

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
Friday	9.30—11.30 am	Coffee Morning (in Porch)

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
Last Saturday	8.30 to 9.30 am	Men's Breakfast Club

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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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary time 20th July 2025 Year C

REJOICING IN HARDSHIPS

Paul talks about rejoicing in his sufferings. This teaches us that enduring hardships can strengthen our faith. For the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C, we see similar themes in the first reading and the Gospel. These stories show different forms of hardship, such as infertility and frustration with others.

In Genesis, Sarah faces the hardship of infertility. She struggles to believe the promise of a child because it seems impossible. Yet, through this hardship, Abraham and Sarah learn to trust in God's promises. Their faith is tested, but it also grows stronger.

The Gospel story of Martha and Mary includes the hardship of frustration. Martha is frustrated with Mary for not helping her with the work. Jesus gently reminds Martha that Mary has chosen the better part by sitting and listening to Him. This teaches us that in our frustrations, we need to focus on what truly matters.

Paul's message, along with these readings for the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C, reminds us that hardships are a part of life. Whether it is physical suffering, emotional pain, or everyday frustrations, these challenges can help us grow in faith. By trusting in God and focusing on what is important, we can find joy even in difficult times.

We apologise when times and Mass intentions occasionally need to be changed at short notice for Requiem Masses

The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	19th	5.30 pm	Paula Larkin - Birthday
Sunday	20th	9.30 am	People of the Parish
		11.00 am	Martin Murray RIP
Monday	21st	9.00 am	Frank Barnwell Birthday RIP
Tuesday	22nd	8.30 am	Mary Hennessey RIP
		2.00pm	Requiem Mass - Shirley Langton
Wednesday	23rd		NO MASS
Thursday	24th	9.30am	Winifred Murphy RIP
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10am to 11am			
Friday	25th	12 noon	Requiem Mass - John McNally

The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	26th	5.30 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	27th	9.30 am	Granny Cass RIP
		11.00 am	Margaret Schumacher RIP

Confession: 4.45 - 5.10 pm each Saturday before 5.30 pm Mass

Masses received this week: Francis Magee: Speedy Recovery, Fran Finlay— Get Well, William Kennedy RIP, Tracey Martindale: Speedy Recovery, Christopher McNamara RIP x 2, Joseph Delafield RIP, Paula Larkin: Birthday Wishes, Thanksgiving to St Jude.

Mass Association: Chris McNamara, William Kennedy RIP, Bill Dykes RIP x 2, Jim Dowling RIP

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for:
Carole Poole Successful Treatment

The Marian Lamp burns for:
Geoff Richards Special Intention

The St Paschal Baylon Lamp:
Dennis Adderley RIP

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Thanksgiving Mass in Honour of *Venerable Elizabeth Prout, CP*

will be held in The Church of St. Anne and Blessed Dominic

Monastery Road, Sutton St Helens, WA9 3ZD (off Robins Lane)

Saturday 13th September 2025 at 12.00pm

Chief Celebrant Rev Bishop Mark Davies

If you wish to attend please sign the sheet in the church porch.

All welcome to refreshments afterwards in the Parish Centre.

Film Night/ Photos from Northern Saints Pilgrimage 2024

On Monday 21st July 7pm there will be a slide show of photographs from our Northern Saints Pilgrimage 2024 followed by a screening of 'The Miracle Club' in the St JV Meeting Room.

Refreshments will be served. This is a free event but due to the size of the meeting room numbers will be limited.

To reserve a place please book through the Parish office.

Day For Catechists: Formation & Reflection –

Saturday 27/9/25

Are you a catechist looking for spiritual refreshment? No matter what kind of ministry you are serving, there is a good opportunity for you to refresh your vocation of being a catechist.

On Saturday 27 September, the Day for Catechists will be organised from 10.00 – 16.00 at Carmelite Monastery L18 3NU. With the facilitation of Sr Carino and Sr Hyacinthe from the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph, there will be spiritual input and practical discussion on the mission of catechesis. For more information, please contact Moses at m.mui@rcaol.org.uk

Youth 2000 Summer Festival 2025

Taking place in the grounds of Ampleforth College from Friday 22nd— Monday 25th August, the Youth 2000 Summer Festival provides young adults (aged 16-35) from across the UK the opportunity to come together and explore faith, build relationships and find hope.

This four-day festival includes great speakers, social time, break-out sessions, Daily Mass, 24/7 Adoration and much more! Register your place at: youth2000.org/events/summerfestival2025

Parish Centenary Events

Centenary Celebration—Friday 19th September in the Parish Centre

Tickets will be on sale to those who have already expressed interest on the following dates **July 12th & 13th and 19th & 20th**

Each ticket is £30 and includes an arrival welcome drink, hot and cold buffet, entertainment and raffle.

Any tickets still available will be on general sale after Masses on July 26th and 27th

Tickets to be paid for on collection—thank you

Pilgrimage to Rome	4th - 13th November	Fully Booked!
Panto at the Everyman	20th November	Fully Booked!
Feast of Christ the King	21st November	
(Mass at 7pm with Archbishop John, followed by refreshments)		
Open Church Weekend	21-23 November	
Crib Exhibition	4th – 6th December	

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Coffee Mornings

We're now taking a break for the summer but please join us again in September from 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

Millenium Group

Many thanks to everyone who supported our recent events.

Our Musical Evening raised £172 and our Book Sale £224 which is amazing.

We are very grateful to John Douglas who had the idea of doing a book sale to help our funds. The total from the three sales we've had is **£516**. If you have any ideas for other fundraising opportunities, please contact us, via the Parish Office.

TOTS & TODDLERS PLAYGROUP

We have now broken up for our Summer holidays and would like to thank all our regulars for coming along each week.

We have vacancies for September, please ring the Parish Office to register.

We're back for the new session on **Tuesday 25th September** and wish you all a safe and happy summer break

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, Trevor Jones, Patricia Brunskill.

If you know of any Parishioner who would like to be remembered in the prayers of the Parish, with their permission, please pass the details into the Parish Office.

Lately Dead: Shirley Langton & John McNally

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

Anniversaries: Margaret Schumacher.

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

Baptisms: This week we welcome into the Church

***Naomi Rastoll Stockley, Jacob Anthony Doe
and Daniel Mark Byron***

Weekly Collection: Thank you for your contributions to the work of the Parish which raised: **£1,680.65**

Pilgrims of Hope—Jubilee 2025

Wednesday Jubilee prayers have now finished for the summer, we will resume in September. Thanks to everyone who has participated throughout the year, we hope you all have a safe and enjoyable summer break. Thanks Mo and Dymna

Christ the King Parish Tote

Thanks to everyone who takes part in the CTK Makeover Fund Tote

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.

Winning Numbers for the Month of July: 17 & 62

Saints of the Day

22nd July - St Mary Magdalene Mary was a follower of Jesus 'out of whom he had cast seven devils'. She stood at Calvary, went to anoint his body at the tomb and was first witness of the resurrection. The Church in modern times has abandoned Mary Magdalene's former identification both with the sinner woman who anointed Christ's feet in Simon's house and as being Mary, the sister of Martha.

23rd July - St Bridget 1303-73 Born of a rich Governor of Upland she was married to a young prince at the age of 14. They had eight children of whom one was St Catherine of Sweden. Her husband died soon after a pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela and she founded the Order of the Most Holy Saviour, building a double monastery for monks and nuns at Vadstena. Her austerity of life, her devotion both in visiting shrines and in serving pilgrims, the poor and the sick were impressive.

24th July - St Sharbel Makhluf

Sharbel was a Lebanese monk, born in a small mountain village and ordained in 1858. Devoted to the Blessed Virgin Mary, he spent the last twenty years of his life as a hermit. Despite temptations to wealth and comfort, Sharbel taught the value of poverty, self sacrifice and prayer by the way he lived his life.

25th July - St James

James was the son of Zebedee and the brother of John, the apostle. He was one of three witnesses to Christ's transfiguration and the agony in the garden as well as being present at the raising of Jairus' daughter. James was the first apostle to die for the faith, dying by the sword in about 42 AD at Jerusalem. The word 'boanerges' used by the evangelists to describe James and John means 'sons of thunder'.

26th July - Sts Joachim and Anne are the names given by tradition from the 2nd century to the parents of Our Lady. Joachim and Anne were first mentioned by name in the apocryphal Gospel of James, which records the promise of an angel to them as an aged and childless couple of the birth of Mary.

A.P.F./MILL HILL

A reminder that this is the last weekend for the mission collection. Money will be banked next week. Thank you

Thank You from the SVP Team

Many thanks to all those who left donations of clothing over the last few weeks, your response has been amazing! These have all been delivered to St Vincent's Church, Hardy Street, L1 and have been gratefully received. The team there are now asking for **children's clothing only**.

All donations can be left at the back of church. Thank you for your continued support.

The Liverpool Archdiocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage will take place from July 24th to 31st, 2025

Lourdes Prayer cards are available at the back of church

CTK DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING COURSE

We will be running a training course for use of the parish portable defibrillator equipment on

Saturday 13th September 2025 from 10am to 12pm.

We need volunteers who attend 5.30pm and 11 am Masses, please, as we now have sufficient volunteers for the 9.30 am Mass. Thank you
Places on the course are limited to 12 people.

For those interested in training, please contact the parish office leaving your contact details and the Mass time you usually attend.

SAVE THE DATE: ST MARY'S WOOLTON - BECOMING A DEMENTIA FRIENDLY PARISH

On Monday 22 September 7:00pm—8:30pm we will be hosting a Dementia Information Session in the parish hall. There will be talks and presentations from Dementia Specialist Nurses from NHS MerseyCare Trust, including advice and guidance from the Admiral Nurses along with representatives from the Alzheimer's Society. There will also be opportunity to sign up to become a Dementia Friend.

As September marks World Alzheimer's Month and in keeping with our parish tradition, we will also be hosting an evening of entertainment on **Saturday 20 September** to raise funds for Alzheimer's Research and other charities. Tickets will be on sale nearer the time. Further information from St Mary's Parish Office. All welcome.