

Our Lady & The English Martyrs Litherland

22nd May 2022

6th SUNDAY OF EASTER



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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Is there someone I need to forgive and entrust to the Lord?

MASS TIMES DURING MAY

From Tuesday 10th May until Friday 27th May weekday Mass will be at 10.15am. There is a Funeral Service on Tuesday 24th at 1.15pm for Teresa Strain. May she rest in peace.

COVID RESTRICTIONS

Following the meeting of the Archbishop's Council the following Guidelines are being offered with regard to COVID protocols.

Face coverings are now optional for people who attend church. Hand sanitiser will still be available at the door for those who wish to use it on entering the church door, please help yourself.

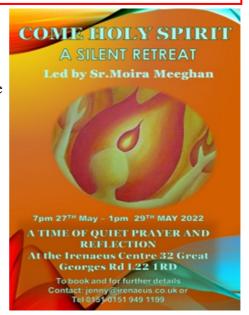
The priest and Ministers of the Eucharist must wear a face covering when distributing Holy Communion and they must sanitise their hands before and after.

ASCENSION DAY

On Thursday we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. A Holiday of Obligation so we must attend Mass.

Masses that day will be 10.15am and 6.00pm





Recruitment Boy & Girl Choristers 2022

Do you know a child who would like to be a chorister at the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King here in Liverpool? The search is now on for our next generation of Boy and Girl choristers. We are recruiting: Boys currently in year 2 & 3 Girls currently in year 5

All choristers are educated at Runnymede St Edward's Catholic Primary School (boys, yr 3-6). St Edward's College (boys & girls, yr 7-10) meaning that a first-class Catholic chorister education for boys and girls in Liverpool is available at no cost.

If you know of a Catholic family who might be interested in this wonderful opportunity, please share this information with them. Full details of choristerships at the Metropolitan Cathedral can be found at: https://www.liverpoolmetrocathedral.org.uk/music/joining-the-choirs

FR MARK'S THEATRE GROUP Two tickets have become available for the trip to the Empire on Friday 10th June to see 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat'. If anyone wishes to join us please give your name to the Parish Office.



PASCHAL CANDLE 2022

This year's Paschal Candle is called 'Luke 24'. We celebrate - "Why do you search for the living one among the dead? He is not here, he has risen". Our Saviour Jesus Christ, on this morning we celebrate



One of the most resonating scripture reading of our faith emblazoned as the theme of this paschal candle. The burial shroud symbolically draped on his cross, his Chi Roe monogram triumphantly crowns the design ensemble. All rendered in wax with highlights of copper leaf and burnished with bronze wash

Fr Mark blessed the Paschal Candle on Easter Night and it will shine brightly everyday for the next 50 days and at every Baptism & Funeral.

ENGLISH MARTYRS JOSPICE "200 CLUB" MAY DRAW

 1st £20
 No. 111
 B Spofforth

 2nd £15
 No. 79
 B McQuade

 3rd £10
 No. 102
 E Jones

 4th £10
 No. 217
 M Henshall

Spare numbers are available for anyone wishing to join, £1 per month. Contact Myra on 928 1136



On Earth Day, the Church invites Catholic communities around the world to participate in Laudato Si' Week 22 – 29 May 2022.

The weeklong global event will mark the seventh anniversary of Pope Francis' landmark encyclical on creation care and unite the world's 1.3 billion Catholics to listen and respond to the cry of God's creation.

The theme for the week is "Listening and Journeying Together." The eight-day global event will be guided by the following quote from Pope Francis' Laudato Si':

"Bringing the human family together to protect our common home" (LS 13)

Locally, thousands of events will bring the message of Laudato Si' to every-day Catholics, helping bring this global celebration to life and changing countless communities around the world. For events globally see https://linearizecommunities.org/allevents/

At the Foot of the Cross

'At the Foot of the Cross' is a monthly podcast from the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales bringing you the latest news, project updates, events, prayer and more. We discuss our



workstreams, from pro-life issues, Catholic life and worship and social action, to heritage and patrimony, environmental concerns and international aid and development.

https://www.cbcew.org.uk/series/at-the-foot-of-the-cross/

Masses & Services for the coming week

DATE	MASS INTENTIONS & SERVICES
Saturday 21st May	4.30pm
	Julie Salzano
Sunday 22nd May	10.30am
6th Sunday of Easter	Sheila Williams
	11.45am Baptism Vincent Lupton
Monday 23rd May	10.15am
	Martin Culkin
Tuesday 24th May	10.15am
	Patricia Carroll
	1.15pm Funeral service Teresa Strain
Wednesday 25th May	NO MASS
Thursday 26th May	10.15am
Ascension of The Lord	Doreen Clintworth
	6.00pm
	Fr James Matthews
Friday 27th May	10.15am
St Augustine of Canterbury	Edward Taylor
Saturday 28th May	4.30pm
	Mary & Henry Sands
Sunday 29th May	10.30am
7th Sunday of Easter	People of the Parish
	11.45am Baptism Thea-Rose Lyndsey Byrne



Encounter and Listening: A Synodal Journey with CAFOD

Tue, 7 June 2022

19:00 - 20:30

Pope Francis has called us to journey together in Synod to discern how we continue to be prophetic witnesses for justice, embracing the entire family of humanity.

We are taking this moment as part of our 60th anniversary year at CAFOD to unite as volunteers and friends across the generations, to encounter and to listen to one another and to the Holy Spirit.

In convening the Synod 2021-2023, Pope Francis invited us all to participate in the process that he called "an exercise of mutual listening, conducted at all levels of the Church and involving the entire People of God".

Your voices will form a part of CAFOD's contribution to the synodal process for the worldwide Church.

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/encounter-and-listening-a-synodaljourney-with-cafod-tickets-333543988047



On Friday 27 May Bishop Tom Williams will celebrate the Golden Jubilee of his ordination to the priesthood. He was ordained by Archbishop Beck on 27 May 1972 in the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King.

To celebrate his jubilee Bishop Tom has two invitations, he says, 'the first, is to St Anthony's, Scotland Road at 7.00 pm on the Friday evening (27 May) and is open to everyone, particularly people from the parishes and communities that I've served and family and friends - those who are still alive to remember me, of course - and the other Mass, in the Metropolitan Cathedral at 11.00 am on Sunday, 29 May, is open for anyone who wishes to come along'.

BRITISH REGION OF THE INTERNATIONAL ECCUMENICAL FELLOWSHIP

The International Ecumenical Fellowship (IEF) is to hold its 46th International Conference from 25th July to 1st August at Hope University in Liverpool. The theme of this year's Conference is "I will heal my people" (Jer.33:6) - Together in hope, prayer and action for a renewed world'.



We welcome participants who want to attend the Conference on a daily basis, rather than being residential. They are welcome to join the Conference on one or more days between Tuesday 26th and Sunday 31st July. This will include lunch and dinner and attendance at all events on the programme during the chosen day(s).

The Conference will focus on the idea of Encounter and will include visits to many exciting venues where we will witness projects of hope and social justice being undertaken by local churches and other groups working together in this exciting and vibrant city. It will reflect the progress made in recent years between members of many different churches in Liverpool and will be a real opportunity to see and experience hope, faith and collaborative work in action. The Conference will also provide the truly enriching experience of meeting with fellow Christians from many different countries across Europe and beyond.

IEF was founded in 1967 by ecumenically concerned Christians from across Europe. It now has a presence in many countries, with both lay and ordained members and people from every denomination and none.

For further information, please see our website http://briefoecumenica.uk/ or send an email to iefliverpool22@gmail.com for further information on the Conference, including how to register and the price. The closing date for registrations is Saturday 30th April (although late applications will be considered). For further information, please contact FI Rosen, fiona.rosen1@gmail.com or 07719 279851

The next gathering for LGBTQ+ will be at All Saints, Anfield L4 1QC on Sunday 3rd July 2022 beginning with Mass at 2:00pm



QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

We know that some of our lovely parishioners will have been around for the Queen's Coronation.



Do you have any newspapers/memorabilia etc of the day?

We are looking to do a display or booklet that shows our own parishioners recollections of the day. Even just a few 'jotted down' words of where you were/ who you were with etc etc.

If you do have anything please would you share with us all? Anything provided will be copied and returned. Please pass in to the office



Keeping Blessed Pauline Jaricot's legacy alive

Pauline Jaricot was a remarkable lay woman with formidable faith. She is one of Missio's founders, and will be beatified this Sunday, 22 May.

She had a passion for mission and was fervently committed to supporting the missionary activities of our Church. Pauline's love, determination and vision created the Association for the Propagation of the Faith (APF), which forms the backbone of Missio's work through the Red Box with our partners – the Mill Hill Missionaries.

Visit missio.org.uk/pauline to find out more about this inspirational woman

SUNDAY THOUGHTS

We read in the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles that some people have been preaching in Christ's name but they have been adding certain practices to Christ's teaching and insisting that the people comply. Saints Paul and Barnabas and the community are not happy with this and so send Paul and Barnabas and others to speak with the apostles in Jerusalem about this matter. They do not want the basics of the faith lost or muddied by unnecessary laws. The apostles in Jerusalem write a



letter to the faithful explaining their decision which they entrust to Paul and his companions. Again, our second reading speaks of the new Jerusalem which God has created. The new city will not have any temples because God himself will live in the midst of the city. There will also be no need for

sun or moon because 'the radiant glory of God and the Lamb' will be its light. In our gospel text we see Jesus preparing the disciples for his departure but comforting them with the knowledge that when he has gone he will send the Holy Spirit who will be their guide and their strength. This same Holy Spirit was given to each one of us and is always with us to guide and strengthen us if we but ask for his help. The Spirit will bring us to the new Jerusalem where we will live in God's presence for ever.

We have a small band of amazing parishioners who keep our Church looking beautiful but we really need a few more people to join them. Can you spare an hour or so every other week to help? They clean every other Thursday at 9am - next session will be 26 May. Please see John Owens or have a word with the office.





WE WELCOME WITH GREAT JOY

Vincent James Lupton

Baptised Sunday 22nd May 2022



UKRAINE APPEAL

There are a few ways to donate to the Archdiocesan appeal for Ukraine:

Text HELPUKRAINE to 70085 to donate £2 Text HELPUKRAINE to 70450 to donate £3 Text HELPUKRAINE to 70460 to donate £5 Text HELPUKRAINE to 70470 to donate £10

By bank transfer to

Account name: Archdiocese of Liverpool

Sort code: 40-29-12 Account: 01551493 Reference: Help Ukraine

Or by cheque made payable to "Archdiocese of Liverpool" and with "Help Ukraine" written on the reverse, these can be sent to the Finance Department: St Margaret Clitherow Centre, Liverpool Archdiocesan Office, Croxteth Drive, Liverpool, L17 1AA

Financial donations are still very much needed, a reminder that all details can be found here: http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/ukraine-support
Thank you again for all of your continued support. We are truly thankful for the wealth of goodwill and generosity shown by people across the archdiocese.

POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY

Faith-Filled Young People

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service. .

Lord in your mercy...



"A LIFE LIVED WITH GRACE"

On 2 June 2022 choirs throughout the four nations of the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth are being invited to join in a unique musical celebration for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. 'Churches Together in England' is encouraging churches, congregations, parishes and individuals throughout England to get involved. For more info visit www.cte.org.uk/song-for-the- commonwealth/

Churches Together in the Merseyside Region Pentecost Walk 2022 Platinum Jubilee Pentecost Party in Liverpool

The big emphasis of the jubilee weekend on Sunday will be community street parties which will be held throughout the country. The main event at the Pentecost Walk 2022 is a Platinum street party type celebration for all generations in the Anglican Cathedral, with long trestle tables, space for family picnics, rugs on the floor and lots of bunting! This is to join in with the Queens Platinum Jubilee as well as celebrating the joy of Pentecost. Please bring your families and church communities along!

Pentecost Sunday, 5 June

3pm: 10 minutes open air service at the Metropolitan Cathedral.

3.15pm: Please note that the walk down Hope Street which is scheduled to take place at 3:15pm needs to be confirmed and updates will be posted on the CTMR website. If it is possible there would be a mass community choir – children may be waving flags or banners.

3.45pm: 15 minutes all age service in the Anglican Cathedral - maybe with some action songs and readings.

4pm-4.45pm: Picnic time and activities.

5pm: Pack up time and finish.

Would you consider getting involved in the Platinum Jubilee Pentecost Party? Would you be interested in bringing some families, church communities and friends along?

Would you be willing to lead an activity e.g. craft table/face painting/circus skills/percussion workshop? Whatever you enjoy and find easy!

Please contact 'In Another Place' directly admin@inanotherplace.com if you would like to lead an activity.

'Thy Kingdom Come' Resources

Thy Kingdom Come': 26 May to 5 June 2022. Find out more about the worldwide ecumenical prayer movement by visiting their website. https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/thy-kingdom-come/

Jubilee Resources for Churches

To find resources to celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee please follow www.ctbi.org.uk/celebrate- the-queens-platinum-jubilee

Donations for Ukraine

Your local collection point is:

Our Lady of Walsingham Parish Centre

We are collecting the following items to donate to Ukraine:

- First aid kits and battlefield first aid kits
 (including sterile dressings, safety pins, antiseptic fluid/cream/spray, disposable
 gloves, burn free kits, eye wash)
- Bandages different widths
 (including halo chest seals, torniquets, splints, QuikClot Combat Gauze, Steri-Strips, triangular bandages, Tourni-Key Plus)
- Toiletries
 (including toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo)
- · Bedding, sleeping bags, blankets, mattresses
- Generators and different types of chargers
- Nappy rash creams and baby bath lotions (all ages and sizes)
- Powdered baby milk and feeding bottles
- Pain relief (e.g Paracetamol, Ibuprofen)
- Warm underclothing (including socks)
- Sanitary products
- Nappies

 (all ages and sizes)
- Rucksacks

Please note, as the delivery chain is currently at capacity, we are exploring various options for delivery. In the unlikely event that we are unable to supply these items to Ukraine, all goods will go to a local charity.



