



Our Lady & The English Martyrs

Litherland

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday 26th July 2020



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THANK YOU

It's been nice to receive comments from people, happy to have returned to church, celebrate Mass and receive Holy Communion though in a different way.

We can only open church with the great band of volunteers who help to keep us all safe and who clean and sanitise the church after each Mass. A huge thank you to them for all they are doing!

LIVERPOOL ARCHDIOCESAN DIRECTORY 2021

It's time to order the Archdiocesan Directory for 2021. This is an annual publication which gives details of all the parishes, clergy, departments and activities taking place in the Liverpool Archdiocese. The ring bound directory is £4.00 and the standard directory is £3.50. Place your order at the Parish office by Monday 14th September.

MASS TIMES

Please note the revised Mass times which will hopefully allow more people to attend Mass during the week:

10.30 a.m. Monday - Friday & Sunday. (No Mass on Wednesday)

4.30 p.m. on Saturday.

All Masses at English Martyrs.

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY RADIO SERVICE

A new dementia friendly internet 'ad-free' radio station has been launched recently. It's called **Music for Dementia** (m4d) and listeners can select from five different eras to listen to their favourite tunes. It's a great resource for people with dementia and their carers, but also great for anyone who enjoys music.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Alice Power , Mary Jennings ,
Bet White , Joan Johnson,
Mary Cleary, Dorothy Frodsham
Rene Jackson, Eileen Hannon,
Peg Gray, Nora Wright,
Pauline McGrath, James Halpin
Kath Murray



A CAUTIOUS REOPENING OF CHURCH

In order to reopen our church it's important that the many guidelines laid down by the Bishops and the Government are kept to ensure the safety of everyone who comes to church:

1. The vulnerable should carefully consider the wisdom of returning to Mass too soon. They are not obliged to do so.
2. The Sunday obligation to attend Mass has not been re-instated.
3. Those who are able might be encouraged to come to Mass on a weekday rather than a Saturday evening or Sunday, to release the pressure on weekend Masses.
4. Each church is limited to how many people they can safely hold at any one gathering. Only one church in a parish may be used.
5. All people MUST wear a face mask. Hands must be sanitised as people arrive and leave church.
6. Social distancing guidelines are still in force.
7. Parish stewards must show people to the church benches, filling from the front and working backwards.
8. Church doors and windows should be left open.
9. Single use newsletters or other papers may be used but must be taken home.
10. Collections should be in a basket on the way in and the way out.
11. People MUST leave church immediately after they have received Holy Communion
12. Lingering clusters of conversation in the porch or outside the church must be avoided and outside the church gates.
13. Toilet facilities are not in use. Piety Shops are to remain closed.
14. The church is to be cleaned and sanitised after each Mass or Service.

Masses & Services for the coming week

DATE	ENGLISH MARTYRS
Saturday 25th July <i>17th Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>	4.30pm - People of the Parish
Sunday 26th July <i>17th Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>	10.30am - Pat Benbow
Monday 27th July	10.30am - Peggy Jackson
Tuesday 28th July	10.30am - Nancy Gourley
Wednesday 29th July <i>St Martha</i>	NO MASS
Thursday 30th July <i>St Peter Chrysologus</i>	10.30am - Private Intention
Friday 31st July <i>St Ignatius Loyola</i>	10.30am - Frank & Vera Culley
Saturday 1st August <i>18th Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>	4.30pm - Robert Boyle
Sunday 2nd August <i>18th Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>	10.30am - People of the Parish

WITH YOU ALWAYS 2021

Registration forms are now available for the celebration of First Holy Communion & Reconciliation in 2021. This is open to children who return to school after the summer holiday in Year 4 or upwards. Forms will be given to children in our two primary schools and any child not in one of our schools can collect a form from the Parish Office. Forms need to be returned to the Parish office by the end of August.

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY

Our Families

We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance
Lord in your mercy.....

CATHOLIC PIC The July edition can be found online:
www.catholicpic.co.uk

SYNOD 2020

When we set off on our Synod journey with the words Together on the Road, we never imagined what God had in store for us. The last few months have been unexpected and they have taught us all that the road has many twists and turn on it and, as the Synod journey continues, God is calling us to listen, often in new and exciting ways.

Archbishop Malcolm has issued a video message and a revised Synod timetable has been published. Our Synod weekend will now take place on 18, 19, and 20 June 2021. You can watch the message and find full details of the changes on the Synod 2020 website: synod2020.co.uk

Please continue to pray for our Synod 2020 journey.

Our parish Synod members are Fr Mark & Gavin Williams. Sara Coxon is one of the Pastoral Area Synod members.

CHURCH CHUCKLES

The parishioners were meeting to discuss raising money to repair the roof. A wealthy member stood up and said that he would donate £5. As he sat down a bit of ceiling fell on his head. He stood up again and said he would make it £50. Another member was heard to say "Hit him again Lord."



CHURCH MEETINGS ARE BRILLIANT

ST IGNATIUS (July 31st)

St Ignatius of Loyola, whose feast is celebrated on Friday, is famed for his decision as he lay wounded on the battlefield of Pamplona in 1521 to found his own army for Christ. This army became the Society of Jesus, better known as the Jesuits. Here is a prayer that he composed:

Lord, teach me to be generous. Teach me to serve you as you deserve; to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labour and not to ask for any reward, save that of knowing that I do your will.

PARISH WEBSITE Don't forget to keep checking the parish website for the latest news and updates:
www.ourladyandenglishmartyrs.co.uk

QUESTION OF THE WEEK.

In a world divided by economics and education, by social status and political opinions, race and religion, what can I do this week to bring people together?

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

Have you missed Lourdes this year? Leisure Time Travel offers the opportunity to be in Lourdes for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Fly from Manchester 7-11 December 2020. Full board in Lourdes. Spiritual Director is Fr Vin McShane. For more information please contact LTT on: 524 1476. Limited availability.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

We wish our school communities a very happy and safe summer break and we thank our teachers and school staff for all they have done to ensure our schools remained open during lockdown. We welcome them back in September.

Lourdes at Home

It was with heavy hearts we declared earlier in the year that our 2020 Archdiocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes was to be postponed due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. We are, however, now delighted to announce that our “Lourdes at Home” programme will be extended this year and we invite you all to join with us as we make our pilgrimage at home, through live streamed Masses and services. Here is our “Lourdes at Home” programme:

Saturday 25th July

- 2.00 p.m. Opening Mass
- 7.00 p.m. Reconciliation Service

Sunday 26th July

- 11.00 a.m. Mass 17th Sunday
- 7.00 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday 27th July

- 10.30 a.m. Mass of Our Lady of Lourdes
- 7.00 p.m. Rosary

Tuesday 28th July

- 12.00 p.m. Mass of St Bernadette
- 7.00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Wednesday 29th July

- 11.30 a.m. Mass on the theme for the year
- 7.00 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday 30th July

- 12.00 p.m. Mass of Healing
- 7.00 p.m. Rosary/Torchlight procession

Friday 31st July

- 11.00 a.m. Mass of Thanksgiving
- 7.00 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

You can access each event by logging onto:

<https://www.facebook.com/Liverpool-Lourdes-at-Home-2020-109541120834991>

