## 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 Monday1.00pm-3.45pmMillennium GroupLast Tuesday6.00pmBaptismal MeetingLast Friday10.30am- 12.30pmBereavement 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-3.45pm

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

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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 Fifth Sunday of Lent 6th April 2025 Year C

#### **FORGIVENESS AND CHANGE**

The 5th Sunday of Lent Year C calls us to change our hearts. Sometimes, we think our righteousness and the law of God give us the right to judge others. But in the gospel, Jesus shows us another way. Jesus teaches that the life of a sinner is more important than the law. The woman caught in adultery broke the rules, and there's no denial of that. But Jesus believes in giving second chances, even when the law does not.

The woman in the story remains silent. She does not admit her mistake or apologize. Her silence can be seen in many ways, but it shows she does not make excuses either. Both the crowd and the woman have strayed from God's heart and law. We do the same. Like the woman, we might ignore God's commands and do as we please. Or like the crowd, we might use the law to separate "us" from "them," wanting punishment for those who fail.

Jesus also shows trust in the crowd. He seems to know that no one will throw a stone. He believes that their goodness will shine through when challenged. We can learn from this in our society. A good mantra for this gospel is "Forgive her. Change me." It reminds us to show mercy and seek personal change. The 5th Sunday of Lent Year C encourages us to embrace this lesson. As we reflect on this gospel, let's ask God to help us forgive others. Let us also seek change in our own hearts. This way, we follow Jesus' example on the 5th Sunday of Lent Year C.

## The Season of Lent

Monday Mornings during Lent - Mass at 7.00 am Stations of the Cross every Wednesday at 6.00 pm followed by <u>Mass at 6.45 pm</u>

Wed 9th April Stations led by Fr Colin During Lent a box for Lenten Alms will be available in the porch.

Donations this year will go to Asylum Link

#### The Fifth Sunday of Lent We **Kay Thomas RIP** Saturday 5th 5.30 pm apologise People of the Parish Sunday 6th 9.30 am when times and 11.00am James Flaherty RIP Mass inten-Monday 7th 7.00am Margaret Farrell Special Intention tions 9.10am Maureen Williams Tuesday 8th occasionally need 12.00pm **Funeral Liturgy Guiseppa Carubia** to be 6.00pm **Stations of the Cross** Followed by Mass Wednesday 9th changed at short 6.45pm Maureen Knight RIP notice for Mary Curran RIP 9.30am Thursday 10th Requiem Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00-11.00am Masses 11th **12.00pm** Friday **Requiem Mass Agnes Morgan**

# Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday	12th	5.30 pm	Emma Sweeney
Sunday	13th	9.30 am	Gene & Bill Woods RIP
		11.00am	People of the Parish

# Confessions commence at 4.45pm—5.15 pm each Saturday evening before 5.30pm Mass.

Masses received this week: Frank Barnwell RIP, Carol & Tony Smith and Family - Get Well and Special Intention, Baby James Beardwood RIP x 3, Sheila Kenny RIP, Sue Cox - Birthday Wishes

Enrolled in our Mass Association this week: Catherine Lloyd RIP x 2

**The Sanctuary Lamp burns for:** The People of Myanmar

# Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April 2025 For the use of the new technologies

Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our time

### **HOLY WEEK SERVICES 2025**

### **Monday 14th April**

7.00am Morning Mass

7.00 pm Pastoral Area Service of Reconciliation at Our Lady of the Assumption L25 2RY

## Tuesday 15th April

9.00am Morning Mass

5.00 –6.00pm Easter Triduum Altar Servers Practice in church

6.30 - 7.30pm Holy Week Holy Hour with Exposition

### Wednesday 16th April

7.00am Early Moring Mass

7.30pm Chrism Mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral

## Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April

7.30pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

Watching until 10.00pm—ending with Night

Prayer

# Good Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> April

10.00am Office of Readings and Morning Prayer

11.00am Stations of the Cross

(led by Children of the Parish)

3.00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Passion

6.30pm Meditations at the Cross

# Holy Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> April

8.00pm Solemn Vigil of Easter (*First Mass of Easter*)

# Easter Sunday, 20th April

9.30am Holy Mass for Easter Day11.00am Holy Mass for Easter Day

## **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 the names of your loved ones to be remembered on an Easter Flowers slip and place it in the printed envelopes at the back of church.

## **Donations for Easter Raffle**

As we journey towards Easter, we will be selling tickets for an Easter themed hamper and are requesting donations of Easter eggs, chocolate, Wine/Spirits which can be left at the back of church or handed in to the office. £1 per strip, tickets available from this weekend. The proceeds of which will go towards the parish Centenary Charities.

### PARISH CENTENARY YEAR EVENTS

Afternoon Tea	5th May		Fully Booked	
Children's Party	22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Volu	<b>Volunteers Needed</b>	
Dinner Dance	19 <sup>th</sup> September	Volu	<b>Volunteers Needed</b>	
Pilgrimage to Rome	4th - 13th Nove	mber	Fully Booked!	
Panto at the Everyman	20 <sup>th</sup> November	(tickets	now on sale £16)	
Food of Christ the King	21st November	-	·	

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 4th – 6th December Volunteers Needed
Children's Poster Competition Date TBA Volunteers Needed

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## St Francis Xavier's Catholic Academy

St Francis Xavier's Catholic Academy (SFX) has achieved a 'GOOD' rating in its most recent Catholic Schools Inspection. This is a well-deserved recognition that highlights the continued growth of the school and its dedication to providing a high-quality Catholic education and environment.

Congratulations to all the Staff & Pupils

# **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.

# 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, 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, Ian Morris, Margery Thornton, and Norman Larkin.

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: Guiseppa Carubia and Agnes Morgan

We offer our prayers and sympathy to their families and friends.

**Anniversaries:** Richard Rainford, Michael Breslin, Mary Fryer, Agnes Connolly, Anthony Ventre, Winifred Newell and Stephen Kelly We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

**Baptisms:** This week we welcome into the Church

### Isabella Brooks and Honora Florence Hanlon

**Weekly Collection:** Thank you for your contributions to the work of the Parish which raised: £1,542.22

# New Offertory Envelopes for 2025/26

The new offertory envelopes for 2025/26 will be available for collection on the weekend 5th/6th April.

## **Christ the King Parish Tote**

The winning numbers for the March draw were 10 and 37

## Saints of the Day

**7th April-St John Baptiste de la Salle** 1651 -1719. John Baptiste de la Salle was born in Rheims, France known as the Father of Modern Pedagogy. He opened three schools for poor children, introducing new teaching methods. He organised the congregation called the Brothers of the Christian schools which made great contributions to popular education. He is the Patron of Teachers.

11th April - St Stanislaus. *Bishop and Martyr* 1030-1079. Born in the town of Szczepanow in Poland about the year 1030. He studied at Paris . He became a priest and in 1701 succeeded Lambert as the bishop of Cracow. He ruled his diocese as a good shepherd, helping the poor and making a visitation of his clergy every year. Having fearlessly rebuked King Boleslav, he was murdered by him.

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**First Holy Communion Ties** 

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

#### **PALM SUNDAY**

Parents of Year 4 children who would like to take part in the activity afternoon on Palm Sunday 13th April 1-3pm should complete a consent form and return it to church ASAP.

#### **FAMILY STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Child friendly Stations of the Cross will be at **11am on Good Friday 18**<sup>th</sup> **April**. Year 4 First Communicants will be leading the service which should last 30-40 minutes. There will be a rehearsal for those children leading the service at **2pm this Sunday 6**<sup>th</sup> **April** in church.

#### FIRST COMMUNION OUTFITS

We have received donations of two girls' communion dresses and two boys' suits (navy blue). If there is a family who could make use of any of them could you please contact the parish office to make arrangements. Thank you.

## 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.

## Sacrament of Confirmation 2025 - Save the Date!

Our Youth Ministry Team are currently finalising the details for this programme. It's still not too late to register and a team member will be at the back of church with registration forms for candidates (Year 8 and above) to complete. If you know of a young person who may be interested in finding out more and/or registering then please take a form and pass it to them, returning it no later than 27 April.

This year, Pope Francis has reminded us that we are called to be Pilgrims of Hope and to recognise that the Sacraments support us and strengthen us on our journey as we try and live the best Christian life we can. The gift of the Holy Spirit given in Confirmation helps and guides us all the days of our life so please consider receiving this and/or sharing the opportunity to register with the young people you know.

On **Wednesday, 30 April, 7pm-8pm**, the team are holding a short introduction meeting for those young people who have put their name forward to receive this sacrament, light refreshments will be available. We would also like to invite previous candidates to come along and perhaps share their experience (positive or negative) of the confirmation programme they undertook and the team would really welcome their ideas and input.

### **Easter Triduum Altar Servers' Practice**

Would the altar servers who have signed up to help at the Easter Triduum Masses and services, please try to come to the Easter Triduum Altar Server Practice on *Tuesday 15th April from 5pm to 6pm* in the church. If you still want to sign up, please look at the Holy Week sign up sheet on the sacristy table.

Thanks - Altar Server Team

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

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.

## Millenium Group

Many thanks to all those who supported our Cake/Craft recently which raised £537.20.

We have met our target of £5,000 and will be donating £2,500 to both Women's Health & Information Centre and One Hour for Others. We are in the process of collecting nominations from charities abroad and will be choosing our next project at the end of the month.