

# 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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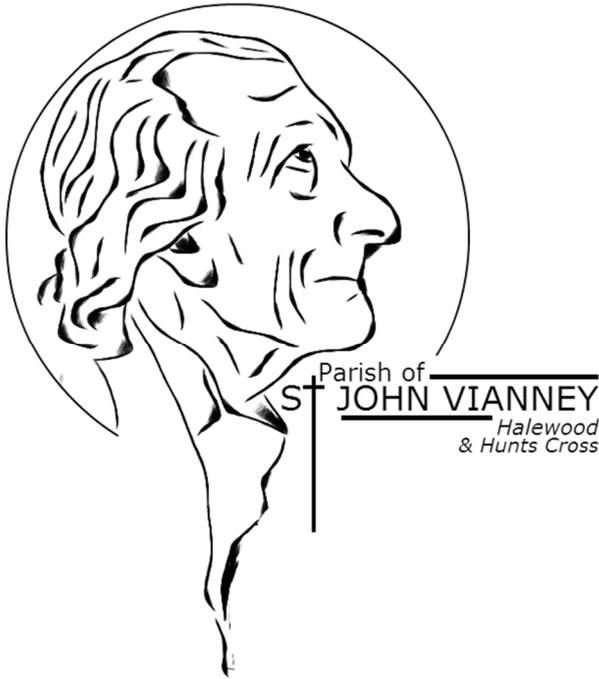
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## **Archbishop Malcolm McMahon**

Next weekend, the Archbishop will be coming to our Parish on visitation and he will be presiding at all our Sunday Masses including Saturday evening.

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## **Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time, 17 June 2018**

After Lent, the Easter season and three Sundays of feast days, Pentecost, Most Holy Trinity and Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, the Church returns to Ordinary Time. This Sunday's Gospel from Mark carries a significant message regarding faith and the Kingdom of God.

In Mark's Gospel, Jesus appears reluctant to reveal his identity as the Son of God. After performing miracles of healing, he warns those cured to tell no one (see Mark 1:44, 3:12, 5:43, 7:36, and 8:26). Also when preaching, Jesus chooses to speak to the crowds in parables leaving them to discern his message. Only to his disciples does he explain the parable's meaning and he does this in private at a later time.

Today's Gospel Reading consists of two parables about seeds. In the first, Jesus tells those gathered that this is "how it is with the kingdom of God." A man scatters seed which over time sprouts and develops. Then when the grain is ripe, the man harvests his crop. The emphasis in the parable is on the seed, which seemingly has the power to grow on its own. In this it is like the Kingdom of God. While on earth, Jesus planted the seeds of the kingdom by his life, miracles, teaching and suffering. However, the kingdom is not yet fully established. Although already present in Jesus and his group of twelve, it has yet to come to fruition; just as the seed in the parable needs time to grow so does God's kingdom.

The second parable focuses on the tiny mustard seed. Though not the smallest of all seeds, it is most likely the smallest that a first-century farmer in Jesus' part of the world would have sown. Small as the mustard seed is, it develops into a tree. Though the mustard tree generally averages only nine to twelve feet in height, it has a wide expanse and provides a nesting place for birds. Just as the tree welcomes the birds, so is God's kingdom welcoming and open to many.

These parables help us discern something about the kingdom of God and our own faith. In God we live and move and have our being, but God is a mystery and his kingdom, though present, has not yet come into its fullness. Today, the Kingdom of God is present in the Church. The mission of proclaiming the Good News of the Kingdom given to the Apostles is now given to us. But just as seeds need time to come to fruition, so does the Kingdom of God. That is why in the Lord's Prayer, we pray, "thy kingdom come." We know that it will come in its fullness at the end of time. All we need is faith.

### **Rite of Welcome**

Holy Family, 5.15pm: Conah Jake Dilworth and Nell Teresa McAndrew.

St Mark's, 9.15am: Joshua Peter Reiter, Frankie James Reiter, Lucas David Janse Devaal and Calum Charlie O'Shaughnessey.

Holy Family, 11.00am: Sienna Beau Baker.

### **Baptismal Information**

This weekend we welcome in to Holy Family Church through the Sacrament of Baptism Epiphany

Soul, Laila Olivia Rochford-Connor, Sadie Sophia Rochford-Connor and Joseph James Robert Brough.

The next Baptism Registration meeting will take place on Monday, 2 July at 6.00pm in St Mark's Annexe.

### **Parish Office**

Please note the Parish Office will be open on Wednesday, 19 June, 9.00am-1.00pm and closed on Friday, 22 June. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday hours as normal.

### **Meeting For WYA & Children's Liturgy Catechists**

There will be a meeting for all WYA and Children's Liturgy Catechists with Father Matthew to reflect on sacramental preparation within the Parish on Thursday, 5 July at 6.00pm in St Mark's Annexe.

### **Vianney's Voice Bingo Night**



Vianney's Voice, the Parish youth group are delighted to announce that they are hosting a 'Bingos Bingo' inspired family bingo night

on Friday, 22 June in St Mark's Parish Club. Doors open at 6.30pm for a 7.30pm start. For attendees wishing to play bingo, the entrance fee is £5 for a bingo book of 6 games, with bonus mini-quiz rounds between bingo games. Anyone not wishing to play bingo will be asked to pay £2 upon entrance.

All money raised will be going towards the Parish Lourdes Fund which enables the youth pilgrims to attend Lourdes as well as nominated members of the Parish. On the night, there will be a raffle and refreshments available including cakes to purchase.

It is sure to be a fun-filled night for all ages filled with music and dancing. Please make sure to spread the word because you don't want to miss what is in store!

### **Vianney's Voice Next Meeting**

Wednesday, 27 June, 7.00pm-8.30pm, Holy Family meeting room.

### **SVP**

At the recent meeting this group discussed the Whitechapel Centre and the local foodbank and both organisations have asked for some additional help.

At the Whitechapel Centre, homeless people are able to take a shower and wash their clothes. However, a lot of the time their underwear, socks and trainers have to be thrown away. The Whitechapel Centre would be very grateful for any donations of men's and women's underwear (smaller sizes), socks and trainers (especially size 5/6 women or size 9 men).

Also, the local foodbank are very appreciative for all the items we donate. They currently have a shortage of UHT milk, cereals, sugar, tinned fruit, orange juice and deodorant.

If you can support either of these causes, please leave your donations at the back of church and the SVP will ensure they are delivered.

### **The Ladies Group**



There are 4 tickets priced £19.50 available for Wednesday, 11 July for a trip to the World of Wedgewood, Stoke. The coach leaves St Mark's at 10.00am and the price includes entrance to the museum. For further details contact Chris Myles on 428 9744

or Anne Marie Facenfield on 487 8520.

### **Bishop Eton 9 Days Prayer 19-27 June**

Starting Tuesday, 19 June, Bishop Eton have the Solemn Novena in honour of Our Mother of Perpetual Help. Each day has a different theme (Healing, Reconciliation, Love of God etc.) and so we hope it will be like a retreat in every day life for people. See poster at the back of church for times and flyers have been distributed.

### **Prayerful Reflections From Pope Francis**

*"Christ proposed as the distinctive sign of his disciples the law of love and the gift of self for others"  
(Amoris Laetitia 27)*

In your particular family setting consider the local, national or international news of the week. Include in your family prayer the refugee, the homeless, the families who have lost a loved one, poor families. In what other ways can your family be mindful of the needs of others?

### **Thank You So Very Much**

Many thanks to the anonymous donor for your generous

contribution towards the Parish Lourdes Fund.

### **Eucharistic Minister Record Sheets**

Thank you to those of you who have completed these forms. For clarity, **all ministers** are required to complete and return the form not just those who visit the sick and housebound.

### **What's On At Our Cathedral**

Statue of Our Lady of Walsingham Dowry Tour, 21-23 June, a poster at the back of church details the full tour timetable.

Ordination To The Priesthood Mass, Saturday, 7 July, 1.00pm-3.00pm. All welcome. Please come along to witness Philip Carr, Anthony Kelly and Carl Mughan be ordained, this is an event for the entire Archdiocesan family.

### **Mersey Wave Music Summer Concert**

This choir is performing at St Ambrose Church, Speke on Friday, 6 July at 7.00pm. Tickets are priced at £7, concessions £5 payable on the door or contact 558 1233. The Parish Office have been given 4 complimentary tickets if

anyone is interested. 'First come, first served'.

### **Keep In Your Prayers**

Please remember in your prayers all who are sick, housebound and those in our hospitals and care homes. We pray also for anyone who has died in our Parish and wider community especially Joseph Edward Lavery, Marie McNamee and William McGovern. Let us remember the families and friends who mourn and for all those who have no one to mourn for them.

### **Going Into Hospital?**

If you go into hospital please make sure you contact the Chaplaincy on the numbers below, to let them know that you are there; they will provide Holy Communion and a priest as necessary.

Royal Liverpool & Broadgreen  
Hospitals - 706 2828

Whiston Hospital – 430 1657

### **Parish Finance**

#### **Sunday, 27 May**

Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 393.81
Other Envelopes	£ 143.89
Loose GASDS	£ 345.38

<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>£ 883.08</b>
Standing Orders	£ 247.77
Bonus Ball 16	£ 79.00

### Sunday, 3 June

Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 435.65
Other Envelopes	£ 137.96
Loose GASDS	£ 404.24
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>£ 977.85</b>
Standing Orders	£ 247.77
Bonus Ball 55	£ 74.00

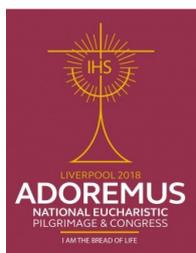
### Sunday, 10 June

Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 450.75
Other Envelopes	£ 128.07
Loose GASDS	£ 391.82
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>£ 970.64</b>
Standing Orders	£ 247.77
Bonus Ball 11	£ 77.00

### Retiring Collection

This weekend Day for Life. Next weekend Peter's Pence.

### **In Preparation for the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage & Congress 7-9 September 2018**



Eucharistic Congresses are gatherings of clergy, religious and

laity which promote an awareness of the central place of the Eucharist in the life and mission of the Church.

### *Eucharist is... Food for the Journey*

We might do well to take a moment to thank God for all that we have received, materially and in prayer. All that we have faced in our lives we did not face alone. Always God's strength and God's love were at work in our hearts even when and perhaps especially when, we did not know it at all. We can pray for those for whom the journey is hard. But we can pray too that God's strength and love will be at work in our hearts to make us bread broken for others, bringing the nourishment of God's love to the weary and downcast.

### 'Reflections at the Carmelite'

Sunday, 24 June, 3.30pm-5.30pm, 'The Unexpected Gift – Spiritual Journey of a Deaf Person'.

Sunday, 29 July, 3.30pm-5.30pm, 'Towards a Living Eucharist'.

Both include Adoration and Evening Prayer followed by refreshments, Carmelite Convent, Allerton Road, Liverpool, L18 3NU, posters at the back of church.

## And Finally

### **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.



Dad

He never looks for praises  
He's never one to boast  
He just goes on quietly working  
For those he loves the most  
His dreams are seldom spoken  
His wants are very few  
And most of the time his worries  
Will go unspoken too  
He's there.... A firm foundation  
Through all our storms of life  
A sturdy hand to hold to  
In times of stress and strife  
A true friend we can turn to  
When times are good or bad  
One of our greatest blessings,  
The man that we call Dad

To all those who volunteer within  
our Parish Community, we thank  
you so very much and especially  
this week to Tommy Wakefield  
who very kindly spring cleaned the  
Parish Office back yard in soaring  
temperatures.

Remember, if you have something  
you feel may be of interest to our  
Parish community please let the  
office know and space allowing,  
we'll pop it in the newsletter.

**Question of the Week**

Adults: What is the “good soil” that has allowed your faith to grow like the mustard seed and provide shelter for others?

Children: How do you help your faith to grow like the mustard seed?

**Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**17 June 2018**

<b>Date – 2018</b>	<b>Holy Family Church</b>	<b>St. Mark’s Church</b>
<b>Saturday, 16 June</b> Weekday in Ordinary Time	<b>5.15 pm – Mass</b> (Katherine Vasile)	
<b>Sunday, 17 June</b> Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time	<b>11.00 am – Mass</b> (Catherine Wafer)  <b>12.30 pm - Baptisms</b>	<b>9.15 am – Mass</b> (People of the Parish)
<b>Monday, 18 June</b> Memorial of St John Rigby		<b>10.00 am – Service of the Word</b>
<b>Tuesday, 19 June</b> Weekday in Ordinary Time	<b>9.00 am – Mass</b> (Peg & Skip Rylands)	
<b>Wednesday, 20 June</b> Weekday in Ordinary Time	<b>10.00 am – Funeral Service for Joseph Edward Lavery</b>	
<b>Thursday, 21 June</b> Memorial of St Aloysius	<b>9.00 am – Mass</b> (Frank & Mary Pitt)	
<b>Friday, 22 June</b> Feast of Sts John Fisher & Thomas More		<b>11.30 am – Funeral Service for Marie McNamee</b>
<b>Saturday, 23 June</b> Weekday in Ordinary Time	<b>5.15 pm – Mass</b> (People of the Parish)	
<b>Sunday, 24 June</b> Solemnity of the Birth of St John the Baptist	<b>11.00 am – Mass</b> (Robert Cobain)	<b>9.15 am – Mass</b> (Bernie & Brian Kelly)  <b>12.30 pm - Baptisms</b>

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

**Guidelines for the submission of Mass Intentions can be found on our website.**

**Readings for Solemnity of the Birth of St John the Baptist**

Isa 49:1-6  
Acts 13:22-26  
Luke 1:57-60, 80

**St Mark’s Eucharistic Ministers**

17 June – Paul, Edyta, Teresa, Maria, Stephanie  
24 June – George, Maria, Ken. Gerry, Terry