

REGULAR PARISH GATHERINGS/MEETINGS

All meetings take place in the St John Vianney Meeting Room

Weekly:

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| Monday | 1.00pm-3.30pm | Craft Group |
| | 6.00pm –7.00pm | 3PS Group |
| Tuesday | 10.00am-12.30pm | Deaf Craft Group |
| Thursday | 9.00-11.00am | Baby & Toddler Group |

Monthly:

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| 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 |

**SVP 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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Schools

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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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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 12th May 2024

The 7th Sunday of Easter Year B marks a profound moment in the Christian calendar. It falls between Ascension Thursday, when Jesus ascended into heaven, and Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles. This period invites us to reflect on our role as followers of Christ in a world from which He has physically departed but spiritually remains through the presence of the Holy Spirit.

JESUS PRAYS FOR UNITY

In the Gospel for the 7th Sunday of Easter Year B, we listen to Jesus praying for His disciples. He knows He will soon leave them, and His primary concern is their unity. Jesus prays, "Holy Father, keep them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one just as we are one." This prayer is not just for the Apostles; it extends to all who believe in Him through their message.

Unity is a key theme in Christianity. Jesus desires that we, as His followers, are united in belief and purpose just as He is united with the Father. This unity is not about being the same in every way; instead, it's about working together towards a common goal—loving God and loving one another.

Retiring collection Today for World Communications Day

Seventh Sunday of Easter

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| Saturday | 11th | 5.30pm | People of the Parish |
| Sunday | 12th | 9.30am | Maria Walsh - Special Intention |
| | | 11.00am | Keith Prentice Jnr RIP |

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| Monday | 13th | 9.10am | Anita Carson Birthday |
| Tuesday | 14th | 9.10am | Steve & Sylvia Cawley |
| Wednesday | 15th | | NO MASS |
| Thursday | 16th | 9.30am | Barbara McGowan RIP |

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00– 11.00am

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| Friday | 17th | 10.45am | Funeral Liturgy Ellen Hobson |
| | | 12.00pm | John Paul Kenna RIP |
| Saturday | 18th | 10.00 am | StPB School First Holy Communion Intention Ron Kelly RIP |
| | | 11.45am | StPB School First Holy Communion Special Intention |

Pentecost Sunday

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| Saturday | 18th | 5.30pm | Brendan Fitzpatrick RIP |
| Sunday | 19th | 9.30am | People of the Parish |
| | | 11.00am | Tony McCormack RIP |
| | | 2.00pm | May Procession |

Masses received this week: John Paul Kenna RIP, Saunders Ebuwei RIP, Joe Quigley: Thank You, William South RIP, Moira Houghton RIP

Mass Association: Saunders Ebuwei RIP, Phil Kilshaw -Successful Surgery

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for: GCSE Students

The Marian Lamp burns for: Elizabeth & Jose Ybarras RIP

The St Paschal Baylon Lamp burns for: Fr. Desmond Power

The Collection For The Priests Training Fund



The Big Christian Aid Quiz

This is a family friendly evening taking place on Friday, 24 May starting at 7.30pm, Greenall's Social Club, Alder Hey Road, St Helens, WA10 4DN. Tickets £10pp includes Hot Pot Supper! To book contact:

Janice Watkins: 01744 27425 or 07947 743 219. Andy Watkins:

**NEW OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2024/25
are available to collect from the church porch**

Gift Aid

If you pay income tax, please don't forget to gift aid your donation. For every £1 donated, the parish can reclaim 25p. An easy to use form relating to the gift aid scheme is available via the parish office.

Bereavement Care Team

We are appealing for used religious 'sympathy' and 'thinking of you' cards that we can re-make into new cards for the recently bereaved. Could you please leave your cards in our box at the back of church. Thank you

Coffee Mornings

each Friday 9.30 to 11.30 am in the 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.

Lay Chaplain

Saint Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic Academy, Whiston are looking to appoint a Lay Chaplain. Details can be found at <https://www.pfcmat.org/Lay-Chaplain/>. Visits to the academy are welcomed. Deadline for applications is Wednesday 22nd May at noon.

Film Night

Our next Film Night will be held in the St John Vianney meeting room on Thursday 30th May 7—9 pm Please ring the parish office to book your place.

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

A JOURNEY INTO PRAYER

An exploration of prayer in 12 sessions. Journey into Prayer aims to give us a taste of a variety of ways of praying, not just by talking about them but giving us space to experience them. The aim being a closer relationship with God. We are an ecumenical team of Ignatian trained, practising Spiritual Directors. We plan to meet about once a fortnight from 10 – 3pm on a Tuesday, at the Cenacle Convent, Tithebarn Grove, Lance Lane, L15 6TW. The course will run from the 24th September 2024. The cost is £160 which can be paid in instalments. Application forms are available from The Cenacle, (Journey into Prayer), address as above or by email to cenacleliverpool@gmail.com
Closing date for applications is Monday, 29th July 2024

LITE for Teens - Saturday 8th June, 10.00am-6.30pm

The Blessed Sacrament Shrine will be hosting LITE (Life in the Eucharist) for Teenagers (13-19). The day will be animated by 11 teenagers and five adults that will be visiting from Cleveland, Ohio. Please note, all attending under-18s will need to be accompanied by a parent or guardian. There will be a separate programme for adults. For more information and to register, email liverpoolshrine@gmail.com

ADoRE Online Pentecost mini-Retreat Morning - 18 May 10am - 1pm

“TEMPLES OF THE HOLY SPIRIT – surrendering to God’s will.” Including Mass, Adoration, Praise, Prayer for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and inspiring guest speaker Gary Stephens, leader of the New Dawn conference at Walsingham. This event is open to anyone who wishes to attend. Please register for the Zoom meeting in advance at bit.ly/ADOREMAY2024 More information at www.altonrenewal.com

Christopher Grange Care Home

Do you have a few hours spare every week or every couple of weeks? The RVS (Royal Voluntary Service, formerly WRVS) are recruiting people to help in the coffee bar/shop. All that is involved is making cups of tea or coffee and selling toiletries, sweets, biscuits etc to visitors and residents.

Some of you may be familiar with Christopher Grange if you have had family members or friends there and know what a valuable asset the coffee bar is. Even though CG is no longer run by the nuns, the new owners are happy for things to continue as before.

Some of the volunteers have been working there for 30 years and will continue, but to keep the coffee bar open every day its time to recruit some more willing hands. If you think you could give a few hours every now and then or be called on as needed please contact:

Anne Halligan on 07790 148177

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, Margaret O'Connor, Residents of Oak Springs Care Home, John Rix, Keith Nieman, Adrian Williams, Garry Hilton, Anne King, Margaret Hopkins, Frank Barnwell, John Williams, Mary Dunne, Bobby Rodriguez, Christopher Byrne, Samantha, Patricia Brittles, Josephine Jones, David Sellars, Peggy Aliski, Toni Simpson, Frank Redmond, Marjorie Sharkey, Tracey James and Margaret Robinson

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: Moira Houghton, Patrica Muraski

We offer our prayers and sympathy to her family and friends

Anniversaries: Mary Birch, Mary Harrison, Eileen McLoughnane, Agnes Smith, Giuseppa Carrubia, Susan Severs, Veronica Fishwick, Bridget Moughan.

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

Baptisms This week we warmly welcome into the Church:

***Myla Kidd,
Imogen, Skyla-Mae & Harper Knowles***

Weekly Collection: Thank you for your contribution to the work of the Parish which raised: **£1,718.81**

Thanks to everyone who takes part in the CTK Makeover Fund Tote the May draw has now taken place.
The winning numbers were **15 & 31**

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.

The Pope's Monthly Intentions for May 2024 For the formation of religious and seminarians

We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel
<https://www.usccb.org/prayers/popes-monthly-intentions-2024>

SAINTS OF THE DAY

16th May—Our Lady of Fatima. The Blessed Virgin Mary is venerated under this title following apparitions to three shepherd children, Lucia, Jacinta and Francisco, in Portugal in 1917. the message of Fatima includes a call to conversion of heart, repentance of sin and a dedication to the Blessed Virgin Mary, especially through praying the Rosary.

17th May, marks the parish feast day of Saint Paschal Baylon, who is known for his profound devotion to the Blessed Sacrament. While Saint Paschal never became a priest, he is the saint most often thought of in relation to the Holy Eucharist and Pope Leo XIII declared him the patron saint of Eucharistic congresses and associations. He wrote, ***“There is no more efficacious means than this for nourishing and increasing the piety of the people toward this admirable pledge of love which is a bond of peace and of unity.”*** Among all those most devoted to the Eucharist, Paschal Baylon seemed to the pope to be *“the greatest.”* As a youth, Paschal Baylon tended his family’s sheep. He taught himself to read so that he could pray the Little Office of the Blessed Virgin, the popular prayer book of his day. Paschal disciplined himself to endure the harshness and loneliness of a shepherd’s work. And when his sheep trod on others’ vines, he scrupulously paid for the damage out of his own meager resources. At twenty-one, St Paschal joined the reformed Franciscans of St. Peter of Alcántara at Loreto. As a lay brother, Paschal for many years served as porter and guest master with patience and good humor. John Ximenes, his biographer, reports that he was a model friar, always the first at prayer and never once behaving badly in a relationship. ***“In no single case,”*** said Ximenes, ***“do I remember to have noted even the least fault in him, though I lived with him in several of our houses and was his companion on two long journeys.”*** Like other saintly doorkeepers Brother André and Solanus Casey, Paschal gained a reputation for miracles.

18th May - St John I. Born in Tuscany, he became Archdeacon of Rome. He was chosen Pope in spite of advanced years and ailing health. His time as pope was mainly filled by the embassy, which the Arian Emperor Theodoric the Goth compelled him to make to Byzantium. The object of this was to obtain toleration of the Arians in the East ; if he failed there would be reprisals against the orthodox Catholics in the West. John was received with immense respect by the Greeks, but obtained only minor concessions from the Eastern Emperor. When he returned to Ravenna, then Theodoric’s capital, he was imprisoned because Theodoric suspected him of betrayal and of siding with the Emperor against him. John died in prison shortly afterwards in 526.

May Procession Sunday 19th at 2.00pm

***‘O Mary, we crown thee with blossoms today,
Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.’***

The month of May is dedicated to Our Lady, Mary. To mark this all first holy communicants, their families and parishioners are invited to join our May procession as we commemorate Our Blessed Mother.

Parish Pilgrimage—Journeying with the Northern Saints

We are hoping to run a parish pilgrimage to the North East later this year during October half term week from Monday 28th - Thursday 31st October. The itinerary is still being finalized, but will include a visit to Hexham Abbey and day trips to Holy Island and Whitby.

Accommodation will be at Ushaw College. Itinerary and costs to be finalized. If you would be interested in going on this trip please contact the parish office to add your name to the list. **10 spaces available!**

First Holy Communion Candidates

Please remember in your prayers all the children from our parish and local schools who will be receiving their First Holy Communion.

Food Bank

Our foodbank provides emergency food parcels for local people and families facing hardship across South Liverpool. Our stocks are running low and food donations are down. We could really do with your help. Please donate an item or two from our shopping list, if you can:

*Tinned Meat; Long-Life Juice, Tinned Tomatoes, Packet Rice,
Tinned Potatoes, Instant Coffee, Toilet Rolls, Instant Noodles,
Tinned Fruit, Tinned Fish*

Thank you for your support

RECRUITMENT FOR BOY & GIRL CHORISTERS 2024

Do you know a child who would like to be a chorister at the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King here in Liverpool? The search is now on for our next generation of Boy and Girl choristers.

All choristers are educated at Runnymede St Edward's Catholic Primary School and St Edward's College, meaning that a first-class Catholic chorister education for boys and girls in Liverpool is available at no cost.

If you know of a Catholic family who might be interested in this wonderful opportunity, please share this information with them.

Full details of choristerships at the Metropolitan Cathedral, go to: <https://www.liverpoolmetrocathedral.org.uk/music/joining-the-choirs/>