

# Newsletter

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**8 May 2022**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**John 10:27-30**

### Pointers for Prayer

1. Jesus tells us that we can rely on his relationship with us. Think of the relationships you have in which you feel safe and secure because there is mutual understanding and the relationship has stood the test of time.
2. Jesus says that the disciple is one who listens. What is your experience of listening to the word of God in the Scriptures? To what other voices have you listened and found guidance?
3. The faithful disciple is also one who follows the path of love that Jesus preached and practiced. Although it may be difficult at times, it is in following it we find life. Where have you had the experience of listening, responding, loving, and finding life?

### Prayer

Safe in your hand, O God, is the flock you shepherd through Jesus your Son. Lead us always to the living waters where you promise respite and refreshment, that we may be counted among those who know and follow you. We ask this through Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit God for ever and ever. Amen.



## May The Month Of Mary

### Ukraine Crisis

We have now raised over £101,000 for #Liverpool4Ukraine.

Thank you all for your continued support, we are truly grateful for everyone's overwhelming generosity throughout this appeal. To keep up to date with our volunteer drivers who have left to take more goods to the Polish border follow us daily on the website:

<http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/ukraine-support>

All financial donations will be sent to the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of the Holy Family of London. The text numbers are:

- 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

(Texts will cost the donation amount plus one standard network rate message.)

During this month of May, a decade of the rosary will be prayed after Exposition in our churches. All welcome.

### Keep In Your Prayers

Maureen Skillicorn, Mary Kelly RIP, Eileen Ireland, Frank and Josie Hennessy, Patricia Bracegirdle, Father Vin McShane, John Birkenhead our sick and housebound and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

### Baptismal Information

*Please note all our baptism places are now filled until September 2022 but you can still come along and register to secure a future date.*

#### *Baptisms this weekend:*

Dollie Grace Flood  
Esmee Poppy Keeley  
Russell William Hayes

Next meeting to register and find out more Monday, 6 June, 6pm, St Mark's annexe. Please wear a mask when attending a meeting. All enquiries please ring Chris Myles on 07443 018 816.

### Rite of Welcome

5.15pm: George James Beckett

### With You Always Programme

Email all enquiries to Jayne Cross at [jayne.wya@gmail.com](mailto:jayne.wya@gmail.com)

## SVP Meeting

Our next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 11 May at 7pm in St Mark's annexe.

## Bereavement Drop In

*Lord, may we always be present to those who suffer bereavement and help us to be attentive to their needs.*

Our next meeting takes place on Tuesday, 24 May at 2pm in St Mark's annexe. If you would like to chat in confidence to a listening ear over a cuppa then please come along as you will be made most welcome.

## Thank You

The office has received a letter from CAFOD thanking this parish for their generous support and latest donation of £672.90.



## Save the Date!

**Friday, 3 June, 2.30pm-4pm**

Our Ladies Group are organising a simple afternoon tea style event to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee weekend to which you are all invited.

This will be held at St Mark's Parish Club and afternoon tea plates will cost

just £3 for which you can pay on the door. There will be a raffle (of course) and music playing so please do come along and enjoy what we hope will be a pleasant afternoon relaxing together and catching up.



## News from our Pastoral Development Department

### Laudato Si: Projects for Parishes

If you come across any ideas that you would like to share, please email the PD department at [pd@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:pd@rcaol.org.uk)

The Woodland Trust is offering free trees for schools and communities! Choose your pack(s) from the list online and fill out the application form. There are two delivery periods per year, one in March and one in November. They are currently taking applications for trees to be delivered in November 2022. For full details: [www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/schools-and-communities/](http://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/schools-and-communities/)

Also for parishes, schools, community groups: Count your plastic for one week 16-22 May 2022.

Across the country, households of all shapes and sizes, schools, community groups and businesses, will gather new evidence. How much plastic are we really having to throw away and what happens to it?

We'll show the government it's time to commit: reduce single plastic use by 50% by 2025 by switching to reusable options that work for everyone. To sign up and for more information visit <https://thebigplasticcount.com>

### **Journey into Prayer Cenacle, Wavertree**

Prayer forms part of our lives, as Christians, but sometimes we struggle with dryness, boredom or lack of enthusiasm. We need a booster, some ideas to encourage and support us but often we draw blanks as we try to find how to make prayer meaningful in our daily lives. As a way of responding to many calls for help we are planning to run a course exploring the many rich methods of prayer in our Christian Tradition. The course will comprise of 12 fortnightly sessions, beginning in September 2022 and ending after Easter 2023. They will be on Tuesdays from 10am–3pm. We plan the day to include some teaching on the various traditions, time to explore the method and some sharing on how it was for each one.

We know prayer is about our relationship with the God who loves us unconditionally. It's not about 'getting it right', being perfect at it, spending hours at it. It is about finding what helps me, now, how to deepen this relationship that I already have and maybe help others too. We are all on the journey of deepening our relationship with the God of Love, and

from time to time we all need a helping hand to guide us on the way.

For an application and more details email [cenacleliverpool@gmail.com](mailto:cenacleliverpool@gmail.com) by 1 August 2022. Cenacle, Tithebarn Grove, Lance Lane, Liverpool L15 6TW.

### **Llysfas Spirituality Workshop**

([www.llysfaspirituality-workshop.org.uk](http://www.llysfaspirituality-workshop.org.uk))

Workshop based principally on the dynamics of the spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius of Loyola. The first days are dedicated to an experiential journey through the major life themes of the Exercises.

12–29 August, at Foxhill House and Woodlands, Frodsham, Cheshire, WA6 6XB. Workshop Facilitators: Mary Rose Fitzsimmons HHS, Richard Sloan, Sheila McNamara RSCJ, Silvia Berezki HHS. For further details email Mary Rose Fitzsimmons HHS [maryrosefitzsimmons@btinternet.com](mailto:maryrosefitzsimmons@btinternet.com)

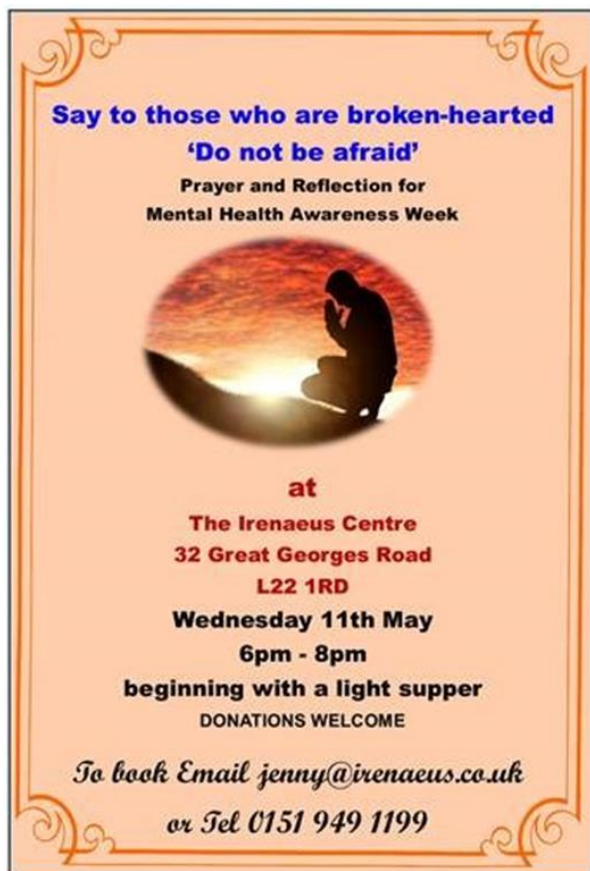
### **A Silent Retreat**

'Come Holy Spirit' led by Sr Moira Meeghan, a time of quiet prayer and reflection at 7pm on Friday, 27 May and 1pm on Sunday, 29 May at The Irenaeus Centre, 32 Great Georges Road, Liverpool, L22 1RD, to book or for further info ring 0151 949 1199.

### **Parish of St Agnes & Aidan LGBT+ Group**

The group gathers regularly every 3rd Sunday of the month at 6pm in the Sr Elizabeth Kelly Room at St Agnes RC

Church, 82 Huyton Hey Road, L36 5SQ. For details contact: hollyfenn1999@hotmail.co.uk



## **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/>

## **Latest News from 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!

Timings: 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 at <https://www.ctmr.org.uk/Groups/341586/Pentecost.aspx>. 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](mailto:admin@inanotherplace.com) if you would like to lead an activity.

For more information on the above please visit the CTMR website.

### *'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.

### *Jubilee Resources for Churches*

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

### **Archdiocesan Job Opportunities**

*Finance Administrator* (x2 posts), full time. We have an exciting opportunity in our Finance Department for two administrators who will deliver high quality, modern clerical and administrative support to all sections of the Finance Department. This is an exciting time to join the archdiocese and the Finance Department and we can promise varied and interesting work supporting the services we deliver to the Church working alongside welcoming and helpful colleagues.

*Training Co-ordinator, full time.* To design, deliver, procure and oversee high-quality training and development programmes to meet the needs of the local church.

*Pastoral Development Adviser, full time.* To help the local church (deanery and parish) discern, implement and evaluate their vision and strategic direction and identify their development needs.

*Catholic Social Action Co-ordinator, full time.* To support and co-ordinate the work of the archdiocese relating to



social justice and environmental issues.

For all closing dates and an application form please visit <http://liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/jobs>

### **Sacrament of the Sick**

If anyone is in need of receiving the healing strength of the Lord offered through the sacrament of the sick please approach Fr Matthew at Mass or contact the 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, contact office and we'll do the rest.

Gift Aid Envelopes	£272.00
GASDS Loose	£298.50
GASDS Envelopes	£ 68.00
Standing Orders	£297.77
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>£936.27</b>
Bonus Ball 05	£ 58.00
Second collection	
Parish Lourdes Fund	£164.00

Second collection this weekend is Priests Training Fund.

### **Exam Season**

A Prayer to St Joseph of Cupertino for Success in Examinations. Let us keep all those preparing for exams in our prayers.

O Great St Joseph of Cupertino who while on earth did obtain from God the grace to be asked at your examination only the questions you knew, obtain for me a like favour in the examinations for which I am now preparing. In return I promise to make you known and cause you to be invoked.

Through Christ our Lord.  
St Joseph of Cupertino, Pray for us.  
Amen.



# Fourth Sunday of Easter

**7 May – 15 May 2022**

**We Pray Especially For**

**Saturday, 7 May**

5.15pm – First Mass of Sunday, Holy Family church

People of the Parish

**Sunday, 8 May, Fourth Sunday of Easter**

9.15am – Mass, St Mark's church

11am – Mass, Holy Family church

12.30pm – Baptisms, Holy Family church

Colin & Teresa Birkett,  
Cruelty of Children  
Sadie & Jimmy Devine,  
Peter Crompton

**Monday, 9 May, Weekday of Easter**

6pm-7pm – Exposition & Private Prayer,  
Holy Family church

**Tuesday, 10 May, Weekday of Easter**

9am – Mass, Holy Family church

**2.15pm – Requiem Mass for Mary Kelly at  
St Mark's church**

Ian Jennings, Paul Lambert

**Wednesday, 11 May, Weekday of Easter**

10am-11am – Exposition & Private Prayer,  
St Mark's church

**Thursday, 12 May, Weekday of Easter**

9am – Morning Prayer Online via zoom (see website)  
6.30pm - Mass, St Mark's church

John Davison, Mary Kelly

**Friday, 13 May, Feast Dedication of  
Liverpool Cathedral of Christ the King**

9am - Mass, St Mark's church

Sarah Jackson, John Brennan

**Saturday, 14 May**

5.15pm – First Mass of Sunday, Holy Family church

James McNulty &  
Ronnie Griffiths,  
Fr Vin McShane

**Sunday, 15 May, Fifth Sunday of Easter**

9.15am – Mass, St Mark's church

11am – Mass, Holy Family church

People of the Parish  
Mr & Mrs Whittle,  
Joe Hughes