

# Newsletter

*Parish of St John Vianney, incorporating the former  
Parishes of St Andrew, Holy Family & St Mark  
St Therese of Lisieux Pastoral Area*

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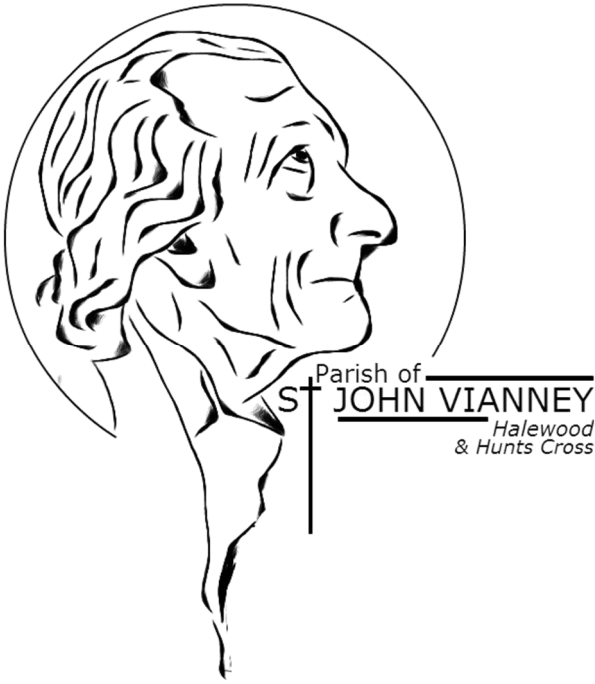
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the first instance.*

## **Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 22 October 2017**

In today's Gospel Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem continue their tense exchange of questions and challenges. At this point the disciples of the Pharisees, together with the Herodians, try to entrap Jesus by their question about the payment of taxes.

Matthew sets up an unusual partnership between the Pharisees and the Herodians. The Herodians were supporters of Herod Antipas, a Jewish political leader who collaborated with the Romans. Such collaboration would have required a compromised observance of the Mosaic Law. The Pharisees, on the other hand, taught scrupulous observance of the Mosaic Law and opposed Roman occupation. Herodians favored the payment of taxes; the Pharisees opposed it. The Herodians and the Pharisees approach Jesus, asking that he take sides in their dispute. If Jesus answers with the Pharisees, he shows himself to be an enemy of Rome. If he answers with the Herodians, he offends popular Jewish religious sensibilities.

Jesus' response to this attempt to trap him exposes the guile of his questioners. From his first words to them, Jesus shows that he is very much aware of what they are trying to do. He asks to see a Roman coin, which is



readily provided to him. It may have come from the hand of a Herodian, but the Pharisees show themselves to be quite willing to accept this compromise. Jesus has already exposed the Pharisees as hypocrites.

Jesus takes his response one step further. He asks that his questioners examine the coin. Agreeing that it is Caesar's image on the coin, Jesus tells them that it must belong to Caesar. Avoiding the question of lawfulness altogether, Jesus answers their question with simple logic. Then, going further still, Jesus tells them that their obligation is to pay to God that which belongs to God.

Jesus' response to the Herodians and Pharisees suggests the ethic that Christians ought to adopt. It reminds us of the importance of keeping things in their proper perspective. Do we attach ourselves to worldly things at the expense of the love and honor that we owe to God?

### **Diocese Missionary Appeal**

On the weekend of 4/5 November, we look forward to welcoming Sister Adelina Tao-ing from The Missionary Sisters, Servants of the

Holy Spirit in to our Parish. Sister Adelina will be speaking at all masses and sharing with us news of their mission work and her own personal experiences.

### **Baptismal Information**



This weekend we welcome into St Mark's through the Sacrament of Baptism, Eleni-Monica Pauline Johnson, Theo Riley and Elise Lily Marion Tagoe.

The next Baptism Registration meeting will take place on Monday, 6 November at 6.00pm in St Mark's Annexe.

\* 2017 is now fully booked \* Families anticipating a baptism in 2018 are strongly advised to register early as dates and places are filling quickly.

### **World Mission Sunday**

Today is World Mission Sunday. This is your chance to support missionaries and the Church in proclaiming the Gospel of peace to those who suffer around the world.

Your prayers and your donations will help the spirit of peace spread across South Sudan and beyond. If you are able, you can Gift Aid all donations by using the envelopes provided.



**\* Important \***

### **Annual Service of Remembrance**



This year's Annual Service of Remembrance will take place on Tuesday, 14 November at 7.00pm in St Mark's Church. Those families who have lost a loved one over the past 12 months are invited to attend. Tea and coffee will be served in the annexe after the service.

### **November List**

These can be found at the back of church along with envelopes. Once completed, please hand in via the offertory or pop into the Parish Office.

### **Piety Stalls**

Our Piety Stalls are now fully stocked with a wide selection of Christmas cards and Advent Calendars.

The 6.00pm Family Session for Monday evenings (Sessions 2-7) is over full! If you are able to change to the earlier time of 4.45pm it would be an enormous help. Please text Kami on 07881 817799.

### **The Ladies Group**



The Ladies Group have organised a trip to Boundary Mill, Colne, Lancashire on Tuesday, 28 November for some pre-Christmas bargain shopping, cost £16. Contact Chris Myles on 428 9744 to secure your seat.

The Ladies Group agreed at their last meeting that the proceeds from their recent and very successful Race Night would be donated to the following causes: Street Pastors, Lourdes Sick/Youth, Women's World Day of Prayer and the local food bank. Once again,

many thanks to all those who supported this event.

### **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**

Interested in becoming a Catholic? We welcome inquiries from everyone. You may be someone or know someone who has never belonged to any faith tradition or been baptised in another Christian faith. You may simply feel a sense of curiosity to find out more or you may have already decided to seek membership of the Catholic church. Whatever your starting point you are very welcome.

Becoming and being a Christian is a journey of faith which takes place within the parish community.

This course has just started but interested individuals are still welcome to join. Please contact Gerry on 0151 486 6376 if you are interested. Meetings are held every Wednesday from 7.00pm-8.00pm in St Mark's Annexe.

### **Archdiocese of Liverpool Directory & ORDO Diary 2018**

The office is now taking orders for the above. A ring bound directory costs £4.00 and the standard

directory costs £3.50. The ORDO Diary costs £5.00. Please place your order with payment as soon as possible.



The SVP would like to thank parishioners for their generosity over the years. They now need help in finding people who are in need within our parish (elderly, sick, lonely, suffering or deprived) and could benefit from a visit from a member of the SVP team. Please leave the details of the person of concern with the Parish Office or a Eucharistic Minister.

### **Why We Need More Deacons**

*“... you will recognise them as disciples of Him who came not to be served, but to serve”*

Friday, 24 November  
7.30pm-9.00pm

St John's Church, Fountains Road,  
Kirkdale, Liverpool, L4 1QL

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. There will be two serving deacons and their wives sharing their different experiences. Refreshments from 7.00pm.

### **Days of Recollection**

Days of Recollection including Mass, time for prayer and reflection with Fr Charles Randall CSsR in St Mary's Parish Hall, Woolton.

Eucharistic Ministers: Saturday, 28 October, 10.00am-2.00pm.

Bring a packed lunch, tea and coffee provided. Please email St Mary's if you would like to participate as places are limited. [stmaryswoolton@btconnect.com](mailto:stmaryswoolton@btconnect.com)

### **Pastoral Area Mass**

On Wednesday, 1 November there will be a Pastoral Area Mass for the Feast of All Saint's in Hope University Chapel at 7.00pm. This will replace all evening Masses that day in the parishes of our Pastoral Area.

### **Parish Finance**

Gift Aid and Envelopes	£ 440.70
Other Envelopes	£ 135.10
Loose GASDS	£ 379.36
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>£ 955.16</b>
Standing Orders	£ 230.23
Bonus Ball 7	£ 71.00

### **Second Collection**

The second collection this weekend is for APF World Missions (envelopes available). There is no second collection next weekend.

### **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. The Club does 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.

### **\* 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.



## **Volunteer Pastoral Assistants**

### **Funeral Lay Ministers**

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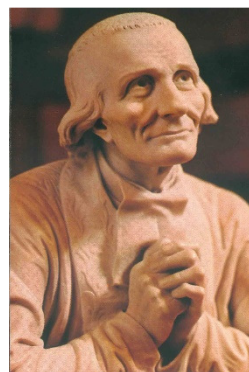
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Headteacher: Mrs Niamh Howlett  
[contactus@bellerivefcj.org](mailto:contactus@bellerivefcj.org)



## **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

**Question of the Week**

**Adults:** How much responsibility do you feel the government should take for meeting the needs of the less fortunate in our society?

How willing are you to contribute?

**Children:** Who needs help in your neighborhood or community?

What could you and your family do to help?

**Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**22 October 2017**

<b>Date – 2017</b>	<b>Holy Family Church</b>	<b>St. Mark’s Church</b>
<b>Saturday, 21 October</b> Weekday	<b>5.15 pm – Mass</b> (People of the Parish)	
<b>Sunday, 22 October</b> Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time	<b>11.00 am – Mass</b> (Kathleen Horgan)	<b>9.15 am – Mass</b> (Flo Finnegan)  <b>12.30 pm - Baptisms</b>
<b>Monday, 23 October</b> Weekday		<b>10.00 am – Service of the Word</b>
<b>Tuesday, 24 October</b> Weekday	<b>10.00 am – Service of the Word</b>	
<b>Wednesday, 25 October</b> Weekday		<b>10.00 am – Mass</b> (John Magill)
<b>Thursday, 26 October</b> Weekday	<b>10.00 am – Mass</b> (Rod Punch)	
<b>Friday, 27 October</b> Weekday		<b>12.00 noon - Mass</b> (Rita Renwick)
<b>Saturday, 28 October</b> Sts Simon & Jude	<b>5.15 pm – Mass</b> (Marie Glenville)	
<b>Sunday, 29 October</b> Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	<b>11.00 am – Mass</b> (People of the Parish)	<b>9.15 am – Mass</b> (Barbara Manison)

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

**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Exodus 22:20-26  
1 Thessalonians 1:5-10  
Matthew 22:34-40