REGULAR PARISH GATHERINGS/MEETINGS

All meetings take place in the St John Vianney Meeting Room

Weekly:

Monday 1.00pm-3.30pm Craft Group

6.00 pm - 7.00 pm3PS Group

Tuesday 10.00am-12.30pm Deaf Craft Group

Thursday Baby & Toddler Group 9.00-11.00am

Monthly:

Millennium Group 1st Monday 1.00pm-3.45pm

Last Tuesday 6.00pm **Baptismal Meeting**

10.30am- 12.30pm Bereavement Drop-in Last Friday

1st Saturday **SVP Meeting** 10.00am

> SVP 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

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 GIFT OF COURAGE

Through the Spirit, God breathes life into us. He gives us the courage to speak His message to the world. He gives us strength to be prophets. He inspires us to comfort those in need of care. This transformation is especially clear on Pentecost.

Initially, the disciples were scared and hidden. But when the Holy Spirit came upon them, they were changed. They spoke boldly about Jesus, even in the face of danger. This courage comes from knowing that we are not alone. God's Spirit lives within us. We share in the relationship between the Father and the Son. This unity gives us the strength to carry out our mission.

The Holy Spirit calls us to be active witnesses in the world. This means living out the love and truth of the Gospel every day. We show God's love through our actions and how we treat others. Each act of kindness or moment of truth-telling is a reflection of God's love. We are not just telling others about Jesus; we are showing them His love in action.

This can be challenging, but it is also rewarding. As we live out our faith, we inspire others to seek God. We become lights in the world, guided by the Holy Spirit. On Pentecost, we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit. We remember the courage He gives us to speak God's word and live out His love. We remind ourselves to seek His presence in our lives, especially when we feel alone or afraid. And we commit to being His witnesses in the world, living out the Gospel in our actions and relationships. Let us embrace the Spirit's power within us, and let us share His love with everyone we meet.

May Procession today 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 OF CHRIST THE KING & OUR LADY

	Pentecost Sunday			
Saturday	18th	5.30pm	Brendan Fitzpatrick RIP	
Sunday	19th	9.30am	People of the Parish	
		11.00am	Tony McCormack RIP	
		2.00pm	May Procession	
Monday	20th	9.30am	Departed Souls CtK School	
		12.00pm	Requiem George Rice	
Tuesday	21st	9.10am	Joan Murray Birthday	
		12.00pm	Requiem Barbara Ord	
Wednesday	22nd		NO MASS	
Thursday	23rd	9.30am	Pat O'Leary	
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00- 11.00am				
Friday	24th	12.00pm	Pat Easton RIP	

Trinity Sunday

Saturday	25th	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	26th	9.30am	Dcsd Members of Heeney,
			Schofield & Murphy families
		11.00am	Julie Atherton RIP

Masses received this week: Sarah Bowers RIP X 2, Beryl & Bob Hitchen, Hitchen family & Alexander family, Bill Heeney RIP, Special intentions-Maureen & Matt Murphy & family, Agnes & Tommy Smith RIP, George Rice RIP X 2, Eunice Slulberg RIP, Damien Smith RIP, Philip Kelly RIP, Sophie O'Rourke - Special Intention, Robert Eric Evans RIP, Danny Brady RIP—25th Anniversary, Kathleen Brady RIP—100th Birthday, Kay Duggan's Intentions, Denise Purcell's Intentions.

Mass Association: Dot George RIP, Annette Devine RIP, Pat Lawson RIP

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for:

Sarah Louise Bowers RIP & Family

The Marian Lamp burns for: Mass Association



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

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 to watch **RISEN**Please ring the parish office to book your place.

Theatre Tickets

The Parish has a block booking of 25 seats at the Everyman Theatre for *Tuesday 6th March 2025* to see *Shirley Valentine*. Tickets are £11 each . If you are interested, please contact the office to pay & reserve your ticket.

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, practicing 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, 29" 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

Monica Gannon RIP

Monica Gannon, beloved wife of Aidan Gannon (RIP), former Deputy Headmistress at All Saints RC Junior School, Organist and Choir Mistress at Christ the King, died peacefully on 14 May 2024.

Requiem Mass will be offered at Our Lady's Bishop Eton, Woolton Road, on Monday 3 June at 12.00 noon.

All those who remember Monica are very welcome. Dominic and Cecilia

Tots & Toddlers Group - Thursday 9.00—11.00 am Please call the Parish Office to check availability: 0151 722 2231

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.

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: Moire Houghton, Patrica Muraski, Sarah Bowers & Monica Gannon

We offer our prayers and sympathy to her family and friends

Anniversaries: Patricia Easton, Bernard Marshall, John Goudie, Kathleen Anderson, John Beech, We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Baptisms This week we warmly welcome into the Church:

Michael Arthur Cassidy-Woof

Weekly Collection: Thank you for your contribution to the work of the Parish which raised: **£1,962.59**

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

21st May -Saints Christopher Magallanes and Companions

"Long live Christ the King and the Virgin of Guadalupe!" This was the slogan of the "Cristero" uprising in the 1920's against the anti-Catholic government of Mexico which had instituted and enforced laws against the Church in an absurd attempt to eradicate the Catholic faith in Mexico, even going so far as to ban all foreign clergy and the celebration of Mass in some regions. St. Christopher Magallanes, along with 21 other priests and three lay companions, were martyred between 1915 and 1937, by shooting or hanging, throughout eight Mexican states, for their membership in the Cristero movement. Magallanes erected a seminary in Totatiche and he and his companions secretly preached and ministered to the faithful. The last words heard spoken by Magallanes were from his cell, when he shouted, "I am innocent and I die innocent. I forgive with all my heart those responsible for my death, and I ask God that the shedding of my blood serve the peace of our divided Mexico". Pope John Paul II beatified the Cristero martyrs in 1992 and canonized them in 2000

22nd May - Rita of Cascia, born **Margherita Lotti** (1381 – 22 May 1457), was an Italian widow and Augustinian nun venerated as a saint in the Roman Catholic Church. After Rita's husband died, she joined an Augustinian community of religious sisters, where she was known both for practicing mortification of the flesh and for the efficacy of her prayers. Various miracles are attributed to her intercession, and she is often portrayed with a bleeding wound on her forehead, which is understood to indicate a partial stigmata. Pope Leo XIII canonized Rita on 24 May 1900. Her feast day is celebrated on 22 May. At her canonization ceremony, she was bestowed the title of *Patroness of Impossible Causes*, while in many Catholic countries, Rita came to be known as the patroness of abused wives and heartbroken women. Her incorrupt body remains in the Basilica of Santa Rita da Cascia.

25th May - St Bede the Venerable. 673-735. Bede was born at Sunderland, monk of Jarrow, biblical scholar, and first English historian. As a priest, he devoted his life to the study of scripture. He considered his 25 works of Scripture Commentary his most important work, but many scholars regard his Ecclesiastical History of the English People, finished in 731, as his most significant. He died singing the 'Glory be'. Boniface, on hearing of his death, wrote that' the candle of the Church, lit by the Holy Spirit, was extinguished'.

First Holy Communion 2024

Please remember in your prayers all the children who have now made their First Holy Communion. Our blessings and best wishes go out to all our children as they received the body of Christ for the first time. May they all grow in the light and love that comes from our Lord Jesus Christ and continue to meet and receive Him each weekend at mass.

I wish to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to all our catechists, for all the time, effort, and sacrifice you place in teaching about the faith, preparing parents and their children for a faith filled life and how to grow in their relationship with God. Also a big thank you to our music groups who gave up their time bringing deeper meaning and praise to our celebrations.

Fr Colin

RCIA THE MASS FOR NEW CATHOLICS

We are celebrating the Mass for New Catholics on

Thursday 20 June at the Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral at 7pm

celebrated by Archbishop Malcolm. Anyone who has been received into the church, both this year and previous years are welcome to attend with their families, friends and Catechists.

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, bur 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 confirmed. **Limited spaces available.**

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