



Newsletter

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

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Please note the new telephone number for the Parish Office is 0151 486 9885. The old number will be discontinued shortly.

Pentecost Sunday, 4 June 2017

The Season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the Feast of Pentecost. On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks the beginning of the Church. The story of Pentecost is found in the Acts of the Apostles, today's first reading. The account in today's Gospel, John 20:19-23, also recounts how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples. Yet the event in John's Gospel takes place on Easter Sunday. There is no need to try to reconcile these two accounts. It is enough that we know that after his death, Jesus fulfilled his promise to send to his disciples a helper, an advocate, who would enable them to be his witnesses throughout the world.

We already heard today's Gospel proclaimed on the [Second Sunday of Easter](#) this year (Lectionary Cycle A). That Gospel passage, however, also included the description of Jesus' appearance to Thomas. In that context, we were led to reflect on belief and unbelief.

In the context of the Feast of Pentecost, John 20:19-23 reminds us about the integral connection between the gifts of peace and forgiveness and the action of the Holy Spirit. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." He breathes the Holy Spirit upon the disciples and sends them to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins. Jesus' act of breathing the Holy Spirit mirrors God's act of breathing life into Adam at the time of Creation. In fact, both the Greek and Hebrew words for "spirit" can also be translated as "breath."

This Gospel reminds us that the Church is called to be a reconciling presence in the world. The reconciling presence of Christ is celebrated in the Church's sacramental life. In the Sacrament of Baptism, we are cleansed of sin and become a new creation in Christ. In the Sacrament of Penance, the Church celebrates the mercy of God through the forgiving of sins. This reconciling presence is also to be a way of life for Christians. In situations of

conflict, we are to be agents of peace and harmony among people.

Invitation to Prayer



Archbishop Malcolm has asked the priests and people for guidance and help regarding the future of the Church and our mission in the local area. The priests of the Pastoral Area (which comprises the parishes of St Ambrose and St Christopher's in Speke, Bishop Eton, St Mary's Woolton, Christ the King, St John Vianney, Halewood and Our Lady of the Assumption) met together this week and we believe that our first response must be one of prayer.

We will therefore meet to pray together on Wednesday, 7 June between 6.00pm-7.00pm at Hope University Chapel. Tea and coffee will be provided. We invite you to join us. Parking is available at Bishop Eton.

Rite of Welcome

The Rite of Welcome will take place this weekend for Alfie Willis Pollard at Holy Family and Samantha Byrne at St Mark's.

Baptismal Information



We welcome into St Mark's this weekend through the Sacrament of Baptism, Owen Francis Pownall, Charlie Si Yip Holmes, Thomas Si Wha Holmes and Isaac Wayne Dowling.

The next Baptism Registration Meeting will take place on Monday, 5 June 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.

St Julie's Catholic High School

St Julie's would like to invite girls currently in Year 4 and Year 5 and their parents to attend the school's Opening Evening on Thursday, 29

June from 3.00pm-6.00pm. The new school will open in September 2017 and this is an opportunity to find out what the new school facilities will offer your daughter.

Ladies Group



The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 7 June at 7.30pm in the Holy Family Meeting Room. Please note the change of time due to prayer at Hope University Chapel beforehand.

We are always keen to encourage and welcome new and younger members to attend when you can, no commitment. New members bring fresh ideas and keep our group relevant. A great way to take part in the life of our Parish Community and to meet people from both churches.

WANTED!

Spare Wool & Baby Dolls

One of our parishioners, Margaret Lloyd visits people living with dementia. To facilitate her visits, Margaret takes along baby dolls which she has knitted outfits for to aid conversations. If you have any

unwanted baby dolls and/or spare wool, she would be delighted to receive them. Donations can be left in the box at the back of church or dropped in to the Parish Office.

Tots Group

Stay and play for under 5s and their carers. Cherry Tree Centre, Fridays, 9.30am-11.00am, term time only.

Appeal To Eucharistic Ministers

Do you have a couple of hours to spare? We are currently short of Eucharistic Ministers to visit Arncliffe Court. If you are able to support the present team who visit here we would really appreciate your time. Please contact Ron Smith as soon as possible on 07546 252142.

Parish Office

Due to staff holidays, the office will be closed on Monday 5th and Tuesday 6th June.

Parish Website

The issues have been resolved and all Newsletters have been uploaded.

Cathedral – Golden Jubilee Celebrations, Events at a Glance



Metropolitan Cathedral
of Christ the King Liverpool

To 30 June – Voices of the Metropolitan Cathedral. A fascinating audio trail that will take you on a journey along Hope Street.

2-5 June – Cathedral Flower Festival. The iconic interior will be transformed by a dazzling array of floral displays themed around Cathedral life.

4 June – Penetcost Jubilee Mass. This will officially mark 50 years of our Cathedral.

10 June – Royal Philharmonic Orchestra joined by the choirs of Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral presents “Gloria!”. Raising the roof with an evening that promises to be glorious.

15 June – Nugent Cathedral Golden Jubilee Good Shepherd Mass. This Mass for children will be celebrated by Bishop Tom Williams.

A full events brochure is available
via
www.liverpoolmetropolitancathedral.org
or ring 0151 709 9222



Are you a boy in Years 2-4 or a girl in Year 5. Do you enjoy singing and working hard as a team? If so, you are invited to come and meet the choristers at the Cathedral and sing in the largest Catholic church in the country for a day! Boys, Sunday, 18 June and girls, Sunday, 25 June from 10.30am-4.00pm. Application forms and further info on the Cathedral website and posters at the back of church. Places are limited.

Metropolitan Cathedral Concerts Society

As part of the 50th anniversary events, a special concert is being given on Saturday, 7 October 2017 at 7.30pm. The participants are the Cantata Choir and the programme has been devised to allow singers of different standards to take part. If you would like to get involved,

see the poster at the back of church or ring Jean Cavendish on 07759 851 702 for more information.

St Mark's Club

* Bonkers Bingo *
Saturday, 5 August 2017
Doors Open 7.00pm
Tickets £5 + £5 bingo book and pen

Manager: Mrs Emma Harvey,
Telephone 0151 486 4908. 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.

Parish Finance

Gift Aid and Envelopes	£ 530.28
Other Envelopes	£ 147.00
Loose GASDS	£ 336.54
Total Offertory	£1,013.82
Standing Orders	£ 236.23
Bonus Ball 36	£ 79.00

Second Collection

There is no second collection this weekend. Next weekend the second collection will be for Provision for Priests in Retirement

and envelopes will be available at the back of church.

*** 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 pray for all those who are sick including Doreen Trainer.

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. **Please complete the small brown envelopes which can be found at the back of church.** Of late, more and more people have been wanting to know exactly what day their intention would be remembered which has led to masses being booked-in sometimes several months ahead. We currently have a large number of mass intentions outstanding. Intentions can be submitted to the office, even with the request for a specific date but without the definitive expectation that this will occur but with the knowledge that it will be celebrated as close to or as near as possible the date. 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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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 important work does Jesus ask of you at this time in your life?
Children: How would Jesus want you to treat your family and friends this week?

**Pentecost Sunday
4 June 2017**

Date – 2017	Holy Family Church	St. Mark’s Church
Saturday, 3 June St Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs	5.15 pm – Mass (Sheila Leonard)	
Sunday, 4 June Pentecost Sunday	11.00 am – Mass (Kathleen Vasile)	9.15 am – Mass (People of the Parish) Baptisms – 12.30 pm
Monday, 5 June St Boniface, Bishop & Martyr		10.00 am – Service of the Word
Tuesday, 6 June Weekday	10.00 am – Service of the Word	
Wednesday, 7 June Weekday		10.00 am – Service of the Word
Thursday, 8 June Weekday	9.00 am – Mass (Jim Clancy)	
Friday, 9 June Weekday		9.00 am – Mass (Maureen Roberts)
Saturday, 10 June Weekday	5.15 pm – Mass (People of the Parish)	
Sunday, 11 June The Most Holy Trinity	11.00 am – Mass (Mrs S Graceffa)	9.15 am – Mass (Leonard & Crowley Families) Baptisms – 12.30 pm

* Please note mass times are subject to change *

Next Week – The Most Holy Trinity

Exodus 34:4-6,8-9
2 Corinthians 13:11-13
John 3:16-18