

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 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-3.45 pm and Friday 9am-3.45pm CLOSED ALL DAY WEDNESDAY and WEEKENDS

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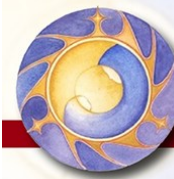
Christ the King	0151-722-3462	Head Teacher	Mr D Delaney
Our Lady of Good Help	0151-733-6937	Head Teacher	Mr M McQuiston
St. Paschal Baylon	0151-722-0464	Head Teacher	Mr E Flood

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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The Third Sunday of Lent 23rd March 2025 Year C

BEARING FRUIT

The parable of the fig tree in the Gospel reading for the 3rd Sunday of Lent Year C highlights God's patience. Jesus tells us that God gives us time to change and grow in faith. However, we must respond to this opportunity. The fig tree in the parable had not produced fruit for three years. The owner wanted to cut it down, but the gardener asked for more time. This shows that God is patient with us, giving us time to repent and improve.

The gardener's request for more time is a reminder that we are given chances to change. God does not give up on us easily. He waits for us to bear fruit in our lives.

Bearing fruit means living out our faith through good actions. It is not enough to simply believe; we must also act on our beliefs. This includes helping others, being kind, and living according to God's will. Reflecting on this parable during the 3rd Sunday of Lent Year C reminds us of God's patience and our responsibility. We are called to use the time we are given wisely. By responding to God's call and bearing fruit, we show our faith through our actions.

The Season of Lent

To help us in our penitential season, listed below are the planned Lenten Events for the Parish.

Monday Mornings during Lent Mass at 7.00am
Stations of the Cross every Wednesday at 6.00 pm
followed by Mass at 6.45 pm

Wed 26th March Music Group
Wed 2nd April Millenium Group
Wed 9th April Fr Colin

During Lent a box for Lenten Alms will be available in the porch.

PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING & OUR LADY

The Third Sunday of Lent

We apologise when times and Mass intentions occasionally need to be changed at short notice for Requiem Masses	Saturday	22nd	5.30 pm	Fred Cummins
	Sunday	23rd	9.30 am	Ann Hunter Birthday
			11.00am	People of the Parish
	Monday	24th	7.00am	Julian James - Get Well
			9.30am	OLGH School in Church
				Intention: Sarah Bowers RIP
	Tuesday	25th	9.10am	David Formby RIP Anniversary
	Wednesday	26th	6.00pm	Stations of the Cross <i>Followed by Mass</i>
			6.45pm	Lil Lehmann RIP
	Thursday	27th	9.30am	Terry Barton Jnr

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00-11.00am

Friday	28th	12.00pm	Rose Curry's Intentions
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The Fourth Sunday of Lent

Saturday	29th	5.30 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	30th	9.30 am	Graham Scrimshaw RIP Anniversary
		11.00am	Frank & Maureen McGurk

Next weekend we welcome Fr Stephen to celebrate our Masses while Fr Colin goes to OLA on a Parish swap.

Masses received this week: Mary Kelly RIP, Maria Mohan - Birthday, Frank Barnwell RIP, Eddie McPoland RIP.

Enrolled in our Mass Association this week: Carole Poole- Speedy Recovery, Patrick Lally- Get Well, James Finnigan RIP, Frank Barnwell RIP, Francis Roberts RIP, Colette Brazier & Kids

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for: *Frank Barnwell RIP*

The Marian Lamp burns for: *Robert Kidd -Birthday Blessings*

St PB Lamp burns for: *Special Intention (CJF)*

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for March 2025

For families in crisis

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

Regional Public Speaking Competition

Organised by Province 4 of the Catenian Association , will take place on **Friday 28th March (6.30 for 7.00pm)** at Liverpool Hope University Chapel ,Childwall Campus , Liverpool L16 9JD. (Ticket cost £19.00. inclusive of 2 course meal after the Competition.) Speakers, drawn from the 5th and 6th forms of St Edward's, S.F.X ., Bellerive, Archbishop Beck, Carmel College and 5 other Catholic Schools from Chester, North Wales and the Wirral will also be taking part .

The winner of the Competition will be invited to represent their school at the Catenian Association's Annual National Public Speaking Competition for Catholic Schools on 7th September in Manchester .

All are welcome to Province 4's competition. For tickets for the competition and enquiries, please contact Charles Boulton- 07484 16694.

Work Experience Opportunity for Young Adults

The St Vincent de Paul Society and CAFOD are working together to offer a **week of free residential work experience** for 20 young adults in England and Wales. The experience will run from **22nd 27th June in London**. Candidates must have completed their first or second year at university and have a passion for social justice. Applications close on the 20th April. For any queries, please contact

KeziaH@svp.org.uk

Pilgrim Cross: An Easter Walking Pilgrimage – Registrations Now Open

Pilgrim Cross is an annual Easter pilgrimage to Walsingham, open to all ages and backgrounds. Walk for one, three, or seven days in community before celebrating Easter in the historic ruins of Walsingham Abbey.

With routes ranging from 5 to 20 miles a day, there's a challenge for everyone – from families with young children to those ready for the full 100-mile journey.

Luggage is transported, and support is available along the way.

To register and join a group, visit pilgrimcross.org.uk

Pilgrims of Hope - Lenten Retreat

"We have set our hope on the living God" (1 Timothy 4:10)

Saturday 29th March 9:30am – 12noon at St Mary's Parish Hall L25 5JF

Tea & Coffee available from 9:00am

As part of our Lenten preparations why not join us for a morning of scripture, prayer, and reflection. If you can't stay for the whole morning, please do feel free to join for as much time as you have.

Millenium Group

Our next Cake / Craft Sale is planned for the
Mother's Day weekend 29th/30th March.

Thanks for your support for our charities:

Women's Health & Information Centre and One Hour for Others.

First Holy Communion Ties

Are now available to purchase from the parish office. Price £8.00

PARISH CENTENARY YEAR EVENTS

Parish Centenary Afternoon Tea

Monday 5th May 2-5 pm at CTK Parish Centre

Live Entertainment, Raffle, Quiz, Traditional Afternoon Tea. £10 per person

Tickets on sale after each weekend Mass

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

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Easter Triduum Readers' Rota

Please put your name down on the sign up sheet at the back of church.
We also ask for twelve volunteers for the washing of feet.

Easter Flowers

As Easter approaches we turn our thoughts to the decoration of the church to mark this great feast of new life in a fitting manner. If you would like your loved ones remembered in our Easter List Masses please list their names on an Easter Flowers slip and place it in an envelope at the back of church.

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.

Lately Dead: Frank Barnwell

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

Anniversaries: *Samuel Lee, Joyce Watson, Linda McAdam, Robert Lang, Peter Morgan, Jeff Severs*

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

Baptisms: This week we welcome into the Church

Jessica Catling-Martin

Weekly Collection: Thank you for your contributions to the work of the Parish which raised: **£1,801.18**

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 Parish Tote

The winning numbers for the March draw were
10 and 37

Saints of the Day

23rd March—St Turibius of Mongrovejo. 1538—1606. Turibius was a lay professor of law at Salamanca University from which Philip II appointed him principal judge in the court of the Inquisition at Granada. Very unexpectedly, he was appointed archbishop of Lima. Both these appointments were most unusual ones for a layman to hold. Turibius in vain pleaded his own incapacity and the enactments of canon law, which forbade such promotions. All was in vain; he received orders and was consecrated bishop. He arrived in Lima in 1581 and his vast diocese comprised some thousands of square miles; his first visitation took seven years. Spanish conquerors often gave appalling examples of tyranny, oppression, and cynical disregard for Christian moral teaching. Turibius took positive steps to improve matters by building churches and founding hospitals and religious houses. In 1591, he founded the first seminary for priests in the New World. He championed the rights of the Indians and the poor.

25th March - Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord.

This solemnity (sometimes transferred in the calendar due to Easter) commemorates the moment when the Archangel Gabriel announced to the Blessed Virgin Mary that she would conceive and bear the Son of God. It celebrates Our Lady's assent to God's plan, marking the incarnation of Christ. Nine months before the Nativity, the Annunciation is a profound moment in salvation history, emphasising obedience, grace, and the beginning of God's redemptive work in Christ.

First Holy Communion Catechist Meeting

Palm Sunday Activity Day

Monday 31st March at 6.00pm in the St JV Meeting Room

First Holy Communion Preparation Sessions

Mary's Group—final meeting

Friday 28th March at 3.45 pm in the Meeting Room

Way of the Cross Procession through Liverpool City Centre 12th April at 1.00pm

Join us for the procession starting at the Blessed Sacrament Shrine in Liverpool City Centre. The Journey will conclude at Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral with a blessing from Archbishop Malcolm McMahon.

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

Held on the last Saturday of each month 8.30—9.30 am

Next meeting 29th March 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

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Guild of St Stephen Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Liverpool Archdiocesan Guild of St Stephen's Pilgrimage to Lourdes is currently **accepting bookings**. The pilgrimage will take place **Sunday 26th October – Saturday 1st November 2025** and further information including booking costs, is on the flyer in church porch. For more information please contact **Rose Curry**, on 07932 729896.

Belated Thank You—Christmas Fair 2024

A very sincere thank you to all who contributed, volunteered and took part in the Christmas Fair. It was a real Parish endeavour that was enjoyed by all and raised an amazing

£2,028.27

A.P.F./Mill Hill Missions

Red boxes are due to be opened in the next few weeks (up to April 13th).

Thank you for all your donations.