

Newsletter

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

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Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time, 15 July 2018

***Welcome Father Charles,
we are delighted to have you within our
Parish Community this weekend!***

This weekend we welcome Father Charles Randall from Our Lady of the Annunciation (Bishop Eton) Parish who will celebrate all our Sunday Masses. This weekend all local priests will be in a different church in the Pastoral Area. This is the first of six occasions over the next two years when a different priest from the Pastoral Area will celebrate Mass here. The priest will help us to see that:

- We are moving in a new direction by small but significant practical steps towards a Diocesan Synod in 2020.*
- You will see that the priests will be working more closely together to serve Christ and His people in this area.*
- Father will mention that the first meeting of the Pastoral Area Synod has happened. Many of this group are delegates at the Eucharistic Congress in September.*

- *The priests will speak of how they are endeavouring on a new path with us and ask us to pray, to share our expertise, energy and commitment to offer God all we have in order to best serve as missionary disciples.*

This week's Gospel and the one for next week describe how Jesus sent the disciples to minister in his name and the disciples' return to Jesus afterward. These two passages, however, are not presented together in Mark's Gospel. Inserted between the two is the report of Herod's fears that Jesus is John the Baptist back from the dead. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus' ministry is presented in connection with the teaching of John the Baptist. Jesus' public ministry begins after John is arrested. John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus who preached the fulfillment of the Kingdom of God.

While we do not read these details about John the Baptist in our Gospel this week or next week, our Lectionary sequence stays consistent with Mark's theme. Recall that last week we heard how Jesus was rejected in his hometown of Nazareth. The insertion of the reminder about John the Baptist's ministry and his death at the hands of Herod in Mark's Gospel makes a similar point. Mark reminds his readers about this dangerous context for Jesus' ministry and that of his disciples. Preaching repentance and the Kingdom of God is dangerous business for Jesus and for his disciples. Mark wants his readers to

remember that we too, may find resistance as we choose to be disciples of Jesus.

Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus sent out the Twelve. These twelve were selected from among Jesus' disciples and named by Mark in chapter 3. Mark notes that these twelve are also called "apostles." The word *apostle* means "one who is sent." The number twelve is also a symbolic number, representing the twelve tribes of Israel. By naming twelve apostles, Jesus shows his mission to be in continuity with the mission of God's people, Israel.

Jesus' instructions to the apostles are very specific. He repeats the mission that they are sent to preach and to share his authority to heal and to drive out demons. Jesus sends them in pairs, establishing his mission as a communal endeavour. Jesus also instructs them to travel lightly, without the customary food, money, and extra set of clothes. These instructions mean that the Twelve will be dependent on the hospitality of others, just as Jesus depended on others to provide for his needs.

Jesus continues to send us into the world as his disciples. But like the first

disciples, we are not sent alone. Jesus has given us the community of the Church, which strengthens our life of discipleship. The Christian message can only authentically be proclaimed in and through the community of faith that is the Church. In our work with others, we build this community of faith and can invite others to share in it.

Living the Paschal Mystery

How important is it for us to have a friend, a life partner, a spouse? A friend can be there to urge us on when the going is tough, to celebrate our victories and accomplishments with us. A friend is someone in whom we can take joy by celebrating their well-being and when a friend suffers, we too suffer. A friendship is a gift of God.

Jesus too recognises how important it is to have a partner. He sends the Twelve out two-by-two. These disciples are not lone wolves; they are not renegade rangers. They travel with one another for mutual support, which will likely form a bond of friendship if it were not there already.

Being called to be in a relationship with Jesus is to be in a relationship with other disciples. None of us is on this path alone and thank God for that. The Christian life can never be a 'Jesus and me' relationship. It always

and by necessity, involves other Christians, if not other people altogether.

Even the Twelve, chosen by name to be with Jesus in a more intimate relationship with him and one another, are not sole actors. They travel together two-by-two.

Who are my partners? Who travels with me two-by-two? This might be a good day to thank God and thank your partner.

Parish Office

Please note the Parish Office will be open on Wednesday, 18 July, 9.00am-5.00pm and closed on Thursday, 19 and Friday, 20 July.

Baptismal Information

This weekend we welcome in to Holy Family Church through the Sacrament of Baptism Ruben Kurtis Trotman and Paisley Louise Sye.

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

****Important Gift Aid Message****

Reminder - Parishioners who donate by Gift Aid by either using the envelopes or by standing order, please

collect your letters from the back of church.

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.

SVP

Our next meeting will take place on Tuesday, 17 July at 7.00pm in St Mark's Annexe. Looking ahead, there will be a District Meeting on Thursday, 16 September at 8.00pm, this will be advertised once again, nearer the time.

Thank You

Thank you so much to the anonymous donor for your generous donation towards our Parish Lourdes Fund.

Also, the Parish Office has been given a matching commemorative plate and thimble marking St Mark's Church 25th Jubilee in 1990. If anyone would like these items for a keepsake, perhaps that year holds special memories for you, please don't be shy, pop into the office and it can be yours, no charge.

Lourdes Departure Mass

This will take place on Sunday, 15 July at 5.00pm at our Cathedral.

Copies of the Novena of Prayer for during the week of the pilgrimage can be found at the back of church.

Archdiocesan Training Courses

Eucharistic Minister training, 6 October.

Bereavement Care Team/The Ministry of Consolation training 17 & 18 October.

Lay Funeral Minister Training. Do you feel called to be a Lay Funeral Minister? 21 & 22 November.

Please register your interest for any of the above with the Parish Office.

What's On At Our Cathedral

Cathedral Book Club, Gibberd Room, Thursday, 19 July, 7.00pm-8.00pm. Free.

Summer Organ Recital, Saturday, 21 July, 2.00pm-3.00pm. Free.

Concert in the Cathedral, Saturday, 21 July, 4.00pm-6.00pm, raising funds for Alder Hey and Sunflowers.

Cathedral Walking Group, Sunday, 22 July, 12.30pm-3.00pm. Meet in the Cathedral car park. Please register via email in advance at c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk.

'Reflections at the Carmelite'

Sunday, 29 July, 3.30pm-5.30pm, 'Towards a Living Eucharist'. Includes Adoration and Evening Prayer followed by refreshments, Carmelite Convent, Allerton Road, Liverpool, L18 3NU, posters at the back of church.

Eucharistic Ministers

A few ministers within St Mark's would be pleased to receive some support visiting their housebound list so if you are willing to help out, please do contact the Parish Office, it would be greatly appreciated.

Ministers due to fulfil their ministry for the Masses at 5.15pm and 9.15am can be found towards the back of the newsletter. Please remember, it is your responsibility to secure cover in the event you are unable to undertake your ministry.

Ordo/Diary/Directory Orders

Ordo/Diary	£5.00
Ring Bound Directory	£4.00
Standard Directory	£3.50

Please place your order with the Parish Office by end August.

Prayerful Reflections From Pope Francis

"... God's 'patience', shown in his mercy towards sinners, is a sign of his real power"
(*Amoris Laetitia 91*)

This week, be aware of when you are tempted to be angry at your spouse, children, parents or other relatives. Take a deep breath and remember that your first reaction is not always the most helpful or truest to the love that you have for that person. Also try to consider how your words will be taken before you say them and whether the time is right to bring something up.

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 Patricia O'Hare. 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	£	480.06
Other Envelopes	£	94.95
Loose GASDS	£	320.19

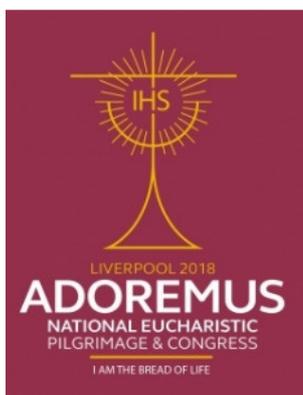
Total Offertory	£ 895.20
Standing Orders	£ 219.15
Bonus Ball 13	£ 86.00
Retiring Collection	£ 296.14
(Apostleship of the Sea)	

Leaflets at the back of church with details of all events or check out the website
www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/adoremus

Retiring Collection

This weekend none. The collection for the SVP has been moved to next weekend.

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.

There are so many events supporting Adoremus including talks, discussions, workshops, prayer and cultural events within the city and most are free so do try and attend as many as you can.

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

Eucharistic Ministers This Weekend

5.15pm

P McGuinness, M Lester, C Morris,
S Daniels, J Roach

9.15am

Bernie, Ken, Stephanie, Maria, Teresa

And Finally

Found – A gold medal was found outside St Mark's Church on Sunday. If this is yours, it can be claimed at the Piety Shop.

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 good news of Jesus can you share with others this week?
Children: What good news of Jesus can you share with others this week?

Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time 15 July 2018

Date – 2018	Holy Family Church	St. Mark's Church
Saturday, 14 July Weekday in Ordinary Time	5.15 pm – Mass (Eugine Kelly)	
Sunday, 15 July Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time	11.00 am – Mass (People of the Parish) 12.30 pm – Baptisms	9.15 am – Mass (Vera Mock)
Monday, 16 July Weekday in Ordinary Time	1.00 pm – Funeral Service for Patricia O'Hare	
Tuesday, 17 July Weekday in Ordinary Time	9.00 am – Mass (Dorothy Feeney)	
Wednesday, 18 July Weekday in Ordinary Time		10.00 am – Mass (Father Des Power)
Thursday, 19 July Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00 am – Mass (Kevin Marsh)	
Friday, 20 July Weekday in Ordinary Time		10.00 am – Mass (Mary Sawyer)
Saturday, 21 July Weekday in Ordinary Time	5.15 pm – Mass (Mary & James Lacey & Mary Tasker)	
Sunday, 22 July Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time	11.00 am – Mass (People of the Parish)	9.15 am – Mass (Peter John Fairhurst)

* 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 Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Jer 23:1-6
Eph 2:13-18
Mark 6:30-34