

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'Donovan

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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Sixth Sunday of Easter 10th May 2026 Year A

The 6th Sunday of Easter highlights the close relationship between Jesus and his followers. In all three years, the readings show Jesus speaking with love and care. He promises the Holy Spirit, who will guide and help the disciples. Jesus reminds them to keep his commandments and stay in his love. These readings call us to trust Jesus and follow him.

We also hear messages about peace and hope. In one year, Peter shares that God's love is for everyone. In another, we see the early Church working through disagreements. The message is clear: the Christian life is built on love, unity, and trust in God's help. The 6th Sunday of Easter helps us remember that even when life is hard, we are never alone. Jesus sends the Spirit to be with us.

MASS READINGS FOR THE 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The 6th Sunday of Easter Year A reminds us that Jesus stays close to us. In Acts, Philip shares the Gospel and many people believe. Peter and John pray, and the new believers receive the Holy Spirit. The psalm calls all people to praise God. Peter tells us to speak about our hope with gentleness and respect. In the Gospel, Jesus promises the Holy Spirit and says he will not leave us alone. These readings show that faith grows through love, trust, and obedience.

Holy Day of Obligation

ASCENSION THURSDAY - 14TH MAY

Masses: 12 noon and 7.00 pm

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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

Saturday	9th	5.30 pm	John Sharp RIP
Sunday	10th	9.30 am	People of the Parish
		11.00am	Bernie Toolan RIP
Monday	11th	9.15am	Patsy Kelly RIP SPB School
		12.00pm	Requiem Mass Joan Gidman
Tuesday	12th	9.10am	Frank Hanley RIP
Wednesday	13th		NO MASS
Thursday	14th		Ascension of the Lord —Holy Day of Obligation
		12 noon	Kitty O’Sullivan RIP
		7.00pm	Mary and Jack Hall RIP
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament recommences next week.			
Friday	15th	12.00pm	Paula Hobson

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Saturday	16th	10.00am	St PB First Holy Communion Mass
			Maureen and John Barr
		11.45am	St PB First Holy Communion Mass
			Ellen Buckley RIP
		5.30 pm	Ken Hilton RIP
Sunday	17th	9.30 am	Tracy Fearon RIP
		11.00am	People of the Parish

Masses received this week: Mark Leatham RIP, Bill Heeney RIP, Ronnie Allen RIP, Marge Williams - Speedy Recovery, Frank & Tony Hunter RIP, Tommy & Agnes Smith RIP x 2 Birthday & Anniversary , Lill O’Brien RIP - Thanksgiving, Michael Donoughue - Special Intention

Enrolled into our Mass Association this week: Jane Madden RIP, B. Pursall—Birthday Wishes, Harrison Hanley RIP, John Power RIP

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for: *Tommy & Agnes Smith RIP*

The Marian Lamp burns for: *Ellen Milburn RIP and all her family*

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Confirmation 2026

The Final Preparation Session for Confirmation will take place in **St Anthony of Padua Parish Centre, Queens Drive, L18 8BD** as follows:
Session 5 Wed 13th May 6-8pm

CTK Playgroup/Preschool

CTK Playgroup/preschool have a small number of funded places available for September 2026. Please contact Justine on 01517228834 or ctkplaygroup@live.co.uk if you are interested in securing a place for your child.

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.

A free event: BBC's Songs of Praise Sing Gospel

Tuesday 19th May 2026 - recording at 7pm (doors open from 5.30pm)
Invitation to come and join BBC Songs of Praise at Liverpool Olympia celebrating the joy and power of Gospel music with very special guests and plenty of opportunity to lift your voice and your spirits! There is no minimum age for entry, all ages are warmly welcomed but children aged 17 and under must be supervised by a responsible adult at all times.
Venue: Liverpool Olympia, West Derby Road, Liverpool, L6 9BY.
Tickets can be obtained at no cost by following this link:

<https://lostintv.com/tv-show?id=1422>

Missionaries of Charity May Procession – Saturday 30 May

You’re very welcome to join the Missionaries of Charity May procession. Fr Peter Ross, assistant priest at St Wilfrid's parish in Widnes, will lead the procession, starting at St Peter's Square, before moving on to Bold Street, Church Street and Whitechapel, before finishing at the Blessed Sacrament Shrine on Queens Square. A special invitation is extended to those making their first Holy Communion. If you would like to volunteer at the procession, contact Jim Ross on jimmy.ross7@gmail.com.

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

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Are you planning to get married in a Catholic church? Are you looking for some time out from the busy wedding planning, providing you and your partner with an opportunity to focus on your relationship and to learn more about each other?

The Liverpool Archdiocese is now offering a marriage preparation course for engaged couples. The course will involve four sessions, meeting in group with other couples. To be led by trained lay facilitators, the course will help the couples develop skills which could facilitate good communication within their relationship and an understanding of unconditional love set within a Catholic faith. The next course will be available in **June 2026**:

Date: 11 June, 18 June, 25 June, and 2 July
(all Thursdays)

Time: 6.30pm-8.30pm

Venue: St Monica's Parish Centre, Bootle,
Liverpool, L20 9JD



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, 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: Anthony Brandreth, Irene Brown, John Power
We offer our prayers and sympathies to their families and friends.

Anniversaries: Sarah Bowers, Irene Adair, Mary Birch, Bernie Toolan, Guiseppea Carubia, Mary Harrison, Bridget Moughan, Susan Severs.
We pray for all those who have anniversaries around this time.

Baptisms: This week we welcome into the Church

Lio George Williams & Arabella Claire Spencer

Weekly Collection: Thank you for your contribution to the work of the Parish which raised: **£1,690.01**

First Holy Communion

We remember in our prayers all the children who will be making their First Holy Communion over the next few weekends during May. Our blessings and best wishes go out to all our children and their families as they receive the body of Christ for the first time.

A big thank you to Justine Robinson, catechists and the children who made the beautiful sacramental banners on the First Holy Communion activity day which are now on display on the sanctuary.

Jubilee Prayer Group

Next Meeting - Thursday 4th June at 7.00pm in the St John Vianney meeting room.

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 humour. 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.

May Procession Sunday 17th at 2.00pm

***'O Mary, we crown thee with blossoms today,
Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.'***

The month of May is dedicated to Our Lady, Mary. To mark this all First Holy Communicants (in their FHC outfits), their families and parishioners are invited to join our May procession as we commemorate Our Blessed Mother.

Justice and Peace Youth Group

Are you aged between 10 and 17? Then come and join our Justice and Peace youth group! Make new friends, learn about your faith and help others. Come along to any of our next meetings -

Sunday 10th May at Fisher More Hall, Bishop Eton 4.30 to 6pm – find out about the St Vincent de Paul group

Thursday 28th May at St Anthony of Padua church hall 6.30 – 8pm – a walk in nature and the power of prayer

Sunday 14th June at Fisher More Hall, Bishop Eton 4.30 to 6pm – learn how to save a life with KnifeSavers

Contact Sarah McGeehan for more details s.mcgeehan@rcaol.org.uk
07415099048

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.

PIETY STALL.- CAN YOU HELP?

We would like to renew the Piety Stall and need a team of people to volunteer to cover each of our weekend Masses.

The Piety Stall will be open both before and after each Mass.

Outside of these times, you can enquire in the Parish Office if you want anything.

We want to develop the stock we have to provide good quality religious artefacts for our own spiritual growth or as presents for others. If you wish to volunteer or want to suggest stock items, please write it on the sheet outside the Piety Stall.