

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
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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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28th June 2026 Year A

Feast of Saints Peter and Paul

Saints Peter & Paul: Partners in Spreading the Faith

Peter and Paul had different backgrounds, but they worked together to spread the message of Jesus. Peter was a fisherman who followed Jesus from the beginning. Paul started as someone who opposed Christians but later became one of the Church's strongest leaders. Even though they were different, their work helped build the Church. Peter focused on leading the Jewish Christians. He taught the Jewish people that Jesus was the Messiah they had been waiting for. He preached to those who already believed in God and helped them see how Jesus fulfilled God's promises. Peter helped unite the Jewish followers of Jesus.

Paul focused on preaching to the Gentiles. He believed the message of Jesus was for everyone, not just the Jewish people. He travelled to many cities and countries, bringing the Gospel to those who had never heard of Jesus. Paul opened the doors of the Church to the wider world.

Their missions complemented each other. Peter strengthened the Church from within, keeping it grounded and united. Paul expanded the Church, bringing in new believers from many cultures and backgrounds. Together, they helped the Church grow in numbers and in faith.

Peter and Paul did not always agree. They had a disagreement about whether Gentile converts needed to follow Jewish customs. But they worked through their differences for the good of the Church. Their unity in Christ was stronger than their differences.

The legacy of Peter and Paul lives on in the Church. Peter represents the foundation and leadership of the Church. Paul represents its mission to reach all people. Together, they remind us that the Church is built on faith and is called to share the Gospel with the world.

RETIRING COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND FOR PETERS PENCE.

Saints Peter and Paul

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

Saturday	27th	5.30 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	28th	9.30 am	Irene Brown Birthday RIP
		11.00am	George Boyd RIP
Monday	29th	9.30am	Veronica Collier Requiem Mass
Tuesday	30th	9.10am	Martin Keenaghan RIP
Wednesday	1st		NO MASS
Thursday	2nd	9.30am	Andrew McGowan RIP
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00– 11.00am			
Friday	3rd	12.00pm	Oliver Amos RIP

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	4th	5.30 pm	Collette Mythen RIP
Sunday	5th	9.30 am	Phil Fitzpatrick RIP
		11.00am	People of the Parish

Masses received this week: Alfue Nazareth RIP, Nazareth family: Holy Souls, Agnes Duffy RIP, Jayne & Terry Brown 30th Wedding Anniversary, Theresa Jones RIP, Veronica Collier RIP, Betty Jennings RIP Anniversary, Josie Foley RIP, Sebastian Hall RIP, Tommy and Agnes Smith RIP, Kathleen Chiocchi RIP X 2, Joan Dignum RIP

Enrolled on our Mass Association this week: Paula Larkin: Happy retirement, Susan Jones RIP, Kathleen Chiocchi RIP, Anthony McConnor RIP, Gerard Roberts RIP

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for: *Maureen Powell -Birthday*
The Marian Lamp burns for: *Mollie Greer Birthday Remembrance*

Confirmation Thanksgiving Mass

All of our recently Confirmed young people and their families are invited to a Thanksgiving Mass on **Thursday 9th July at 6pm** in church. Certificates will be distributed and refreshments served afterwards in the meeting room.

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**Parish Pilgrimage—Journeying with the Northern Saints
Monday 26th to Thursday 29th October 2026**

Fr Colin has now finalized the costings and itinerary for our Parish Pilgrimage.

Booking Forms are available from the Parish Office from this weekend—28th June and should be returned with a £50 per person deposit by **31st July**

- Monday 26th** *St Hilda’s Church, Hartlepool and onto Ushaw College for Mass*
- Tuesday 27th** *Alnwick, St Paul’s church and free time In Alnmouth*
- Wednesday 28th** *Holy Island and Sea Houses*
- Thursday 29th** *Return journey via Ripon Cathedral*

The cost is £350 for a single room and £300 per person for a double / twin room which includes all coach travel, accommodation, bed and breakfast at Ushaw College, a two course evening meal and all entrance fees and tips.

Called to Accompany: Forming Catechists for Mission – Day for Catechists

On Saturday 4 July, Fr Luke Dominic Onwe, OCD and Fr Liam Finnerty, OCD will lead the Day for Catechists taking place at St Joseph’s Prayer Centre at Formby. No matter what kind of catechesis ministry you are involved in (e.g., baptism, first communion, confirmation, children liturgy or RCIA), there is a good opportunity for you to refresh your vocation of being a catechist. Please book here <https://tinyurl.com/yku82tt7> For enquiry, please contact Moses at m.mui@rcaol.org.uk

A Mother’s Warmth: Icon Exhibition at the Metropolitan Cathedral 30 June – 30 August

The Metropolitan Cathedral will be hosting *Mother’s Warmth*, an exhibition by Bulgarian artist and iconographer Dian Kostov. Admission free.

LOURDES YOUTH

Two yellow sweatshirts—size M—for the Lourdes Youth Service available for free. Please call Cathy Hinson on 07591 167 957

New Baptism Catechists

Baptism catechists help guide parents through the requirements of the sacrament for their children. They facilitate meetings that explore the meaning of the sacrament and support families in developing their faith. If you would like to volunteer on a Rota basis please put your name down on the list at the back of church.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS

On **Tuesday 30th June at 6pm** there will be a meeting in Christ the King church for all those who are interested in training to be Altar Servers. Any child who has celebrated their first holy communion is eligible for the training. For all those who are interested in training to be Altar Servers, please ask Fr Colin for an application form.

“LOURDES AT HOME” AFTERNOON: Tuesday, 28 July 2026 at St Mary’s, Woolton, all are welcome. Fr Peter McGrail will start the afternoon by celebrating **Mass at 12 noon**. Please bring your own packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be available in the Parish Hall. It would be wonderful if you could join us for this afternoon of Prayer and Fellowship.

CAFOD Summer Debt Campaign

At the end of all masses for the next two weeks, I am collecting signatures for a CAFOD petition about the global debt crisis, which is causing terrible suffering for our brothers and sisters around the world. Cardinal Stephen Ameyu Martin Mulla from South Sudan has written to parishes in England and Wales to explain. Please stop for a minute as you leave and lend your support. Thank you for helping to build a better world.
Kevin O’Donovan – CAFOD Parish representative

SVP Summer Social

This will take place on **Sunday, 5 July starting at 1.30pm until 4pm** in the St John Vianney meeting room. This event is for all those in our community who would benefit from a couple of hours of company chatting over a cup of tea and delicious homemade sandwiches and cakes. The usual activities will take place, quiz, raffle, music. The team will contact all the regular attendees, but if you or someone you know would like to come along, please let the parish office know as soon as possible. Guests should make their own transport arrangements please as the team are limited to how many lifts they can offer.

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, 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: Veronica Collier

We offer our prayers and sympathies to her family and friends.

Anniversaries: Oliver Amos, Maureen Calvert, Phil Fitzpatrick

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

Baptisms: This week we welcome into the Church

Chet McGill, James Arthur Franco Coninckx, Ivy Mae Blanchard, Otis and Sonny Kenyon, Gabriel Joseph McNabb, Jacob Joe Gallagher, Millie Cunningham, Noa Rose Townsend and Eleanor Kate Brady-Fard

Weekly Collection: Thank you for your contribution to the work of the Parish which raised: **£1,950.49**

Christ the King Parish Tote

Thanks to everyone who takes part in the CTK Makeover Fund Tote
The winning numbers for June are 55 & 58

A.P.F./MILL HILL

Red boxes will be emptied in the next few weeks (up to July 12th.)
Thank you for your generosity to the missions.

Jubilee Prayer Group

Thursday at 7.00pm in the St John Vianney meeting room. All Welcome

Saints of the Day

1st July - St Oliver Plunket. 1629-1681. Born in County Meath, Ireland, Oliver studied in Rome and was ordained in 1654. Consecrated Bishop of Armagh in 1669, he began the task of restoring the Church, laid waste by continuous persecution. Arrested on a sham charge of complicity, Irish judges refused to convict him of treason because he propagated the Catholic faith. He was brought to London and on his second trial was found guilty of treason with little evidence. He was executed at Tyburn in 1681, the last to be martyred in England. His body rests at Downside.

3rd July– St Thomas. Thomas called Didymus (meaning the twin) offered to die with Jesus on the way to Bethany, but dubious about both where Christ was going and the way there. He is remembered as the apostle who refused to believe in the risen Lord; an attitude for which the ancient Fathers both blamed him for his lack of faith and thanked him for his scepticism which was the occasion for reassuring future generations. Tradition places his missionary work after Pentecost in India where he said to have been martyred with a spear near Madras.

4th July -St Elizabeth of Portugal. She was named for her great-aunt, Saint Elizabeth of Hungary and received a strict and pious education. In 1282 she was married to Dinis, a good ruler but an unfaithful husband. Despite the corrupt court life, Elizabeth maintained her devout habits, helped the sick and the poor, and founded charitable establishments. When her son Alfonso rebelled against his father, Elizabeth rode between the two armies and reconciled father and son. She also helped settle disputes among other royal relatives. After Dinis died in 1325, she lived at Coimbra, Portugal, near a Poor Clare convent that she had founded, and she devoted herself to people in need. She died on her way to the battlefield to make peace between her son, then King Alfonso IV, and Alfonso XI of Castile.

5th July - St Anthony Mary Zaccaria. Anthony (1502-39) was a doctor of medicine but at the age of 26 he became a priest founding the Barnabite Order, priests bound by vows 'to regenerate and revive the love of divine worship and a properly Christian way of life by frequent preaching and faithful ministry of the sacraments'. He died at the early age of 37 and his Order is an example of the revival of Christian life in Italy in times of notorious abuses.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2027

Registration for First Holy Communions 2027 is now open and will CLOSE on 17th July 2026

Father Colin invites current Year 3 children and their parents to come along to Christ the King Church and complete an application form after any of the weekend masses.

PLEASE NOTE THAT YOUR CHILD MUST BE A BAPTISED CATHOLIC IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE.

SPECIAL JUBILEE

This year, Sr Mary Carmel celebrates her platinum anniversary as a Sister of Mercy. There will be a special Mass of Thanksgiving on **Thursday 2nd July at 12:00 at St Oswalds Church Old Swan**. If you have any memories of Sr Carmel that you would like to share, please write them in the Special Anniversary Book (found at the back of St Oswalds church).

A Message of Thanks from Maggie's Wirral

We want to say thank you for allowing Christine Anderson to host a concert at Christ the King Church. Christine raised an incredible £1,561.65 for Maggie's Wirral. Thanks to this brilliant fundraising, Maggie's can continue to provide a different kind of cancer care.

L8 Interfaith Walk – Thursday 2nd July

St Philip Neri Church, together with other places of worship in the area, are organising a community walk to learn about faiths and explore our places of worship in L8. Starting with a tour of St Philip Neri at 5pm, the walk will take you to the Greek Orthodox Church of St Nicholas, Princes Road Synagogue, Al Rahma Mosque, before finishing with a meal at the World Faith Café at 8:15pm.

(Please note the dress code at the mosque is modest clothing covering arms and legs, and women are invited to wear a headscarf. All will be required to take shoes off before entering the prayer areas.)

Family Fun Day: Sunday 6th July 12noon to 3 pm: Our Lady of the Assumption Church grounds. This is a community event and a way of helping people in our local area have some fun with a few hours of activities, inflatables, food, and crafts in a friendly environment.