



Newsletter

Parish of St John Vianney, incorporating the former
Parishes of St Andrew, Holy Family & St Mark

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4th Sunday In Ordinary Time – 31st January 2016

In today's Gospel we see how Jesus, after preaching in the synagogue in Nazareth, is rejected by his own townspeople. Some of them are awed by his gracious words, while others are more concerned about his pedigree and address. Like many groups, the neighbours want Jesus to be different in the same way that they are different. They expect Jesus to share the same exclusive outlook as themselves – as R.D. Laing observed, "Sanity is a matter of having the same diseases as everyone else." Jesus though is different: he does not share their clannish idea of salvation, their image of God, their suspicious view of each other. God is always more than people's expectations. The harsh reality of the Nazareth experience seems a world away from Paul's description of love in today's second reading: "Love is always patient and kind: it is never jealous; love is never boastful or conceited; it is never rude or selfish; it does not take offence, and is not resentful. Love takes no pleasure in other people's sins but delights in the truth; it is always ready to excuse, to trust, to hope, and to endure whatever comes." The quality of love "to endure whatever comes" can be seen in Jesus' whole ministry. If love is always patient and kind, it has to face impatience and unkindness. If love is always ready to excuse, it has to face those who are prompt to condemn. If love takes no pleasure in other people's sins, then it has to face those who delight in the weaknesses of others. Love has a tough programme. We know this from experience. But what else can meet rejection with such endurance and greatness?

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Parish Prayers

“Almighty and merciful God, you made St John Vianney glorious by his pastoral zeal and constant prayer and penance. Through his intercession may your holy spirit lead us and guide us as we endeavour to follow Your Son Jesus, wherever He leads. Bless our young people. Bless our sick and housebound. Bless our families and friends. Bless those most in need at this time. Unite us all in your love. May St John Vianney help us to hear the voice of Your Son Jesus when he says to us: “Be calm, do not be afraid, it is I”. St John Vianney, pray for us.” We are asked to pray for all those who have died. We also remember to pray for their families.

Parish Finance

Gift Aid and Envelopes	£ 511.30
Other Envelopes	£ 162.71
Loose GASDS	£ 369.58
TOTAL OFFERTORY	£ 1043.59
Standing Orders	£ 251.00
Bonus Ball 24	£ 78.00
Catholic Education Service	£ 131.95

Second Collection

Many thanks for the amount you donated last week for the Catholic Education Service. This week there will be no second collection.

Thank You and Welcome!

We thank Fathers Joe, Pat, Tim and Casey for celebrating Masses both in St Mark's and Holy Family during last week. Next week we welcome into our community Fathers Pat, Tim, Casey and priests from the Widnes Team as they celebrate Mass in Father Vin's absence.

Volunteer Pastoral Assistants:

Baptism Coordinator



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NOTICE:

The next Baptism Registration Meeting is Monday 8th February 2016 at 6.00pm in St Mark's Annex.

With You Always coordinator



Mrs Kami Lester
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07881817799

NOTICE:

Please could parents of children in year 3 be reminded that their child needs to be Baptised before registering for next year's W.Y.A programme.

With You Always Programme

Family session 5 will take place on Monday 8th February 2016, at 4.45pm-5.45pm/6.00pm-7.00pm in Holy Family School.

Father Vin

When Father Vin returns to the parish in the coming weeks from his sick leave, there will no longer be on a Wednesday a 10.00 am Mass in St Mark's Church. This will be replaced with a Service Of The Word, led by our Eucharistic Ministers. This does not include Ash Wednesday or any other special occasions.

Pastoral Area Prayer



"Father, you never cease to call us into deeper relationship with you; always inviting, you desire that our hearts and minds may know the gift of your love and forgiveness. Through the intercession of St Therese, may we deepen our conviction to grow through the Gospel, in faith, hope and love – that you may be free in us to deepen our unity through the lives of service we offer to you throughout our Pastoral Area. St Therese of Lisieux: Pray for us.

Lenten Masses and Services in St John Vianney

Ash Wednesday Masses 10.00 am, St Mark's Church, 7.00 pm, Holy Family Church. Mass on Fridays will be at 8.00 am in St Mark's Church, followed by Exposition and Morning Prayer until 8.45 am. Tea/Toast will be in the annex afterwards with donations to the Holy Land.

Stations of the Cross: Mondays at St Mark's Church after Mass; Tuesdays in St Andrew's school at 3.20 pm; Wednesdays at St Mark's school at 3.20 pm, Thursdays in Holy Family church after Mass and Fridays in Holy Family school at 3.20 pm. Parishioners are very welcome to attend the schools.

Preparing For The Rite Of Election

This will take place in the Metropolitan Cathedral Of Christ The King on Wednesday 3rd February 2016, beginning at 7.00 pm and finishing at 9.00 pm.

Inservice For Bereavement Teams and Funeral Ministers

The next inservice afternoon for those involved in bereavement and funeral ministry will be on Wednesday 3rd February 2016, at 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm at LACE, and will focus on raising awareness of the needs of people with dementia and their carers, an issue which often arises in this area of ministry. Invitations will be sent out directly from the Pastoral Formation Department to all those involved who have attended previous training sessions, but if there are any new volunteers, please pass on an invitation to them and ask them to contact Maureen Knight on 0151 522 1046.

Ladies Group

Our meetings will resume again THIS Wednesday 3rd February 2016, at 7.00 pm in the meeting room at Holy Family. New members are most welcome to come and join us

Initial Training For Bereavement Teams

There will be a two session training course for new bereavement teams or new members of existing teams. This will be held on Wednesday 17th and 24th February 2016, at 1.30 pm- 4.30 pm in Holy Rosary Parish Centre, Altway, Aintree, Liverpool, L10 2LG.

The cost is £10 per person. For more information, please contact Maureen Knight on 0151 522 1046 or email: m.knight@rcaol.co.uk

Archdiocesan News



"Holy God whose presence is known in the structures we build and in their reshaping; establish in us a community of hope, not to contain your mystery, but to be led beyond safe harbours into new and sacred waters, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen!"

Responding to the Call Vocation Discernment Group

To support those exploring Vocations to the Priesthood in our diocese, a monthly day of recollection has been organised for the first Saturday of each month. These days will help men who feel called to ordained ministry to discover more about diocesan priesthood and meet others discerning a call to priesthood. There will be an opportunity to talk with and hear from priests who minister in the diocese, and also a time for prayer and discussion. The next day of recollection will take place on **Saturday 6 February** at St. Charles' Presbytery, 224 Aigburth Road, Liverpool. For further information, please contact Fr James Preston, Vocations Director for the Archdiocese of Liverpool, at frjamespreston@gmail.com or telephone: 0151 727 2493. Regular updates will be posted on our Facebook page: Archdiocese of Liverpool Vocations

FAITH AND MERCY: CYMFED ADULT LEADERS' CONGRESS 2016

The 2016 Congress takes place on Saturday 6th February 2016 at the Friend's Meeting House, Euston Rd, London. Doors open at 10am, ending at 4pm. Book tickets for less than 10 (£11.49 per ticket) at <https://t.co/mgtIfBDy0W> or for groups of 10 go to

<http://cymfed.org.uk/congress2016/>

This event is for anyone who does anything to work with young people in any setting in the Church. The more the merrier, all are welcome. Our keynote speaker for the event will be Fr Andrew Small. Fr Andrew is the man behind jokewiththepope.org and the brand new missio app available on the android and app store. He is an excellent practitioner of the new evangelisation and through his work as Director of the Pontifical Mission Society in America he helps people to actually put their faith into action and see measurable results. Born in Liverpool, Fr Andrew is making a special trip back to the UK to be with us for our congress. As well as Fr Andrew Small, we will be joined by RISE Theatre, One Hope Project, be launching the Faith in Action Awards and will have further information on the next Flame!

Lent Extra 2016

Anybody wishing to purchase a copy of Lent Extra 2016, published by Redemptorist Publications featuring articles, personal testimonies and reflections to accompany the journey towards Easter and the Year of Mercy, please telephone the parish office to order your copy. The price per copy is £1.40.

Be A Chorister For A Day

'Are you a boy in Years 2-4? Do you enjoy singing and working hard in a team? If so, you are invited to come and meet the choristers at the Metropolitan Cathedral in Liverpool and sing in the largest Catholic church in the country for a day! We are holding a "Be a Chorister for a Day" event on Sunday 28th February 2016, from 10.30 am – 4.00 pm. Come and find out more about being a chorister and have fun playing, singing, eating and exploring. If you haven't sung in a choir before, why not consider our 'Boys Make Noise' group starting up from 12th January – 1st March 2016?

Application forms and further information are available on the Cathedral website or by contacting the music office. Places are limited and available on a first come, first served basis.

<http://www.liverpoolmetrocathedral.org.uk/music/joining-the-choirs/>

Music office:

music@metcathedral.org.uk
telephone 0151 708 7283.

Recruitment for girl choristers takes place in June/July 2016.'

Order Of Deacons

Why We Need More Deacons

Archbishop Malcolm McMahon will host an evening for men who may be wondering if they are called to serve as deacons and what the formation involves. Wives and priests are also welcome.

This will be held on Wednesday 17th February 2016, 7.30 pm – 9.00 pm, in the St John Vianney Meeting Room, Christ the King Church, Queens Drive, Liverpool, L15 6YQ. Refreshments available from 7.00 pm.



Jubilee Prayer Of Mercy

2016 – Liverpool

yearofmercyLiverpool.org.uk

This Spring, our pastoral area will be invited on a pilgrimage to the Cathedral to join Archbishop Malcolm or one of the bishops in spending time reflecting on the merciful love of Christ and how we as Christ's followers live and proclaim this truth, and to celebrate the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. The date for our Pastoral Area is 27th February 2015. Please put this date in your diaries and more details will follow nearer the time.

Annual Marriage And Family Life Mass

You are invited by Archbishop Malcolm McMahon to the Marriage and Family Life Mass, which is being held in the Metropolitan Cathedral Of Christ The King, Mount Pleasant, Liverpool, L3 5TQ, on Sunday 21st February 2016, at 11.00 am. There will be refreshments in the Gibberd Room afterwards.

Nightfever

This is being held on 27th February 2016, in Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Liverpool, L1 1LE with Mass, at 5.40 pm, adoration, music and reflection. For more information, please visit www.animateyouth.org and www.nightfever.org

Barn Dance/Ceili

St. Michael's Irish Centre,
6 Boundary Lane L6 5JG
on Sunday 21st February 2016
starring Michael Coyne. Doors open
at 2 pm to 5.30 pm. All proceeds to
Banneux Pilgrimage Fund
Ticket Admission £5
(Family concessions)

Full licensed bar and refreshments.
Included in price: Entertainment.

Free Raffle. For Tickets:
01519240706, 07703769903,
0151 924 3417

A Coach has been booked from Crosby, but you need to sign up for this by calling the numbers above.

Marriage Preparation Courses For 2016

The programme encourages you as a couple to further explore your relationship and to become more aware of each other, the things you bring to the marriage and the way in which your relationship works. The course starts promptly at 10.00 am and finishes around 4.00 pm. Lunch is provided. The course is run by trained facilitators who work on a voluntary basis. They do not charge for their services so as not to exclude anyone, but they do ask people to work with voluntary contributions. It is therefore suggested that couples attending a Marriage Preparation day to make a small voluntary contribution of £50 per couple, or whatever amount you are happy to give. To book onto a course, please visit:

www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/marriage-preparation or contact:

Mr Mike Snelham on 0151 428 4410
or email: mike@snelham.co.uk or
Mrs Maureen Knight on 0151 522
1044 or email:

m.obrien@rcaol.co.uk Leaflets are
also available from the Parish Office
during office hours.

From the Pope's Desk



As Christians we cannot be self centred, but must always be open to others and for others.

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School's Prayer

St John Vianney give us strength so we'll do our best. Help us, guide us and look after us in work, fun and rest. Make us patient, kind and loving and always willing to try. And let us see for ourselves that we are unique in God's eyes.

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Tel: 0151 727 2064

Headteacher: Sr Brigid Halligan.

St Mark's Kids Easter Party

This will take place in St Mark's Parish Centre on Wednesday 23rd March 2016, beginning at 4.00 pm – 7.00 pm. There will be a Disco and Children's Entertainer. There will also be a visit from the Easter Bunny and receive an Easter Egg too! For tea there will be a party box for each child. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Tickets: Children £5, Adults £1. For more information, please telephone 0151 486 4908.

Mark's Club

Manager: Mrs Emma Harvey
Telephone 0151 486 4908
Opening times are: Monday-Friday from 2.00pm Saturday & Sunday from 12 noon. There is regular entertainment on Sunday evenings. Bingo on Tuesdays & Thursdays. Please note that the Club has a large function room available for hire for Baptisms, Weddings and all other family occasions for only **£55.00** (Plus returnable security fee). We do not make a charge for Funeral Receptions. ***It is vital for the future of the Club and for the support of the work of the parish, that parishioners make use of this facility, especially for family functions.***

Question of the Week

Adult: What do you do when a message you are trying to deliver “falls on deaf ears”?

Child: Are there times when you have not listened as well as you could to what someone was telling you? Why didn't you?

Fourth Sunday Of Ordinary Time Sunday 31st January 2016

Date – 2016	Holy Family Church	St. Mark's Church
Saturday 30th January <i>First Mass</i>	5.00 pm - Confessions 5.15 pm - Mass [Albert Lamb <i>RIP</i> <i>Anniversary</i>]	
Sunday 31st January Fourth Sunday Of Ordinary Time	11.00 am - Mass [John Jinks <i>Birthday</i> <i>Remembrance</i>]	9.15 am – Mass [Cecilia Mee <i>80th Birthday</i> <i>Remembrance</i>]
Monday 1st February <i>Weekday In Ordinary Time</i>		10.00 am – Service Of The Word
Tuesday 2nd February <i>Feast Of The Presentation Of The Lord</i>	10.00 am – Mass [Gerard & Neil McDaid <i>Lately Dead</i>]	
Wednesday 3rd February <i>Weekday In Ordinary Time</i> <i>St Blaise, Bishop & Martyr</i> <i>St Ansgar, Bishop</i>		10.00 am – Mass [Dora Kavanagh <i>RIP</i> <i>Anniversary</i>]
Thursday 4th February <i>Weekday In Ordinary Time</i>	10.00 am – Mass [Helena Kelly <i>Birthday</i> <i>Remembrance</i>]	
Friday 5th February <i>St Agatha, Virgin & Martyr</i>		10.00 am – Mass [Private Intention]
Saturday 6th February <i>First Mass</i>	5.00 pm - Confessions 5.15 pm – Mass [Bill Horley <i>RIP</i>]	
Sunday 7th February <i>Fifth Sunday Of Ordinary Time</i>	11.00 am – Mass [Parishioners]	9.15 am – Mass [Father Doyle <i>Lately</i> <i>Dead</i>]

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Fifth Sunday Of Ordinary Time – Stretching Our Limits

Reading I	Isaiah 6:1–2a, 3–8	(call of Isaiah)
Reading II	1 Corinthians 15:1–11	(Christ's resurrection)
Gospel	Luke 5:1b–11	(call of the first disciples)