

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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Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time, 8 July 2018

***** Pastoral Area Pulpit Swap Towards Synod 2020 *****

In the joint Epiphany letter to all Catholics in the Pastoral Area, it was highlighted that as part of the Synod 2020 process and to demonstrate a deepening of collaborative ministry, the priests would celebrate Sunday Mass in each of the churches in Pastoral Area 3.

Next Sunday is the first of these occasions. The priests of the PA have felt called to have an ever expanding ecclesial heart rather than a parochial heart, this has meant that they have been looking at ways to grow together to best serve the Kingdom of God. By visiting each parish the priests will better be able to get to know different communities and people will be able to connect with priests from different local parishes. Please keep in your prayers the Pastoral Area initiatives at this time.

Next weekend we welcome Father Charles Randall who will celebrate all our weekend Masses. Father Charles is one of the Redemptorists priests based at Bishop Eton who, with Father Timothy Buckley, CSsR, serves the parishes of Our Lady of the Annunciation (Bishop Eton) and St Mary's, Woolton. Of course, no one can get away with having one job these days, so in addition Father Charles has other responsibilities for the Redemptorists which often take him away from Liverpool.

This Gospel immediately follows upon last week's stories of the raising of Jairus's daughter and the healing of the woman with a hemorrhage. It sets the context of our Gospel readings for the next two weeks in which Jesus will extend the work of his ministry to his disciples.

Today's Gospel describes what many believe to have been the typical pattern of Jesus' ministry: teaching in the synagogue followed by acts of healing. In his hometown of Nazareth, the people are amazed by what they hear, but they also cannot comprehend how someone they know so well might move them so powerfully.

In this Gospel, we learn some interesting details about Jesus and his early life. Jesus' kinfolk know him to be a carpenter, an artisan who works in wood, stone, and metal. He probably learned this trade from his father. Family members of Jesus are also named. Mark describes Jesus as the son of Mary, which is an unusual designation. Adult males were more typically identified with the name of their fathers. It is unclear why Mark deviates from this custom.

Brothers and sisters of Jesus are also named. Scholars are divided

on how to interpret this. As Catholics, we believe that Mary was and remained always a virgin, thus we do not believe that this Gospel refers to other children of Mary. Some have suggested that these family members might be Joseph's children from a previous marriage, but there is little evidence to support this. Others explain this reference by noting that the words *brother* and *sister* were often used to refer to other types of relatives, including cousins, nieces and nephews.

This Gospel tells us that Jesus is hampered from performing miracles in Nazareth because of the people's lack of faith. Jesus is said to be surprised by this. He did not predict or foresee this rejection. In this detail we find a description of the very human side of Jesus.

This passage unfolds a continuing theme of Mark's Gospel: Who is Jesus? His kinfolk in Nazareth might know the carpenter, the son of Mary, but they do not know Jesus, the Son of God. Mark is foreshadowing Jesus' rejection by his own people, the people of Israel. He is also reflecting on and trying to explain the situation of the community for which he wrote. While many of the first Christians were Jewish, Christianity took hold and flourished in the Gentile community. Mark's community

was mostly a Gentile community, who may have been experiencing persecution. By showing that Jesus himself was rejected, Mark consoles and reassures his first readers. He also prepares us to accept this possible consequence of Christian discipleship.

Rite of Welcome

Holy Family, 5.15pm: Elsie-May Readle and Thea Blu May.

St Mark's, 9.15am: Lacey May Tierney.

Holy Family, 11.00am: Lily Margaret Francey.

Baptismal Information

This weekend we welcome in to Holy Family Church through the Sacrament of Baptism Grace Kirwan-Coyne.

The next Baptism Registration meeting will take place on Monday, 10 September at 6.00pm in St Mark's Annexe.

Children's Liturgy

Please note the last sessions will take place over the weekend of 21/22 July. We will have a summer break and sessions will

resume the weekend of 8/9 September.

Feasts This Week

Wednesday, 11 July, St Benedict. St Benedict was born in Norcia, Italy and educated in Rome. He chose to live a solitary life in mountainous Subiaco in a cave and he lived there for three years. Later he organised a form of monastic life in twelve monasteries. The monks who joined St Benedict devoted themselves to work and prayer. In the great abbey of Monte Cassino, which he founded, he wrote his Rule. This wonderfully combines the Roman genius with the monastic wisdom of the Christian East. He was proclaimed patron of Europe because of his influence in the formation of Christendom in the Middle Ages.

Nugent Charity Shop



To continue to help support over 6,000 vulnerable children and adults across the North West, Nugent's charity shop is in urgent need of donations. You can donate any items at their shop at 73 Allerton Road, L18 2DH.

Knights of St Columba

Council 9 meet every second Thursday of the month at 8.00pm at St Francis of Assisi meeting rooms, Earp Street, Garston, L19 1RT. New members welcome and for further information contact Aidan Carney on 427 7126.

Archdiocesan Training Courses

Eucharistic Minister Training, Saturday, 6 October, taking place at Irenaeus, 32 Great Georges Road, Waterloo, L22 1RD. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office.

Bereavement Care Team/The Ministry of Consolation. Would you like to be a part of the parish Bereavement Care Team? Training will be provided on 17 & 18 October at LACE 1.30pm-4.30pm. Please register your interest with the Parish Office.

Lay Funeral Minister. Do you feel called to be a Lay Funeral Minister? Please register your interest with the Parish Office. A training course will be provided at LACE on 21 & 22 November.

What's On At Our Cathedral

Cathedral Book Club, Gibberd Room, Thursday, 19 July, 7.00pm-

8.00pm. Book Club returns this July when we meet to discuss Foundation and Earth by Isaac Asimov. Join us for lively discussion and debate over a glass of wine from 7.00pm. Free entry, though donations are welcome.

Summer Organ Recital, Saturday, 21 July, 2.00pm-3.00pm. An organ recital by Callum Alger, third year undergraduate at the Royal Birmingham Conservatoire. The programme comprises works by Bach, Couperin, Schumann, Elgar and Vierne. Our Summer Series of Organ Recitals are played on the Cathedral's JW Walker & Sons organ. Recitals take place each Saturday from 21 July-1 September. Admission is free with a retiring collection.

Concert in the Cathedral, Saturday, 21 July, 4.00pm-6.00pm, featuring 120 singers with music from The Kinks to John Denver, from Cliff Richard to Peter Gabriel. Raising funds for Alder Hey and Sunflowers. No tickets required.

Cathedral Walking Group, Sunday, 22 July, 12.30pm-3.00pm. Once again we will be meeting in the Cathedral car park before setting off in cars to our starting point. Our full route is yet to be announced. New walkers are always welcome, please register

via email in advance so that we have an idea of numbers : email = c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk.

Eucharistic Ministers

Thank you for completing the Record Sheets recently and returning them. Our records are now much more accurate and we have been able to match up willing parishioners to visit the sick with those who have requested support.

The rotas are prepared by volunteers and displayed clearly at the back of church for you to refer to. Please do check these to make sure you are aware when you have ministering duty. As we approach the holiday season, we appreciate not everyone will be available on the weekends they have been allocated. Please remember, it is your responsibility to secure cover in the event you are unable to undertake your ministry.

Holy Family Toilets

The Parish Office has been advised that these toilets are being left in an unhygienic and unsafe condition. Paper towels left on the floor and puddles of water are hazardous and can cause slips and falls. Please be considerate to other parishioners and the volunteers who clean these toilets for your comfort and

remember, **all children must be accompanied by an adult when using the toilets.**

Prayerful Reflections From Pope Francis

*“... Other responses (to the Family Synods) pointed to the effect of severe stress on families, who often seem more caught up with securing their future than with enjoying the present. There is a broader cultural problem, aggravated by fears about steady employment, finances and the future of children.”
(Amoris Laetitia 50)*

School holidays often provide an opportunity to ‘enjoy the present’ as there is a break from many of the activities and schedule of the busy school term. Parents who work during these holidays may be able to get home early from work and enjoy family activities. As parents it is important to find a balance between work/commitments and family time and this is a challenge worth the effort.

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 Sarah Daly. Let us remember the families and friends who mourn and for all those who have no one to mourn for them.

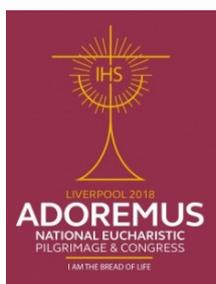
Parish Finance

Gift Aid Envelopes	£	414.83
Other Envelopes	£	112.00
Loose GASDS	£	374.71
Total Offertory	£	901.54
Standing Orders	£	219.15
Bonus Ball 07	£	76.00
Retiring Collection (Peter's Pence)	£	14.00

Retiring Collection

This weekend Apostleship of the Sea. Next week SVP.

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 ...Personal Vocation

Our sending out from Mass reminds us that we were changed too by our Baptism in which we received a call from God that is both universal and personal. That is our call to holiness and we are nourished in the Eucharist so that we can respond to that universal vocation by living in the way our personal vocation demands of us. With Blessed John Henry Newman, we can pray at Mass that many people will be open to the call of God in their lives.

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.

Weekday Mass Availability In Our Pastoral Area

**As Mass times are subject to change,
it is always advisable to ring ahead**

Bishop Eton, 0151 737 4110
7.00am and 12 noon

Christ the King & Our Lady
0151 722 2231
Mon, Tues 9.10am
Thurs 9.30am, Fri 12 noon

OLA, 0151 486 9372
Mon, Wed 9.15am,
Tue, Fri 12 noon, Thur 9.00am

St Ambrose, 0151 425 2289
Mon 9.15am, Wed 12 noon

St Christopher, 0151 425 2289
Tue, Thur, Fri 9.15am

St Mary's, 0151 428 2256
Mon, Thur, Fri 9.00am
Tue, Wed 12 noon

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

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

Blessed Sacrament Shrine,
City Centre
Mon-Sat 11.00am-12 noon

And Finally

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 unavoidable weakness in yourself do you struggle to accept?
Children: What have you wished would be different or better about you?

Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time 8 July 2018

Date – 2018	Holy Family Church	St. Mark's Church
Saturday, 7 July Weekday in Ordinary Time	5.15 pm – Mass (Ronnie Griffiths Senior)	
Sunday, 8 July Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time	11.00 am – Mass (Wyn Knight) 12.30 pm - Baptisms	9.15 am – Mass (People of the Parish)
Monday, 9 July Weekday in Ordinary Time		10.00 am – Service of the Word
Tuesday, 10 July Weekday in Ordinary Time	12.00 noon – Funeral Service for Sarah Daly	
Wednesday, 11 July Feasts of St Benedict		10.00 am – Mass (Ryan Edwards)
Thursday, 12 July Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00 am – Service of the Word	
Friday, 13 July Weekday in Ordinary Time		10.00 am – Mass (Irene Edwards)
Saturday, 14 July Weekday in Ordinary Time	5.15 pm – Mass (People of the Parish)	
Sunday, 15 July Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time	11.00 am – Mass (Eugine Kelly) 12.30 pm - Baptisms	9.15 am – Mass (Vera Mock)

* 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 Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Amos 7:12-15

Eph 1:3-14

Mark 6:7-13

St Mark's Eucharistic Ministers

8 July – Edyta, Rosemarie, Paul, Gerry, Bernie

15 July – Bernie, Ken, Stephanie, Maria, Teresa