

Newsletter

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

St Therese of Lisieux Pastoral Area

Parish Priest: Fr. Matthew Nunes
Email: johnvianney@rcaolp.co.uk
Parish Administrators: Maureen Conley
(Mon & Tues 9.00 am - 1:00 pm) and

Joanne Hennessy (Thurs 3.00 pm - 5.00 pm) and

(Friday 9.00 am - 3.00 pm)

Email: johnvianney@rcaolp.co.uk

Tel: 0151 486 9883

Web: www.parishofstjohnvianney.co.uk

Twenty Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time - 25th September 2016

In today's Gospel, the rich man dresses in purple and fine linen. His whole life is a story of luxury and ostentation. This rich man is nameless because he has no identity, he is a nobody. His life, devoid of compassion, is a fiasco. At the entrance to his mansion, there lies a hungry beggar covered with sores. No one helps him. Just a few dogs come near to lick his wounds. He has nothing except a name that carries hope with it. His name is Lazarus, 'Eliezer', which means 'God is my help'. At death their fortunes change radically. The rich man is buried with full pomp, but is taken to hades the kingdom of the dead. Lazarus also dies. There is no mention of a funeral rite for him, but angels carried him to Abraham. Using images everyone in his day easily understood, Jesus reminds everyone that God has the last word over rich and poor. The rich man is not considered an exploiter. No one denounced him as an impious man cut off from the Covenant. Quite simply, he enjoyed his riches and ignored a poor man. The man was stretched out in front of his eyes, but he did not see him. He lay at his doorstep, but he didn't meet him. He excluded him from his life. His was a sin of indifference. Sociologists tell us that apathy and lack of sensitivity toward the suffering of others is growing in society. In a thousand ways we avoid noticing the way people suffer. The sight of a beggar on our way annoys us. It disturbs us to meet a friend suffering from a terminal disease. We don't know what to do or say. It is better to stay away; get back to our business; keep from being touched by it. It is much easier to cope with suffering that takes place far away from us. We have learned to reduce hunger, misery or sickness to data, numbers and statistics. They analyse the reality, but hardly touch our hearts. When grief or pain affects someone close to us, we try in a thousand ways to deaden our feelings. Those who follow Jesus become more sensitive to the sorrow of anyone they come across. They go to meet a person in need, and if they can, they try to ease that person's situation.

Parish Mass Books		
26 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	PAGE 143	
Nicene Creed	PAGE 11	
Preface	PAGE 67	
Eucharistic Prayer for Various needs II	PAGE 25	

Liverpool RC Archdiocesan Trustees Incorporated. A registered Charity 232709

The Presbytery and Parish Office: Penmann Crescent, Halewood, Liverpool, L26 OUG. Tel: 0151-486-9883

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 Henry John Grimes and Geoffrey Neil Parkes. We also remember to pray for their families.

Parish Finance			
Gift Aid and Envelopes	£	459.09	
Other Envelopes	£	124.71	
Loose GASDS	£	300.28	
TOTAL OFFERTORY	£	884.08	
Standing Orders	£	265.00	
Bonus Ball 43	£	74.00	
Home Missions	£	144.65	

Second Collection

This week our second collection is for SVP. Next week is for the Knights of St Columba, raising funds for their annual Steve Dooley memorial sponsored walk. Thank you for your continued support and the generous financial contributions you make to all our collections.

Funeral Mass

There will be a Funeral Mass on Tuesday 27th September at 12noon in St Mark's church followed by burial in Allerton Cemetery for the late Geoffrey Neil Parkes. May he rest in peace.

Volunteer Pastoral Assistants:

Funeral Lay Minister



Carole Clancy caroleclancy@fsmail.net 07855 769863

Ron Smith ronaldsmith57@btinternet.com 07546 252142

Baptism Coordinator



Mrs Chris Myles christinamyles52@hotmail.com 07443 018816

NOTICE:

The next Baptism Registration Meeting is Monday 10th October 2016 at 6.00pm in St Mark's Annex.

With You Always coordinator



Mrs Kami Lester <u>lesterkami@gmail.com</u> 07881817799

Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Tuesday 4th October at 6pm in St Mark's annexe.

Welcome

We thank Fr Tony Reynolds and the Widnes team for celebrating Masses for our parish community during September. Next weekend we welcome back amongst us Fr Matthew.

Sacramental Preparation Programme 2016/2017

There will be a parents meeting for all those children who wish to register for next year's sacramental preparation programme **THIS** Monday 26th 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 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 gueries, please contact Kami Lester on the telephone or email on the front cover of this newsletter.

Over the next few weeks, therefore, we will be welcoming into our parish community families whose children are preparing to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. Please can I ask you to watch out closely for any new members into our community and extend to them a very warm welcome and any help they may need in settling in amongst us.

God in His Mercy cares for you

TODAY Sunday 25th September 2016, at 3.00 pm in the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King, Liverpool, there will be a celebration Mass for and with disabled people. The Principal Celebrant will be Archbishop Malcolm McMahon OP. Tea and coffee will be served afterwards downstairs in the Gibberd Room. For more information, please contact Mary Beatham on 07341 864180 or email: mary.beatham@nugentcare.org

Knights of St Columba Annual Sponsored Walk

Members, family and friends of Council 9 will undertake our annual Steve Dooley Memorial Walk TODAY 25th September. The walk will commence at the Pump House, Albert Dock at 2pm and we will walk along the waterfront to Liverpool Cricket Club, Riversdale Road, where refreshments will be served. This year our nominated charity is for children with cancer, it is every parent's worst nightmare to see a child with cancer, last year with your support and help from Barclays Bank we raised the magnificent sum of £10,000 for Zoe's Place and with your help we can match that this Our nominated charity this year is the Children's Cancer Support Group or "CHICS". It is a North West based charity (Reg No 1003134) it supports children and families with cancer, it provides help and support during very difficult times, this help may be in the form of a short holiday in a caravan or improving hospital facilities, provides telephone it information and support, medical advice and many other facilities too numerous to mention. (www.chichs.org.uk) CHICS is run on a voluntary basis by parents for parents, relatives and friends of children with cancer, and with the support of hospital staff, and two paid workers. If you would like to donate, please place your envelope in the collection or hand to one of the Knights on leaving church next week. If you would like to join us on the walk you would be more than welcome. Many thanks for your continued support. Grand Knight Council 9.

From the Pope's Desk



Every encounter with the other is a seed which can grow into a flourishing tree, where many will find rest and nourishment.

Pope Francis

Vianney's Voice

The next meeting for our parish youth group, Vianney's Voice, will be on Wednesday 28th September at 7.30pm in Holy Family. New members are always welcome.

Initial Training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

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

Coffee Morning

Change lives with every slice. There will be tea/coffee and cake in St Mark's Club on 30th September in the member's lounge at 10.00 am. All money raised will go towards Macmillan Cancer Support. Please do come along and support this very worthy cause.

Ways of Working with Adult Groups

This workshop will be held on
Tuesday 18th October 2016, 6.30pm
to 9.00 pm in Holy Rosary Parish
Meeting Room, Altway, Liverpool,
L10 2LG. The cost is £10 which
includes refreshments and
handouts. To book, please contact
Pastoral Formation Department on
0151 522 1040, email:
formation@rcaol.co.uk

Initial Training For Bereavement Teams

There will be a two session training course for new bereavement teams or new members of existing teams, 1.30pm – 4.30pm on Wednesday 19th and 26th October, in Holy Rosary Parish Centre, Altway, Aintree, Liverpool, L10 2LG. The cost is £10 per person. For further information, please contact Maureen Knight on 0151 522 1046 or email: m.knight@rcaol.co.uk

Come and See Day

The next Come and See Day will be held on Saturday 29th 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

A Lifeline for Married Couples

Are you:

- Disillusioned or bored in your marriage?
- Unable to communicate with each other?
- Feeling confused, stressed, unloved?
- Separated, divorced or thinking about it?

Do you want to try again? You CAN improve your marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples worldwide work through challenging times.

Interested? Please contact Michael and Frances on 07887 296983 or Maurice and Margaret on 07973 380443. Email:

<u>info@retrouvaille.org.uk</u> Website: <u>www.retrouvaille.org.uk</u>

Diocesan Day For Readers

There is a Diocesan Day for Readers and those involved in Scripture Groups looking at the Gospel according to Matthew with Fr Denis McBride CSsR. This will be on Saturday 11th November 2016, 10.00 am until 4.00 pm, in St Anne's Parish Centre, Ormskirk, L39 4TG. The cost is £15 per person or parish groups of 5 for £50 which includes lunch. To book, please contact Pastoral Formation Department on 0151 522 1040 or email: formation@rcaol.co.uk

CENACOLO

Do you know anyone suffering from addiction or are you looking to come off drugs or alcohol and have tried everything? There is help at CENACOLO - we have a great success rate. Meetings are held at the Blessed Sacrament Shrine, 4 Dawson Street, L1 1LE on Tuesday evenings 7.00pm—9.00pm. Come to the meetings or for information call: Margaret 342 1043, Mary Holgate 342 4166 or Mary Conway 07883 339980.

Free Will Week – Helping You Protect What Matters

From 3rd – 7th October 2016, Kirwans Law Firm, are joining forces with Nugent Care to offer a free Will writing service. (Please note that some complex and technical Wills may be subject to charges. Terms and conditions apply). This limited offer provides you with access to a specialist legal team that will draft a simple Will without the legal fees, all we ask is that you make a suggested donation of £60 for a single Will or £110 for a joint Will to the charity. Protect what matters to you most and help support Nugent Care along the way. To book an appointment, simply contact the team on 0800 525035 or Email: wills@kirwans.co.uk or Website: www.kirwans.co.uk

An RCIA Surgery

- What challenges and opportunities do you meet in your ministry of RCIA?
- Do you find it difficult to gather people at the same time every week?
- In what ways do you involve the wider community of the parish?

The context in which we welcome people interested in joining our Catholic communities is constantly changing. The life-styles and work patterns of those who enquire, reflect the diversity which characterises life in 2016. Many 'traditional' RCIA groups find that more flexible meetings are needed to enable enquirers to walk the journey that leads to Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. If these are some of your questions of if you have other questions about the practicalities of implementing the vision of RCIA today, please come along and join the Diocesan Core Team as together we reflect on this issue. We will share our stories of the realities we meet and consider new ways to respond in creative and faithful ways. This is open to all coordinators and priests of RCIA groups and is being held on Saturday 1st October, 10am-1pm at St Oswald's Parish Centre, Padgate Lane, Warrington, WA1 3LB. Refreshments including Danish Pastries will be provided. For further information and to let the RCIA Core Team know if you wish to come along, please telephone, 0151 522 1040 or email:

formation@rcaol.co.uk

Faith for Life

Who would benefit from Faith for Life?

- People who are searching and/or looking for ways to deepen their faith.
- Groups who are in the process of forming eg. Parish Pastoral Councils and leadership teams.
- People who are already involved at some level in their parish or local community.
- People who are involved in full time or part time ministry.
- People who are considering a change of direction in their life.

The course is open to all denominations and benefits from being ecumenical. The next Faith for Life course will begin in the Archdiocese on the following dates and locations:

Upholland – St Joseph's Parish, Crow Orchard Road, Wrightington, WN6 9PA. 8th/9th Oct, 19th/20th Nov, 28th/29th Jan 2017, 25th/26th March.

Southport – Sacred Heart Parish, Liverpool Road, Ainsdale, PR8 3BP. 5th/6th Nov, 21st/22nd Jan 2017, 4th/5th March, 13th/14th May.

To express and interest or for more information, please contact Maria Hardacre on 0151 522 1081, email: m.hardacre@rcaol.co.uk or Monica Gannon on 01704 577722 email: heartstoneparish@btconnect.com.

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 Head teacher: Mrs Jan Cunningham standrew@knowsley.gov.uk

St Mark's School: Tel: 0151 288 8910 Head teacher Mr Richard Coakley stmarks.de@knowsley.gov.uk

Holy Family School: Tel: 282 8971 Head teacher: Mrs Gillian Holland holyfamilyhalewood@knowsley.gov..uk

SECONDARY

St Edmund Arrowsmith
<u>Tel:0151</u> 477 8770
Headteacher, Vacant RIP.

St Julie's Tel: 0151 428 6421 Head teacher: Mr Tim Alderman reception@stjulies.org.uk

SFX College:

Tel: 0151 288 1000 Head teacher: Mr Len Rippon admin@sfx.liverpool.sch.uk

Bellerive FCJ

Tel: 0151 727 2064 Headteacher: Sr Brigid Halligan

Charity Fundraiser

St Mark's Club presents Soul and Motown Night on Friday 7th October, starring Soul Temptation. There will be a disco, bingo and raffle. Come along and enjoy a sensational night of classic Soul and Motown with the amazing Soul Temptations featuring Geoff Rey. This really is a show not to be missed! The charity fundraiser is to raise money for St Mark's School. Tickets are on sale now for £5 from St Mark's Club.

St Mark's Club Refurbishment

From Monday 26th September to Friday 7th October, St Mark's Club will be getting refurbished. The only part that will remain open is the members lounge during this time. Unfortunately, any bookings for the club during this time will not be able to be taken.

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 It is vital for the Funeral Receptions. 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 are the "rewards" of caring for the needs of the poor?

Child: What is one thing you and your family could do this week to help those who are poor or sick?

Twenty Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time Sunday 25 th September 2016			
Date - 2016	Holy Family Church	St. Mark's Church	
Saturday 24 th September First Mass	5.15 pm – Mass [Cath & Con O'Bryne]		
Sunday 25 th September Twenty Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time	11.00 am - Mass [Ann Bradley]	9.15 am - Mass [People of the Parish]	
Monday 26 th September Weekday in Ordinary Time Ss Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs		10.00 am – Service of the Word	
Tuesday 27 th September Memorial of St Vincent de Paul		12 noon – Funeral Mass Geoffrey Neil Parkes	
Wednesday 28 th September Weekday in Ordinary Time St Wenceslaus, King Martyr St Laurence Ruiz & Companions, Martyrs		10.00 am – Service of the Word	
Thursday 29 th September Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, Archangels	10.00 am – Service of the Word		
Friday 30 th September St Jerome, Priest & Doctor		10.00 am - Service of the Word	
Saturday 1 st October First Mass	5.15 pm – Mass [Candida Ward <i>Birthday Remembrance</i>]		
Sunday 2nd October Twenty Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time	11.00 am - Mass [People of the Parish]	9.15 am – Mass [McGrail Family <i>RIP</i>]	

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Faithful Christians

Reading IHabakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4a (Habakkuk's complaint)Reading II2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 (exhortation to faithfulness)GospelLuke 17:5-10 (sayings on the requirements of faith)