#### **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
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 <u>on our confidential</u> 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

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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 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time 23rd February 2025 Year C

#### SHOWING COMPASSION

The 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C reminds us of Jesus' teaching about not judging others. Jesus warns us against judging because it leads to unfairness and a lack of compassion. When we judge, we often don't know the whole story and can hurt others with our assumptions.

Jesus calls us to understand and help each other. Instead of judging, we should try to understand the struggles others are facing. Showing compassion means being kind and supportive, even when we don't fully understand someone's situation Judging others can create barriers and harm relationships. It separates us and makes it hard to see the good in others. By choosing to show understanding instead of judgment, we can build stronger, more loving communities.

Reflecting on this message during the 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C, we see that Jesus wants us to follow His example of love and mercy. When we avoid judging and instead show compassion, we follow the path that Jesus set for us. This way, we help bring more kindness and understanding into the world.

#### LIVING LIKE CHRIST

The 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C also brings Paul's message about bearing the image of Christ. Paul explains that we are to live like Jesus, showing His love and mercy in our actions. Living like Christ means embodying His values in our everyday lives. Being in the image of Christ means showing love, kindness, and forgiveness. Jesus showed us how to love others, even those who hurt us. By following His example, we can reflect His goodness to the people around us.

This calling is not always easy. It requires patience and a willingness to put others first. But when we strive to live like Christ, we become a light for others, showing them the path to peace and love.

#### PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING & OUR LADY

## The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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	tions occasion-	Next weekend we warmly welcome Fr. Bill Murphy to the Parish who has kindly agreed to celebrate our Masses while Fr. Colin is away on a well earned break.					
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		Tuesday	25th		NO MASS		
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	Masses	Thursday	27th		NO MASS		
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		Friday	28th		NO MASS		
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#### Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February 2025 For vocations to the priesthood and religious life

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

#### Lent is almost upon us

During Lent we are once more invited to ponder afresh our relationship with God. Our Lenten journey is an opportunity for us to do some serious soul searching as this alone can lead us to inner freedom and peace. To help us in our penitential season, listed below are the planned Lenten Events for the Parish.

Mass times for Ash Wednesday 5th March 12.00 noon and 7.00 pm

Stations of the Cross every Wednesday at 6.00 pm from 12th March followed by Mass at 6.45 pm

Monday Mornings during Lent Mass at 7.00am

# **Ukraine Vigil**

Father Taras Khomych nd the Ukrainian Greek Catholic community present in Liverpool invite you to pray with them at a vigil for peace on the THIRD anniversary of the outbreak of war in their beloved homeland. The vigil will take place at Liverpool Parish Church (Old Churchyard, Liverpool L2 8TZ) on Monday, 24 February, starting at 6:30 pm.

It will include representatives from the city and faith leaders.

ALL ARE WELCOME!!! PLEASE SEE THE LINK BELOW

Service of Commemoration and Reflection for Ukraine Tickets, Mon 24 Feb 2025 at 18:30 | Eventbrite

# LGBT+ Catholics Archdiocese of Liverpool

The next gathering will be held on Sunday 2nd March 2025. All Saints, High Street, Golborne, Warrington, WA3 3BG Mass at 2.00pm followed by refreshments. All are welcome.

Heartfelt Thanks. From my heart I want to sincerely thank you for your support and prayers that truly helped us get through this sad and difficult time. Sincerest thanks to Fr Colin, for making our auntie's requiem mass so beautiful and special. I am truly privileged and deeply touched to have so many wonderful supportive friends in the parish. May God bless you all.

A mass of thanksgiving will be offered for your intentions.

Robert, Chris and Maria Kidd. xxx

#### PARISH CENTENARY YEAR EVENTS

Following the meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> January, various events to celebrate our Parish Centenary are now being planned. Highlights of these are listed below with dates already decided for some of them.

We need volunteers to help with several of the events as indicated. If you can spare some time, and would like to be involved, please either leave your name and contact number on the list in the porch or contact the parish office. It would also help if you could let us know which event you would be interested in helping to plan. If you have no preference just indicate this. You will be contacted within the next week.

Afternoon Tea	5 <sup>th</sup> May						
Children's Party	22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Volunteers Needed					
Dinner Dance	19 <sup>th</sup> September	Volunteers Needed					
Pilgrimage to Rome	4th November -	13th November					
Panto at the Everyman	20 <sup>th</sup> November	(tickets now on sale £16)					
Feast of Christ the King	21 <sup>st</sup> November						
(Mass at 7pm with Archbishop Malcolm, followed by refreshments)							
Open Church Weekend	21-23 November	Volunteers Needed					
Crib Exhibition	Date TBA	Volunteers Needed					
Children's Poster Competition Date TBA Volunteers Needed							

For the open church weekend, we are also asking people to get in touch if they have any memories about the parish that they are willing to share, including any photographs of past events, Weddings, First Communions, Baptisms etc, those from the old church in particular, but all would be welcome.

# **SVP Spring Social**

The next SVP social will take place on **Sunday, 2 March starting at 1.30pm** in the St John Vianney meeting room and finishing at 4pm. All our usual guests will be contacted in due course but if you know of someone who you feel would benefit from a few hours company chatting over tea and cakes then please get in touch with the parish office and leave their details if they are happy for you to do so. The team have very limited capacity to pick up and drop off guests so it would be greatly appreciated if guests can make their own transport arrangements where possible. The afternoon is a wonderful opportunity to bring those in our parish community who perhaps are unable to get to Mass as often as they used to, together for a catch up.

# 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, Bobby Rodriguez, Samantha, Patricia Brittles, Josephine Jones, Peggy Aliski, Toni Simpson, Frank Redmond, Marjorie Sharkey, Tracey James, Margaret Robinson, May Amos, Joan Dignum, Douglas Parr, Vincent Robinson, Suzanne Pain, and Ian Morris.

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:** Josephine Murphy, Janet Barker, Jack Corkhill, Paul Giles, Angela Pye, Paul Jennings, Dennis Brookman. We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Weekly Collection: Thank you for your contributions to the work of the Parish which raised: **£1,964.58** 

## **Christ the King Parish Tote**

The winning numbers for the January draw were 37 and 71

# **First Holy Communion Preparation Sessions**

Mary's Group FHC Preparation Session—Next Meeting: Friday 28th February at 3.45 pm in the Meeting Room

# Film night

Monday 17th March at 7.00pm in the St JV Meeting Room Refreshments will be served please book through the Parish Office

#### Saints of the Day

#### 27th February St Gregory of Narek

Gregor was born in a village on the shores of Lake Van between 945 and 950. His father, an archbishop died around 1011. When his mother died Gregor and his older brother were raised by a scholarly uncle who had them educated at the Narek monastery where he was a monk. The monastery was a prominent center of learning located in what is now Turkey. Gregor too entered the monastery and was ordained in 977. A professor of theology, Gregor wrote a mystical interpretation of the Song of Songs, and a long mystical poem called the Book of Prayer or the Book of Lamentations. He described his poem as "an encyclopedia of prayer for all nations." This classic of Armenian literature has been translated into 30 languages. The Russian text of the Book of Lamentations was set to music in 1985. Little else is known about Gregor, other than he died in the early 11th century and was buried within the walls of the Narek monastery where he had spent his life. In 2015 as the world observed the 100th anniversary of the Armenian genocide in the Ottoman Empire, Pope Francis concelebrated a Mass at the Vatican with Patriarch Nerses Bedros XIX Tarmouni and declared the monk, poet, and saint of the Armenian Apostolic Church, Gregory of Narek, a Doctor of the Church.

**1st March– St David** (d.601 or 589) was a monk of the 6th century. From 12th century he has been regarded as the Patron of Wales; he is also the only Welsh saint to be canonised and culled in the Western church. It is regrettable that very few details of his life are known. What seems certain is that he was primarily a saint of Pembrokeshire (Dyfed), whence his cult spread through South Wales by dedications well before the 12th century. The oldest written evidence about him comes from Ireland in the Catalogue of Saints (c.800). On this firm basis is built later information, such as his nickname Aquaticus as the leader of reformed monks who drank neither wine nor beer but only water. He is said to have travelled Brittany and Cornwall after the plague of 547. He is also said to have founded ten monasteries, among them Menevia and Glastonbury, where the monks lived in extreme hardship, imitating the monks of Egypt in their regime of heavy manual labour and study. His cult was approved by Callistus II. David is usually depicted in episcopal vestments, standing on a mound with a dove

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#### CAFOD Lent Appeal FRIDAY 14TH March -

Family Fast Day collection Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection and be a pilgrim of hope with CAFOD this Jubilee Year. You'll be supporting communities suffering the impacts of war, poverty and climate change to find solutions and hope. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call us on 0303 303 3030. You can also text CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10.

#### Sacrament of Confirmation: Registration Open - 13 Jan - 17 March 2025

The Archdiocese of Liverpool is inviting young people in year 8 (and above) to receive the sacrament of confirmation.

Confirmation is a sacrament through which we receive the Holy Spirit to make us stronger and more perfect Christians and true witnesses of Jesus Christ.

The preparation for the sacrament will begin in school with an introduction to the sacrament from Animate, the archdiocesan youth ministry team.

Alternatively your child may be asked to watch four short introductory videos at <u>https://www.youtube.com/user/AnimateYouth</u> Playlist - 'Confirmation Called ...'.

Year 8 pupils will then study the subject of confirmation in their RE classes.

After the registration deadline has passed your child will be invited to preparation sessions in your local area (parish / deanery).

Following these local preparation times young people will be invited to be confirmed.

If your child would like to receive the sacrament of confirmation this year it is **essential** they register online at: <u>https://liverpoolcalled.co.uk/</u> Registration must take place before the <u>17<sup>th</sup> March.</u>

#### **Pilgrims of Hope -Jubilee 2025**

Why not come along each Thursday at 7pm. Prayer, reflection, Scripture and song to help us focus on the themes of Jubilee. Will last no longer than 45 minutes Any questions speak to Maureen O Donovan

# Christ the King & Our Lady - Men's Breakfast Group

Held on the last Saturday of each month 8.30—9.30 am *Next meeting 22nd February 2025* St John Vianney Meeting Room All welcome

### 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