

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
Last Saturday	8.30am—9.30am	Men's Breakfast Club
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'Donova.

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
Contact information Tel 0151-722-2231 Email ctkandol@rcaol.org.uk

Schools

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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Third Sunday of Easter 19th April 2026 Year A

WALKING WITH THE RISEN LORD

The 3rd Sunday of Easter Year A reminds us that Jesus is alive and walks with us. The readings show how His followers came to believe in the resurrection. They also call us to live with hope and trust in His promise.

In the first reading, Peter tells the crowd that Jesus' death and resurrection were part of God's plan. He speaks with courage, showing that the Holy Spirit gives strength to share the Good News.

The Gospel tells the story of the road to Emmaus. Two disciples walk with a stranger who explains the Scriptures to them. They finally recognise Him when He breaks bread. This moment shows how Jesus is present with us in Word and Sacrament.

Parish SVP Awareness

We are a group of volunteers within this parish who are committed to bringing support and practical help to our neighbours in need, regardless of faith. If you need support or know someone who does, then please contact the parish office or the team directly on 07562 694 624 and we will see what is possible.

The team is looking for more volunteers to join the group, as this will assist in helping more people. If you are interested in finding out more, please speak to a team member by the display at the back of church. This weekend there will be a retiring collection for the work of our Parish SVP.

Retiring collection for the SVP this weekend

Third Sunday of Easter

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

Saturday	18th	5.30 pm	Marie and John Nugent RIP
Sunday	19th	9.30 am	People of the Parish
		11.00am	Joan, Gary Dunning & Family
		4.30 pm	Holy Hour—Dignity of Life
Monday	20th	9.15am	Mary Hunt RIP OLGH School
		12.00pm	Requiem Mass Graham Harris
Tuesday	21st	7.00am	Aidan Carney RIP
Wednesday	22nd		NO MASS
Thursday	23rd	9.30am	Julie Anderson RIP
		10 –11am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday	24th	12.00pm	Southport Children & Families

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Saturday	25th	10.00am	First Holy Communion Mass OLGH
		5.30 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	26th	9.30 am	Josephine Smith RIP
		11.00am	Kevin O’Donovan Speedy Recovery
		2.00pm	First Holy Communion Mass

Masses received this week: Rita Jackson RIP, Kitty O’Sullivan RIP, Vic Southern x 2, Jennifer Varley, Sheila McCarthy RIP, Ann King RIP, Ronnie Allen RIP, Mark Leatham RIP, Fr Dennis Touw: Thanksgiving x 2, James Furlong RIP x 2, Connie McCarten RIP, Holy Souls, Marie Calvert RIP x 2

Enrolled into our Mass Association this week: Brian Thompson RIP, Jim McCrossan, Barbara Moffatt RIP, Elizabeth White RIP x 2, Vic Southern RIP, Michael Quayle RIP, Mary Lynch RIP x 3

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for: Bernie Toolan RIP
The Marian Lamp burns for: Dennis Adderley RIP
The St Paschal Baylon Lamp: Brenda Williams Birthday Blessings

Notre Dame School

Did you attend a Notre Dame School in the Archdiocese of Liverpool? There will be a reunion on 17th May for all ex-pupils & teachers, consisting of Mass at 11.00am followed by a complimentary light lunch & a social finishing at 3.00pm, at the Irenaeus Centre, Waterloo. A donation for our current charity & a raffle prize would be appreciated.

Please try to attend, all are welcome.

Reply by 3rd May to Bernie Shaw, 0161 483 0173 or email

Berniemshaw@hotmail.com

Celebrating St Gerard, The Mothers’ Saint -Bishop Eton, Saturday 25th April 2026

April 6th 2026 marks the 300th anniversary of the birth of St Gerard Majella C.Ss.R., patron saint of a good confession and of mothers. To mark the occasion, Bishop Eton will be hosting a special day of events, including **Mass with the Archbishop, Blessing services, Exposition and a Taizé service.**

The church will be open all day and a team of Redemptorists and parishioners will be available to ensure that all those who wish may reverence the relic of St Gerard and receive medals and prayer cards. The first copy of the icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour to leave Rome will be on display.

Light refreshments, crafts for children and young people, and information on St Gerard will be available in the parish hall.

We look forward to welcoming you and your families for this very special occasion.

The full schedule and information on St Gerard can be found by scanning the QR code, or visiting www.bishopeton.org.uk/a-day-in-honour-of-st-gerard.html

Pentecost Celebrations/ 2 Cathedrals Service 24th May

[Pentecost or the 2 Cathedral’s Celebrations,](#)

an event for everyone, including our youth.

This year, the stalls will focus on the [Manifesto for Hope](#) launched last November. CTMR Church Leaders have also extended an invitation to our Civic Leaders. This year Pentecost falls on the May bank holiday weekend. We will be in touch with more information when it becomes available, and the QR code also leads you to the CTMR Pentecost website, where information will be added as it becomes available. See poster in the Porch.

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A BIG THANK YOU

I would like to offer a huge word of thanks to all those who were able to help get the church ready for our Easter celebrations. For our altar servers, readers, eucharistic ministers, catechists, flower arrangers and welcome teams. Your willingness to volunteer your time and skills is deeply appreciated. Thank you for being an integral part of our church community and for your commitment to serving our parish. Lastly, I want to offer my sincerest thanks for all the cards, gifts and good wishes received over Easter. Your kindness and generosity is overwhelming and your friendship, support and encouragement truly appreciated.

Fr Colin

HOLY HOUR FOR THE DIGNITY OF LIFE

Parishes and Catholic communities are asked to join with the Bishops of England and Wales to pray a Holy Hour for the dignity of all human life.

The Holy Hour will be held here at Christ the King church at 16:30 on Sunday 19 April as peers in the House of Lords continue to debate whether to make Assisted Suicide law.

For the full article please visit the CBCEW website: Holy Hour for the Dignity of Life- Catholic Bishops' Conference

CATHOLIC FAMILY HOLIDAYS IN THE LAKE DISTRICT

Castlerigg Manor in Keswick (heart of the Lake District) is offering budget-friendly holidays for Catholic families during May, August, and early September. Breakfast and evening meal are included and there will be Mass on site. Guests have full use of the site including the grounds, games room, chapel, and lounges, and Castlerigg is just a short walk from Keswick and Lake Derwentwater. Ideal for individuals, couples, families, or groups of friends. Head to www.castleriggmanor.com >> **stay with us** or contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk / 017687 72711

YOUTH MINISTRY GAP YEAR OPPORTUNITY

Do you know anyone aged 18-25 who is looking for a new challenge? The Diocese of Lancaster has a Youth Ministry team based in Keswick in the Lake District. They run retreats at Castlerigg Manor and also work in Churches and schools around the area. The 'Youth Ministry Internship' scheme comes with high quality training, experience, and recognised qualifications and gives young people the chance to join a welcoming community and a vibrant team doing some amazing work. **Interested?** Contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk or www.castleriggmanor.com

Please remember in your prayers the sick, housebound and all in our hospitals and homes.

Clare Battiste, Patricia Prentice, Julian James, Pat Brumskill, 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, Anthony Brandreth, David Langton, Elizabeth Riley, Ian Keast, Helen and Holly Watmough, Joe McCarten, Baby Jackson Sinnott

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: Graham Harris

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

Anniversaries: Elizabeth Beaumont, Patricia Barry, Michael Marner, Kevin Turner and Ellen Hobson

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

Baptisms: This week we welcome into the Church

Alanah May Perry

Weekly Collection: Thank you for your contribution to the work of the Parish which raised:

Easter Offerings raised £2827.86 Last week's total £1,841.92

Christ the King Parish Tote

**Thanks to everyone who takes part in the CTK Makeover Fund Tote
The winning Numbers for April are: 3 and 51**

JUBILEE PRAYER GROUP

The Group will be having a break for a couple of weeks, so watch this space for date of next meeting.

Saints of the Day

21st April -St Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church 1033 –1109. Born at Aosta in Piedmont, Anselm entered the Benedictine Order in the monastery of Le Bec in France, where he taught theology to the students and quickly progressed in the spiritual life before being elected abbot. He went to England where he succeeded Lanfranc as Archbishop of Canterbury. There he fought strenuously for the freedom of the Church and was twice condemned to exile. He is renowned for his writings, particularly in mystical theology, and for reforming English Church life.

23rd April - St George. Saint George was a soldier in the Roman army who later became venerated as a Christian martyr. His parents were Christians of Greek background; his father Gerontius was a Roman army official from Cappadocia and his mother Polychronia was a Christian from Lydda in the Roman province of Syria Palaestina. Accounts differ regarding whether George was born in Cappadocia or Syria Palaestina, but agree that he was raised at least partly in Lydda. St George became an officer in the Roman army in the Guard of Diocletian, who ordered his death for failing to recant his Christian faith in c.303AD.

25th April - Saint Mark the Evangelist was born in the early 1st century in the year 5 AD in Cyrene, present Libya, Africa. He is well known for being the author of the gospel according to Mark and founder and also bishop of the Church of Alexandria, Egypt. St. Mark passed away in the year 68 AD in Cyrene, present Libya. He was canonized pre-congregation and he is celebrated on the 25th of April every year which is his feast day. He is recognized as one of the early bishops who became Saints.

Blessing of the Icon of St Peregrine & Service of the Sacrament of the Sick

7pm Friday 24th April. Our Lady of the Assumption Church, L25 2RW.

Archbishop Sherrington will bless a newly commissioned icon of St Peregrine, the patron saint of those with cancer and life limiting conditions. All are welcome who have been affected by cancer or desire to receive the sacrament of the sick. During this Easter season come and discover how God walks with you through silent journeys of illness and treatment.

Confirmation 2026

The Preparation Sessions for Confirmation will take place in St Anthony of Padua Parish Centre, Queens Drive, L18 8BD as follows:

- Session 2** **Wed 22nd April 6-8pm**
- Session 3** **Wed 29th April 6-8pm**
- Session 4** **Wed 6th May 6-8pm**
- Session 5** **Wed 13th May 6-8pm**

Mary's Meals

This May, our parish is invited to join **Mary's Meals UK** in their annual **Pray in May** campaign, praying for children worldwide who rely on a daily meal at school. Please pick up a leaflet from the Porch which has a prayer for each week during May.

PARISH AFTERNOON TEA MONDAY 4th May 2—5 pm at CTK Parish Centre Doors open 1.45pm

Bar open 3.00 –5.00pm Live Entertainment from Brendan O'Rourke
Raffle, Quiz, Traditional Afternoon Tea.

£12 per person All proceeds to Church Makeover Fund.

This is reserved for adults.

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To all our 'red box family', a massive thank you from MISSIO for all you do to share God's love with those in need in our world by donating through the red box or by giving directly. An extra thank you to our tireless collectors. In 2025 our parish gave **£9,374.93**.....amazing!

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.

Theatre Tickets

The Parish block booking of 36 seats at the Everyman Theatre for Thursday **19th November 2026** to see *The Beauty and the Beast* Panto is now fully booked. **Please pay as soon as possible.**