

Newsletter

Parish of St John Vianney

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Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Luke 11:1-13

Pointers for Prayer

1. In the prayer Jesus gave us as a model, the focus is not on getting God to do what we want but on trying to be open to what God wants: “Your kingdom come”. That openness implies a trust that what God wants for us, is our good. When have you found that you benefitted when you were open to whatever happened and trusted that the Spirit was with you no matter what happened?
2. One of the points in the parable of the friend knocking at the door is that in the case of true friendship it will not be necessary to browbeat the friend into giving what you seek. Recall times when you had a friend who gave willingly and readily. What was it like to have such a generous and willing response? Perhaps you can also recall when you have been that kind of a friend to others.
3. In the culture of the Middle East hospitality is a priority. It would be unimaginable not to help a friend. Just so, it is unimaginable that God will ignore our prayer. When you think of the reliability of God what are the images that you find helpful and that encourage you to persist in prayer?

Prayer

Provident Father, with the prayer
your Son taught us always on our
lips, we ask, we seek, we knock at
your door. In our every need, grant us
the first and best of all your gifts, the
Spirit who makes us your children.
We ask this 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.

Parish Office

Please note due to staff holidays the
office will be open on Thursday and
Friday mornings only until week
commencing 8 August.

Keep In Your Prayers

Kathleen Ball, Rita Shreenan RIP,
Paula Thomas RIP, Gerry Marsh,
Marian Hawkins, Laura Wakefield,
Lisa Crompton, Vera Farrell, Mary
Johnson, Barry Jackson, Maureen
Jackson, Lorraine Keogh, May
McGrath, Maureen Skillicorn, Eileen
Ireland, Frank and Josie Henesy,
Patricia Bracegirdle, Father Vin
McShane, John Birkenhead our sick
and housebound and all those whose
anniversaries occur at this time.

Children's Liturgy

There will be no Children's Liturgy
during August, sessions will resume in
September.

When these sessions do resume and
with the increased numbers we are
welcoming to them, we really need
additional support at all Masses but in
particular 11am Mass. If you would
like to become part of this wonderful
team, please leave your details with
the office or approach a current
volunteer for more info.

Baptismal Information

Next meeting to register and find out
more Monday, 5 September, 6pm, St
Mark's annexe. All enquiries please
ring Chris Myles on 07443 018 816.
Only a few dates remaining in
December.

Baptisms this weekend:

Ivy Rose Ryan-Corrie
Sophie May Kendall
Maya Mary Jones

Re-scheduled

Bereavement Drop In

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

Last week's cancelled meeting will
now take place on Tuesday, 26 July 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 would be made most welcome.

With You Always Programme

Email all enquiries to Jayne Cross at
jayne.wya@gmail.com

#Liverpool4Ukraine

What's Happening in our Diocese

Our #Liverpool4Ukraine appeal will be making its third trip to the Ukraine/Poland border to deliver aid that has been specifically requested by Bishop Gregory Komar – dried food, medical supplies and building tools to rebuild their homes. Six drivers in three vans will be leaving the St Margaret Clitherow Centre on Friday morning for the six day, 2,800 mile round trip. Cardinal Michael Fitzgerald will be saying Mass at the centre at 8am on Friday and will bless the vans and the drivers before their departure. The trip would not be possible without the support of our partner organisations or financial donations. Donations are still very much welcome, more details can be found here:

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

Please keep posted to the archdiocesan website and social media channels for updates on this journey.

Also, the Ukrainian Family Hub Warrington is looking for volunteers and hosts to support individuals and families in Ukraine who are seeking safety from the war.

More details are on the poster at the back of church, please share with anyone you think could support - every volunteer will make a difference.

Finally, a volunteer from our Ukraine appeal has been given 10 vestments that need to be taken to the Feed the Children shop in Walsingham. If anyone knows of a parish planning a Pilgrimage shortly and can transport the vestments there, please let Lizzie know.

Lizzie Horridge, Communications Manager, T: 522 1094, M: 07464 378 773, E: e.horridge@rcaol.org.uk

Lourdes Pilgrimage

The archdiocese have uploaded the schedule for the Lourdes pilgrimage on their website for people at home to follow:

www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/index.php?p=2542

RCIA Meetings

Interested in becoming a Catholic or know someone who is?

We welcome inquiries from everyone. You may be someone or know someone who has never belonged to any faith tradition or 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.

Becoming and being a Christian is a journey of faith which takes place within our parish community at friendly, informal meetings that start in the Autumn. Contact Peter for more info on 07707 917 554.

St Mary's, Woolton

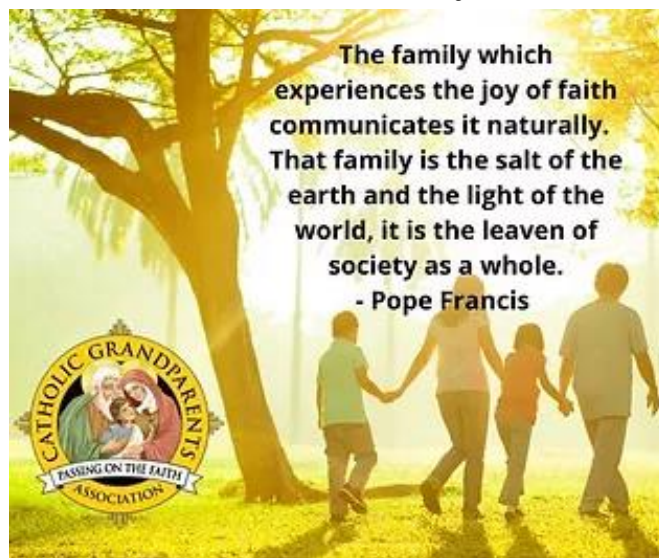
Next monthly Age and Dementia Friendly Afternoon Tea and Singalong takes place on 29 July in their parish hall.

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

Sunday, 24 July is the second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly



Nugent Appeal

Nugent care, educate, protect and inspire children young people, adults and families who are vulnerable and at risk through our schools, care homes, community and social work services. Nugent is over 140 years old and advocates for people and strives to be the voice for the voiceless.

We are reaching out to you who may be able to support us in donated items for our new service 'The Orchards'—The Orchards is a supported living service in Billinge, Wigan for adults with learning disabilities, physical disabilities or who are suffering with mental health issues.

The scheme will be a supported tenancy, where people will have access to a dedicated team to help support with housing benefits, understanding of tenancy agreements and how to maintain agreements.

There will be an onsite communal hub in one of the houses which will be split into different spaces with a variety of facilities for our residents. The purpose of the hub is to provide a safe environment where our beneficiaries can build meaningful friendships, engage in activities and develop their skills.

Giving our beneficiaries the opportunity to engage in different activities will build their confidence, increase their independence and help them to live a fulfilled life.

We are looking for support in sourcing items for the hub. Please check the parish website for further information and a look at their wish list. Are you able to donate any items? There are some big ticket items on their list but also items such as beanbags, cushions, gardening tools, kitchen items, stationery, face masks and towels.

If you think you may be able to support Nugent then they would be extremely grateful and would be

delighted to recognise your contributions across their digital channels.

For more details contact Molly O'Neill, Fundraising Coordinator, email molly.o'neill@wearenugent.org mobile 07776 515 762

Divine Mercy Tour Bus

On Saturday, 30 July, the Knights of St Columba will be supporting the Divine Mercy bus tour which will be at St Helens Church, Crosby from 10am. All are welcome to attend the day which concludes with Mass celebrated by Bishop Tom Neylon at 3pm.

We'll Care Social Evenings

Come along to our weekly Social Evening, EVERY Saturday evening, 6pm-9pm for adults with disabilities/ impairments and your support. Each week we will have a mix of disco, live music, quizzes, raffles, bingo and TV game shows.

Entrance fee is just £3pp. Food and drinks are available to purchase. We look forward to seeing you there! New Hutte Neighbourhood Centre, Lichfield Road, Halewood, L26 1TT. For more information, please call me, Brian Powell, 07759 409 215.

Chronic Pain Support Group

The group meet between 2pm-4pm every last Friday of the month in St Mark's annexe to offer each other support, advice, tips and friendship all over a cuppa. Contact Ann Noons for further details on 07948 606 888. All in need welcome.

St Mark's Club

Star Night Entertainment & Disco

Save the Date

Saturday, 10 September

Doors open 7pm, tickets £6 available from the club.

Coffee Morning

Every Saturday, 10am-12 noon at the New Hutte Community Centre. All welcome.

St Columba's Coffee Pot

This social is held every Wednesday morning from 10am until 12noon. All welcome.

St Bernadette Relic Tour 2022

In September and October this year, the relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to England, Scotland, and Wales for the very first time. This very special once in a lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes.

St Mary's RC Church, Mount Pleasant, Chorley, Lancashire, PR7 2SR, arrive 8.30pm, Thursday, 15 September until 10am, Saturday, 17 September.

Cathedral Church of the Risen Christ, James' Mount, Liverpool, L1 7AZ, arrive 11am, Saturday, 17 September until 2.30pm, Saturday, 17 September.

Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King, Mount Pleasant, Liverpool, L3 5TQ, arrive 3.30pm, Saturday, 17 September until 7am, Tuesday, 20 September.

The Pastoral Plan *one year on*



Updates on the pastoral plan by Fr Philip Inch is on YouTube and there is a full report along with an explanation of the pastoral plan for families with one for children also available to read and download.

Do take a look to see what has been happening. The link can be found on our parish website.

Caring for our Housebound Parishioners

Thanks to the generosity of our Eucharistic Ministers we are beginning to take Holy Communion to those who are unable join us at Mass. If you are no longer able to come to Mass and you would like to receive Holy Communion at home please contact the Parish Office. If you know of someone in that situation similarly please contact the Parish Office. Fr Matthew will make an initial visit and then we will see what might be possible with our Eucharistic Ministers from there.

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, contact office and we'll do the rest.

Finance figures will be published on Maureen's return.

31 July second collection Parish Lourdes Fund.

Large Print Newsletters

We have produced a small number of enlarged newsletters for those parishioners who find the regular size a little tricky to read. These can be found at the back of church.



Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

23 July – 31 July	We Pray Especially For
Saturday, 23 July, 5.15pm – First Mass of Sunday, Holy Family church	Sandra, Mathew & Margaret Jacqui, Jimmy & Family
Sunday, 24 July, Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time 9.15am – Mass, St Mark's church 11am – Mass, Holy Family church 12.30pm – Baptisms, Holy Family church	John & Bridget Cleary Sisters of Mother Teresa People of the Parish
Monday, 25 July, Feast of St James 6pm-7pm – Exposition & Private Prayer, Holy Family church	
Tuesday, 26 July, Memorial of Sts Joachim & Anne 9am – Mass, Holy Family church	Michael McCann, Albert Lamb
Wednesday, 27 July, Weekday in Ordinary Time 10am-11am – Exposition & Private Prayer, St Mark's church	
Thursday, 28 July, Weekday in Ordinary Time 9am – Morning Prayer Online via zoom (see website) 6.30pm - Mass, St Mark's church	Jacqui Bakstad, Sr Rosaline & Family
Friday, 29 July, Memorial of Sts Mary, Martha & Lazarus 9am - Mass, St Mark's church	Pat Bracegirdle, Mignonne Urdhin & Family
Saturday, 30 July 3pm – Marriage of Joseph Gilroy & Helen Reynolds, Holy Family church 5.15pm – First Mass of Sunday, Holy Family church	People of the Parish
Sunday, 31 July, Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time 9.15am – Mass, St Mark's church 11am – Mass, Holy Family church	Special Anniversary, Peter Crompton Larry Devereaux, Kevin, Manuella & Marianna