

Newsletter

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

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Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time, 27 August 2017

It is important to read today's Gospel and next week's Gospel as two parts of a single story. These readings are a turning point in Matthew's Gospel. This week we hear Jesus name Simon Peter as the rock upon which he will build his Church. Next week we will hear Jesus call this same Simon Peter "Satan" when he reacts negatively to Jesus' prediction about his passion and death.

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks his disciples what people are saying about his identity. The disciples indicate that most people believe that Jesus is a prophet of Israel. Then Jesus asks his disciples who they believe that he is. Simon Peter answers, identifying Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God.

Jesus commends Simon Peter for this profession of faith, indicating that this insight has come from God. Because of Simon Peter's response, Jesus calls him the "rock" upon which Jesus will build the Church. This is a word play on the name Peter, which is the Greek word for "rock". Peter is then given special authority by Jesus, a symbolic key to the Kingdom of Heaven. Peter will play an important role in the early Christian community as a spokesperson and a leader.

In today's Gospel, Peter's recognition of Jesus' identity is credited to a revelation by God. This will contrast sharply with Jesus' rebuke of Peter in next week's Gospel. When Peter rejects Jesus' prediction of his passion and death, Peter is said to no longer be thinking as God does but as humans do.

The use of the term *church* in today's Gospel is one of only three such occurrences in Matthew's Gospel. Peter in this Gospel is being credited as the foundation for the Church, a privilege granted to him because of his recognition of Jesus' identity. The Church continues to be grounded in the faith that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Children's Liturgy



Sessions will resume weekending 2/3 September.

With You Always

The next registration meeting for parents of children in Year 4 from September 2017 for preparation for

Reconciliation and First Holy Communion (WYA), will take place on Monday, 18 September at 6.00pm in St Mark's School. Please be aware, children need to have been baptised before they enroll upon this programme. Any queries, please contact Kami Lester on 07881 817799.

Baptismal Information



The next Baptism Registration Meeting will take place on Monday, 11 September at 6.00pm in St Mark's Annexe.

Families anticipating a baptism in 2018 are strongly advised to register early as dates and places are filling quickly.

Parish Office

Please note the Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, 31 August and Friday, 1 September to allow for staff holidays. The newsletters should be collected as normal. Thank you.

Invitation to Prayer



The next Pastoral Area Invitation to Prayer will take place on Wednesday, 6 September between 6.00pm-7.00pm at Hope University Chapel when we will continue to pray for guidance and help regarding the future of the Church and our mission in the local area.

Tea and coffee will be provided. We invite you to join us. Parking is available at Bishop Eton.



The Ladies Group will be hosting **“A Night At The Races”** on Friday, 15 September from 7.30pm in St Mark’s Club. Tickets priced at £2 will be on sale after all weekend masses over the next few weeks. Please come along and

have some fun whilst supporting this Parish event. Feel free to dress up for the occasion or come as you are, we’d love to see you there!

An Afternoon for Families

Sunday, 17 September, 1.00pm-4.30pm starting with a shared lunch. Liverpool Hope University, Eden Building. Separate programmes for 4-11 and 12-16 year olds with supervised play for babies. See poster at the back of church and contact north@focolare.org.uk for more information.

Archdiocesan Autumn Courses

Meetings for Divorced and Separated Catholics. The next series of support meetings will start in mid September. Catholics and other Christians who are divorced, separated or are experiencing the breakdown of a marriage or long term relationship are welcome. To book a place ring Frances Trotman on 727 2195 or see poster at the back of church.

A Morning of Reflection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Saturday, 30 September, 9.30am-1.00pm at LACE.

Initial Training for Bereavement Teams, Wednesdays, 18 & 25 October, 1.30pm-4.30pm at Holy Rosary Parish Centre.

An Introduction to the Ministry of Catechesis for new catechists and those wanting to refresh/reflect on their ministry. There are two courses; one is September and one in October.

For full details see the posters at the back of church and contact the Department for Pastoral Formation at LACE on 522 1040.

Initial Training for Funeral Ministers will be reviewed in September. If current Ministers have any views on the previous training please contact Mrs Maureen Knight on 522 1046 or email m.knight@rcaol.co.uk with your thoughts.

Parking At Holy Family

We have been contacted by residents on Mackets Lane complaining about the parking of cars over driveways or too close to driveways thereby making it difficult for them to safely access/exit their homes when using their own cars. Please use the car park if possible and if parking

vehicles on the road, please park considerately and safely.

St Mark's Club

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 Envelopes	£ 417.00
Other Envelopes	£ 178.40
Loose GASDS	£ 371.15
Total Offertory	£ 966.55
Standing Orders	£ 253.77
Bonus Ball 45	£ 81.00

Second Collection

The second collection this weekend is for the Cathedral/Assessment Fund. 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 and the wider community, we pray also 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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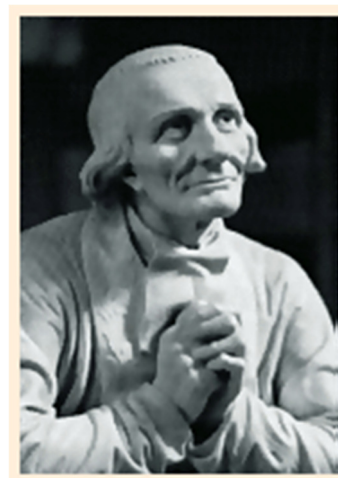
Confessions

Holy Family, 4.45pm, Saturday

Our Lady Of The Assumption,
Gateacre, 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



What's Going On And Where In Our Parish

Who	What	Where & When
SJV Choir , new members always welcome	Choir rehearsal	Every Friday, 7.30pm, Holy Family Church
SVP	We meet to discuss how we can support the local community	3 rd Tuesday of the month, 7.00pm, St Mark's Annexe
Good Companions , new members always welcome	60+ club, chat, quiz, bingo, trips out, friendship and support	Every Wednesday, 1.00pm-3.00pm, St Mark's Annexe
RCIA	Adults seeking to become Catholics or receive Confirmation	Every Wednesday from November until Easter, 7.00pm-8.00pm, St Mark's Annexe
Vianney's Voice , new members always welcome	Social and spiritual activities/fundraising for our young people, Year 7 upwards	Last Wednesday of the month, 7.00pm-8.30pm, Holy Family Meeting Room
Ladies Group , new members always welcome	Social and spiritual activities	1 st Wednesday of the month, 7.00pm, Holy Family Meeting Room
Chronic Pain Group , new members always welcome	Sharing advice, experiences and offering support	2 nd Friday of the month, 2.00pm, St Mark's Annexe.
The 50+ Club , all welcome	50+ club, chat, quiz, bingo, trips out, friendship and support	Every Wednesday, 1.00pm-3.00pm, St Mark's Club

Together
 we make a
Family

Question of the Week

Adults: If you were asked, how would you explain Jesus to a person who had not heard of him?

Children: Who do you tell people Jesus is?

**Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time
27 August 2017**

Date – 2017	Holy Family Church	St. Mark’s Church
Saturday, 26 August Weekday	5.15 pm – Mass (Father Matthew)	
Sunday, 27 August Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time	11.00 am – Mass (Margaret Woods)	9.15 am – Mass (People of the Parish)
Monday, 28 August St Augustine		10.00 am – Service of the Word
Tuesday, 29 August The Passion of St John the Baptist	9.00 am – Mass (Philip Irvine)	
Wednesday, 30 August St Edmund Arrowsmith		10.00 am – Mass (Brian Kelly)
Thursday, 31 August Weekday	10.00 am – Service of the Word	
Friday, 1 September Weekday		10.00 am – Service of the Word
Saturday, 2 September Weekday	5.15 pm – Mass (Tony Roche)	
Sunday, 3 September Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	11.00 am – Mass (People of the Parish)	9.15 am – Mass (Edward McGrath)

***We apologise for when times and Mass intentions may occasionally need to be changed at short notice to allow for a Requiem Mass ***

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Jeremiah 20:7-9
Romans 12:1-2
Matthew 16:21-27