP, Jenny RIP, Pauline Hickey RIP, Margaret McNeilis, Terry Turner: Special Intention, Jimmy O'Donovan RIP x 2

Mass Association: Sean Martin, Kay Woosey RIP, Eddie Kelly RIP, Peter Davies RIP x 3

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for: Dennis Adderley RIP
The Marian Lamp burns this week for: Karen. Eileen & Anne
The St Paschal Baylon Lamp burns for: Anne Fealey RIP

Pilgrim Way for the Archdiocese of Liverpool

Hearts in Search of God is a project to promote walking pilgrimage in England & Wales focused on developing Pilgrim Ways from every Catholic cathedral to one or more shrines in the same diocese. They have recently published a Pilgrim Way for the Archdiocese of Liverpool, a 30.1 mile long route from the Metropolitan Cathedral to the Shrines of Blessed Dominic Barberi in St Helens & St Edmund Arrowsmith in Ashton-in-Makerfield. All the details and some photos can be found here: https://www.pilgrimways.org.uk/the-liverpool-pilgrim-way-is-ready-to-walk

Prince Alfred Nursing Home - Volunteer minibus driver needed

The residents of Prince Alfred Nursing Home in Wavertree want to get out and about a bit more. They love to socialise and take part in local events. If you have a few hours once a month could you help? For more information please contact Doreen on Doreen.johnson@gmail.com

Asylum Link Merseyside: Christmas Fundraising Concert

Friday 1st December at 7.00pm@ St Anne's, Overbury Street L7 3HJ including choirs, pipers and ukeleles. Raffle and Christmas Cards. Tickets £10 from Illa at info@asylumlink.org.uk or on the door.

Nugent: Light Up a Life 2023

Dedicate a light on our Tree of Light as a gift for someone who may be away from home this Christmas, or in memory of a loved one.

This year's remembrance services:

Sunday 10th December at 3pm, St Teresa's Church, Up Holland
Led by Fr Philip, followed by refreshments in the Parish Club
Friday 15th December at 12.30pm, Metropolitan Cathedral, Liverpool
Led by Bishop Tom Williams, followed by refreshments
See notice board in porch for more information or ring 0151 261 2000

AN ADVENT SEQUENCE

Sunday, 3rd December at 5:00pm in the Metropolitan Cathedral L3 5TQ

As the season of Advent begins, the cathedral choir and clergy offer a sequence of music and readings to prepare us for the Advent journey. The service lasts around 70 minutes and features the choir singing from a variety of places around the cathedral.

Rite of Catholic Initiation in Adults (RCIA)

f you, or anyone you know, would be interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith why not join our next meeting:

Wednesday 29th November 2023 at 7pm
in the St John Vianney meeting room

Topic: Customs of the Church/Liturgical Year

Christmas Film Night

On Monday 11th December 7pm there will be a screening of 'The Christmas Candle' 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.

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!**

Ladies' Christmas Lunch

At DEFNE, Childwall Priory Road, Liverpool L16 7PF Saturday 9th December 2023 at 12.30pm for 1pm.

£25.00 per person 2 Course Meal. Bring your own wine £5.00 corkage. Entertainment: **Johnathon Laybourne** Soul singer. Raffle, bingo & prizes. For booking contact **Val on 07954 419819.** All proceeds to **The Big Help Project—feeding families in Liverpool**

GIFT AID DONATIONS

Would you kindly advise the Parish Office if your circumstances have recently changed and you are no longer paying Income Tax.

Many thanks for your support of the Parish.

CAFOD Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal & World Gifts

Donate to CAFOD's Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal at cafod.org.uk/ipc_or call 0303 303 3030 to support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have been working alongside communities helping those most in need. Your donation will help support aid workers providing urgent humanitarian aid including food, water and emergency shelter to those in need. Also, please consider gifting an item from CAFOD's World Gift catalogue available at the back of church. Thank you for your prayers.

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, Danny Smith, Margaret O'Connor, 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 Toni Simpson.

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: George Woods, Moira Siegieniewicz
We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Lately Dead: *Pauline Mary Ward, Thomas Mallon & Joseph Maloney* We offer our prayers and sympathy to her family and friends.

Weekly Collection: Thank you for your contribution to the work of the Parish which raised: £811.57 plus the Standing Orders £845.40

Total: £1,656.97

CTK Makeover Fund Tote The winning numbers for the November Draw are 20 & 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.

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

A.P.F./ Mill Hill

The collection from the red boxes this quarter amounted to £1956.04.

On behalf of the missionaries a big thank you to all who contributed to this very worthwhile cause.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

28th November - St Catherine Labouré

St Catherine Labouré was born on 2 May 1806, in the Burgundy region of France to Madeleine Louise Gontard and Pierre Labouré, a farmer. She was the 9th of 11 living children. Her baptismal name was Zoe, but her family rarely used that name. Labouré's mother died on 9 October 1815, when Labouré was nine years old. It is said that after her mother's funeral, Labouré picked up a statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary and kissed it, saying, "Now you will be my mother."

Her father's sister offered to care for her and her sister Marie Antoinette and the sisters moved to their aunt's house at Saint-Rémy, a village 9 kilometers (5.6 mi) from their home. It is there that Catherine had a dream of a priest, whom she later recognised as Vincent de Paul. The priest said to her: 'My daughter, it is good to care for the sick. For now, you flee from me, but one day you will be glad to approach me. God has plans for you. Don't forget it!'. At the age of 12, Catherine returned to her father's farm to help care for her family. Later, her father, wishing to deter her from her religious vocation, sent her to Paris to work in his brothers' eating establishment for poor workers. There, she observed their suffering and her decision to enter the nursing order of Saint Vincent de Paul, the Daughters of Charity, was reinforced.

Labouré began her novitiate on April 21, 1830 at the convent on the Rue du Bac in Paris and on, January 30, 1831, she took her vows. It is at this Convent that she had the visions of the Virgin Mary that led to the creation of the Miraculous Medal.

30th November -St Andrew

Andrew like his brother Simon Peter, was a fisherman. He became a disciple of John the Baptist who pointed Andrew to "the Lamb of God". He is the first-called disciple of Christ. He brings St Peter to Christ who promises to make them 'fishers of men'. It is believed after the Ascension of the Lord, Andrew preached the gospel in Greece. He is said to have been put to death on a cross, tied not nailed. He suffered for two days, still preaching from the cross, before dying.

Christmas Flowers/List Envelopes

If you would like to have your loved ones remembered at Christmas, please put their names in an envelope together with your donation which will go to towards the cost of our Christmas flowers. Your intentions will be offered at each of our four Christmas Masses. Please return your envelopes to the parish office and remember to include your Gift Aid Number (if applicable).

First Holy Communion Sacramental Program

There will be a catch-up meeting for those children who missed Session 2 on Tuesday 28th Nov 2023 at 6 pm in the Church This will be the only catch-up opportunity.

Mary's First Holy Communion Group

Friday evenings at 3.45pm in the Church **Next meeting: 8th December (First Confession)**

CHRISTMAS FAIR / MAKEOVER GROUP

Many thanks to all those who have donated goods for the Christmas Fair on **Saturday, 2nd. December**. Our Bottle Tombola Stall needs a lift, so we would be grateful if you could donate any bottles, they do not have to be alcoholic.

Thanks also to those who have volunteered to help at the event. There will be a meeting in church on **Thursday 30th November at 7pm** to discuss the tasks required, organise goods, and label Tombola prizes. If you are able, please come along. It's not too late to volunteer, even if it is just for one hour.

The Fair is a great way of bringing the Parish community together.

Thank You from Macmillan

At the recent Macmillian Coffee Morning
Christ the King & Our Lady Bereavement Care Team & Friends raised
£284.60 to help support those affected by cancer.

Many thanks for your support and generosity.

Bereavement Care Team Christmas Drop-in

Friday 8th December - 10.30am - 12.30pm Our last drop-in of the year, join us for cakes and festive treats.

Christ the King School - Vision Mission

As a school, we are supporting the charity 'Vision Mission' by collecting any unwanted or old glasses that you are happy to donate so that we can send these overseas to help any children or adults who need them. The charity will accept any prescription or any size as long as the condition of the glasses is good. Please leave in the church porch.