



# Our Lady & The English Martyrs

## Litherland

7th SUNDAY OF EASTER

2nd June 2019



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### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

How can I more closely imitate the love God has for me in the way I treat those I love in my life? Do I see God in those I love?

### CAFOD INVITATION

You will have seen all over the news, in newspapers and from Sir David Attenborough, that climate change is a huge issue that needs tackling sooner rather later. Not only is it killing off wildlife, but it affects those who are living in poverty the most through things such as, more frequent and violent life threatening weather emergencies and changes in seasonal patterns which affect food and water, basic needs for survival. Apart from making some lifestyle changes ourselves, the best way we can make a difference is to speak up to the people in power. CAFOD will be taking a coach down to London on Wednesday, 26 June, to give Catholics the opportunity to lobby their MP outside parliament, to make our voices heard. As people of faith, we are determined to speak up for our common home. We would like for you to join us! Sign up at [cafod.org.uk/climate](http://cafod.org.uk/climate) lobby.



The cost is £25... a bargain return trip to London and you will receive a CAFOD The Time is Now T shirt and be part of our Climate pilgrimage as we journey together. The coach will currently leave from Old Swan at approximately 5.00am. **We need people to sign up asap** so we know what coach size to book, so please sign up quickly!

### FINDING THE GOD OF LOVE

“Lord, help me to know You and to know myself”  
Saturday 8th June 10 – 3.30pm at St Joseph’s Prayer Centre in Freshfield. A day in company with Fr Michael Hickey. We look forward to this opportunity to reflect, to share and be affirmed in our efforts to live our Christian lives more deeply. Donation £20 includes a light lunch.

### STRAWBERRY CREAM TEA AFTERNOON

Wednesday 17th July,  
2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. at the Liverpool

Archdiocesan Centre for Evangelisation. The

keynote speaker will be Dr Karen Groves, Medical Director of Queen’s Court Hospice, Southport and her theme will be ‘Spiritual Care at the End of Life.’ Call 522 1040 to book your place.



## SUMMER DAY OUT

**LLANGOLLEN EISTEDDFOD 2019** - we have again arranged a day trip to the Llangollen Eisteddfod on Friday 5 July. We will leave the parish and travel by coach to Llangollen where we can stroll around the maes (Welsh for field) with its hundreds of stalls, food and drinking places. Your ticket will guarantee you a reserved seat in the Pavilion to watch the competitions which include Folk and Traditional Dance categories with competitors in national dress, as well as the Youth Choirs and International Young Musician competitions. You can walk around the town and enjoy the many shops and beautiful scenery.



The famous Parade of Nations through the town of Llangollen will take place at 4.30 p.m. which is a colourful spectacular event. We will then enjoy a meal together in The Hand Hotel in Llangollen before returning home.

The cost of the day is £55 which includes transport, entry to the Eisteddfod, reserved seat in the Pavilion and a three course evening meal. (apologies for the increase on last year which is purely down to increased costs)

If you wish to join us please let Bernie have your name as soon as possible. We also need to pre-order meals so if you are coming please pop in to the office to choose your meal.

## BETHLEHEM UNIVERSITY-

Liverpool Hope University will be hosting a talk given by Br. Peter Bray, Vice-Chancellor of Bethlehem University on Saturday 8th June at 2.15 p.m. in Liverpool Hope University's Senate Room, Hope Park. Bethlehem University is a Catholic University, founded after the visit of Pope St Paul VI in the 1960's, whose mission is to provide quality higher education to the people of Palestine and is a very high achieving establishment. Br. Peter has been to Liverpool in the past and his talks have always been excellent. All are welcome to attend but it may be of particular interest to those going on the Holy Land pilgrimage in October.

## LITHERLAND HISTORY

**SOCIETY** The next meeting is taking place in the Parish Hall on Tuesday 4 June at 10am.

The speaker is Joanne Chamberlain who will be talking about The History of Lord

Street,  
Southport  
Entrance



is £2 and  
all are welcome

## Masses & Services for the coming week

DATE	Our Lady Queen of Peace	The English Martyrs
<b>Saturday 1st June</b>	<b>5.00pm -</b> Peter Boyle	
<b>Sunday 2nd June</b> <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter</i>		<b>10.30am -</b> Liz Hughes & Marie Edwards  <b>12 noon -</b> Baptism - Annie Rimmer & Ivy McCluskie
<b>Monday 3rd June</b>		<b>9.00am -</b> Stephen McQuade
<b>Tuesday 4th June</b>	<b>9.00am -</b> Maira O'Brien	
<b>Wednesday 5th June</b>		
<b>Thursday 6th June</b>	<b>9.00am -</b> Sick & housebound	<b>11.45am -</b> Funeral service - Ronald McGarrigle
<b>Friday 7th June</b>		<b>9.00am -</b> Norah & Freddie Foster
<b>Saturday 8th June</b>	<b>5.00pm -</b> Parishioners	
<b>Sunday 9th June</b> <i>Pentecost Sunday</i>		<b>10.30am -</b> Bridget McDermott  <b>12 noon -</b> Baptisms - Frankie Pruden & Jack Fisher

## SYNOD2020

There are lots of things going on in the diocese in preparation for Synod 2020. Primary School Headteachers have met and are coming up with creative ideas to involve schools. Similarly, the Secondary School Headteachers are involving their young people.



The diocesan priests are meeting over the next few months to listen to one another and over the coming weeks there will be times of listening in every parish.

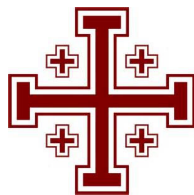
We hope you are using the weekly reflections found in the Newsletter which help us to reflect on the Synod questions and in a few weeks you will be invited to respond to them. A meeting is also arranged for **Wednesday 19th June, 7 p.m.** in the church hall when we will look at these questions together. All responses will be passed to the diocesan Synod office.

You are encouraged to use the Synod survey which is simply four questions and is completed on line: [www.synod2020.co.uk](http://www.synod2020.co.uk).

The aim of it is to have as broad a constituency of people filling it in. Please encourage friends and family who are not church goers or not Catholics to fill it in. The church is listening to all!

## ORDER OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE OF JERUSALEM

The Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem will be celebrating an Investiture in our Metropolitan Cathedral on Saturday 22nd June at 10.15 a.m. Usually Investitures take place in London but Liverpool has been chosen for this special occasion. The main celebrant will be His Eminence Cardinal Edwin O'Brien, Cardinal Grand Master of the Order who will be joining us for the weekend from Rome. The Sovereign of the Order is Pope Francis but Cardinal O'Brien acts as his deputy and made the request to come to Liverpool. All are welcome to go along for this occasion when 15 people will be awarded this special honour.



## WE WELCOME WITH GREAT JOY



**Annie May Rimmer**  
**Ivy Rose McCluskie**  
Baptised Sunday 2nd June 2019



### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Marie O'Neil, Martin Hook,  
Karen Ormsby, Bernadette Clark,  
Emma Kelly, Eileen Monaghan, Colin  
O'Donnell, Terry Kelly, Marjorie  
Cramp, Roisin Dooley, Brenda  
Wallace, Pat Goulby, Joan Johnson,  
Thomas Niblock, Vera Ryan, Alice  
Manning, Patricia Vina, Mary Wilson,  
Flo Johnson, Fiona Barlow, Margaret  
Strong, Cheryl Green, Julie Wolfarth,  
Paul O'Farrell, Francis Clare, Joan  
Brewer, Elizabeth Cannon, Martin  
Hook, Mary Cassidy, Mary Patten,  
Jill Lyster, Tommy Hesse, Ann  
Rawlings, Jack Mahon, Catherine Potts,  
Mary Cleary, Olive Forrest, Margaret  
Kay, Derek Forrest, Susan Green,  
James Halpin Joan Niblock,  
Al Jackson, Norah Wright,  
Hannah Mahon, Alice Power,  
Betty White Eileen Hannon



### THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE



#### The Mode of Life of Priests

That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are most poor.

Lord in your mercy.....

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## ARCHBISHOP MALCOLM

We are lucky to have Archbishop Malcolm join us a few times this year for Mass:

Sunday 7th July 10:30 a.m.	Mass with the Order of the Holy Sepulchre
Saturday 14th September 11:30 a.m.	Mass for the Feast of the True Cross
28th/29th September	Official Parish Visitation
Saturday 19th October 11:30 a.m.	Mass for the Feast of Our Lady Queen of Palestine.

Bishop Tom will also be visiting our two schools in September.

Please put these dates in your diary as we warmly welcome our Archbishop to our parish.



## WORLD COMMUNICATION DAY - Sunday 2nd June

On this day, Catholics are encouraged to pray for all those professionals who work in Communications. And particularly for those who are responsible for communicating on behalf of the Catholic Church in this country.

The communications office of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales supports the bishops, in their witness and engagement with current issues, and the Church more widely in promoting the Gospel through digital, social, print and broadcast media. The office is the central point for media enquiries and is a key resource for national and international media professionals. It also plays an important role in developing the public profile of the Church through word and image.

The Catholic Church celebrates World Communications Day on 2<sup>nd</sup> June in 2019, when we are asked to pray for those who work in the media and when a second collection is taken after Mass to fund this important work. Please help us continue this work through contributing generously to the collection this weekend.

## NORTHERN CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

7th 8th 9th June at  
Liverpool Hope  
University. There will  
be daily Mass,  
Adoration and  
Devotions, an amazing  
healing service led by  
the Cor et Lumen  
Christi Community as  
well as aspiring  
speakers, good food  
and fellowship. Join us  
and celebrate our  
wonderful Catholic  
Faith. For more info  
Telephone: Denise  
07543800812 or email  
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**St Mary's College,  
Crosby** Year 5 Boys &  
Girls Taster Day,  
Thursday, 27 June,  
10.00am-3.00pm. To  
register call 0151 924  
3926.

## PARISH PILGRIMAGE

A pilgrimage to the Holy Land has been arranged from 3rd - 14th October 2019. Flights from Manchester to Tel Aviv with Easyjet. We will stay in the Manger Square Hotel Bethlehem, 2 minute walk from where Jesus was born and the Ron Beach Hotel Tiberius which is situated on the shore of the Sea of Galilee.



We will visit the major sites associated with Jesus, Mary and the apostles in Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Galilee & Nazareth. Other highlights include: Sunday Mass in a local parish so we can meet the local Christian community, a visit to the Christian ladies of St. Martha's House, a meeting with Archbishop Pierbattista Pizzaballa at the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem and dinner with the Rector, staff and seminarians in the local Seminary.

The total cost of the pilgrimage, including flights, is now confirmed as £1,887. This includes 12 days full board, tips and gratuities, full guided tour and staying in 2 excellent hotels. Single room supplement is £400. If you would like to go, please call to the Parish Office to complete a booking form.

## ST. ELISABETH'S CONVENT

The Archbishop has asked that our parish warmly welcome the Sisters of St. Elisabeth's Convent this weekend during their visit to the UK. This is a Orthodox Community of Religious Sisters based in Minsk, Belarus and they will also be visiting the Metropolitan Cathedral.

The Sisterhood of St. Elisabeth look after an orphanage and a psychiatric hospital and they will be visiting our parish THIS WEEKEND and will bring icons, ceramics, decorations and other artefacts produced in the Convent workshop for us to buy. Please support them in their valuable work and buy one of their beautiful products.



## FR MARK'S THEATRE

**GROUP** There are still 2 tickets available for the trip to the Empire on Wednesday 23 October to see Les Misérables. Cost of ticket and coach is £64. If you are interested please see Bernie in the Parish Office.





## Lectures at The Phil

Organised by John Moores University, the Roscoe Lectures are free and open to the general public.

The first lecture will take place on Tuesday, 11 June at the Liverpool Philharmonic Hall at 5.00pm presented by the Rt Reverend Paul Bayes, Bishop of Liverpool. The lecture will be entitled *"Believing in the public square: the place of faith in England today."* To book tickets please contact the box office at the Liverpool Philharmonic Hall on 0151 709 3789 or book online at <https://www.liverpoolphil.com/whats-on/comedy-spoken-word/the-rt-reverend-paul-bayes/3423>.

## PENTECOST CELEBRATIONS

Pentecost celebrations in Liverpool on 9th June start at 3pm the Metropolitan Cathedral. From there people process to the Anglican Cathedral, stopping to pray in various places that through God's Spirit we may bring hope and blessing to our city and region. Culminating with a Taizé service at the Anglican Cathedral at 4:30pm.



**LADIES DAY** Ladies Day in the Lutyens Crypt, Saturday, 29 June, 4.00pm-9.00pm. The Cathedral Friends Ladies Day event is back by popular demand and this year it will be taking place in the magnificent surroundings of the Lutyens Crypt. Tickets include a glass of fizz on arrival, a delicious three-course meal and entertainment. Cost is £35. For information and to book tickets email [c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk).



## HOLY LAND EVENING

Many people ask Fr Mark about the situation in the Holy Land and especially how it affects the local Christian community. On Monday 17th June, 7.00 p.m. in the church hall, he will give a presentation on the situation and why we are mandated to support our Christian brothers and sisters.

This is open to everyone but especially those going on pilgrimage to the Holy Land in October.



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR CHILDREN WHO MADE THEIR FIRST  
HOLY COMMUNION IN MAY



## PARISH RETREAT

Monday 10th June - Friday 14th June 2019.

This is an important week for our parish when we welcome the Irenaeus Team who will lead the week of prayer, praise and reflection. The programme each day will be:

Morning Mass

3.30 p.m. - 4.30 p.m. Hour of quiet reflection & prayer

4.30 p.m. Tea and cake with a time to discuss the daily theme

7.00 p.m. Evening session - presentation on the theme

The daily themes are:

Monday	Are we a welcoming church?
Tuesday	Are we a loving church?
Wednesday	Are we a forgiving church?
Thursday	Are we a joyful church?
Friday	Are we an evangelising church?

PLEASE make every effort to come along, tell others about it and invite them to take part. It will only be a success if people take the effort to be part of the week. Sr. Moira, one of the Irenaeus Team will tell us more about the week at the beginning of June.

If you are one of our 'star bakers' and willing to provide some cakes for the afternoons please let Bernie know



**CELEBRATE THE CHILD** The annual Family Celebration Mass will take place this year at Saints Peter & Paul Catholic College, Highfield Road, Widnes, on Sunday 30th June. Archbishop Malcolm McMahon will be the Principal Celebrant. Mass will begin at 1.00 p.m. and you are encouraged to bring a picnic to enjoy in the grounds before Mass. For more information please contact: (Safeguarding Office) 522 1043.

## THE APOSTLES CREED

During Lent & Easter, the Church recommends we pray the Apostles Creed at Mass rather than the Nicene Creed, the version usually prayed at Mass. The reason this option is recommended particularly for Lent/Easter Time is because of its close relationship with baptism. The Apostles' Creed is the basis for the baptismal promises made by the elect before they are baptised. It is also used for the renewal of baptismal promises at Easter and by parents and godparents when bringing a child for baptism.

I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
*At the words that follow, up to and including 'the Virgin Mary', all bow.*

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting. Amen.

