

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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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# CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING

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## Seventh Sunday of Easter 17th May 2026 Year A

### PRAYING AND WAITING TOGETHER

The 7th Sunday of Easter Year A comes between the Ascension of Jesus and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. It is a time when the Church remembers what it means to wait on God's promise. The readings show the disciples gathered in prayer, holding on to hope for what is to come.

In Acts, we see the apostles, Mary, and other followers staying together in Jerusalem. They are united, patient, and ready for the mission ahead. In the second reading, we are reminded that following Jesus can bring trials, but it also brings joy and hope. The Gospel shares the prayer of Jesus for His friends, asking the Father to keep them safe and united.

The 7th Sunday of Easter Year A invites us to reflect on our own faith while we wait for God to act. It is a call to trust, to pray, and to stay close to others who share the same hope

### Pope Leo's Message for World Communications Day 2026

In his message for the 60th World Day of Social Communications, Pope Leo XIV highlights the importance of ensuring that technological innovation, particularly artificial intelligence, serves the human person rather than replacing or diminishing human dignity.

**Retiring collection this weekend.**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

We apologise when times and Mass intentions occasionally need to be changed at short notice for Requiem Masses	Saturday	16th	5.30 pm	Ken Hilton RIP
	Sunday	17th	9.30 am	Tracy Fearon RIP
			11.00am	People of the Parish
			<b>2.00 pm</b>	<b>May Procession</b>
	Monday	18th	9.15am	Chris Dobbin RIP <b>OLGH School</b>
	Tuesday	19th	9.10am	CtK Deaf Craft Group in Thanksgiving
			<b>12.00pm</b>	<b>Requiem Mass Irene Brown</b>
	Wednesday	20th		NO MASS
	Thursday	21st	9.30am	Tony McNeillish RIP
	Friday	22nd	12.00pm	Paula Hobson
12 noon			<b>Funeral Service John Joseph Power</b> (Anfield Crematorium)	

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10-11.00am**

**Pentecost Sunday**

M A S S	Saturday	23rd	5.30 pm	People of the Parish
	Sunday	24th	9.30 am	Perry Campbell RIP
			11.00am	Francis Roberts RIP

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**Masses received this week:** Paddy Doran RIP, Jimmy Murray RIP, Tracy Fearon RIP, Ian Redding RIP Anniversary, Dave Langton RIP, Christopher Hitchen- Speedy recovery, Barry Lynch RIP X 2, Kevin Byrne RIP, Shelagh Tosh RIP, Dominic Tosh Snr, Gabrielle Tosh RIP, Kerrie Tosh & Jon Meadows-Wedding blessings , Paul Wilson RIP.

**Enrolled on our Mass Association this week:** Julia Patterson—Birthday Remembrance, Jagdish Meghji Dhorajiwala RIP, Terry Williamson RIP, Paul Doyle RIP, Rose Brown—Successful Operation, Elizabeth Loveless RIP, Joseph Beach RIP—Anniversary

**The Sanctuary Lamp burns for:** *Tracy Fearon RIP—Anniversary*

**The Marian Lamp burns for:** *First Holy Communion Children*

**The St Paschal Baylon Lamp:** *Dennis Adderley RIP*

**Pentecost Celebrations/ 2 Cathedrals Service 24<sup>th</sup> 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.

**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.

**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**



## NEW ALTAR SERVERS

Throughout the life of the Church, the ministry of Altar Server has always been regarded as a special honour. To serve the Lord on the Sanctuary and assist the priest and deacons is a gift that has been bestowed on children and young people. The children who have completed our Holy Communion programme and others in the school are invited to share in this important aspect of parish life. For all those who are interested in training to be Altar Servers, please ask Fr Colin for an application form.

### Pauline Book Centre 84 Church Street Liverpool L1 3AY

#### Book Launch— Praying the Our Father - Cardinal Michael Fitzgerald

The Pauline Book Centre in Liverpool is hosting a book launch and signing for Cardinal Michael Fitzgerald's new book, *Praying the Our Father*, on Thursday, May 21, 2026, at 3:30 PM. The event features a short introduction, time with the author, and a book signing .

## SUMMER CONCERT

There will be a Summer Concert in church on Thursday 4th June at 7.30pm. See the poster in the Porch.

Tickets will be £10 which will include tea and biscuits and there will be a raffle.

All proceeds are going to *Maggies House* by Clatterbridge Hospital on the Wirral who support cancer patients and their families.

Many of us have experience of supporting friends and family members through the difficulties of cancer so please come along and enjoy the music while helping such a worthy cause.

### Sr Pat & Sr Maureen—New Address

Srs Pat and Maureen are on the move again! Their new address from 1st June will be: **East Home, 19 East Beach, Lytham, Lancs. FY8 5EU**

### CTK Playgroup/Preschool

CTK Playgroup/preschool have a small number of funded places available for September 2026. Please contact Justine on 0151 722 8834 or [ctkplaygroup@live.co.uk](mailto:ctkplaygroup@live.co.uk) if you are interested in securing a place for your child.

## 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, 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: Irene Brown and David Langton

*We offer our prayers and sympathies to their families and friends.*

**Anniversaries:** Veronica Fishwick, Tracy Fearon, Patricia O'Reilly, Patricia Holloway, Patricia Easton, Bernard Marshall, John Goudie, Kathleen Anderson & Anthony Beech

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

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

**Cecilia Charlotte Gwynne & Harvey Fung**

**Weekly Collection:** Thank you for your contribution to the work of the Parish which raised: **£1,649.34**

## 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.

## Saints of the Day

**19th May—St Dunstan.** 909-988 Dunstan was born near Glastonbury and educated at the abbey. After ordination as priest at Winchester, he returned to Glastonbury briefly, but was soon called to court. Dunstan was appointed Abbot of Glastonbury. He set about restoring monastic life, which had almost been extinguished under Danish invasions. In 995, through intrigue at court, he was exiled to Ghent, and he saw for the first time a reformed monastery on the continent. Recalled by King Edgar at Bath, he became successively Bishop of Worcester, London and Archbishop of Canterbury.

**20th May— St Bernadine of Siena, Priest.** 1380-1444. Born near Siena, he joined the friars Minor and having been ordained priest he travelled throughout Italy on foot, preaching to the people with great spiritual success. He propagated devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus, devising the I H S symbol. In addition, he wrote theological works and did much to further discipline and study among the Franciscans. He died at L'Aquila and is buried in a basilica built to his honour.

**21st May—Saints Christopher Magallanes and Companions** "Long live Christ the King and the Virgin of Guadalupe!" This was the slogan of the "Cristero" uprising in the 1920's against the anti-Catholic government of Mexico which had instituted and enforced laws against the Church in an absurd attempt to eradicate the Catholic faith in Mexico, even going so far as to ban all foreign clergy and the celebration of Mass in some regions. St. Christopher Magallanes, along with 21 other priests and three lay companions, were martyred between 1915 and 1937, by shooting or hanging, throughout eight Mexican states, for their membership in the Cristero movement. Magallanes erected a seminary in Totatiche and he and his companions secretly preached and ministered to the faithful. The last words heard spoken by Magallanes were from his cell, when he shouted, "I am innocent and I die innocent. I forgive with all my heart those responsible for my death, and I ask God that the shedding of my blood serve the peace of our divided Mexico". Pope John Paul II beatified the Cristero martyrs in 1992 and canonized them in 2000

**22nd May - Rita of Cascia, born Margherita Lotti** (1381 – 22 May 1457), was an Italian widow and Augustinian nun venerated as a saint in the Roman Catholic Church. After Rita's husband died, she joined an Augustinian community of religious sisters, where she was known both for practicing mortification of the flesh and for the efficacy of her prayers. Various miracles are attributed to her intercession, and she is often portrayed with a bleeding wound on her forehead, which is understood to indicate a partial stigmata. Pope Leo XIII canonized Rita on 24 May 1900. Her feast day is celebrated on 22 May. At her canonization ceremony, she was bestowed the title of *Patroness of Impossible Causes*, while in many Catholic countries, Rita came to be known as the patroness of abused wives and heartbroken women. Her incorrupt body remains in the Basilica of Santa Rita da Cascia.

## First Holy Communion

*We remember in our prayers all the children who have made their First Holy Communion during April & 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.*

## May Procession today 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.

## A big Thank You!

*I wish to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Collette and all our catechists, for all the time, effort, and sacrifice you place in teaching about the faith, preparing parents and their children for a faith filled life and how to grow in their relationship with God. Also a big thank you to our music groups who gave up their time bringing deeper meaning and praise to our celebrations.*

**Fr Colin**

## 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](mailto:s.mcgeehan@rcaol.org.uk)  
07415099048

## Jubilee Prayer Group

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