



# Newsletter

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

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## **Twenty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time** **28<sup>th</sup> August 2016**

Jesus is at table, invited by one of the principal Pharisees of the region. Luke tells us that the Pharisees don't let up spying on Jesus. Jesus, however, feels free to criticize those who are invited and who seek the places of honour, and he even suggests to the one who invited him whom he should invite next time.

It is this exchange that leaves us as dismayed as the host of that feast. With clear and blunt words, Jesus suggests how he and all of us should act: «*Don't invite your friends or your brothers or your relations or rich neighbours*». But is there anything more right and normal than spending time with the people who like us well? Hasn't Jesus done this very thing with Lazarus, Martha and Mary, his friends in Bethany? At the same time, he points out to his host others of whom he should be thinking: «*Invite the poor, the cripple, the lame, the blind*». The poor have no way to return the invitation. There's no return favour to be expected from the crippled, the lame and the blind. That's why no one ever invites them. Isn't this something natural and inevitable?

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Parish Finance	
Gift Aid and Envelopes	£ 423.93
Other Envelopes	£ 160.85
Loose GASDS	£ 350.99
<b>TOTAL OFFERTORY</b>	<b>£ 935.77</b>
Standing Orders	£ 265.00
Bonus Ball	£ 79.00

### Second Collection

Today's Second Collection is for the running costs of the Cathedral and the Assessment Fund.

### Sick and Housebound.

Fr Vin hopes to complete his visits this coming week.

### Liverpool Archdiocesan Directory and Diary 2017

Anyone wishing to purchase an Archdiocesan Directory and/or Diary, can you please contact the parish office to place your order as soon as possible. The price list is as follows:

- Ring Bound Directories £5.00
- Standard Directories £3.50
  - Ordo/Diary £5.00

### Vianney's Voice

The next meeting for Vianney's Voice will be on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016, 7.00 pm in Holy Family Meeting Room. Fr Vin will celebrate Mass. All new members are very welcome.

### Sacramental Preparation Programme 2016/1017

There will be a parents meeting for all those children who wish to register for next year's sacramental preparation programme on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 6.00 pm in St Andrews School. All the children wishing to be part of this programme need to be already baptised and I ask that at the parents meeting, a copy of their baptism certificate should be brought so it can be attached with the application form. Should there be any queries, please contact Kami Lester on the telephone or email on the front cover of this newsletter. Thank you.

### Lourdes Reunion Mass

This will take place on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at 3.00 pm, in St Benets Roman Catholic Church, Copy Lane, Liverpool, L30 7PE. Confessions will be available from 2.30pm.

### Ladies Group Liverpool City Tour

This will take place on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September, meeting at 11.30 am at the City Explorer Bus Stop, Gower Street (*This is apparently where the yellow duck bus used to enter the Albert Dock*). The tour lasts 50/60 minutes and people are free to get on and off the bus where they wish. A table has been booked in What's Cooking for 2.00 pm. To view the menus please visit: [www.whats-cooking.co.uk/](http://www.whats-cooking.co.uk/) or alternatively view one on the day. 1 course is £8.99, 2 courses £12.99.

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



Consoling those who suffer we are able to help  
build a better world.

### ***Pope Francis***

#### **Divorced and Separated Catholics**

The next series of support meetings will start in September 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 on: 0151-727-2195. General enquiries may be directed to Maureen O'Brien, Marriage and Family Life Coordinator, LACE, on: 0151-522-1044 or email: [m.obrien@rcaol.co.uk](mailto:m.obrien@rcaol.co.uk)

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

The next training course for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be held on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2016, at Irenaeus Centre, Great Georges Road, Waterloo, L22 1RD, beginning at 9.30am – 4.30pm. If you have been asked by

Fr Vin to consider this ministry or are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister, please can you contact the Parish Office leaving your details as soon as possible so that you can be booked onto this next training day.

#### **Come and See Day**

The next Come and See Day will be held on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2016, beginning at 10.00 am until 5.00 pm in Faith Primary School, Prince Edwin Street, Liverpool, L5 3LW. The cost is £10 and the keynote speakers are David Alton and Steve Atherton. There will also be workshops, music and a market place. For a booking form, please telephone 0151 949 1199 or email: [jenny@irenaeus.co.uk](mailto:jenny@irenaeus.co.uk)

#### **Parish Council**

Fr Matthew will meet with the Parish Council on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm

#### **Farewell**

This is my last weekend in the parish. Fr Matthew has invited me to return on Friday October 14<sup>th</sup> for a thanksgiving Mass at 7.00pm. I hope you will be able to join me. My sincere thanks to all who have supported me and our parish over the past thirteen years. Please keep me in your prayers as I will you.

Love and Prayers,

*Fr Vin (and Sooty!)*

## Question of the Week

**Adult:** Has the hunger for status and influence in the world around you endangered your life as a Christian?

**Child:** Does it make you a better person to be chosen first for a team or some other honour? Why or why not?

### *Twenty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2016*

Date – 2016	Holy Family Church	St. Mark's Church
<b>Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August</b> <i>First Mass</i>	<b>5.15 pm – Mass</b> [Mary Gardner <i>RIP</i> ]	
<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August</b> <i>Twenty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>	<b>11.00 am – Mass</b> [Jim & Sally Moore]	<b>9.15 am – Mass</b> [People of the Parish]
<b>Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August</b> <i>Memorial of the Passion of St John the Baptist</i>		<b>10.00 am – Mass</b> [Ray Green <i>RIP</i> + Jackie Campbell ]
<b>Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August</b> <i>Memorial of St Edmond Arrowsmith, Priest, Martyr</i>	<b>12.30pm Funeral Service</b> (Margaret Mary Eccles)	<b>10.00 am Mass</b> [Deceased member of the Leonard & Brewley Families]
<b>Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August</b> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time St Aidan, Bishop and the Saints of Lindisfarne</i>	<b>10.00 am – Service of the Word</b>	
<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September</b> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time Ss Margaret Clitheroe, Anne Line and Margaret Ward, Martyrs</i>	<b>10.00 am – Service of the Word</b>	
<b>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September</b> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>		<b>10.00 am – Service of the Word</b>
<b>Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September</b> <i>First Mass</i>	<b>5.15 pm – Mass</b> [Anthony Smith + Eileen Ditchfield <i>RIP</i> ]	
<b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September</b> <i>Twenty Third Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>	<b>11.00 am – Mass</b> [Sadie & Jimmy Devine <i>RIP</i> ]	<b>9.15 am – Mass</b> [People of the Parish]

### Masses available this week in our Pastoral Area

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> Sept    9am St Mary's, 12 noon Bishop Eton  
 Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>            9am St Mary's, 12noon, Bishop Eton