

Newsletter

Parish of St John Vianney

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18 June 2023

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Matthew 9:36-10:8 Pointers for Prayer

1. Compassion is the characteristic of Jesus throughout the Gospels, a deep empathy and love, in the face of suffering. In my world, who are the people who challenge me to compassionate living? When I find it difficult (for whatever reason), how do I respond?
2. Jesus first called the disciples and then, after time with him, he chose and sent out the twelve apostles. As my discipleship deepens, is the Lord calling me to some ministry, a concrete commitment to service and the building up of the community of faith? How am I responding?
3. Jesus wants his messengers to be focussed on the mission, first of all to their fellow Jews. In the early church, this vision widens to making “disciples of all nations” (Matthew 28). Moving from maintenance to mission is the only way forward. How do I see myself as a disciple on a mission in our world today?

Prayer

Compassionate God, your word calls labourers to the harvest. Send us who are blessed with the gift of your kingdom to announce its coming with gladness and to manifest its healing power. We make our prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

Keep In Your Prayers

Joan Carr RIP, Margaret Grace RIP, Jack Curtis, Catherine Atkin, Margaret Facenfield, Kitty Heisley, Sally Moore, Valerie Higgins, Veronica Humphreys, Nora Bartley, John and Vera Leonard, Silva, Gerry Marsh, Marian Hawkins, Laura Wakefield, Lisa Crompton, Vera Farrell, Maureen Jackson, Lorraine Keogh, May McGrath, Maureen Skillicorn, Frank and Josie Henesy, our sick and housebound and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Thank You

The family of Jack Curtis would like to thank the parish for their prayers and kind wishes for Jack during his recent operation. Jack is now home recovering and will have weekly checks. God bless you all.

Rite of Welcome

5.15pm: Flynn Nathaniel Stafford

11am: Cohen John Williams

Baptismal Information

Next meeting to register and find out more is Monday, 3 July, 6pm, St Mark's annexe. All enquiries please ring Chris Myles on 07443 018 816.

Baptisms this weekend:
Salvador Cascarelli Mock

Please note there is no Baptism Registration meeting in August and we now have just a few dates available for November and December 2023.

Ordination of Peter Renwick

Sunday, 16 July 2023

At 3pm in the Cathedral on 16 July our very own Peter Renwick will be ordained as a permanent deacon at the Cathedral along with 2 others who have been training with him over these last years.

A coach has been booked from St Mark's leaving at 2.15pm to take those who want transport to the Cathedral and will be returning to St Mark's leaving the Cathedral at 4.30 pm.

There will be a celebration at St Mark's Parish Centre when we return, say around 5ish. If you are interested in catching the coach please let the office know asap. A small donation towards the coach hire would be appreciated.

CAFOD: Fix the Food System Campaign

“God blessed them and said, ‘See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the earth and every tree with seed as its fruit; you shall have them for food,’ [Gen. 1: 29].

CAFOD's Parish Campaign is to ensure that small farmers who grow nearly half of the world's food can continue to choose to use their own seeds and not be made dependent on huge seed corporations funded by the World Bank.

Please support these farmers by signing the letter at the back of church

to the World Bank to address this abuse at their October meeting please. The letter requires your signature only.

St Mark's Cleaning Sessions

Wednesday, 21 June, 9am

Saturday, 1 July, 8.30am

Many hands make light work, we could really do with more helpers, if you can spare a couple of hours, everyone is welcome!

Missio – Red Boxes

During June, please leave your boxes at the back of the church or pass into the parish office for emptying. Many thanks.

Commissioning of Eucharistic Ministers

Great news! Alison Worthington, Joss Williams and Mark White will be commissioned as Eucharistic Ministers to the Parish of St John Vianney on 18 June at 9.15am Mass.

Well done and welcome to an amazing way to serve our parish.

Re-commissioning of Eucharistic Ministers

During our Masses this weekend ministers will be re-commissioned to serve our parish. We thank them for their time undertaking this important ministry in the name of our parish.

The Salvation Army Anti-Trafficking & Modern Slavery Team

During 2023, they are holding 9 events across the country to celebrate and champion their volunteers, but to also raise awareness of Modern Slavery & Human Trafficking. Anyone is welcome to attend and there are free tickets on sale via the Eventbrite page. Please click <https://www.eventbrite.com/o/atms-roadshow-53861196523> to purchase a free ticket.

World Refugee Week, 19-25 June
Celebrating Refugee week at the Irenaeus Centre, 32 Great Georges Road, L22 1RD on Tuesday, 20 June at 12noon.

Time of Creative Prayer then guest speaker Fr Peter Morgan followed by soup and a roll. Everyone is very welcome. Contact the Irenaeus Project for more info on 949 1199 or email jenny@irenaeus.co.uk



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process given to us by the Church to initiate adults and older children into Christianity as it is lived within the Roman Catholic tradition.

It is the way in which we welcome and share with others our faith and our

way of life as Catholics. It is a process, a journey of faith, by which we engage with those who are seeking the face of Christ today.

The Rite tells us that it 'is suited to a spiritual journey of adults that varies according to the many forms of God's grace'. It involves the whole parish and is the responsibility of all the baptised.

Each year there are people who enquire about becoming a Catholic, often with no previous religious affiliation. They are accompanied by RCIA teams who guide them through the different stages of the RCIA process and prepare them to celebrate the liturgies which mark these stages.

We welcome inquiries from everyone. You may be someone who has never belonged to any faith tradition or you may have been baptised in another Christian faith. You may simply feel a sense of curiosity to find out more or you may have already decided to seek membership of the Catholic Church.

Whatever your starting point you are very welcome. Please speak with Father Matthew or Peter Renwick in the first instance or contact the parish office directly.

RCIA - Mass for New Catholics The Mass for the new Catholics will take place on 21 June at the Metropolitan Cathedral, 7pm. Anyone who has

been involved in the RCIA journey would be very welcome to attend.

RCIA Catechists

Peter Renwick is now looking for support with the programme he runs for those interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. If this could be you, please contact Peter directly.

Archdiocesan Mass

A reminder that there is a Mass on Sunday, 25 June at 5pm at the Cathedral to celebrate the centenary pilgrimage to Lourdes. All are very welcome, including pilgrims past and present.

Catholic Spirituality Network

On Holy Ground is a new year-long course being offered by the Spirituality Network, which begins in September 2023. It is an ecumenical spiritual direction training course for Christians who find themselves accompanying another person in their spiritual journey. This foundation course is ideal for all those who would like to train in the ministry of spiritual direction whether ordained or lay. For more info visit:

<https://www.spidirnetwork.org.uk/training.html>

Christmas 2023!

Do you enjoy performing? We are looking for singers aged 6-22 and dancers aged 6-10, actors aged 6-22. No experience required. We are planning to put on a Nativity Play/Concert. Auditions to be held mid-July. Rehearsals begin after the

summer break. Concert to take place just before Christmas at Holy Family church. If you are interested, please contact Angela on 07407 024 102.



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Music for a King

The joint choirs of Liverpool Cathedral & Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral will join together on Saturday, 8 July at 7.30pm in a festive programme of 'Music for a King' in this coronation year.

Coronation classics by Handel (Zadok the priest), Parry (I was glad) and Walton (Crown Imperial) are presented. Don't miss this rare opportunity to hear the combined choirs of Liverpool's two cathedrals in concert together.

Please see the poster at the back of church for more details, tickets at: www.ticketsource.co.uk/metcathedral

Cathedral Walking Group

The Cathedral have a regular walking group to which everyone is welcome to pop along. Their next walk is on Saturday, 22 July 2023 at 10am meeting at The Refreshment Rooms, 2 Bedford Road E, Birkenhead CH42 1LS, phone 644 5893.

Train: Rock Ferry (and then a 15 min walk to meeting place - use Google maps or ask for directions from organisers), David and Dee Stevens 07578 831 431 or 97879 995 127.

Bring a picnic lunch, drinks though coffee can be bought at Port Sunlight. It's about 7 miles gentle terrain and climbs on mixed footpaths taking approximately 3-4 hours depending on pace and weather.

**Time Out at The Cenacle
Tithebarn Grove, Wavertree**
Tuesday's: 11 July, 10 October,
14 November, 12 December

Saturday's: 24 June, 22 July,
28 October, 25 November

Take a break from your daily routine and have some space to reflect, be still and be refreshed. Day begins at 10.30am and ends about 4pm, suggested offering for the day £10, bring your own lunch, tea/coffee

provided. For further information 722 2271

Priests Live in Concert

The Priests will be performing live in concert on Thursday, 12 October at the Metropolitan Cathedral. The concert is part of the celebrations to mark the centenary year of the Liverpool to Lourdes pilgrimage. More details can be found on poster at back of church.

Volunteer Your Teaching Talent

Are you a retired or part time qualified teacher? If so, you could be part of the Cathedral's Education Service team! Come and help hundreds of school children and young people to learn about this wonderful Cathedral.

For more information
contact
education@metcathedral.org.uk

First Holy Communion Preparation Programme

The programme has recently been updated and we have placed Mass at the heart of the preparation. **Children can register at the end of a Mass** and work their way through a series of leaflets and books to help them prepare. There is no time limit to completing the programme so families can work through it at their own pace.

If anyone would like any more information or a registration form

please speak to one of the catechists at the end of Mass.

Prayer Requests

Do you have someone or something you would like to pray for?

Please feel free to fill in one of the prayer request forms at the back of church. Place it into the box provided, which will be brought to the altar by our children during the Prayer of the Faithful at Mass.

Our Housebound Parishioners

If you are no longer able to get to Mass, **please don't just disappear! Communion at Home can be arranged, but you need to let us know!** Please get in touch either directly with Fr Matthew or the Parish Office. Fr Matthew will pop round to pray with you and see what might be helpful. You are still a vital and essential part of our parish community, even if you can't get to Mass.

Sacrament of the Sick

In times of illness or suffering we are offered anointing with holy oil to strengthen us. The sacrament can also help us to experience healing of mind, body and spirit and we receive the forgiveness of our sins. Anyone feeling the need of the sacrament is very welcome to approach Fr Matthew before or after Mass or via Parish Office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Fr Matthew is usually available in the 20 minutes before each Mass to hear confession. He will be sat towards the front of the church, please approach him directly and make your request known.

Parish Finance

Please consider making your contributions by Standing Order or Gift Aid it, forms are available at the back of the church or contact office and we'll do the rest.

Collection for Sunday, 11 June 2023:

Gift Aid Envelopes	£267.00
GASDS Loose	£435.15
Non Gift Aid	£ 48.00
Standing Orders	£367.23
Total Offertory	£1117.38
Bonus Ball 50	£ 29.00

Second Collection for
The White Fathers £606.25

Second collections:
18 June, Day for Life
25 June, Peter's Pence

SJV Bonus Ball

Don't forget to support our Bonus Ball game at the back of church for your chance to win £30, only £1 per number. You've got to be in to win it!

A Prayer for Father's Day

*God our father, we give you thanks
and praise for fathers young and old.*

*We pray for young fathers, newly
embracing their vocation; may they
find courage and perseverance to
balance work, family and faith in joy
and sacrifice.*

*We pray for our own fathers around
the world whose children are lost or
suffering; may they know that the
God of compassion walks with them
in their sorrow.*

*We pray for men who are not fathers
but still mentor and guide us with
fatherly love and advice.*

*We remember fathers, grandfathers
and great grandfathers who are no
longer with us but who live forever in
our memory and nourish us with their
love. Amen*



St Mark's annexe - every Sunday
after 9.15am Mass.

Holy Family church – every Sunday
after 11am Mass.

Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

17 June – 25 June 2023

We Pray Especially For

Saturday, 17 June

5.15pm – First Mass of Sunday, Holy Family

People of the Parish

Sunday, 18 June, Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

9.15am – Mass, St Mark's

11am – Mass, Holy Family

12.30pm - Baptisms

Catherine Fletcher, Mary Warbrick,
Mrs Kelly
Catherine Wafer, Alma Fagan

Monday, 19 June, Weekday in Ordinary Time

6pm-7pm – Exposition, Holy Family

Tuesday, 20 June, Weekday in Ordinary Time

9am – Mass, Holy Family

Joseph Facenfield, Fr Vin McShane

Wednesday, 21 June,

Memorial of St Aloysius Gonzaga

10am-11am – Exposition, St Mark's

11am-12noon – Lectio Devina, St Mark's annexe

Thursday, 22 June,

Feast of St John Fisher and St Thomas More

9am – Morning Prayer Online via Zoom (see website)

6.30pm – Mass, St Mark's

Angela Lamb,
Dillon Bunn & Hayley Family

Friday, 23 June, Weekday in Ordinary Time

9am – Mass, St Mark's

Catherine Faragher, Tony Miligan

Saturday, 24 June

5.15pm – First Mass of Sunday, Holy Family

Sheila Owens,
Baby Joseph Matthew

Sunday, 25 June, Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time

9.15am – Mass, St Mark's

11am – Mass, Holy Family

Pat Williams, Joan Carr
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