

Newsletter

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St Therese of Lisieux Pastoral Area*

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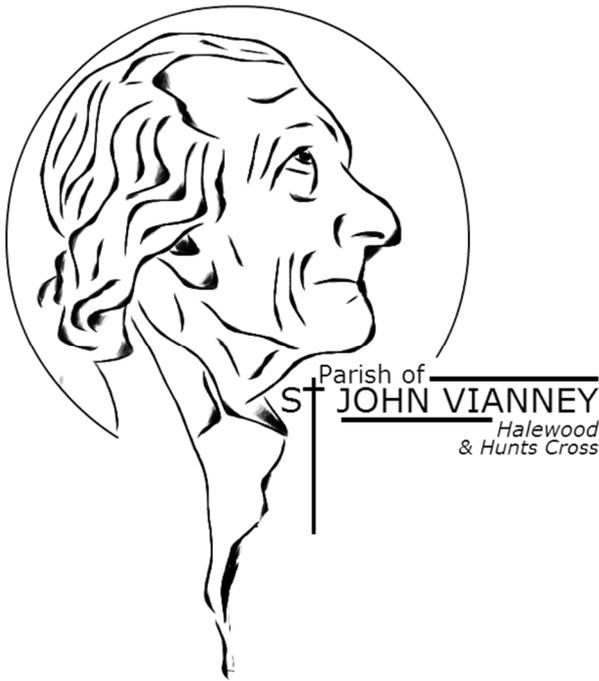
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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 4 February 2018

Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel, learning more about the ministry of Jesus. Jesus cured Simon's mother-in-law and she immediately began to serve Jesus and his disciples. Jesus also cured many others who were brought to him, healing their illnesses and driving out demons. As we will see throughout Mark's Gospel, Jesus did not permit the demons to speak because they knew his identity and would have revealed it to those who were present.

On the morning after this busy day, Jesus retreated in prayer, but was pursued by Simon and others who brought news that many people were looking for him. At this point in Mark's Gospel, we begin to see a distinct role for the inner circle of Jesus' disciples, they act as intermediaries between Jesus and the people. Jesus reports to his disciples that they need to leave Capernaum to preach in other places.

Today's Gospel completes a picture of Jesus' ministry: preaching, curing the sick, driving out demons and then moving on to continue this work in another place. Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus did this throughout Galilee.

Jesus' compassion and healing of the sick is a sign of the Kingdom of God. The Church continues to extend Christ's healing presence to others in its ministry to the sick. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, the Church prays for spiritual and physical healing, forgiveness of sins and comfort for those who are suffering from illness.

In today's Gospel we also notice the importance of **prayer** in Jesus' daily life. Jesus rose early in the morning, removed himself from the crowds and went to a deserted place to pray. When the disciples found him, he told them that it was time to move on. We believe that in his prayers Jesus found guidance and direction from God. We also bring our decision-making to God in prayer, asking for his guidance and direction in our lives.

Baptismal Information



This weekend we welcome into St Mark's Church through the Sacrament of Baptism, Xavier Alan Van Der Merwe, Joseph

Michael McGhee, Bobby John McGhee and Emilie Mary Eassom.

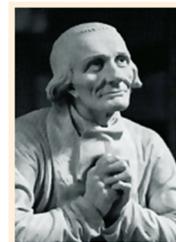
The next Baptism Registration meeting will take place on Monday, 5 February at 6.00pm in St Mark's Annexe.

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

Rite of Welcome

Holy Family, 5.15pm: Jaxon Mack Aziz.

John Vianney 200th Anniversary



Our parish is named after St John Marie Vianney, a French priest who lived in the 19th Century. He transformed his small country parish in such a way that he is recognised today as the Patron Saint of Priests. Thousands travelled from throughout France and beyond to listen to him and to go to him for Confession, so he is a great source of help for those who

find it difficult to ask for forgiveness or who want to make a fresh start in life. Many people know him as the Curé of Ars, meaning that he was the parish priest of Ars. There are hundreds of parishes dedicated to him throughout the world and 13th February 2018 is the 200th Anniversary of John Vianney, the Curé of Ars, the Patron of Confessions and of Priests.

Women's World Day of Prayer 2018

Every year Women's World Day of Prayer is held at one of the Christian Churches in Halewood and Hunts Cross. This year we are hosting the service which will take place on Friday, 2 March at 1.00pm in St Mark's Church. Refreshments will be served in the Parish Club after the service. If any parishioners would like to bake cakes/biscuits for this event, these would be really appreciated. Gentlemen are most welcome to attend. If you would like any further information please contact Margaret Campbell on 486 5068.

Invitation to Prayer

The next Pastoral Area Invitation to Prayer will take place on

Wednesday, 7 February (and every first Wednesday of the month thereafter) 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

The meetings will resume on Wednesday, 7 February at 7.30pm in the Holy Family Meeting Room. Please note the change of time due to the prayer session at Hope University Chapel beforehand. New members are most welcome to come along and join us. We look forward to seeing you.



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 this Charity Shop. Items can be dropped off at 73 Allerton Road, L18 2DH

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, priests and deacons are also welcome. The evening will take place on Thursday, 15 February, 7.30-9.00pm at St Michael and All Angels Church, Sydney Powell Avenue, Kirkby, L32 0TP. Refreshments from 7.00pm

Catholic Pic

Please take your free copy of the February edition available from the back of church. An audio version is available free of charge. Anyone interested should contact Dan on 01772 746121.

Nugent & 'The Priests'

Nugent are working alongside the Friends of the Metropolitan Cathedral to bring a concert by 'The Priests' to the Liverpool Philharmonic Hall on Friday, 1 June, 7.30pm. All funds raised will be split between Nugent and support the work and upkeep of the Cathedral. Tickets are priced from £16 and can be purchased from the

Philharmonic box office or Cathedral shop.

Mass In Honour Of Our Lady of Lourdes

This will be held at Christ the King Church on Queens Drive on Saturday, 10 February at 12.00 noon. The main celebrant will be Bishop Tom Williams. Everyone is welcome.

Volunteer Open Day

Sunday, 4 February, 2.00pm-4.00pm at St Joseph's Hospice, Ince Road, Thornton, Liverpool, L23 4UE. There are a number of volunteering roles available and visitors will have an opportunity to speak to other volunteers for an insider's view. More information available from Siobhan Clinton on 932 6046.

Songs We Remember

Singing and enjoyment for anyone who likes to sing but particularly geared towards those living with dementia and their carers. Wednesday, 7 February, 1.30pm-3.30pm at St Thomas of Canterbury Parish Hall, Great Georges Road, Waterloo. More

information available from Jenny at Irenaeus on 949 1199.

The West Coast: Finding Fresh Ways for the Faith to Flourish

Led by Father Tony Slingo on Thursday, 8 February, 10.30am-3.30pm at St Joseph's Prayer Centre, Blundell Avenue, Freshfield, L37 1PH. Suggested donation £20 includes lunch. Contact The Prayer Centre for more information on 01704 875850.

What's On At Bishop Eton

A Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help is held every Wednesday at 7.30pm, all welcome.

The Young Adult Group (18-40ish) will be going to The Elephant on Tuesday, 6 February at 7.30pm for 2 for 1 pizzas and a pub quiz. As they need to know numbers to book a table, contact Bishop Eton directly if you are interested, 737 4110.

Canal Luncheon Cruise, Wednesday, 16 May. Anyone interested should contact St Mary's, Woolton, 428 2256.

What's On At Our Cathedral

Annual Civic Mass

Sunday, 11 February, 11.00am-12.00pm. The Annual Civic Mass celebrates community leadership and civic life across Merseyside. Members of the public are most warmly welcome to attend this special Mass, which includes a colourful procession and wonderful music sung by the Cathedral Choir. The service is followed by a reception in the Gibberd Room.

Keep In Your Prayers

All those who are sick and who have died in our parish and wider community especially Terence Christopher McHugh. Let us remember the families and friends who mourn and for all those who have no one to mourn for them.

St Mark's Church, Heating Holy Family Church, Toilets

The work in St Mark's is complete and the toilets are now open. Work on the refurbishment of the toilets at Holy Family has begun and therefore the toilets are CLOSED AND OUT OF USE until further notice. Unfortunately, the pump on

the central heating boiler for St Mark's Church has broken down and needs replacing. We have arranged for portable heaters to be installed whilst we await a decision on the most cost effective repairs. Thank you for your patience and please take care around the equipment.

Parish Finance

Gift Aid Envelopes	£	461.52
Other Envelopes	£	94.84
Loose GASDS	£	410.22
Total Offertory	£	966.58
Standing Orders	£	247.77
Bonus Ball 18	£	73.00

Retiring Collection

There is no retiring collection this weekend. Next weekend the retiring collection will be for Racial Justice.

Important Notice Regarding Mass Intentions

Mass intentions submitted to the office will be celebrated at the nearest available date. Please complete the new white 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 12 months ahead. We continue to 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 at short notice, events such as funerals, operations and special intentions take priority.

Prayer in Preparation for the Eucharistic Congress 2018 and for Synod 2020

We thank you Father
for the love you have shown us
in the gift of Jesus, your Son.
Keep us grateful each day
for the blessings that surround us.

As we are fed by you,
so now send us out
to share what we have received
with our hungry brothers and sisters.

We humbly ask your help to become
the Church
that you are calling us to be:
a community that listens, that trusts,
that lives with courage
and that puts out its nets into new
waters.

May the gentle presence of Christ in
our hearts
be a source of healing, of new life
and of a deeper trust in you.
We ask this in faith
Through Jesus Christ, Our Lord, Amen.

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. Please use the car park if possible and if parking vehicles on the road, please park considerately and safely.

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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

Question of the Week

Adults: When have you felt the sadness of Job?

When have you felt the joy of those who witnessed the healing works of Jesus?

Children: What could you do this week to comfort someone who is sad?

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4 February 2018

Date – 2018	Holy Family Church	St. Mark's Church
Saturday, 3 February Weekday	5.15 pm – Mass (People of the Parish)	
Sunday, 4 February Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	11.00 am – Mass (Mrs Burke)	9.15 am – Mass (Frank Pitt) 12.30 pm - Baptisms
Monday, 5 February St Agatha		10.00 am – Service of the Word
Tuesday, 6 February St Paul Miki	10.00 am – Mass (Joan Brown)	
Wednesday, 7 February Weekday		10.00 am – Mass (Margaret Kelly)
Thursday, 8 February Weekday	10.00 am – Mass (Roger Cheetham)	
Friday, 9 February Weekday		12.00 noon – Mass (Leslie Gordon)
Saturday, 10 February St Scholastica	5.15 pm – Mass (Christine Ford)	
Sunday, 11 February Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	11.00 am – Mass (Edward McTigue)	9.15 am – Mass (People of the Parish) 12.30 pm - Baptisms

* 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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Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46

1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1

Mark 1:40-45