

## REGULAR PARISH GATHERINGS/MEETINGS

**All meetings take place in the St John Vianney Meeting Room**

### Weekly:

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| Monday   | 1.00pm-3.30pm   | Craft Group          |
| Tuesday  | 10.00am-12.30pm | Deaf Craft Group     |
| Thursday | 9.00-11.00am    | Baby & Toddler Group |

### Monthly:

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|---------------|------------------|----------------------|
| 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

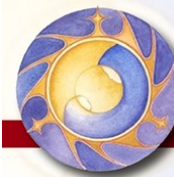
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| <b>Christ the King</b>       | 0151-722-3462 | Head Teacher | Mr D Delaney   |
| <b>Our Lady of Good Help</b> | 0151-733-6937 | Head Teacher | Mr M McQuiston |
| <b>St. Paschal Baylon</b>    | 0151-722-0464 | Head Teacher | Mr E Flood     |

**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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## 2nd August 2026 Year A Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### GOD'S LOVE FEEDS THE HUNGRY

On the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, the readings remind us that God gives freely and cares for his people. In Isaiah, God invites everyone to come and receive food and drink without cost. His covenant is one of love and mercy, offered to all who seek him with open hearts.

The psalm continues this theme by praising God's kindness and care. He satisfies the needs of every creature and is close to those who call on him. His goodness shows that his kingdom is built on compassion and justice, not on power or wealth.

Paul's letter to the Romans assures us that nothing can separate us from the love of Christ. Not hardship, fear, or even death can break this bond. The Gospel then shows Jesus feeding thousands with a small offering, a sign of God's generous care for the hungry.

The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A brings together a message of trust and hope. God's love is constant, generous, and always near. We are invited to receive his gifts and to share them with others. In every reading, the focus is on God's abundance and his promise to give life.

### Pope Leo's Intentions for August

### *For evangelization in the city*

**Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.**

## Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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| Saturday | 1st | 5.30 pm | Carol Poole Mass Bouquet   |
| Sunday   | 2nd | 9.30 am | People of the Parish       |
|          |     | 11.00am | Grace & Robert Anniversary |

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| Monday    | 3rd | 9.00am | Eddie McPoland RIP   |
| Tuesday   | 4th | 7.00am | Ruth Butcher RIP     |
| Wednesday | 5th |        | NO MASS              |
| Thursday  | 6th | 9.30am | Kathleen Glackin RIP |

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00 – 11.00am

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| Friday | 7th | 10.00am | Requiem Mass Norman Larkin |
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## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| Saturday | 8th | 5.30pm  | People of the Parish     |
| Sunday   | 9th | 9.30am  | Sean & Maureen O'Donovan |
|          |     |         | Silver Wedding           |
|          |     | 11.00am | Michael Lane RIP         |

**Masses received this week:** Thanksgiving Silver Wedding O'Donovan, Marie Mallon RIP, Jack & Mary Hall, Peter Melia RIP, Mark Ryan RIP, Lisa Richards, Marie Elaine Dale, Jayne Brown Birthday, Chrissy Lacy RIP, Michelle Campbell.

**Enrolled in our Mass Association this week:** Margaret Campbell X 6, Michael Coyne RIP X 3, Mark Ryan RIP, Norman Larkin RIP, Rita Hunter RIP, Carole Poole.

**The Sanctuary Lamp burns for:** *Niamh Travis 18th Birthday Blessings*

**The Marian Lamp burns for:** *Moiria Helbert RIP*

**The St PB Lamp burns for:** *Rita Hunter RIP*

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

**We have three places available for the Parish Pilgrimage, please contact the Parish Office if you are interested.**

## 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.

## Commemoration of Hiroshima and Nagasaki

Pax Christi invites you to join with CND in a commemoration of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima, in the Peace Garden, St John's Garden, (behind St. George's Hall) on **August 6th. (Gather at 10.30 for 10.45 start.)**

On **Sunday, August 9th**, the anniversary of the bombing of Nagasaki. Pax Christi will be leading a 'Lanterns for Peace Service' on the steps of St. Luke's Bombed Out Church (top of Bold St) at **2 p.m.**

At a time when the nuclear threat has once again become a tangible reality, this commemoration is not only a moment of mourning but a genuine call to conscience.

Enquiries: janharper[20211@outlook.com](mailto:20211@outlook.com) 07591 082195

## Safeguarding this Summer

The summer months are a time of joy and relaxation for many people. However, they can also bring increased risks and challenges.

Factors such as hot weather, financial pressures, changes in routine, and reduced access to regular support networks (such as schools) can all have an impact on people's wellbeing and vulnerability. If you are concerned about the safety of a child or vulnerable adult and feel they are in immediate danger, please call the police. If you wish to report any non-urgent concerns, please contact your local social services or our safeguarding team direct.

Mark Robson 0151 522 1013 / 07585761965 Claire Newton 0151 522 1043 / 07384643237 or [safeguarding@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaol.org.uk)



## Coffee Morning

Our Coffee Mornings will resume on Friday 4th September. Thank you to all our regulars, hope you all have a happy and safe summer.

## **Cathedral Diamond Jubilee Flower Festival 2027**

Make our Cathedral bloom for the Flower Festival by making a £30 donation to sponsor an orchid for a pew-end display. You'll be able to include a short dedication or remembrance, and after the festival you can take your orchid home.

To register your interest, please contact Claire in Cathedral House at [c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk)

## **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](http://castleriggmanor.com/stay-with-us) or contact

[director@castleriggmanor.co.uk](mailto:director@castleriggmanor.co.uk) / 017687 72711

## **Stay Connected – Join Our WhatsApp Channel**

Keep up to date with the latest news, events and announcements from the Archdiocese of Liverpool by joining our WhatsApp Channel!

Join our WhatsApp channel here: <https://whatsapp.com/channel/0029Vb8B5Hu2f3EJwDzn72z>

## **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](mailto: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/>

**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, Robert James, Cathy (Gertrude) Jolliffe, Patricia Brunskill, Tina Keast, Patricia Harris, Peter Jackson, Patricia Mann, Linda Rodgers, Elizabeth Riley, Ian Keast, Joe McCarten, Helen and Holly Watmough, Baby Jackson Sinnott, Laura Brown, Elizabeth Walters, Catherine Johnson and Thomas Lloyd.

*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:** Norman Larkin, Moria Helbert, David Foster, Laura South and Rita Hunter.

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

**Anniversaries:** Bridget Gill, Margaret Clarke, Theresa Denning, Perry Campbell and Eithne Dunne

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

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

***Jackson Edward & Annie Elizabeth McKee  
and Noah Liam Culshaw***

**Weekly Collection:** Thank you for your contribution to the work of the Parish which raised: **£1,648.74**

## **Christ the King Parish Tote**

**The winning numbers for the July draw are 13 & 25**

**Thanks to everyone who takes part in the CTK Makeover Fund Tote**

## Saints of the Day

**5th August - Dedication of Saint Mary Major Basilica** - Saint Mary Major is one of the four major churches in Rome known as patriarchal cathedrals. It is the largest church in the world honouring Mary. This day is also known as the feast of Our Lady of Snows. By whatever title, it is a day of celebrating the Mother of God.

**7th Aug - St Sixtus II & his Companions** As Pope in 257, Sixtus resumed relations with St Cyprian and the churches of Africa and Asia minor. He suffered martyrdom, along with four Deacons, under the order of the Emperor and was executed whilst celebrating Mass in the catacombs.

**8th Aug - St Dominic** Born in Spain, he was trained for the priesthood by a priest-uncle, studied the arts and theology, and become a canon of the cathedral at Osma. On a journey through France, he encountered the Albigensian heresy in the Languedoc; which held to two principles—one good, one evil—in the world. All matter is evil—hence they denied the Incarnation and sacraments. Dominic became part of a preaching crusade against the heresy and began itinerant preaching according to the gospel ideal, which he continued for 10 years. In 1215 he founded a religious house at Toulouse, the beginning of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans).

**9th Aug - St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross** Edith Stein was born of Jewish parents in 1891, becoming an influential philosopher following her extensive studies at major German universities. Following her conversion to Catholicism she became a major force in German intellectual life, entering the Discalced Carmelites in 1933. Sister Teresa Benedicta was arrested by the Nazi regime in 1942, along with all Catholics of Jewish extraction and transported by cattle train to the death camp of Auschwitz. She died in the gas chambers at Auschwitz that same year.

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## Food Bank

Please try and remember to donate a little extra to the Food Bank during the children's summer holidays. The Food Bank particularly need tinned meat, fish, fruit juice, long-life milk, custard and rice pudding.

## A.P.F./ MILL HILL MISSIONS -Can You Help?

During recent months a number of our collectors for the A.P.F./ Mill Hill missions have had to retire and it is becoming increasingly difficult to reach all those who want to contribute every quarter. If you think you could help to collect from a small number of people, some of whom bring their money to church, please notify the parish office or see Angela Burjony. Thank you.

## Millenium Group

Many thanks to everyone who supported the recent Book Sale which raised **£234.25**.

A special thanks to John who has now organised five sales and raised £1,150.42.

A great result from an original, simple idea. Please share any ideas you may have about fundraising as our projects benefit many people.

Thanks

## Contact your MP to Oppose Assisted Suicide (see poster in Porch)

The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill is back in the House of Commons and seeks to legalise assisted dying. It will have its Second Reading and vote on Friday, 11 September 2026. Please write to your MP to make your voice heard and oppose the Bill.

Please speak up and voice your opposition. The charity Right to Life UK has a simple online mechanism to do this. It takes little more than a few minutes to enter your postcode, make sure the suggested text suits your viewpoint and submit your message to ask your MP to stop this flawed Bill progressing through parliament.

For more information and resources, visit: [cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide](http://cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide) [righttolife.org.uk/Sept11vote](http://righttolife.org.uk/Sept11vote).

## **The Pilgrimage Mass to the Holy Hand of St Edmund Arrowsmith – Sunday 30 August, 3:00PM**

The Principal Celebrant will be Fr John Hogan of the Diocese of Meath, Ireland. He is the author of the most recent CTS booklet on the life of St Edmund Arrowsmith. All are welcome! If you would like to volunteer, there will be a meeting at the Canons' Hall after 11am Mass on 2 August.