#### 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-3.45pm

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

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#### Schools

Christ the King0151-722-3462Head TeacherMr D DelaneyOur Lady of Good Help0151-733-6937Head TeacherMr M McQuistonSt. Paschal Baylon0151-722-0464Head TeacherMr 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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# Fourth Sunday of Easter Good Shepherd Sunday 11th May 2025 Year C

## Statement on the announcement of Pope Leo XIV from the Archdiocese of Liverpool

Archbishop Malcolm McMahon OP, Apostolic Administrator of Liverpool said:

Dear brothers and sisters,

It is with a profound sense of joy and thanksgiving to God that we welcome the news of the election of Cardinal Robert Prevost as the Holy Father Pope Leo XIV, the 267th successor of St Peter. The Cardinal Electors, inspired by the Holy Spirit, have chosen a gifted and prayerful pastor to walk in the shoes of the fisherman to be a focus of unity for the Church today.

After the call and legacy of the late Pope Francis calling the Church to be missionary disciples and proclaim the joy of the Gospel, we as the Catholic community of the Archdiocese of Liverpool pledge our closeness in prayer and our support to Our Holy Father the Pope. I invite all the faithful of the archdiocese, and men and women of good will to pray with me at this time.

O God pastor and ruler of all the faithful, look with mercy upon Pope Leo XIV who you have appointed to shepherd the Universal Church. Renew deep within him the spirit of Holiness to be the shepherd, the guide of the Church for the needs of the world today in 2025.

Through Christ our Lord Amen.

Holy Mary, mother of the Church, pray for us!

Saints Peter and Paul, apostles of Rome. Pray for us!

**Archbishop elect- Sherrington added:** 

I unite my prayer with Archbishop Malcolm and the people and clergy of the Archdiocese of Liverpool for Pope Leo XIV as the successor of St Peter and the shepherd of the Universal Church.

We rejoice in his election!

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notice for	Thursday	15th	9.30am	David Barnes RIP	
Requiem	Exposition of the Blessed sacrament 10.00-11.00am				
Masses	Friday	16th	12.00pm	Alice & Frank Graham 60th Anniv	

#### Fifth Sunday of Easter

	Saturday	17th	10.00am	FHC Mass SPB Gerard Bakstad RIP
1			11.45am	FHC Mass SPB Perry Campbell RIP
			5.30 pm	Tommy & Agnes Smith RIP
:	Sunday	18th	9.30 am	People of the Parish
			11.00am	Anne Corrigan RIP
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# Confessions commence at 4.45pm—5.10 pm each Saturday evening before 5.30pm Mass.

Masses received this week: Theresa Farmer RIP, Rita Wenham: Healing, Joyce Meadows, Denise Pursall: Birthday, Ray McGovern RIP.

Enrolled in our Mass Association this week: Alan Magill RIP

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for: Tommy & Agnes Smith RIP

The Marian Lamp burns for: Molly Greer RIP—Birthday Remembrance

There will be a retiring collection for the Priests' Training Fund after all Masses this weekend!

#### Coffee Mornings 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

# Date for your Diary Millenium Group

We are planning on holding a New and Nearly New Washed Baby Clothes Sale (newborn to 2yrs old) after the Masses on 7/8th. June. How often have you heard "the baby has grown out of .... before they have even worn the clothes!! "Many families can pass things on, but if you can't please donate them to us and leave them in the box at the back of church.

Any items that are left will be donated either to a local charity or charity shop.

Thanks for your continued support.

### **Preloved Adults Clothing Event**

Good quality preloved adults clothing sale, St Mark's Church, The Annexe, Penmann Crescent, Halewood, Liverpool, L26 OUG taking place on Friday, 16 May, 2.30pm-5.30pm and Saturday, 17 May, 10am-1pm. Bring a bag and grab a bargain. Tickets £2 includes a raffle or pay on door.

No returns. This event has been organised by the Parish Ladies Group

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Liverpool Male Voice Choir 7.30 pm Friday May 16th, doors open at 7.00 pm

Our Lady of the Assumption Parish Centre Hartsbourne Ave, L25 2RY Charity event in aid of young people helping in Lourdes Tickets £5.00

(See poster in porch for QR code if you'd like to buy online)

#### PARISH CENTENARY YEAR EVENTS

During our parish centenary year we are going to be supporting two local charities. We know our parish is very generous and all money raised through the centenary events will go to Micah and St Vincents.

Micah is a charity that has been set up to relieve residents from across our city from poverty and social injustice. They are currently running projects to combat unemployment and deliver emergency food aid and affordable food.

St Vincent's School in West Derby School is non-maintained independent residential school for children and young people with sensory impairments and other needs. They offer both day and residential provision for pupils aged 4-19 years on a weekly term-time basis.

A huge thanks to all those who bought raffle tickets to the Easter raffle, we raised £200 which starts off our charity donations. Thank you to all, for your continued support.

Children's Party	22 <sup>nd</sup> June	<b>Volunteers Needed</b>
Dinner Dance	19 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Volunteers Needed</b>
Pilgrimage to Rome	4th - 13th Novem	ber Fully Booked!
Panto at the Everyman	<b>20<sup>th</sup> November</b> (	tickets now on sale £16)
Feast of Christ the King	21st November	

(Mass at 7pm with Archbishop John, followed by refreshments)

Open Church Weekend	21-23 November	<b>Volunteers Needed</b>
Crib Exhibition	4th – 6th December	<b>Volunteers Needed</b>
Children's Poster Competition	on Date TBA	<b>Volunteers Needed</b>

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### **Parish Centenary Afternoon Tea**

A big thank you to the organisers and helpers for the very successful and enjoyable *Afternoon Tea* held on Bank Holiday Monday 5th May.

## 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, Margaret Hopkins, John Williams, Bobby Rodriguez, Samantha, Patricia Brittles, Josephine Jones, Peggy Aliski, Toni Simpson, Marjorie Sharkey, Tracey James, Margaret Robinson, May Amos, Joan Dignum, Douglas Parr, Vincent Robinson, Suzanne Pain, Ian Morris, Margery Thornton, Norman Larkin, Robert James, Cathy (Gertude) Jolliffe.

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:** Anne King

We offer our prayers and sympathy to Anne's family & friends

**Anniversaries:** Sarah Bowers, Mary Birch, Mary Harrison, Giuseppa Carrubia, Susan Severs, Veronica Fishwick.

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

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

Louie Skelton, Cassie McFerran-Redmond and Briah & Audie Thornton

**Weekly Collection:** Thank you for your contributions to the work of the Parish which raised: £1,746.75

Christ the King Parish Tote
Thanks to everyone who takes part in the CTK Makeover Fund Tote
the April draw has now taken place.

The winning numbers were 4 & 41

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.

### Saints of the Day

12th May –Ss Nereus and Achilleus. Martyred around 304, they were soldiers, used to executing, through fear, the orders of a cruel tyrant. They were converted to Christianity and threw away their arms. Over the cemetery of Domitilla in Rome, a church was built in the 4th century in which their now empty tomb was discovered by archaeologists in 1874. According to the tradition they were martyrs and eunuchs of the Lady Flavia Domitilla. During Trajan's reign, Nereus and Achilleus were beheaded and Domitilla burnt to death for refusing to sacrifice to idols.

**14th May— St Matthias, Apostle.** Matthias was chosen by the apostles between Ascension and Pentecost to take the place of Judas so that he might be a witness of the resurrection of the Lord. The story of how he was numbered with the other apostles is found in the Acts 1:15-26

**15th 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.

## Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May 2025 For working conditions

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfillment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

### **Pope Francis Digital Photo Album**

To remember the Holy Father, we are going to put together a Digital Photo Album of memories of Pope Francis. If you have any pictures of or with the Holy Father, please send them to <a href="mailto:communications@rcaol.org.uk">communications@rcaol.org.uk</a>

#### **CONFIRMATION 2025 ANIMATE)**

## 2025 registration to receive the sacrament of confirmation has now closed.

For those registered and/or interested please join the Animate team and special guests live for the **Sacrament of Confirmation Online Preparation Sessions** on **Thursday 15 May** from **16.30-18.00** on the Animate Youth YouTube channel. No log in required. This session will offer a reminder of some of the work done in schools on Gifts of the Spirit, Saints, Rite of Confirmation. You will also hear how Confirmation has affected different people in the Archdiocese. **This is to run alongside your Local Parish/Deanery preparation**.

#### ARCHDIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE WALK (1) – ST ANNE & BLESSED DOMINIC, SUTTON, ST HELENS – Saturday 17 May 2025

The first of our three Jubilee Pilgrimage Walks will take place on Saturday 17 May. This will be a circular walk of 5 miles based around the Jubilee Church of St Anne and Blessed Dominic in St Helens. The walk will begin 10:00 from the church car park (WA9 3ZD) and will end with a short procession through the grounds at 11:50. Those who do not feel able to complete the 5-mile walk may join us for the procession. Holy Mass will be celebrated at 12:00 and there will be an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and visit to the Shrine of Blessed Dominic Barberi. Refreshments will also be available after Mass in the Parish Centre. To allow us to plan accordingly please sign up for the walk using the following link:

https://forms.office.com/e/11DnmnWWC5

For more information contact Chris: <a href="mailto:c.higgins@rcaol.org.uk">c.higgins@rcaol.org.uk</a>

### **First Holy Communion Candidates**

Please remember in your prayers all the children from our parish and local schools who have made their first Holy Communion and for those who will be making their First Holy Communion this and next weekend.