



Newsletter

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Parishes of St Andrew, Holy Family & St Mark

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Twenty Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time – 9th October 2016

In today's Gospel we hear that Jesus heals ten lepers while sending them to the priests to have the certified as cured and returned to their families. Once cleansed, the lepers vanish. It seems they were untouched by what had happened to them. One of them, however, *saw that he was healed* and realised that something extraordinary had been given him. God has healed him. He returns, praising God in a loud voice and giving thanks to Jesus. Most commentators interpret his reaction as an act of gratitude: Jesus, however, does not speak of gratitude. He says the Samaritan returned *to give praise to God*. To give such praise and glory to God is much more than to give thanks. Each of us has a personal history of trials from sickness, suffering and hardships. Within each history, healing is a privileged event for giving praise and glory to God as the Saviour of our being. We claim to know everything about how our bodies function, but we are still surprised when we are cured of a serious illness. It is always a mystery how we go through the experience of recovering from an illness and see how we regain strength to recover our confidence and our freedom. There are very few experiences as radical and basic as healing, for in healing we experience victory over evil, the triumph of life over the danger of death. When we recover we are offered the possibility of accepting God in a new way. He comes to us as the ground of our being and the source of new life. Modern medicine allows people today to undergo the process of healing more frequently than in times past, and we should thank those who heal us. Healing can also be an occasion for and a stimulus for a new relationship with God. We can change from indifference to faith, from rejection to acceptance, from doubt to trust, from fear to love. This healthy acceptance of God can heal us from fears, emptiness, and wounds that harm us. It can create the foundation for a life of greater health and freedom. It can heal us totally.

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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 Elizabeth Perry and Robert Fraser. We also remember to pray for their families.

Parish Finance

Gift Aid and Envelopes	£	527.54
Other Envelopes	£	159.93
Loose GASDS	£	332.66
TOTAL OFFERTORY	£	1020.13
Standing Orders	£	265.00
Bonus Ball 39	£	108.00

Second Collection

This week our second collection is for CAFOD. Thank you for your continued support and the generous financial contributions you make to all our collections.

Funeral Mass – Elizabeth Perry

There will be a Funeral Mass on Wednesday 12th October 2016, at 11.30am in St Mark’s church followed by cremation at Springwood for the late Elizabeth Perry. May she rest in peace.

Funeral Mass – Robert Fraser

There will be a Funeral Mass on Wednesday 19th October 2016, at 12 noon in St Mark’s church followed by interment at Allerton Cemetery for the late Robert Fraser. May he rest in peace.

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NOTICE:

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

With You Always coordinator



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Fr Brian Crane RIP

There will be a Funeral Mass for the late Fr Brian Crane who passed away suddenly last week. His funeral will be held at St Mary’s church, Woolton on Friday 14th October at 12 noon. This will be followed by interment in his parents grave in Allerton Cemetery. May he rest in peace.

Fr Vin's Thanksgiving Mass & Social

Next weekend we will be extending a very warm welcome back to Fr Vin who will be joining us for a Thanksgiving Mass in St Mark's church, followed by a social in the parish club. For administrative and catering purposes, if you have not already done so, can you please fill out the forms at the back of both churches if you wish to come along.

Halewood Lourdes Youth Fund

A gift of £60 was given to the Halewood Lourdes Youth Fund. We thank you for your very generous and kind donation.

Bonus Ball in Holy Family Church

Please note that next week there will be no Bonus Ball collection in Holy Family church due to the team being on pilgrimage to Walsingham. It will resume again on the weekend of 22nd and 23rd October.

With You Always Programme

The first session for the With You Always Programme will be held on Saturday 15th October in St Mark's church and will be a Treasure Hunt.

Kami is asking for help from any readers, Eucharistic ministers, Altar servers etc to come along to a session for one hour. The sessions are 12noon, 1pm and 2pm. If you are able to help at a session, can you contact Kami on 07881 817799.

Vianney's Voice

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 26th October at 7pm in Holy Family church. All new members are welcome.

Family Quiz Night

Our parish youth group, Vianney's Voice will be hosting a family quiz night on 4th November in St Mark's Parish Club, beginning at 7pm. Tickets will be on sale after our weekend masses over the next few weeks.

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.

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

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING

St John Vianney, Halewood

Tuesday 4th October 2016

The meeting opened at 6pm with a prayer led by Fr. Matthew.

Present: Fr Matthew, Geraldine Marsh (acting chair), Agnes Cannon, Carole Clancy, Richard Coakley, Emily Crompton (from 6:40pm), Peter Crompton, Jenny Jones, Kami Lester, Jim Moore, Chris Myles, Rachel O'Neil.

Apologies: Jan Cunningham, Gill Holland, Jim Harrison, Lisa Parry.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: accepted as true record

Matters arising: none

Notification of Any Other

Business: Safeguarding. Council Chair. Bereavement ministry. Finance.

Correspondence: none

Arrival of new parish priest: Fr. Matthew and the Council explored appropriate ways to celebrate his arrival and the start of the phase of the parish history. It was agreed to celebrate with a Mass at 7pm on Friday 2nd December in St. Mark's church followed by a social event in St. Mark's club.

Vianney's Voice: the Sports Day that the group held at SFX school was a great success. The group wants to make it a fund-raising

event when they repeat it. They are organising a Quiz Night to be held on 4th November to raise funds for the Lourdes pilgrimage 2017. Currently, 7 of the group want to go to Lourdes next year. Details will be provided in the parish newsletter. Currently, they are considering a Christmas event.

With You Always: The programme is running a little late following the arrival of Fr. Matthew. Registration has just taken place with 80 children on the programme across 8 schools. This weekend will be the 'welcome' weekend. Kami Lester will liaise with Fr. Matthew re dates for future stages of the programme. The First Holy Communion celebration will take place on 20th May 2017 at 10am at St. Ambrose church, Speke. There are now 7 catechists to assist with the programme and the new resource has arrived.

Schools: Mr Coakley represented the head teachers. There is little to report at this stage as all is progressing well since the start of the new academic year.

Baptism: a provisional timetable has been drawn up. Carole Clancy and Chris Myles are to meet with Fr. Matthew to confirm dates. It was agreed that there should be no more than 3 baptisms per ceremony. The Council thanked Chris Myles and Sharon Daniels for taking over the programme during Carole's illness.

RCIA: there have been 3 enquiries to date with a possible 4th to be confirmed. The programme is due to start late October/early November.

Ladies' Group: the group participated in a City Tour in September which was enjoyed by all. The Group is meeting on Wednesday 5th October when the meeting will include a presentation about Dementia Friends. The Annual Bereavement service will take place on Tuesday 15th November at 7pm. Decisions re Christmas/Easter Reconciliation services are yet to be confirmed.

Any Other Business: it was agreed that Election of the Council Chair should be on the agenda for the next meeting.

Fr Matthew is to meet with Carole Clancy and Ron Smith to discuss the management of committals.

Safeguarding: a new catechist has completed the DBS process while another volunteer is going through it currently. It was requested the ice packs be purchased for both churches in the event of anyone needing them following injury. There was discussion re extinguishing candles at Holy Family church. It was agreed to have confirmation of best practice from Jim Harrison on behalf of the Health and Safety Committee.

Finance: management of collection monies was discussed.

It was reported by Jim Moore that, following checking of the alarm at Holy Family church, it was discovered that the phone there is still attached. This is to be followed up.

The meeting ended with a prayer at 7:15pm.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 8th November 2016.

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

From the Pope's Desk



It is by loving that the God-who-is-Love is proclaimed to the world.

Pope Francis

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

Liverpool Archdiocese 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 Friday 25th November 2016, beginning at 7.30pm until 9.00pm, with refreshments being available from 7.00 pm. The venue is St Wilfrid's Pastoral Centre (formerly Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church) Mayfield Road, Hough Green, Widnes, WA8 8PR.

Renewed Parishes – An evening of practical help and support

On Wednesday 19th October 2016, 7.30pm at LACE, Croxteth Drive, Sefton Park, Liverpool, L17 1AA, there will be an evening themed

'Renewed Parishes', looking at how to respond to the challenges in becoming merciful parishes that reach out as evangelising communities. To register your interest please email Sister Moira Meeghan on moira@irenaeus.co.uk or by post to Sister Moira Meeghan, 32 Great George Road, Liverpool, L22 1RD.

Looking Further Ahead to 2017

'The Gift'

Archbishop Malcolm has invited CaFE (Catholic Faith Exploration) into the archdiocese to train people involved in faith sharing and evangelisation in the use of their new resource called 'The Gift'. This is an opportunity to experience an inspiring and practical series aimed at people of all ages to help them encounter the Holy Spirit and empower them to share their faith.

The CaFE (Catholic Faith Exploration) team will lead these two days and Archbishop Malcolm will join on the second day. It is open to priests, catechists, youth workers, chaplains and anyone interested in evangelisation and faith formation. The aim is that those who attend will feel confident in leading the programme themselves. 'The Gift' will be held on Saturday 4th February and 25th February 2017 and attendance on both days is essential. To register and for more information, please contact Sister Moira Meeghan at, 32 Great Georges Road, Liverpool, L22 1RD or email; moira@irenaeus.co.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.

Mac Millian Coffee Morning – St Mark's Parish Club

Many thanks to all those who came along to the coffee morning in St Mark's Club. This raised the wonderful amount of £229.
Thank you!

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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. ***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: Whose generosity do you tend to take for granted? How will you change this?

Child: When have you failed to say thank you? Why does this matter?

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Date – 2016	Holy Family Church	St. Mark's Church
Saturday 8th October <i>First Mass</i>	5.15 pm – Mass [Sean Douglas <i>Sick</i>]	
Sunday 9th October <i>Twenty Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>	11.00 am – Mass [Nicholas Betney <i>RIP</i>]	9.15 am – Mass [People of the parish]
Monday 10th October <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time St Paulinus of York, Bishop</i>		10.00 am – Service of the Word
Tuesday 11th October <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time St John XXIII, Pope</i>	10.00 am – Mass [Ronnie Griffiths Snr.]	
Wednesday 12th October <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time St Wilfrid, Bishop</i>		11.30 am – Funeral Mass - Elizabeth Perry
Thursday 13th October <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time St Edward the Confessor, King</i>	10.00 am – Mass [Tena Bogle – <i>for safe operation</i>]	
Friday 14th October <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time St Calistus I, Pope, Martyr</i>		7.00 pm – Mass Thanksgiving, Fr Vin
Saturday 15th October <i>First Mass</i>	5.15 pm – Mass [Stephen & Frank Nickson]	
Sunday 16th October <i>Twenty Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>	11.00 am – Mass [People of the Parish]	9.15 am – Mass [Robert Fraser <i>RIP</i>]

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Taking responsibility

Reading I Exodus 17:8–13 (battle with Amalek)
Reading II 2 Timothy 3:14—4:2 (apostolic charge)
Gospel Luke 18:1–8 (the corrupt judge)