

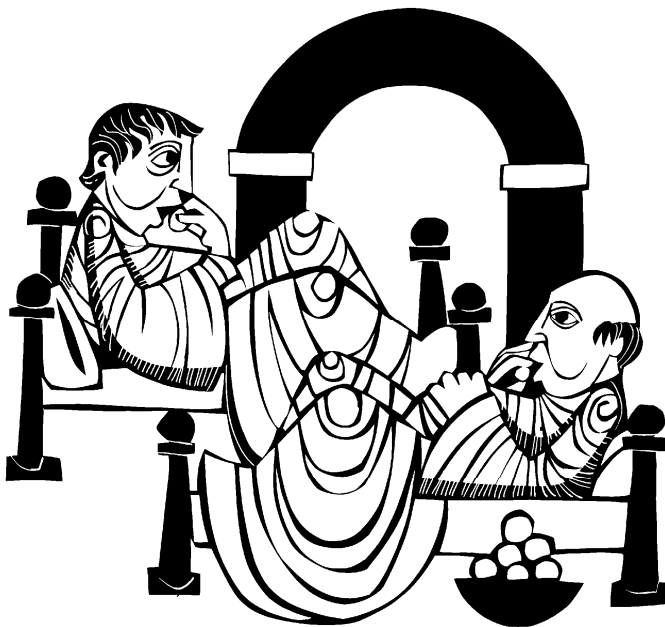


Our Lady & The English Martyrs

Litherland

26TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 29th September 2019



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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Who in our community and world do I fail to see who is in need of assistance and compassion? This week, will I take the time and make the effort to see God in other people?

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.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE

A group of parishioners will be travelling to the Holy Land later this week to walk in the footsteps of the Lord as they visit Bethlehem, Jerusalem and Galilee. They will meet the local Catholic community in parishes, the Seminary and a Day Care centre in Bethlehem. On Monday 7th October Fr Mark will be installed as a Canon of the Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem.

The pilgrims take with them the prayers of our parish as they visit and celebrate Mass in the Holy Places. They return on Monday 14th October.

2020 LIVERPOOL ARCHDIOCESAN DIRECTORY

Ring Bound Directory £4.00
Standard Directory £3.50

If you would like to order a copy please give your name to the Parish office.

Orders must be made by Tuesday 1st October.



WITH YOU ALWAYS

Welcome to the children at Mass this Sunday as they are formally enrolled as candidates for Reconciliation & First Communion. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.



Monday 7 October 2019 - The Quiet Revolution of Pope Francis: A Synodal Catholic Church - Talk by Fr Gerry O'Hanlon

- Our context: the signs of the times in Church and Society.
- Synod as renewal of faith, reform of Church, missionary focus.
- Biblical, historical, and ecumenical roots of Synodality.
- Pope Francis and Synodality - from an 'era of change' to a 'change of era'.

• How this might translate on the ground in parishes/dioceses.
Former Irish Provincial Gerry O'Hanlon SJ is a theologian and author of many books, including *The Quiet Revolution of Pope Francis*. He is currently Social Theologian with the Jesuit Centre for Faith and Justice Hosted by Liverpool Hope University. Lectures begin at 7.30pm
See website www.synod2020.co.uk/lectures

LEISURE TIME TRAVEL

Tour to Fatima 14 – 18 October 2019
5 days by air from Manchester.
Airport transfers in Portugal
Full pilgrimage programme Half board
- £449.00 in a twin room share

MASS INTENTIONS We are running short of Mass intentions. If you do have an intention please put the details on a piece of paper and pass to the Parish Office

EPISCOPAL VISITATION

A very warm welcome to Archbishop Malcolm who joins us for Mass this weekend. He is no stranger to our parish and it is always great to see him. The Archbishop has spent most of this year visiting the parishes in our Pastoral Area and Bishop Tom has visited all our primary schools.



Tea & coffee will be served after Mass THIS Sunday. Please make every effort to pop in for a few minutes, meet each other and say hello to Archbishop Malcolm. Volunteers are always welcome to help with this and give your name to the Office.



Masses & Services for the coming week

DATE	Our Lady Queen of Peace	The English Martyrs
Saturday 28th September	5.00pm - Parishioners	
Sunday 29th September <i>26th Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>		10.30am - Patrick Greene
Monday 30th September		9.00am - Tom Smartt
Tuesday 1st October	9.00am - Stephen McQuade	
Wednesday 2nd October		
Thursday 3rd October	9.00am - Special intention	
Friday 4th October <i>St Francis of Assisi</i>		9.00am - Mary Mitchell
Saturday 5th October	5.00pm - Michael Smith	
Sunday 6th October <i>27th Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>		10.30am - Angela Campbell

Masses & Services for week commencing 5th October

DATE	Our Lady Queen of Peace	The English Martyrs
Saturday 5th October	5.00pm - Michael Smith	
Sunday 6th October <i>27th Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>		10.30am - Angela Campbell
Monday 7th October		9.00am - John Fairclough
Tuesday 8th October	9.00am - Sick & Housebound	
Wednesday 9th October		
Thursday 10th October	9.00am - Special intention	
Friday 11th October		9.00am - Rita & Tom Courtney
Saturday 12th October	5.00pm - Stephen Fenerty	
Sunday 13th October <i>28th Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>		10.30am - Helen Coulson

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.



REQUESTS
— FOR —
PRAYER

MISSION APPEAL 2019

The annual Mission Appeal will take place in our parish on 12th/13th October. Fr Tomasz Blok a Salesian priest living in Bootle will be with us to appeal on behalf of the Missionary Association. A retiring collection will taken at the end of the Masses

PARISH NEWSLETTER

This will be the last Newsletter until 19th/20th October. You will find Mass Intentions in this Newsletter and on notice boards.

The Parish Office will also be closed from 3-14 October

SYNOD 2020

Meetings have taken place over the last few days for Synod delegates who have been presented with the Synod themes which emerged from the questions we were asked to reflect and make comments on. These themes are:

All called and gifted by God
Sharing the mission of Jesus
How we pray together
Building community, nurturing belonging.



We will reflect on each of these themes over the coming months and you will have the chance to submit proposals.

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.

SAINT OF THE WEEK FRANCIS OF ASSISI (October 4th)

Most of us know Francis' prayer about being a channel of peace (although it is not certain whether he actually wrote that prayer or whether it might be quite a recent one attributed to him). Others will be aware of his Canticle of Creation where he praises God for the sun, moon etc. But there is a little-known prayer that he wrote in praise of the Mother of Jesus. Its language is a bit old-fashioned in places but its sentiments are absolutely right for our age:



Hail, holy Lady, most holy Queen, Mary, Mother of God, ever Virgin. You were chosen by the most high Father in heaven, and consecrated by him and by his most holy beloved Son and the Holy Spirit, the Comforter. On you descended and still remains all the fullness of grace and every good. Hail, his Palace. Hail, his Tabernacle. Hail, his Robe. Hail, his Handmaid. Hail, his Mother and hail, all holy Virtues which, by grace and inspiration of the Holy Spirit, are poured into the hearts of the faithful so that from their faithless state, they may be made faithful servants of God through you. Amen.



THE SEASON OF CREATION

The Season of Creation unites Christians in prayer and action for the protection of our common home. The idea of celebrating this time of prayer for creation began at the wish of the Ecumenical Patriarch Dimitrios in 1989, and was endorsed by Pope Francis in 2015.

During this season we are encouraged to pray and engage in community events in order to deepen our relationship with our God, our neighbour and the earth we share, being ever more attentive to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

The theme for 2019 is **“the web of life.”** The Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development at the Vatican has written a letter to encourage participation, highlighting that *“this theme connects our role as the stewards of God’s creation with the urgent need to protect biodiversity. This theme has important connections to this October’s Synod of Bishops for the Pan-Amazonian region.”* The Council of Bishops’ Conferences of Europe have also written to endorse this season, committing to unite in prayer for humanity to better respect the planet.

All powerful God, we appeal to your tender care that even as you temper the winds and rains to nurture the fruits of the earth you will also send upon them the gentle shower of your blessing. Fill the hearts of your people with gratitude, that from the earth’s fertility the hungry may be filled with good things and the poor and needy proclaim the glory of your name. Amen.

Season of
Creation 2019
the web of life



CANONISATION OF JOHN HENRY NEWMAN

Limited seats
available for the
Canonisation of
Blessed John
Henry Newman.



The Liverpool Archdiocese Pilgrimage
will be led by Archbishop Malcolm
McMahon

Departing Manchester airport
Saturday 12 – Tuesday 15 October 2019.
Includes Return Flights, Half board
accommodation in Rome Hotel,
Airport transfers to Hotel in Rome.
Guided Tour of St Peter's Basilica.
Attend Canonisation Mass. For further
details please call: Leisure Time Travel
0151 287 8000, 07512 856 045

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.

'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.

CATHOLIC PIC

October's edition of the Catholic Pic
is now available. The main feature
looks at the Synod and the four
themes.

ST JOSEPH PRAYER CENTRE

You are invited to attend a
special day of thanksgiving,
led by Donna
Worthington,
to include
presentations,
discussion,
creation liturgy
and a call to
more ecological awareness and
action.

October 1st 10.30.- 3.30pm
Light lunch provided.
Donations welcome. Contact
01704 875850 / 07712178670



HUGE THANK YOU!!!! Thank you to everyone who sponsored me last weekend for the 10K walk for Parkinsons that we did as a family. Hips and knees just about lasted out and we got quite wet towards the end but we did it!! We reckon that between us we have raised approximately £1500 so we are delighted. Thank you again for all your support.



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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NOVENA WITH NEWMAN

All over the world, people are preparing to celebrate the canonisation of Blessed John Henry Newman on Sunday 13th October. This is a time of special grace for us to join together and call upon the soon-to-be-Saint to crown our prayers with his intercession in heaven. We encourage you to join in the Novena with Newman - nine days of prayerful preparation for the canonisation, starting on Friday 4th October and finishing on Saturday 12th October on the eve of his canonisation. The novena prayers will soon be available from the back of church.

A website has been created to help people prepare for this special occasion:



www.newmancanonisation.com

LIVERPOOL ARCHDIOCESES PASTORAL FORMATION COURSES

THE MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION -

Wednesday 16 October 2019 10am-4pm at LACE,
Croxteth Drive, L17 1AA



The course will help parish Bereavement Groups to develop knowledge, skills and understanding of how parishes can be involved in providing appropriate levels of ongoing support for people who have been bereaved. The day will identify the basic needs of bereaved people. Bereavement Groups will gain information on various models of bereavement support that parishes can provide. Participants will gain information on the range and types of bereavement and support services available.

Fr Mark is still very keen to start a Bereavement Group in the parish and he strongly urges those who have volunteered to participate in the day. We also need more people to get involved so we can provide the best possible care to those mourning the death of a loved one.

If you are interested in the Training Course, please give your name to the Parish Office as soon as possible.

COME & SEE CONFERENCE

12th October

09.00 - 20.30

2019

13th October

09.00 - 18.30

Keynote Speaker

Workshops

Steve Atherton, John Bell,
Amy Cameron, Maureen Roche,
Jean Washbourne,
Michael Winstanley,

Peter McVerry SJ

with....

Music and prayer
led by
Jo Boyce and friends
with Steve Murray

Christ the King High School Stamford Road Southport PR8 4EX

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