

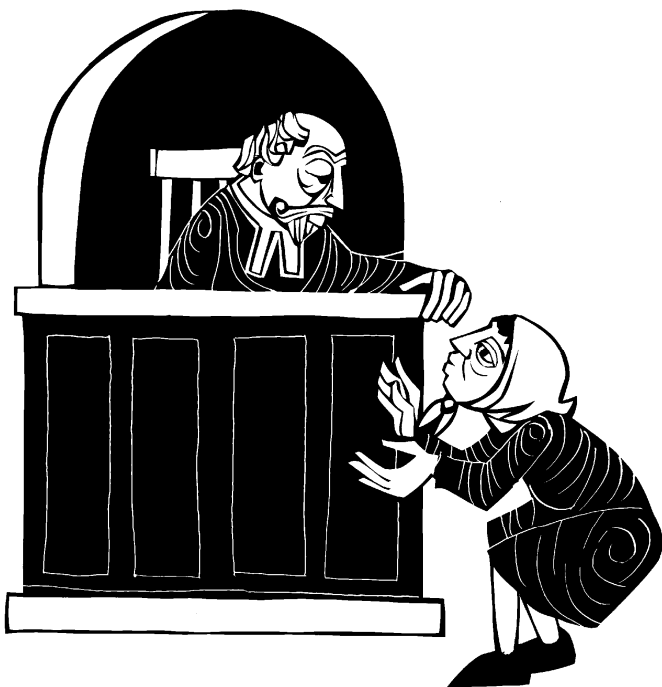


Our Lady & The English Martyrs

Litherland

29TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 20th October 2019



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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

What can I do to carry out God's mission in my life? Will I make time to pray for guidance and support?

MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Morning Prayer is one part of the Divine Office which is one of the official forms of Prayer of the Church. Many parish communities come together to begin the day in the way, praising God in creation and asking Him to bless them throughout the day. Morning Prayer is now every Monday & Friday at 8.40 a.m. in church. All are welcome to come along as we join our voices with people across the world in this very special act of praise.

CATHEDRAL SEWING GROUP

This group meet in our Cathedral each week and work



on a wide variety of pieces for use in and around the Cathedral. They are always looking for new members so if sewing, embroidery etc is among your talents please contact David on 280 2392 for more information.

WHY WE NEED MORE DEACONS

Archbishop Malcolm will host an evening for men who may be wondering if they are called to serve as deacons and what the formation involves.

Tuesday 19 November 7.30 p.m.
— 9.00 p.m. at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, Stonebridge Lane, Croxteth.

LES MISERABLES

The coach will leave from English Martyrs Church on Wednesday 23rd at 6.30pm.



‘CHRISTIAN FAITH IN THE CITY’

‘Christian Faith in the City over 175 years. Is it ‘Better Together’ or getting worse?’ This is the title of a lecture to be given by Bishop Tom Williams at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday 22nd October at Liverpool Hope University. All are welcome.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 2019

20 October is World Mission Sunday. It's the one day in the year when our sisters and brothers around the world come together to support mission. It's a great opportunity for all of us to reflect on and pray for the Church's mission overseas and support of the world's most vulnerable people.

In the third week of the Extraordinary Month of Mission (EMM2019), Catholics reflect on *'Missionary charity as a commitment to support the Church's missionary activity and communities too poor to support themselves.'*

Missio is proud to be the Pope's chosen charity for mission. And we ask the Church family in England and Wales to help us support the missionary work of the Church in India and throughout the world, with your prayers and donations.

Every single day, all over the world, countless young girls face exploitation. Often stolen from their families or sold against their will, these children become trapped in lives of poverty and despair. In India, child trafficking and child labour is the reality for around 12 million children. This statistic is staggering. But it would be far worse without the presence of the Catholic Church. For decades, your support of Missio has enabled local communities to work hard to rescue those suffering.

This World Mission Sunday, please join with Missio to help missionaries rescue more vulnerable children. You can give a child a new home, show them how much God loves them and change their life forever. By supporting Missio, you play a valuable part in creating a vibrant Catholic Church for the future.

Please support the retiring collection this weekend but you can also show your support through the Red Box appeal. Ask at the Parish Office for further details.



EXTRAORDINARY MISSIONARY MONTH
OCTOBER 2019

Masses & Services for the coming week

DATE	Our Lady Queen of Peace	The English Martyrs
Saturday 19th October	5.00pm - Joan Niblock	
Sunday 20th October <i>29th Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>		10.30am - Parishioners
Monday 21st October		9.00am - Tom Willis
Tuesday 22nd October	9.00am - Nicola Willcox	
Wednesday 23rd October		
Thursday 24th October	9.00am - Baby Jagger Nicol	
Friday 25th October		9.00am - Special intention
Saturday 26th October	5.00pm - Parishioners	
Sunday 27th October <i>30th Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>		10.30am - Evelyn Bisson

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint John Paul II (1920-2005)



Karol Józef Wojtyła was born in 1920 in Wadowice, Poland. After his ordination to the priesthood and theological studies in Rome, he returned to his homeland and resumed various pastoral and academic tasks. He became first auxiliary bishop and, in 1964, Archbishop of Kraków and took part in the Second Vatican Council.

On 16 October 1978 he was elected pope and took the name John Paul II. His exceptional apostolic zeal, particularly for families, young people and the sick, led him to numerous pastoral visits throughout the world. Among the many fruits which he has left as a heritage to the Church are above all his rich Magisterium and the promulgation of the Catechism of the Catholic Church as well as the Code of Canon Law for the Latin Church and for the Eastern Churches. In Rome on 2 April 2005, the eve of the Second Sunday of Easter he departed peacefully in the Lord. He was canonised by Pope Francis on 27 April, the Second Sunday of Easter 2014.

Christmas by Candlelight in the Lutyens Crypt is taking place on 19th December from 7pm.

We're planning a really special evening of Christmas cheer, and would love you to be a part of it! On the evening we'll be serving up a delicious two-course Christmas supper for all guests. Entertainment will be provided by X-Factor finalist Danny Morris (our very own Micheal Bublé) who will be singing festive favourites, and our amazing Youth Choir will also be making a special appearance. Tickets are priced at £19.50 each. Contact c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk



Metropolitan Cathedral
of Christ the King Liverpool

WELCOME HOME AND CONGRATULATIONS CANON MARK!

We welcome home parishioners who took part in the Pilgrimage to the Holy Land who returned earlier this week. The trip was amazing both spiritually and socially. Some of the sites visited were breath-taking and to experience walking in the footsteps of Jesus was a 'once in a life-time' experience. Fr Mark's inside knowledge of the Holy Land obviously was a real asset and we all came back understanding much more about the situation in Palestine. Our Christian friends in the Holy Land are a wonderful people who made us truly welcome. The message they asked us to pass on to all at home was one of peace.

Whilst there Fr Mark was installed as a Canon of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem and we were privileged to be part of the lovely ceremony that took place in the Latin Patriarchal Seminary. Congratulations Canon Mark!



PRAYER LIST

We are always happy to receive names of people who need our prayers which are published in the Newsletter each week. The list has become full and we have little space left to include new names. From this week the list has been wiped clean and you are encouraged to re-submit names to the Parish Office. To keep the Prayer List we must comply with Data Protection rules, so you are asked to keep the following points in mind:

- 1.The person whose name is being submitted **MUST** give their consent and happy for their name to be published in the Parish Newsletter.
- 2.The Prayer List will be published on the new parish website and the person whose name is being submitted **MUST** be made aware of this and give their consent.
- 3.The Parish Office must keep a record of those submitting names so all names to be included in the Parish Newsletter must be done through the Parish Office either in person, by telephone or email.

Names can be submitted now.



SYNOD 2020 SYNOD SUNDAY

This weekend we begin the next stage of our Synod Journey as we celebrate Synod Sunday. Last Sunday John Henry Newman was declared a Saint by Pope Francis. In one of his many writings he said: *"I sought to hear the voice of God and I climbed the topmost steeple," but God declared: "Go down again – I dwell among the people."*

This is something Pope Francis is very aware of as he encourages us to be a Church that listens.

The listening journey that we are on will identify some significant priorities in our Archdiocese. It will also be a journey that Archbishop Malcolm will be sharing with the appropriate authorities in Rome in response to Pope Francis's call to listen.

The next task is to generate the proposals for action within each Theme

21st Oct -18th November: All called and gifted by God

18th Nov -16th Dec: Sharing the Mission of Jesus

20th Jan -17th Feb: How we pray together

17th Feb -17th March: Building Community, nurturing belonging

Keep up to date with everything that's going on with Synod 2020 by logging on to the website synod2020.co.uk, the Catholic Pic has regular updates or speak to our Synod delegates, Gavin Williams & Sara Coxon.

WATCH THIS SPACE!! We are just in the process of finalising our new website. We hope for it to go 'live' over the next few weeks when we can share with you some of the wonderful images from our Holy Land pilgrimage

LOSING THE PLOT? (only if there's room)



As Christians we walk a delicate tightrope. On the one hand we can fall into the trap of thinking that everything depends on us, that by our own efforts we can achieve salvation. On the other hand we can become so intent on the fact that only God's grace can bring salvation that we end up sitting back and letting God get on with it without lending a hand.

People who think everything depends on them tend to be great activists. They are the people of petitions, badges, protests and placards. In religious terms they are usually convinced that they have to do more and more before they are worthy to approach God. In the past they were the people who said lots of rosaries, recited numerous litanies and were always found at the nearest religious gathering. They were also first to volunteer for the soup kitchen, the Justice Group and the parish amenities committee. There's nothing wrong with any of this, of course, but the supposition was that their own effort could build up some form of good-standing with God. The more prayers you said and the more you were seen to be active in good works the better person you were.

At the other end of the scale are those people who may well pray a lot but are slow to take up any sort of active Christian role within their community. Maybe they too are seen at church on Sundays and at diocesan gatherings of prayer. But their main concern is making themselves holy by putting practical issues in second place so that they can contemplate God who will save them.

Isaiah and Matthew both recount a similar story about a vineyard. In Isaiah the owner (God) of the vineyard (his people Israel) plants fine vines and does everything possible to grow good grapes but the plot only produces sour grapes. So the owner threatens to turn it into scrubland. In Matthew we hear Jesus saying that the tenants who aren't producing fruit from the land will be evicted from it.



Nothing you can ever do will get you into heaven. Only Christ can get you there. But if you just sit back and pray while watching others doing the work then you've already lost the plot. And the grapes.

CHRISTMAS (YES! It is coming!!)

We are trying something a little different for our Christmas Trip this year.



Chatsworth House in Derbyshire have a Christmas Market with more than 100 stalls offering a wide range of Christmas gifts and decorations. The theme of the market this year is Phileas Fogg and his travels. Tickets include entry in to the House to view the magnificent collections and also to the wonderful gardens. We will also have a hot lunch in one of the many restaurants. The trip will take place on Friday 29 November and cost (transport, entry to House and lunch) will be £53. If you are interested please pass your name in to the Office

BARN DANCE—Saturday 7 December

After the success of last year we are again having a Christmas Barn dance on Saturday 7 December. There will be a hot pot supper (including vegetarian option) and the wonderfully patient (!!) caller will again talk us through the dances. Cost of tickets will be £10.



Tickets will be on sale as from next week. Last year was amazing fun so please get out your checked shirt and boots and join us at the 'Hoe down'

COMING UP AT IRENAEUS

SCRIPTURE MORNINGS
17th; 24th; 31ST OCTOBER
& 7th NOVEMBER 2019



'A STORY OF THE PEOPLE'
JOURNEYING THROUGH EXODUS

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SCRIPTURE WEEKEND
FRIDAY 1st - SUNDAY 3rd
NOVEMBER 2019



'THE HARVEST IS PLENTIFUL, BUT THE
LABOURERS ARE FEW'DISCOVERING
MATTHEW'S GOSPEL



WE WELCOME WITH GREAT JOY

James Gabriel Williams
Baptised Sunday 20 October 2019



CONGRATULATIONS! To Norma and John Owens who this weekend celebrate their 40th Wedding Anniversary. We wish them many more happy years together.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

There is to be a
Archdiocesan training
session for leaders of
Children's Liturgy of the
Word.

Sunday 3rd November,
2.00 p.m. - 4.30 p.m. at
LACE.

The afternoon will be led
by Linda Pennington and
includes: the principles of
Children's Liturgy,
preparation and resources
for Advent, ideas for
explaining scripture to
children and prayer time.
Fr Mark strongly
encourages
our lovely
team to book
your place
with the
Parish Office and
participate in this
important training
session.



THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

A Missionary "Spring" in the Church

That the breath of the Holy Spirit
engender a new
missionary "spring" in the
Church.."

Lord in your mercy.....



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Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 9.30 a.m. - 2.30 p.m.

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John Henry Newman Lecture - Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral

Join us for a special evening to mark the Canonisation of John Henry Newman. The evening will begin at 6pm with a joint sung Evening Prayer at Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral featuring the Metropolitan Cathedral Choir joined by the Great Choir of Liverpool Cathedral.

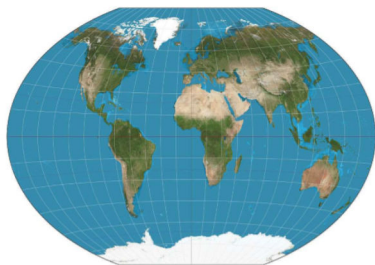


The lecture beginning at 7pm in the cathedral's Gibberd Room includes Newman scholars The Revd Canon Dr Rod Garner and The Right Reverend Monsignor Roderick Strange sharing their insights on the influence of John Henry Newman on both the Anglican and Roman Catholic Church. The lecture will conclude with a time for questions and is followed by refreshments. This event is free but you must apply to the Cathedral for tickets.

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Donations: Please text: ALMD12 £ (amount) to 70070, e.g. ALMD12 £10 to 70070

JOSPICE CHRISTMAS LADIES DAY

Titanic Hotel, Liverpool.

1st December 2019

11.30am to 6pm. Festive

drink on arrival, three

course lunch and

afternoon of

entertainment, Christmas

shopping and pampering.

Cost is £40 tickets

available from Jospice on

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