

Newsletter

*Parish of St John Vianney, incorporating the former
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St Therese of Lisieux Pastoral Area*

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Second Sunday of Lent, 12 March 2017

For the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert to his Transfiguration. Each year on the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday of Lent each year, we hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration.

The story of Jesus' Transfiguration is told in the three Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In each of those Gospels, the Transfiguration follows Jesus' first prediction of his death and his teaching about the costs of discipleship. Jesus' Transfiguration is a promise of Jesus' glory, his Resurrection.

On a mountain in today's reading, a voice affirms that Jesus is God's Son in words reminiscent of the voice at Jesus' baptism. In addition, the appearance of Moses and Elijah on the mountain connects this story with God's relationship to the people of Israel. Moses and Elijah represent the Law and the Prophets, respectively. Together with Jesus, they represent God's complete Word.

The Transfiguration occurs in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples: Peter, James, and John. In Matthew's Gospel, those disciples are among the first whom Jesus calls. The three men are identified as an "inner circle" among Jesus' disciples when Jesus asks them to accompany him to the Garden of Gethsemane just before his arrest.

WE WANT YOU!
St John Vianney Choir



Have you ever considered joining our choir? We are looking to boost our numbers and with the Easter services fast approaching, now is the ideal time.

Our choir is split between the two churches and we come together at special times of the year. We are now looking to increase our numbers (and therefore our sound!).

Choir practice takes place in Holy Family Church on a Friday evening from 7.30pm-8.30pm. No

auditions. It would be wonderful to see our choir grow in strength and be able to produce a sound fitting for our worship.

Please leave your contact details with the musicians (Peter, Maureen or Jim) or a choir member.

Baptismal Information



We welcome into St Mark's this weekend Ella Amelia Jackson, Logan James Heron and Emmie Rose Heron. We also keep in our prayers those families who have recently celebrated this sacrament.

The next Baptism Registration Meeting will take place on 3 April 2017 at 6.00pm in St Mark's Annexe.

Families anticipating a baptism this year are strongly advised to register early as dates and places are filling quickly.

Rite of Welcome

This will take place for Thomas Freddie Barnes, Connor Kenneth Loftus, Lewis James Loftus,

Reenie Marie Collins, Harry Ian Ronald Williams, Jack Francis Jones, Eliza Saxon, Oliver Robert Griffiths, Eva Mai Ryan-Corrie, Terence James Ware.

Vianney's Voice

Vianney's Voice will be hosting a Family Games Night at St Mark's Parish Club on Friday, 24 March with proceeds going towards the Parish Lourdes Fund. Please come along and support our young people and enjoy an evening together in our Club.

Parish Office

The office will be closed on Thursday, 16 March due to staff holidays.

Bereavement Team

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, 21 March at 2.00pm in St Mark's Annexe. If you have been unable to attend the meetings so far but would still like to get involved then you will be made most welcome.

St Mary's, Leathers Lane

There will be a service celebrating 50 years of St Mary's CofE Church

at 3.00pm on Sunday, 12 March. Everyone is welcome.

Metropolitan Cathedral Golden Jubilee 3-4 June 2017

This is a very exciting time for the Cathedral who are keen to ensure that their celebrations are inclusive and accessible for parishioners throughout the whole of the Archdiocese. A wide range of events and projects are planned, many of which will be free to attend and participate. Please see the posters at the back of church for a brief outline with a full events brochure available from Easter via www.liverpoolmetropolitancathedral.org

Friends of Nugent Volunteer Fundraising Group

Mother's Day & Easter Fair, Saturday, 18 March, 1.30pm-4.30pm, St Mary's Millennium Centre, Meadow Lane, West Derby.

A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

11 days based in Jerusalem & Galilee departing from Manchester 22 May-1 June 2017 with Father John Gorman and Father Tony Reynolds.

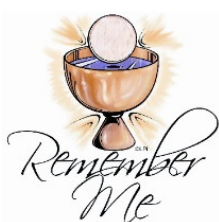
For further details please call
Father John: 01942 727271 or
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Liverpool Archdiocesan 2017 Pilgrimage to Lourdes



21-28 July by air from Liverpool.
Led by The Archbishop of
Liverpool, Most Rev Malcolm
McMahon OP and accompanying
clergy. For more details please see
the noticeboard or contact the
Lourdes Office on 07484 911623.
Email
lourdespilgrimage@rcaolp.co.uk

Holy Communion



Holy Communion is the most
sacred part of the Mass for
Catholics. If you are not a Catholic
but would like to come forward for
a blessing, you are most welcome.
Please place your hands across
your chest.

Children's Liturgy



The Archdiocese recommends that
Children's Liturgy is aimed at
children of school age upwards.

Please feel free though to use the
resources at the back of both
churches for younger children and
return them after mass. Thank you
so much for your understanding.

News From Our Schools



St Andrew the Apostle School are
collecting the green Asda tokens at
the checkout in Hunts Cross.
Please ask for a green token and
pop it in their box as they are
hoping to raise funds for a new
outside reading area for the
children to enjoy. They are also
holding an Easter Fair on
Thursday, 30 March. If you have
any unwanted bottles/gifts they can
use as prizes please drop them at
the school. Many thanks.

**Rite of Christian Initiation for
Adults (RCIA)
A Faith Journey**

Please keep in your prayers Kate Perry and Alison Nicky who after months of preparation, will be received into full communion with the church at the Easter Vigil. Also, for Ann McCann who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Please give them your prayerful support as they enter the final weeks of their journey of faith.

Enterprise Credit Union

This is now open 5 days per week until 3.30pm, located by the Post Office in Hunts Cross.

St Mark's Club

**Mother's Day
Sunday, 26 March**

The sensational recording artist Caine will be performing at the club from 7.30pm. Why not treat your special person to a local evening out, free admission.

Manager: Mrs Emma Harvey,
Telephone 0151 486 4908 opening
times Monday-Friday from

2.00pm, Saturday & Sunday from 12 noon. Regular entertainment on Sunday evenings, bingo on Tuesday and Thursdays. Please note that the Club has a large function room available to hire for all family occasions for £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 excellent facility.

**Is The Lord Calling
You To Be A Priest?**

Monthly meetings for those discerning the call on the first Saturday of every month, St Charles Borromeo Presbytery, 10.00am-3.00pm, Vocations Director Father James Preston, email frjamespreston@gmail.com.

Parish Finance

Gift Aid and Envelopes	£ 479.33
Other Envelopes	£ 137.00
Loose GASDS	£ 410.71
Total Offertory	£1,027.04
Standing Orders	£ 236.23
Bonus Ball 48	£ 105.00
Second Collection (CAFOD)	£ 654.93

Second Collection

The second collection this weekend is for Easter Flowers. There is no second collection next weekend.

*** 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 love.

*** 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 family 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: “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 in our parish together with those in the wider community, we also remember to pray for their families.

Important Notice Regarding Mass Intentions

Mass intentions submitted to the office will be celebrated at the nearest available date. We currently have a large number of mass intentions outstanding, your continued patience and understanding as we work through this list would be appreciated. In order for us to provide for unexpected life changing moments that need our prayer, events such as funerals, operations and special intentions take priority.

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Headteacher: Sr Brigid Halligan

Confessions

Holy Family, 4.45pm, Saturday

Our Lady Of The Assumption,
11.30am-11.55am, Saturday

St Mary's, Woolton, 11.00am –
11.45am, Saturday

Our Lady of the Annunciation,
Bishop Eton, 4.00pm-5.00pm,
Saturday

Question of the Week

Adults: What difference does your faith in Jesus Christ make in your life?

Children: What does it mean to you to be a holy person?

Second Sunday of Lent

12 March 2017

Date – 2017	Holy Family Church	St. Mark's Church
Saturday, 11 March Lenten Weekday	5.15 pm – Mass (People of the Parish)	
Sunday, 12 March Second Sunday of Lent	11.00 am – Mass (Jeffrey Gilkes)	9.15 am – Mass (John Fennell) Baptisms – 12.30 pm
Monday, 13 March Lenten Weekday		10.00 am – Service of the Word
Tuesday, 14 March Lenten Weekday	10.00 am – Mass (Brian Kelly)	
Wednesday, 15 March Lenten Weekday		10.00 am – Mass (Colin Birkett)
Thursday, 16 March Lenten Weekday	9.30 am – Mass (Margaret & Tommy Shreenan)	
Friday, 17 March Lenten Weekday		10.00 am – Mass (Betty Kay)
Saturday, 18 March Lenten Weekday	5.15 pm – Mass (Tony Roche)	
Sunday, 19 March Third Sunday of Lent	11.00 am – Mass (Kevin Hughes) Baptisms – 12.30 pm	9.15 am – Mass (People of the Parish)

*** Please note mass times are subject to change ***

Next Week's Readings – Third Sunday of Lent

Reading I – Exodus 17:3-7

Reading II – Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

Gospel – John 4:5-42