



Parish of
ST JOHN VIANNEY
 Halewood
 & Hunts Cross

Newsletter

*Parish of St John Vianney, incorporating the former
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Twenty Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time – 16th October 2016

The parable of the widow and the unscrupulous judge, can elicit different reactions from listeners. Luke says it is a call to pray without losing heart. But it is also an invitation to trust in God who will do justice to those who cry out to him day and night. In biblical tradition the widow is the supreme example of a person who is alone and helpless. This woman has no husband or children to protect her; no one to support or back her. All she has are opponents to exploit her and a judge without religion or a conscience, who cares nothing for the suffering of anyone. All she demands is justice. This is her repeated and firm protest before the judge *Grant me justice*. Her demand is that of all those unjustly oppressed. It is a cry in keeping with what Jesus says to his followers *Seek the kingdom of God and his justice*. It is true that God has the last word and will do justice to those who cry to him day and night. This is the hope inspired in us by Christ raised to life by the Father from an unjust death. But until that day arrives, the cries grow from those who keep calling out without anyone heeding them. For a great majority of the world's population life is a never ending night of waiting. Religions promise salvation. Christianity proclaims the triumph of the love of God incarnate in Jesus crucified. Meanwhile, millions of people know only the hardness of heart of their fellow human beings and the silence of God. This parable challenges all believers. Will we continue to nurture our private devotions while forgetting those who suffer? Will we go on praying to God to put him at the service of our interests without bothering about the injustices in the world? What if to pray meant precisely to forget ourselves and to seek, with God, a more just world for all?

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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 Robert Fraser and Irene Howey. We also remember to pray for their families.

Parish Finance

Gift Aid and Envelopes	£ 491.52
Other Envelopes	£ 112.25
Loose GASDS	£ 519.42
TOTAL OFFERTORY	£ 1123.19
Standing Orders	£ 265.00
Bonus Ball 53	£ 28.00
CAFOD	£ 138.20

Second Collection

Next week our second collection is for APF World Missions. Thank you for your continued support and the generous financial contributions you make to all our collections.

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.

Volunteer Pastoral Assistants:

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NOTICE:

The next Baptism Registration Meeting is Monday 7th November 2016 at 6.00pm in St Mark’s Annex.

With You Always coordinator



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Funeral Service

There will be a Funeral Service on Thursday 20th October, at 12 noon in St Mark’s church followed by cremation at Springwood Crematorium for the late Irene Howey. May she rest in peace.

Bonus Ball in Holy Family Church

Please note that THIS 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.

Fr Vin's Thanksgiving Mass & Social

Many thanks to all the people who came for Fr Vin's Thanksgiving Mass and social in St Marks. It was a wonderful celebration and a personal note of thanks to you all from Fr Vin will be published in next week's newsletter.

Helena Trust

The team at Helena Trust who support domestic violence victims build new lives, would like to thank the parish of St John Vianney for the very generous donations of children's toys/clothes/books/pencils and household items eg. bedding and curtains. Through your kindness and generosity, these items will go a long way in helping many families in need.

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.

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

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.

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

Nugent Care Charity Shop

Nugent Charity Shop on Allerton Road is in urgent need of stock consisting of clothing, books, bric-a-brac, shoes and handbags. If you have any unwanted items, please consider donating them to our Charity Shop and these can be dropped off at 73 Allerton Road, Liverpool, L18 2DH from 9am until 5pm, Monday to Saturday. Thank you.

One World Concert

On Saturday 22nd October. A charity fundraiser for Asylum Link Merseyside. Please join us to raise funds to support destitute asylum seekers and refugees. Enjoy an evening with an array of generous and talented local singers and musicians including Jo and the Influentials, Hira Moazzam, Sax Quartet Soubrette, Reham, Mullarkey and Knowsley Ladies Choir. The concert takes place at St Anne's Church, Overbury Street, Liverpool, L7 3HJ, beginning at 7pm. Tickets are £5 on the door or contact illainfo@asylumlink.org.uk or call 0151 709 1713

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 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

From the Pope's Desk



We are living the Gospel when we help the smallest and most vulnerable

Pope Francis

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.



This example I leave you

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

Light in the Darkness

As the autumn nights begin to draw in, a thought from Richard Rohr.

'We only need enough light to be able to trust the darkness. Trials and darkness teach us how to trust in a very practical way, that a good God is guiding us. I don't need to be perfectly certain before I take the next step. Now I can trust that even my mistakes will be used in my favour, if I allow them to be. This is a wonderful way to grow in human love too. Darkness, mistakes, and trials are the supreme teachers. Success really teaches you nothing; it just feels good.'

Latest from Irenaeus

Scripture Weekend and Mornings at Irenaeus

Opportunities to discover more about the scriptures and what they can teach us. 6pm Friday 18th - Sunday 20th November 2017

***'Go and make disciples of all nations'* Reflections on the Gospel of Matthew**

Fr. Chris will explore the themes in the Gospel of Matthew. This is the Gospel that is followed throughout this next liturgical year. Our weekends run from 6pm on the Friday to 1pm on the Sunday.

As well as good teaching the weekend offers the opportunity to relax in the beautiful setting of the Irenaeus house, to enjoy delicious food and a walk by the beach.

'If anyone has ears to hear...'

Thursdays 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th November 2017, 10:30am - 12 noon

A journey through the Book of Revelation. Fr. Chris will help to reflect upon the themes of the book of Revelation

For further information on any of the events and for booking forms Contact Jenny at 0151 949 1199, jenny@irenaeus.co.uk or visit website www.irenaeus.co.uk

'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, in Christ the King's Parish Club, Score Lane, Liverpool, L16 6AW 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.

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Bellerive FCJ

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Headteacher: Sr Brigid Halligan

Dementia Friendly Christmas Carol Service

You are invited to a Christmas Carol Service with Archbishop Malcolm Mc Mahon at the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King on Wednesday 14th December 2016, at 2.00 pm. This will feature the students from St Therese of Lisieux, Norris Green, English Martyrs, Litherland and Great Crosby Primary Schools plus the "Songs We Remember" choir and the Metropolitan Cathedral Junior Choir. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Gibberd Room and everyone is most welcome. For further information, please contact the Pastoral Formation Department on 0151 522 1046 or m.knight@rcaol.co.uk

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 needs might you be failing to listen to right now?

Child: How often do you put off chores until you are forced to do them? Who is hurt by such a decision?

Twenty Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time *Sunday 16th October 2016*

Date – 2016	Holy Family Church	St. Mark's Church
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>]
Monday 17th October <i>St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr</i>		10.00 am – Service of the Word
Tuesday 18th October <i>Feast of St Luke the Evangelist</i>	10.00 am – Mass [Anne Stinson <i>RIP</i>]	
Wednesday 19th October <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i> <i>Ss John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priests and Companions, Martyrs</i>		12 noon – Funeral Mass Robert Fraser
Thursday 20th October <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	10.00 am – Mass [Peter Eccleston <i>RIP</i>]	12 noon – Funeral Service Irene Howey
Friday 21st October <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>		10.00 am – Mass [Bridget & James McCluskey]
Saturday 22nd October <i>First Mass</i>	5.15 pm – Mass [Barry Hayes]	
Sunday 23rd October <i>Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>	11.00 am – Mass [Sadie & Jimmy Devine]	9.15 am – Mass [People of the Parish]

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - The reward of humility

Reading I Sirach 35:12–14, 16–18 (the God of justice)
Reading II 2 Timothy 4:6–8, 16–18 (reward for fidelity)
Gospel Luke 18:9–14 (the Pharisee and the tax collector)