

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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12th July 2026 Year A

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SEEDS OF GOD'S PROMISE

The 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A invites us to think about how God's word works in our lives. Each reading uses simple images from the world around us. Rain, seeds, soil, and harvest all show how God's word brings life and hope. These readings remind us that God always works with purpose.

In Isaiah, we hear how God's word is like rain that makes the earth fruitful. Paul tells us in Romans that creation itself longs for freedom and shares in our hope. In the Gospel, Jesus uses the parable of the sower to teach us that our hearts must be ready to receive God's word.

On the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, these passages come together to remind us that God's plan is certain. His word nourishes us, even when life feels dry or hard. With open hearts, we can grow strong in faith and bear much fruit.

Happy Holidays

On behalf of our community, may I take this opportunity to wish the Staff and pupils of our three Primary schools and two Secondary schools a well earned rest. I wish you a very happy, safe and healthy summer and I look forward to seeing everyone back at school in September.

As always to our Head Teachers, a special note of thanks for their support of the parish and dedication to our children and teachers.

Kind regards, Fr Colin

Retiring Collection next weekend for Priests in Retirement!

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Saturday	11th	5.30 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	12th	9.30 am	Mary Jackson 41 years Eucharistic Ministry
		11.00am	Mary McDermott RIP
Monday	13th	9.15am	First Holy Communion Celebration
			Mass St PB School
Tuesday	14th	9.10am	Joseph Formby RIP
		1.30pm	CtK Year 6 Leavers Mass
Wednesday	15th		NO MASS
Thursday	16th	9.30am	James Furlong RIP Birthday

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00– 11.00am

Friday	17th	12.00pm	Pauline Beirnes RIP
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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	18th	5.30 pm	Joan Buckland RIP
Sunday	19th	9.30 am	People of the Parish
		11.00am	Margaret Wilson

Masses received this week: Sheila Kenny RIP, Peter Alliston -Get well, Maureen Oliver—Spec int, Brian Egan RIP, John Sheehan - Spec int, Fr Richard Celebration of Priesthood, Fr Anton 25 years Priesthood, Collette Martin -Speedy Recovery, George & Maureen Wilde - Special Thank You, Ann Templeton –Thank you

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for: *Darcy Lamkin—18th Birthday Blessings*
The Marian Lamp burns for: *Dennis Adderley RIP*
The St PB Lamp burns for: *Harrison Hanley RIP In Loving Memory*

Due to holidays the Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday!

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

Booking forms and £50 deposit to be paid into the Parish Office by Friday 24th July please.

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.

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

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

Tots & Toddler Group

The group will be taking a summer break after Thursday 16th July and will be back again in early September.

FLAME

The archdiocese is organising a trip to FLAME - the largest Catholic youth event in the country where 10,000 young people gather together at Wembley Arena to listen to speakers, pray and praise on Saturday 6th March 2027.

It is open to young people in Year 9 and above. If you’re interested in bringing a group of young people, please contact Sarah McGeehan on s.mcgeehan@rcaol.org.uk or 07415099048.

Please note: young people must be accompanied by a teacher, youth leader or chaplain.

More information: <https://cymfed.org.uk/flame/>

“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.

Millenium Group

Book Sale this weekend 11 & 12th July

I had the great pleasure recently of visiting our project ***The Vibe*** to present them with a cheque for **£5,000**. They were delighted and send their sincere thanks to everyone who has supported our fundraising. They will be buying equipment to support the many people with additional needs they provide activities for.

We have now completed 35 projects and donated **£170,590 since 2000**. I will be looking for a charity from abroad over the next few weeks to be our next project.

Many thanks for your continued support. ***Kath Nolan***

Coffee Morning

Coffee Morning on Friday 17th July will be in John Vianney Room and this will be our last meeting until Friday 4th September.

A Flower Festival to celebrate the Cathedral’s 60th Diamond Jubilee 2027 - Thursday 14 - Monday 17 May 2027

Floral arrangers are needed for next year’s event to celebrate the Metropolitan Cathedral’s Diamond Jubilee. The theme of the Festival will be ‘Hope’ in all its different forms.

Organisers are looking for established and experienced individuals and groups who have a proven history of creating floral arrangements for their own parishes and similar settings.

If you have anyone in your parish whom you think may be interested please ask them to contact Claire Hanlon at c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk in the first instance.

Further details regarding dates, exploration of the theme, and other practical arrangements will then be provided. Our team will be on hand to support participants throughout the process.

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, Laura Brown

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.

Anniversaries: Sarah Murphy, Arthur Brown, Mary Abbott, Sheila Langton, John McNally.

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

Baptisms: This week we welcome into the Church

Ada Judith & Charlotte Joyce Suka and Joseph Fraser & Heidi Honora McCarthy

Weekly Collection: Thank you for your contribution to the work of the Parish which raised: **£1,813.74**

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

Prayer group meeting will recommence on 16th July at 7.00pm in the St John Vianney meeting room.

Saints of the Day

15th July– St Bonaventure c.1218—74. Born near Orvieto, Italy, he became Master of the Franciscan School at Paris. At the age of 36, he was elected Minister-general of the Franciscan Order. In 1265 he was nominated arch-bishop of York but rejected the honour. He took a prominent part at the Council of Lyons summoned to effect reunion with the separated churches of the East. He was a man of gentle courtesy, compassion and accessibility.

16th July - Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Mount Carmel was the place where the prophet Elijah proclaimed the faith of Israel in the one God, the meeting place of God and his people. During the Crusades, Christian hermits established themselves in caves on the mountain. In the thirteenth century, they joined together in a religious community known as the Carmelites. Mount Carmel, not far from Nazareth, is under the patronage of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

19th July - St John Plessington born around 1637 at Garstang. Educated by Jesuits at Scarisbrick Hall then Valladolid and St Omer's France. Ordained a priest in 1662 and returned to England in 1663. He ministered to Catholics at Holywell. He served at Puddington Old Hall, Cheshire to the Massey family. He was arrested during the Titus Oates 'Popish Plot' and imprisoned for two months before being executed at Chester 16th July 1679. He was canonized as one of the Forty Martyrs in 1970.

Annual Archdiocesan Lourdes Mass

The annual archdiocesan Lourdes Mass will take place on Sunday 19 July at 3pm at the Metropolitan Cathedral.

All are welcome - whether you are travelling on this year's pilgrimage, have joined us in previous years, or are simply a supporter of the pilgrimage.

Archbishop John Sherrington will be the celebrant.

A petition box has been placed at the back for parishioners to leave a written intention which will then be taken to Lourdes and will be remembered at each Mass and finally placed in the Grotto.

World Cup 2026

Next weekend of 18th /19th July you are invited to wear a footie shirt to mass for a suggested donation of £1.

All proceeds will go to the Make Over Group and go towards equipment to live stream masses for people not able to get to church.

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.

CATHOLIC HOLIDAYS IN THE LAKE DISTRICT THIS SUMMER

During August and September, Castlerigg Manor in Keswick is opening its doors to families, groups of friends, or private individuals who are looking for an affordable stay in the Lake District. Breakfast and evening meal are provided, and Mass is celebrated on site. For more information check out [castleriggmanor.com/stay-with-us](https://www.castleriggmanor.com/stay-with-us) or contact

director@castleriggmanor.co.uk / 017687 72711

QUIET RETREATS FOR ADULTS THIS OCTOBER

During October half term, Castlerigg Manor is running a quiet retreat for individual adults who want to spend a few days of peace, relaxation and prayer in the Lake District. Each day there will be a talk, Mass, and evening prayer, and then a lot of time to explore the area, pray, or just simply relax. Book at [castleriggmanor.com/events](https://www.castleriggmanor.com/events) or contact

director@castleriggmanor.co.uk

CAFOD-DEC Venezuela Earthquake Appeal

You can help our neighbours affected by the 24 June earthquakes in Venezuela with emergency shelter, water and food. CAFOD is already working with local Church partners to support people who have lost their homes, but we need your support to help more survivors. Your donation will provide essential supplies and help families rebuild their lives. Donate to the CAFOD-DEC Venezuela Earthquake Appeal today: cafod.org.uk/Venezuela or call 0300 999 0030 or scan the QR code.



Please keep our neighbours in Venezuela in your prayers.