

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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Web site www.ctkandol.org.uk <https://www.ctkandol.org>

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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 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 1st February 2026 Year A

Theme for the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

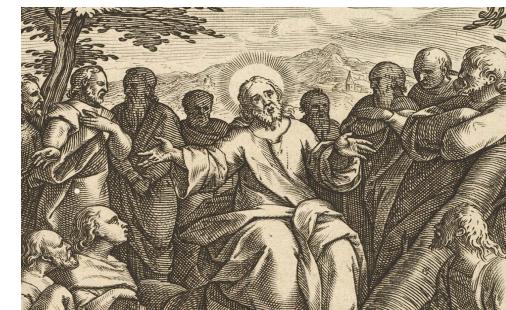
The readings for the 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time for Year A tell us we must seek the Lord. The first reading gives us a road-map for discipleship. The psalm sings of God's faithfulness and kindness. The second reading reminds us that the world might consider our path as a foolish one. In the gospel, Jesus gives us the Beatitudes, which lay out what it means to follow Him.

Thoughts for the Fourth Sunday

A UNIVERSAL BLESSING

In today's gospel, Jesus gives us the Beatitudes. These show us that the promise of a "universal blessing" which was made to Abraham will be fulfilled in Jesus. Unlike the world, God blesses those who are without power and influence.

So God's blessings are for all, but we must work for the virtues which Jesus lists here. We must be poor in spirit, meek, merciful, peace-makers, and more. This is also not the way of the world. But this is the Kingdom which we must strive for.



**Monday is The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord
Mass at 12.00pm.**

The Liturgy will commence with lighting and blessing of candles in the Church porch.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

We apologise when times and Mass intentions occasionally need to be changed at short notice for Requiem Masses	Saturday	31st	5.30 pm	Jerry Hyde RIP
	Sunday	1st	9.30 am	Joan Formby 90th Birthday
			11.00am	People of the Parish
	Monday	2nd	9.15am	Fr. Stephen Pritchard St PB School
			12.00pm	Mary Amos's Intentions
	Tuesday	3rd	9.10am	Betty Jones RIP
				<i>Blessing of St Blaise after Mass</i>
	Wednesday	4th		NO MASS
	Thursday	5th	9.30am	NO MASS
				Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 10.00-11.00am
	Friday	6th		NO MASS

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	7th	5.30 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	8th	9.30 am	Phil Fitzpatrick RIP

11.00am Frank and Tony Hunter RIP

Masses received this week: Maureen Sloan: Speedy Recovery, Francis Maguire RIP, Pat Mara RIP, Neil Patterson RIP, Debbie Canning—Thinking of You,

Enrolled into our Mass Association this week: Jackie Cassidy RIP, Jean Levison, Thomas Cromby, Jean Margaret Hogg RIP, John Wignall RIP x5, Sarah Manning RIP, Brendan Moran RIP X3

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for: Maisie Bennett 3rd Birthday
The Marian Lamp burns for: Clare Oliver—Birthday
The St Paschal Baylon Lamp: Sandra O'Donoghue—Birthday

Fr Colin will be on annual leave for a week.

Next weekend we welcome Emeritus Archbishop Malcolm who will be celebrating our weekend Masses

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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL PARISH VOLUNTEERS

The Safeguarding Department of the Archdiocese will be conducting the Deanery Audit of all documentation for those with DBS certificates in the parish during January 2026.

Any Volunteer who has not yet completed a new DBS 3C form and produced their identity documents for verification, please do so as soon as possible, at the Parish Office. Current Volunteers who do not complete the forms will be unable to minister until they have done so.

Adventurous Accompaniant Workshop

Are you a Deanery Synodal Counsel member, a chaplain or a catechist? Have you ever thought about how can you increase the awareness and confidence towards becoming an Adventurous Accompanier?

Through the journey of a 6-week programme including 3 full-day workshops, you will not only explore the core principles of accompaniment but also going in-depth to embed those principles in practice.

All costs of the programme will be covered by the Archdiocese.

Please register online if you are interested.

Sign up here <https://forms.office.com/e/bE7TrdtW9p?origin=lprLink>

For enquiries, please contact Moses Mui, Training Coordinator at m.mui@rcaol.org.uk

First Workshop **Saturday 7 February or Sunday 8 February**

Second Workshop **Saturday 28 February or Sunday 1 March**

Third Workshop **Saturday 21 March or Sunday 22 March**

*All Saturday workshops will take place at **St Margaret Clitherow Centre, Liverpool, L17 1AA (10:00-14:00)**

All Sunday workshops will take place at **St Joseph's Church, Penketh, Warrington, WA5 2BB (12:00-16:00)**



SVP

Please see the Notice Board in the Porch for updated news of various events that the members of the SVP have supported in the parish and community during the last quarter.

Knights of St Columba council 9 Sponsored walk in aid of St Josephs Hospice.

We apologise for the delay in letting you know the result of the contributions made by the parishioners. However we were asked by the hospice to delay payment until December when they took advantage of a match funding. We are now delighted to report that our excellent collection of £4000 was doubled by unnamed sponsors so that St Josephs have benefitted by £8000.

Many thanks to all who contributed so generously.

Coffee Mornings Friday's 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.

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY, SUNDAY 1 FEBRUARY 2026

Racial Justice Sunday 2026 is devoted to the promotion of racial justice in our Catholic parishes across England and Wales and society and an encouragement to be conscious of the need for justice in all its forms.

LIVERPOOL ARCHDIOCESE ONLINE ALPHA COURSE

The Archdiocese of Liverpool is hosting an 11-week online Alpha course for anyone curious about life, faith, and meaning. It's a chance to meet new people and explore the Catholic faith in a friendly, open environment - no pressure, no judgement. Sessions run every Thursday at 18:45, from 15 January to 26 March. Each week we tackle big questions about life and faith, sparking great conversations. Sign up today!

For more information, please email pd@rcaol.org.uk.

Christ the King Parish Tote

**Thanks to everyone who takes part in the CTK Makeover Fund Tote
the January draw has now taken place.**

Winning Numbers 23 and 46

JUBILEE PRAYER GROUP

Jubilee prayers continue every Thursday evening at 7pm .
This includes a mixture of prayer, reflection, music and some discussion.
All are welcome, any queries speak to Mo O'Donovan

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, Patricia Brittles, Josephine Jones, Peggy Aliski, Toni Simpson, Marjorie Sharkey, Tracey James, May Amos, Joan Dignum, Douglas Parr, Vincent Robinson, Suzanne Pain, Ian Morris, Margery Thornton, Norman Larkin, Robert James, Cathy (Gertrude) Jolliffe, Patricia Brunskill, Tina Keast, Patricia Harris, Peter Jackson, Patricia Mann, Linda Rodgers.

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: Maureen Lowe and Bobby Rodriguez

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

Anniversaries: Neville Stafford, Rosemary Cook, Angela Griffiths, Mervyn Parsons, Gerard Aston, Brendan Ord, Kolman Rafaelova, Rita Routledge and Alan Stocks

We pray for all those who have anniversaries around this time.

Baptisms: This week we welcome into the Church:

Mabel Mary Lea and Alivia Faith Paine

Weekly Collection: Thank you for your contribution to the work of the Parish which raised: **Total £1,712.61**

First Holy Communion Preparation FHC Session 5 Dates

OLGH School: Monday **9th** February at 3.15 pm
SPB School: Tuesday **10th** February at 4.30 and 6.00 pm
CtK School: Wednesday **11th** February at 4.30 and 6.00 pm

Jayne's Group FHC Preparation Sessions:
Wednesday **11th** February at 6.00 pm in the SJV meeting room

The parish have been donated some holy communion outfits which will be on view in the meeting room after this weekends masses.

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Saints of the Day

2nd February—The Presentation of the Lord. Mass at 12.00pm

The Liturgy will commence with lighting and blessing of candles in the Church porch. Also known as Candlemass (and previously the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary), this feast recalls when Mary and Joseph brought the infant Jesus to the Temple to present him to the Lord, in accordance to Jewish law. It signified the light of Christ coming into the world. Traditionally in this commemoration forty days after Christmas candles are blessed and carried in procession, symbolising Jesus as the light of all nations.

3rd February - St Blaise. Blaise was believed to be a bishop in Armenia. A woman brought her son to him because a fish bone was stuck in his throat. He healed him, hence the blessing of St Blaise with two candles at the throat. In the fourth century he was beheaded for the faith. **After the 9.10am mass today the blessing of St Blaise will be administered.**

3rd February— St Ansgar. Born in 801 St Ansgar was archbishop of Bremen and he became a monk at Corbie in Picardy. He joined a missionary journey to Sweden. Outstanding in charity to the poor he was an indefatigable preacher. Patron of Denmark, he died in 865.

5th February— St Agatha. Agatha (date uncertain), died at Catania, Sicily. Her early cult is witnessed in the Martyrology of Jerome and the calendar of Carthage (c.530). She is mentioned in the Roman Canon. Two churches were dedicated to her in Rome during the 6th century. Her late legendary acts describe her as a wealthy girl who had vowed virginity to Christ. The pagans attempted to seduce her. She was tortured and her breasts were cut off, but she was miraculously healed by a vision of St Peter. She was then rolled over sharp stones and burning coals and then imprisoned where she died.

6th February - St Paul Miki, SJ and his Companions. A Japanese Jesuit who preached the gospel with great effect. On 6th February, 1597 he and his companions were martyred in Nagasaki. From his cross Paul prayed for his persecutors.

8th February - St Jerome Emiliani. Jerome Emiliani was born in Venice and, after a rather dissolute youth, he dedicated himself to the service of the poor, the sick, and abandoned children. He founded a co-migration (Somaschi) which looked after the education of children, especially orphans. He died of the plague while serving the afflicted.

8th February - Saint Josephine Bakhita. Kidnapped at the age of nine and being too terrified to remember her name, Josephine acquired the name "Bakhit" which means "fortunate one." Her most "fortunate blessing" came when she was bought by an Italian consul which led eventually to her conversion and freedom. She joined the Canossian Sisters and ministered in Italy.

Sacrament of Confirmation 2026 – Register Now!

We encourage all young people (Year 8 and above) who wish to be Confirmed in 2026, to visit the [Liverpool Called website](#) with their parents/guardians. The details you provide on the online form will be shared with the Dean of the area of which you have applied, your local parish and the Diocesan administration team. The parish will be in touch after the **registration period ends on the 13 February 2026** (you will not be contacted beforehand) with details about meetings in your local area. You will likely be contacted after Easter so please do not worry if you are not contacted immediately. If you have any queries, please contact the parish priest.

Civic Mass – Sunday 15 February

The Dean of the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King, Liverpool, Monsignor Anthony O'Brien, has pleasure in inviting you to attend the Annual Civic Mass, celebrated by Archbishop John Sherrington.

Light refreshments will be served in the Gibberd Room after Mass.

If you are able to attend, please RSVP to c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk. We hope very much that you will be able to attend, and we look forward to welcoming you and your guest to the Civic Mass to celebrate all that is good in our City.

Come & See Day: "Lord Teach us to Pray" Saturday 7 February 10am-4pm

Nicholas King will be the keynote speaker at this week's Come & See Day at Irenaeus. Please come along to The Irenaeus Centre, 32 Great Georges Road, L22 1RD and bring a packed lunch. The event is free, with a suggested donation of £10. For more details, contact jenny@irenaeus.co.uk or call 0151 949 1199

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE MASS

Archbishop John Sherrington will celebrate the Marriage and Family Life Mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King on Sunday 8 February 2026 at 11:00. The Mass will include the renewal of marriage vows and a special blessing for those celebrating significant anniversaries.

Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Gibberd Room. For those couples who are celebrating a significant wedding anniversary, please register online for a certificate which will be collected on the day. Register here <https://forms.office.com/e/uE6amHrQ6w?origin=lprLink> For more information, please contact Moses at: m.mui@rcaol.org.uk