



# Newsletter

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

*St Therese of Lisieux Pastoral Area*

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## **Third Sunday of Easter – 10th April 2016**

The meeting of the risen Jesus with his disciples has a clear catechetical intent. The central symbolism of fishing in the middle of the lake underlies the story. Its message could not be timelier for Christians today: *only the presence of the risen Jesus can make the evangelising work of the disciples effective.* It all begins with the decision of Simon Peter: “*I’m going fishing*”. The other disciples are game to go with him. “*We’ll come with you*”. They are together again, but Jesus is missing. They go fishing but they embark without being called to do so by him. They only follow the initiative of Simon Peter. The story writer makes it clear that this work takes place at night and is unsuccessful. “*They caught nothing that night*”. “*Night*” means, in the language of the evangelist, the absence of Jesus who is light. Without the presence of the risen Jesus, without his inspiration and his guidance, there is no fruitful evangelisation. Jesus appears with the light of dawn. From the shore he communicates with his people by calling out to them. The disciples are unaware that it is Jesus. They will only recognize him when, obediently following his instructions, they haul in an amazing catch. They owe that only to Jesus, the prophet who earlier one day had called them to be “*fishers of men*”. The most committed Christians must take on multiple tasks. In order to spread the Good News of Jesus and to work effectively for his project, it is highly important not to “*do many things*”, but to improve the human and evangelical quality of what we do. The determining factor is not the activities we conduct, but the witness we are called upon to give as Christians. We cannot restrict ourselves to living a superficial faith. Above all, it is time to care for what is essential. We burden our communities with words, books and writings but what we most need to do is to listen together to Jesus. We have many meetings, but the most important meeting is the one that gathers us together to celebrate the Lord’s Supper. He alone can keep filling us with the power to evangelise.

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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 especially Lillian Rose Pauls and Teresa Liasides. We also remember to pray for their families.*

### Parish Finance

Gift Aid and Envelopes	£ 568.04
Other Envelopes	£ 110.20
Loose GASDS	£ 445.78
<b>TOTAL OFFERTORY</b>	<b>£ 1124.02</b>
Standing Orders	£ 251.00
Bonus Ball 5	£ 27.00

### Sick and Housebound Parishioners

Father Vin will be continuing with his visits to all our sick and housebound during this month. Please continue to pray for them.

### Funeral Services

Monday 18th April at 12 noon in Holy Family church followed by Cremation at Springwood for the late Teresa Liasides.

On Tuesday 19th April at 12.30 pm in St Mark's church followed by internment in Allerton Cemetery, for the late Lillian Rose Pauls.

May they rest in peace.

### Volunteer Pastoral Assistants:

#### Funeral Lay Minister



Ron Smith

ronaldsmith57@btinternet.com  
07546 252142

#### Baptism Coordinator



Mrs Chris Myles

christinamyles52@hotmail.com  
07483 139718

#### NOTICE:

**The next Baptism Registration Meeting is Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 6.00pm in St Mark's Annex.**

**With You Always coordinator**



Mrs Kami Lester

vianneywya@gmail.com  
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 7 will take place on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April, at 4.45pm-5.45pm/6.00pm-7.00pm in Holy Family School.

## 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.**

### **Becoming a Dementia Friendly Parish**

Do you know anyone who lives with dementia or cares for someone who does? Would you like to know more about what dementia is and how we can help people to live well with dementia? As part of the Archdiocese's action plan to build dementia friendly communities, we will have our first Dementia Friends information session after the 10.00 am Mass **THIS** Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April. It is particularly important for our Eucharistic Ministers to attend but **EVERYONE IS WELCOME**. It only takes an hour and you will come away informed and inspired

### **Newsletter by Email**

If you would like a copy of the newsletter by email, please telephone or email the parish office and a copy will be sent on a Friday.

### **Gift Aid and Standing Orders**

If you are a tax payer and you have not signed up for the Gift Aid scheme will you please think about it? All you have to do is sign once and use envelopes or standing orders to make your donation to the parish. It means we can claim 25p back for every pound you give. Thank you. You can collect a form today from the back of church.

### **Offertory Envelopes**

Please collect your envelopes after Mass. Please do not use unused envelopes for this new tax year. Only use the new ones from TODAY Sunday April 10<sup>th</sup>.

### **Special Collection**

After the recitation of the *Regina Coeli* on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2016, the Holy Father, Pope Francis, launched an humanitarian initiative in favour of the people of the Ukraine, in the form of a special collection to be taken in all of the Catholic Churches in Europe on **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2016**. The Holy Father expressed his faith in the Churches of Europe who would unite generously to this, his initiative.

### **Next weekend**

Vocations Sunday, with a special collection for the Priests' Training Fund.

## 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!"***

### **Baptism Annual Thanksgiving Service**

The Ladies group are planning a short Baptism Thanksgiving Service for the young families who received the sacrament of baptism during the last 12 months. This is where we will re-visit that special occasion and where your child will receive a special blessing. This will be held **NEXT** Sunday 17th April, 3.00 pm, at Holy Family church. This will last no longer than thirty minutes. After the Service there will be light refreshments and the Parish Ladies Group will give you information about our Parish Schools and information about some of the things that are available in our parish for you and your family. I hope you will be able to join us when the parish community will once again welcome your child into our family and assure you of their support for yourself and your family. For all those families who have received invitation letters, please can you return your slips to the parish office as soon as possible. Thank you.



### **Jubilee Prayer of Mercy 2016 – Liverpool**

**[yearofmercyliverpool.org.uk](http://yearofmercyliverpool.org.uk)**

Each of our pastoral area parishes will be doing a monthly service.

Sunday 29th May – Hope University Chapel, Corpus Christi Procession

Monday 27th June, 7.30 pm, Our Lady's Bishop Eton – Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

Sunday 3rd July, 1.00 pm, St Paschal Baylon School – Celebrate the Child Event with Archbishop Malcolm

Sunday 10th July, St Mark's, Halewood – Mass with the Sick and Housebound

Monday 12th September, 4.30 pm, St Ambrose, Speke – Celebration of Catholic Education

Monday 3rd October, 7.00 pm – Pastoral Area Patronal Feast of St Therese of Lisieux

### **Marriage**

Any couple wishing to celebrate the sacrament of marriage needs to contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.

## **The next series of support meetings for Divorced and Separated Catholics**

These will start in late April 2016. We welcome Catholics and other Christians who are divorced or separated (recently or in the past) or who are experiencing the breakdown of a marriage or a long term relationship. The small groups are informative, affirming, free and confidential. **For information or to book a place please contact Frances Trotman 0151 727 2195.** General enquiries may be directed to Maureen O'Brien, Marriage and Family Life Coordinator, LACE, 0151 522 1044 [m.obrien@rcaol.co.uk](mailto:m.obrien@rcaol.co.uk)

## **Northern Catholic Conference**

This will be on Friday 17th, 18th to Sunday 19th June at Liverpool Hope University. This year's theme is "Blessed are the Merciful; they shall have mercy shown them". (*Matthew 5:7*) Speakers include Father Denis McBride, Father Pat Deegan, Tony Hickey and Sister Seraphim. Bookings to Northern Catholic Conference, "Regina Coeli", 6 Warner Drive, Liverpool, L4 8US. Any enquiries to 07543 800812 or website: [www.northerncatholic.co.uk](http://www.northerncatholic.co.uk)

## **Faith In Action**

Archbishop Malcolm McMahon invites you to the launch of Faith in Action in the Archdiocese of Liverpool. Faith in Action is about helping young people to identify what's really important in their faith journey. The process enables them to recognise the many different ways they contribute to the life of the church and society and they achieve formal recognition for active service in schools and parishes.

Overall the content is about engaging young people to take their service into the wider community.

This is being held on Wednesday 18th May 2016, 3.00 – 5.30 pm at LACE, Croxteth Drive, Sefton Park, Liverpool, L17 1AA. There is no cost to attend and light refreshments will be provided. To register a place, please contact 0151 522 1040 or [formation@rcaol.co.uk](mailto:formation@rcaol.co.uk)

### ***From the Pope's Desk***



To be merciful means to grow in a love which is courageous, generous and real.

***Pope Francis***

## **Initial Training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

The next diocesan training course for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at the Irenaeus Centre, Great Georges Road, Waterloo, L22 1RD beginning at 9.30 am – 4.30 pm will be on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2016. A DBS disclosure is required for this ministry. Fr Vin may have asked you to think about this ministry. Could you please contact the Parish Office with your details?

## **Songs of Praise at Liverpool Cathedral**

Television Camera Recording for Songs of Praise, Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May 4.30 pm – 7.30 pm, Liverpool Cathedral, St James' Mount, Liverpool, L1 7AZ. Admission is by free ticket. Application forms and where to send them back to are at the back of each church and the closing date is Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2016.

## **Vianney's Voice**

The next meeting for our parish youth group will be on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April at 7.00 pm in Holy Family church. All new members are very welcome.

## **Clatterbridge Cancer Charity Event**

Wingates are one of the top brass bands in the country, and they are playing a one off concert at St George's Hall on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> April, 80% of the profits will be donated to the Clatterbridge Cancer Charity to support the patients and any future plans to build a specialist cancer hospital in Liverpool. Tickets cost £16.50 each and are available

at  
[www.ticketquarter.co.uk/Online/wingates-band](http://www.ticketquarter.co.uk/Online/wingates-band). Any questions please contact Jeni Nugent, Fundraising Manager on 0151 482 7948 ext. 5971 / 07769 887245 or email: [jeni.nugent@clatterbridgecc.nhs.uk](mailto:jeni.nugent@clatterbridgecc.nhs.uk)

## **Freddie Freckles**

Father Vin will be reading two chapters of Freddie Freckles to our primary school children on the following dates:

- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April, 11.15 am in St Andrews school.
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April, 11.00 am in St Mark's school and 11.30 am in Holy Family School.

## **News from Irenaeus**

Scripture Mornings at Irenaeus Thursdays 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> May 10.30am – 12noon. 'May God reveal deep and hidden things.'  
Reflections on the book of Daniel.

On Fire With the Spirit of God Reflecting on the Acts of the Apostles. Fr Chris has been inspired by what the Pentecost experience meant for the first disciples. On this weekend he shares what it can mean for us. Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May. Franciscan Friary Monastery Road Pantasph Holywell Flintshire CH8 8PE.

2016 Harvesters Weekend for Men Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July – Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2016. High Leigh Retreat Centre, Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire. Speakers: David Payne and Fr Mark White CP. A chance to be refreshed, encouraged and challenged. Further Details are available from [www.harvesters.org.uk](http://www.harvesters.org.uk)

### **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.***

### **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS SERVING THE PARISH OF ST JOHN VIANNEY:**

#### **PRIMARY**

**St Andrew's School:** Tel: 288 8940  
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**St Mark's School:** Tel: 0151 288 8910  
Head teacher Mr Richard Coakley  
[stmarks.de@knowsley.gov.uk](mailto:stmarks.de@knowsley.gov.uk)

**Holy Family School:** Tel: 282 8971  
Head teacher: Mrs Gillian Holland  
[holyfamilyhalewood@knowsley.gov.uk](mailto:holyfamilyhalewood@knowsley.gov.uk)

#### **SECONDARY**

St Edmund Arrowsmith  
Tel:0151 477 8770  
Headteacher: Mr M Campbell

**St Julie's** Tel: 0151 428 6421  
Head teacher: Mr Tim Alderman  
[reception@stjulies.org.uk](mailto:reception@stjulies.org.uk)

#### **SFX College:**

Tel: 0151 288 1000  
Head teacher: Mr Len Rippon  
[admin@sfx.liverpool.sch.uk](mailto:admin@sfx.liverpool.sch.uk)

#### **Bellerive FCJ**

Tel: 0151 727 2064  
Headteacher: Sr Brigid Halligan.

### **Class Masses**

Father Vin will be celebrating Mass in St Andrews School for Year 5 children on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April, at 11.00 am.

On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April, at 11.00 am, he will be celebrating Mass for the Year 5 children in Holy Family School. All parishioners are very welcome.

### **St Mark's Feast Day**

Mass will be celebrated for the feast of St Mark, 25<sup>th</sup> April, at 11.00 am in St Mark's school. Everybody is welcome.

### **St 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.

### **Charity Concert for Macmillan Nurses**

On Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2016, at 7.30 pm in St Mark's Parish Club there will be a charity concert raising money for Macmillan Nurses. There will be various artists including a raffle. Tickets are £5 and can be purchased from the Club.

## Question of the Week

**Adult:** In what ways are you answering Jesus' command to Peter to "feed my sheep"?

**Child:** What do you do to take care of others as Jesus asked Peter to do?

### Third Sunday of Easter Sunday 10th April 2016

Date – 2016	Holy Family Church	St. Mark's Church
<b>Saturday 9th April</b> <i>First Mass</i>	<b>5.15 pm – MASS</b> [Murray Family + Kathleen & Stephen Harrington 40 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary]	
<b>Sunday 10th April</b> <b>Third Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>11.00 am – Mass</b> [Linda Melvin <i>RIP</i> + Kathleen Horgan <i>Birthday Remembrance</i> ]	<b>9.15 am – Mass</b> [Mary Catherine Keating + Parishioners]
<b>Monday 11th April</b> <i>St Stanislaus, Bishop &amp; Martyr</i>	<b>12.00pm Funeral Service</b> [Teresa Liasides]	<b>10.00 – Mass</b> [Maureen Casey <i>RIP</i> + Joan Jones <i>RIP</i> ] <b>10.30 – Dementia Friends Information Session</b>
<b>Tuesday 12th April</b> <i>Weekday of Easter</i>	<b>10.00 am – Mass</b> [Dylan Williams <i>Birthday Remembrance</i> + Peter McKnight <i>RIP</i> ]	<b>12.30pm Funeral Service</b> [Lillian Rose Pauls]
<b>Wednesday 13th April</b> <i>Weekday of Easter</i> <i>St Martin I, Pope &amp; Martyr</i>		<b>10.00 am – Service of the Word</b>
<b>Thursday 14th April</b> <i>Weekday of Easter</i>	<b>10.00 am – Mass</b> [Frank Pitt <i>RIP</i> + Bill Lorgan <i>RIP</i> ]	
<b>Friday 15th April</b> <i>Weekday of Easter</i>		<b>10.00 am – Mass</b> [Veronica Riley <i>Birthday Remembrance</i> + Bernard McDougall <i>RIP</i> ]
<b>Saturday 16th April</b> <i>First Mass</i>	<b>5.15 pm – MASS</b> [Agnes McNulty <i>Birthday Remembrance</i> ]	
<b>Sunday 17th April</b> <b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b> <b>World Day of Prayer for Vocations</b>	<b>11.00 am – Mass</b> [Tony Baxter] <b>3.00 pm – Baptism</b> <b>Thanksgiving Service</b>	<b>9.15 am – Mass</b> [Parishioners]

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:** Fourth Sunday of Easter - Protected by Christ

**Reading I**

Acts 13:14, 43–52 (Paul's and Barnabas' address to the Gentiles)

**Reading II**

Revelation 7:9, 14–17 (rejoicing of the elect of every nation)

**Gospel**

John 10:27–30 (words at the feast of the dedication of the temple)