



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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Thirty First Sunday of Ordinary Time, 4 November 2018



Synod 2020: Who Will Be Members Of The Synod From Our Parish?

Over the last few weeks we have heard a lot about the Synod that Archbishop Malcom has called for our diocese in 2020. At the heart of our journey to the Synod will be the need for us to listen and discern how the Spirit of God is working in and through our lives and the lives of those around us. An important part of helping that to happen will be those parishioners who will be members of the Synod.

We already have our delegates who attended the Eucharistic Congress who have said they would be willing to consider being members. To help us to come to a final decision on who our members will be there will be an open meeting on **Tuesday, 20 November at 7.00pm to 8.30pm in St Mark's Church** where there will be an opportunity to hear about the role of the Synod member and how that fits into the whole Synod process.

Fr Matthew

As we continue to read from Mark's Gospel, our Lectionary skips a chapter that helps set the context for today's reading. If we were to read the sections skipped ([chapter 11](#) and part of [chapter 12](#)), we would hear about Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, his cleansing of the Temple and the questioning of Jesus' authority by the chief priests, scribes and elders. The context, therefore, for this Gospel is Jesus' growing exposure before the Jewish authorities. Jesus is being questioned and tested by the Jewish authorities, yet the scribe who addresses Jesus in today's Gospel seems to be an admirer; he is not testing Jesus.

The question posed in today's Gospel requires Jesus to interpret the Law of Moses. The Mosaic Law consists of the Ten Commandments and many additional commandments, numbering into the hundreds. For a devout Jew, adherence to the Mosaic Law is an expression of faithfulness to God's covenant with Israel. The ranking of these commandments was regularly debated among the teachers of the Law.

Jesus was not the only Jewish religious teacher to connect these two commandments, love of God and love of neighbour. Both of these commandments were central elements of the religious tradition that Jesus learned from his Jewish community.

Indeed, these commandments continue to be central aspects of contemporary Jewish religious understanding. Jesus' response to his questioners proposed an integral connection between these two aspects of the Jewish Law.

Love of God finds its expression in our love for our neighbour. Many believe, however, that this connection was heard in a new and fresh way when spoken by Jesus.

The scribe who questions Jesus in today's Gospel engages in a positive dialogue with Jesus. He agrees with Jesus' teaching that the commandments to love God and love neighbour stand above the commandment to offer worship and sacrifice in the Temple. With this dialogue, Jesus appears to close the debate with the Jewish authorities. Mark reports that no one dared to question Jesus further.

Father Joe – Welcome!

This weekend we are delighted to welcome Father Joseph Archibong, a Nigerian member of the St Patrick's Society to our Parish and he will speak at all of our Masses.

Baptismal Information

This weekend, we welcome into our Parish of St John Vianney at Holy

Family Church, Max Ethan Quinn, Bethany Mae Quinn, Jasmine Bridget Mary Renshaw and Scarlett Angel Peters.

The next Baptism Registration meeting will take place on Monday, 12 November at 6.00pm in St Mark's Annexe.

**** Date Correction ****

Bereavement Team Meeting & Drop In Session

Lord, may we always be present to those who suffer bereavement and help us to be attentive to their needs.

The above will take place on **Tuesday, 6 November** in St Mark's Annexe. The meeting will be at 2.00pm followed by the drop in session at 2.30pm.

With You Always

This year's programme is now well underway. Anyone who would like their child to prepare to receive the Sacraments will be able to enrol in September 2019 for the next cycle.

Family Session 3, Monday, 12 November, 4.45pm-5.45pm/6.00pm-7.00pm in Holy Family School.



Day of Reflection & Remembrance

St Andrew the Apostle School would like to welcome all parishioners to visit their Remembrance display between 2.00pm-3.00pm on Tuesday, 6 November. There will be the opportunity to remember your loved ones, light a candle in their memory and enter their names in the school's Book of Remembrance.

Annual Remembrance Service

This will take place on Tuesday, 13 November at 7.00pm in St Mark's Church. This is an opportunity for us to remember those who have died this year from within our Parish, our families and the wider community. If you have an Order of Service of your loved one please bring this along to the service. Refreshments will be served in the annexe afterwards.

November Pious List

Lists and envelopes are available at the back of church. Please place completed lists along with your donation in with the offertory or post into the Parish Office. Through the month of November, one weekday Mass and one weekend Mass will be offered for those names on the list.

Mass Intentions

Of late, the Parish Office has been receiving more requests for Mass intentions over the telephone specifically asking for particular dates and at short notice. Whilst we have tried to accommodate these requests, it is now becoming increasingly difficult to reduce our list for those parishioners waiting so patiently for their Mass to be celebrated. Please use the envelopes at the back of church to place your request and donation. Thank you for your understanding.

Deacon Visit – Next Weekend

Next weekend we will welcome a deacon from our Pastoral Area who will speak at all of our Masses about their vocation.

5.15pm and 9.15am

Deacon Bernard Rigby (St Mary's)

11.00am

Deacon John Keeley (Bishop Eton)

The Ladies Group



Dance Night: The Ladies Group would like to thank all those who supported our recent fundraising night and made it such a success. We would like to thank those who attended and

bought tickets, those who made monetary or raffle donations and to Kirkby Tyres for their kind donation of shopping vouchers. A particular big thank you to Matt our host who compered the night so admirably. After paying our group The Poppies, a profit of £345 was made in aid of The Lourdes Fund and Help the Heroes. Thank you all for your generous support and we hope you had an enjoyable evening.

The next Ladies Group meeting will take place on Wednesday, 7 November at 7.30pm in Holy Family Church. The revised time is due to the Invitation to Prayer at Hope University Chapel. New ladies are always welcome.

Invitation to Prayer



The Pastoral Area Invitation to Prayer continues to take place on every first Wednesday of the month between 6.00pm-7.00pm at Hope University Chapel when we continue to pray for guidance and help regarding the future of the Church and our mission in the local area.

Vianney's Voice

Future meetings will now be aimed at our children in Year 5-10 (ages 9-15)

with our current older children becoming more involved in planning and leading our meetings.

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 28 November at 7.00pm when we will be asking our members to bring an item to be included in hampers for our Christmas raffle. Venue to be confirmed.

Archdiocesan Training Courses

The next training course for Lay Funeral Ministers is due to take place on Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd November at LACE. There are still a few places remaining so if you feel called to this ministry please contact the Parish Office.

Also, the new cohort for the Archdiocesan Diploma in Pastoral Ministry and Leadership to begin in January 2019 is now being recruited. Please register your interest with the Parish Office.

Planning & Living Liturgy In The Year Of Luke

Tuesday, 27 November, 7.00pm-9.00pm at LACE. The evening will include prayer and reflection led by Chris Thomas and Brian Schmisek, the event is free and open to all but especially musicians, readers, RCIA catechists and those involved in planning liturgy. To book your place

please ring the Pastoral Formation Department on 522 1040.

What's On At Our Cathedral

Cathedral Book Club, Gibberd Room, Thursday, 8 November, 7.00pm-8.00pm. Book Club is back and we will meet to discuss *Do No Harm* by Henry Marsh. Join us for lively discussion and debate over a glass of wine from 7.00pm. Free entry, though donations are welcome.

The Cathedral Concerts Society present *Destiny*, Crypt Concert Room, Saturday, 17 November, 7.30pm-9.30pm. In this concert the Concerts Society take on all the big, human emotions with hugely dramatic music, old and new. Tickets £10, concessions £7, under 25s £3 from www.cathedralconcerts.org.uk or from the Piazza gift shop.

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

**Prayerful Reflections
From Pope Francis**

“Listening to the elderly tell their stories is good for children and young people: it makes them feel connected to the living history of their families.”
(*Amoris Laetitia* 193)

How have your family stories shaped your own story? Take the time to share your stories of growing up and the stories of faith, struggle and triumph that make up your family history.

Parish Finance

Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 513.90
Other Envelopes	£ 117.92
Loose GASDS	£ 362.90
Total Offertory	£ 994.72
Standing Orders	£ 253.30
Bonus Ball 21	£ 87.00

Retiring Collection

This weekend St Patrick’s Missionary Society. Next weekend none.

**Prayer in Preparation 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.

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, BE
4.00pm-5.00pm, Saturday

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

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Eucharistic Ministers

This Weekend

5.15pm

C Morris, R O'Neill, P McGuinness,
Mignonne, S Coleman

9.15am

Ken, Terry, Bernie, Gerry

**** If you are unable to fulfil your ministry, please do remember it is your responsibility to secure a replacement ****

And Finally

Parking At Holy Family - Once again, 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.

Please do park carefully when using our car parks and remember disabled bays should only be used by those parishioners who need them most. Thank you.

Heating At Holy Family – The heating system is very sensitive and regulators on radiators should not be touched. Thank you.

Catholic Pic - Please remember to take your free copy home – available from the back of church.



Log on to synod2020.co.uk for all the latest news.

Question of the Week

Adults: Why is love of neighbour as important as love of God?

Children: When do you show that you love God and your neighbour with your whole heart?

Thirty First Sunday of Ordinary Time 4 November 2018

Date – 2018	Holy Family Church	St Mark's Church
Saturday, 3 November Weekday in Ordinary Time	5.15 pm – Mass (Pious List)	
Sunday, 4 November Thirty First Sunday of Ordinary Time	11.00 am – Mass (Kevin Marsh) 12.30 pm – Baptisms	9.15 am – Mass (People of the Parish)
Monday, 5 November Weekday in Ordinary Time		10.00 am – Service of the Word
Tuesday, 6 November Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00 am – Mass (Pious List)	
Wednesday, 7 November Weekday in Ordinary Time		10.00 am – Service of the Word
Thursday, 8 November Weekday in Ordinary Time	9.30 am – Requiem Mass for Esther Beck	
Friday, 9 November Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica		10.00 am – Service of the Word
Saturday, 10 November Memorial of St Leo the Great	5.15 pm – Mass (People of the Parish)	
Sunday, 11 November Thirty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time	11.00 am – Mass (Jeffrey Gilks) 12.30 pm - Baptisms	9.15 am – Mass (Pious List)

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 Thirty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 17:10-16
Heb 9:24-28
Mark 12:38-44