

# Newsletter

## Parish of St John Vianney

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**29 May 2022  
Seventh Sunday of Easter**

### **John 17:20-26 Pointers for Prayer**

1. Conflict is normal and but so is the desire for harmony and unity. How have I personally negotiated this tension as a person of faith and prayer?
2. Love should be our great calling card as Christians (as the song puts it: “they will know we are Christians by our love.” Well, would they?)
3. Do I find myself moved and attracted by the visionary mysticism of John’s Gospel — do I find myself drawn to it from deeply within self ?

### **Prayer**

Father, righteous one, your beloved Son prayed that his disciples in every generation might be one as you and he are one. Look upon this assembly gathered in his name. Fulfil in us the prayer of Jesus and crown our celebration of this paschal season with your Spirit’s gift of unity and love. Grant this through Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

**5 June 2022**  
**Pentecost Sunday**

**John 20:19-23**  
**Pointers for Prayer**

1. It might help to reflect on times in your own life when you experienced a special awakening and enthusiasm for Gospel. What was going on in your life before this and what were the effects afterwards?
2. The passage from Acts includes another interpretation: they are full of new wine. Did you ever get that kind of reaction, where someone “explained” your engagement in the faith by means of another interpretation?
3. The gifts of the Spirit are many (see Galatians 5:22 and 1 Corinthians 12): can I name my own gifts and thanks to God the Holy Spirit?

**Prayer**

God of new life and new beginnings,  
send your Holy Spirit again upon  
your people gathered in prayer.

Breathe into us the very breath of  
God, in whom we live and move and  
have our being. 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.

**Missionary Society of St Columban**  
Over the weekend of 4/5 June, we will  
welcome Father John Boles who will  
be making a mission appeal.

Father John was born, brought up and  
ordained in Stockport. Before  
entering the Columban's he worked as  
a Town and Country Planning Officer.  
He's spent nearly all of his priestly life  
in Latin America, including some 25  
years in Peru, from where he returned  
last year.

The Columban Fathers were founded  
in 1918 as the Irish (or "Maynooth")  
Mission to China. Their name  
changed in 1952 when they were  
expelled from China, taking as their  
patron a mediaeval Irish missionary  
saint. They then began working in  
other countries around the rim of the  
Pacific such as the Philippines, Korea,  
Taiwan, Chile and Peru.

**Keep In Your Prayers**

Margaret “Maisie” Buckley RIP,  
Stephen Ryan RIP, Thomas Jones  
RIP, May McGrath, Maureen  
Skillicorn, 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 during October,  
November & December 2022  
we have limited availability.

Meetings to register and find out more Monday, 6 June, Monday, 4 July, 6pm, St Mark's annexe. All enquiries please ring Chris Myles on 07443 018 816.

**Forthcoming Baptisms:**

29 May: Elisabeth Grice, Freddie Myles and Tyrelle-Blu Dean Airlie  
5 June: Isobel Rae Owen, Hugo Khanna and Arthur Martin

12 June: Etta Lloyd, Daisy Melling and Harper Pui Yee Lee

**Rite of Welcome**

28 May, 5.15pm, Lewis See, Jacob Melvin and Lucas Melvin

11 June, 5.15pm, Rosa Silvano

12 June, 11am, Isabella Gill.

**With You Always Programme**

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

**Bereavement Drop In**

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

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, 21 June 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.

**SVP Meeting**

Next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 8 June, 7pm in Holy Family meeting room.

**Ladies Group**

Our next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 1 June, 7pm in St Mark's annexe.

**Missio Red Boxes**

June is collection month so please bring yours along to church for emptying.

**Save The Date**

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of  
St Mark's Church**

Just a reminder that if you have any photos, memorabilia etc to commemorate 50 years of the opening of St Mark's Church - please bring them to church or to the parish office. Photos of communions, confirmations, marriages, baptisms etc over the last 50 years will be more than welcome, the church was opened in 1972 so get digging in those photo albums. Archbishop McMahon will be celebrating Mass at 6.30pm on Wednesday, 6 July followed by refreshments in the parish centre where there will be an opportunity to view the photographs and memories of the last 50 years. All welcome.

**Appeal for Soft Toys**

Our friends at the Wonky Garden are collecting new or very good and in a clean condition soft toys for families

with young children in Ukraine.  
Please leave at the back of church.

### **St Columba's Coffee Pot**

This social is held every Wednesday morning from 10am until 12noon and next Wednesday, 1 June there will be a celebration of the Queen's Jubilee with some wonderful cakes to sample. All welcome.

### **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.

### **Covid Guidance**

The use of face coverings in church is optional.

### **Parish Jubilee Afternoon Friday, 3 June, 2pm-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.

## **Celebrate Pentecost and the Platinum Jubilee with the Two Cathedrals Service Sunday, 5 June 3pm**

### **Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral**

The traditional Pentecost service returns to Liverpool 40 years after Pope John Paul II made his historic visit to both cathedrals in 1982. Our ecumenical Pentecost celebrations also form part of our celebrations for the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen.

The celebrations start with an act of worship on the steps to the Metropolitan Cathedral. Worship continues with an all age family service at Liverpool Cathedral starting at 3.45 pm. Following this we have the Big Picnic for the Platinum Jubilee. With big games and fun activities provided by In Another Place we invite you to bring a picnic and join in the fun. We will have food and refreshments available from the Welsford Bistro.

Order of the day:

3pm - Act of worship at foot of Metropolitan Cathedral

3.45 pm - All age worship at Liverpool Cathedral

4pm - Big Picnic starts inside Liverpool Cathedral

Everyone is welcome!

## **St Mary's Woolton**

Next monthly Age and Dementia Friendly Afternoon Tea and Singalong session will still take place on Friday, Friday, 24 June in their parish hall.

### **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	£273.30
GASDS Loose	£214.75
GASDS Envelopes	£ 38.00
Standing Orders	£297.77
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>£823.82</b>
Bonus Ball 51	£ 58.00

Upcoming second collections:  
29 May, World Communications  
5 June, Missionary of St Columban  
19 June, Day for Life

### **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.

### **Parish Office Closures**

Thursday, 2 and Friday, 3 June  
Closed for Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Thursday, 9 and Friday, 10 June  
Closed for staff holidays

Open as normal on  
Monday's and Tuesday's

# Seventh Sunday of Easter

**28 May – 5 June 2022**

**We Pray Especially For**

**Saturday, 28 May**

5.15pm – First Mass of Sunday, Holy Family church

Judith Griffiths

**Sunday, 29 May, Seventh Sunday of Easter**

9.15am – Mass, St Mark's church

11am – Mass, Holy Family church

12.30pm – Baptisms, Holy Family church

Biggs Family,  
Special Intention  
People of the Parish

**Monday, 30 May, Weekday of Easter**

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

**Tuesday, 31 May, Feast of the Visitation of BVM**

9am – Mass, Holy Family church

Fr Vin McShane

**Wednesday, 1 June, Memorial of St Justin**

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

**Thursday, 2 June, Weekday of Easter**

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

6.30pm - Mass, St Mark's church

Joey & George Fitzgerald

**Friday, 3 June,**

Memorial of Sts Charles Lwanga and Companions

9am - Mass, St Mark's church

Steve Finn

**Saturday, 4 June**

5.15pm – First Mass of Sunday, Holy Family church

People of the Parish

**Sunday, 5 June, Pentecost Sunday**

9.15am – Mass, St Mark's church

11am – Mass, Holy Family church

12.30pm – Baptisms, Holy Family church

James Clancy  
Bill Scrivens

# Pentecost Sunday

**4 June – 12 June 2022**

**We Pray Especially For**

**Saturday, 4 June**

5.15pm – First Mass of Sunday, Holy Family church

People of the Parish

**Sunday, 5 June, Pentecost Sunday**

9.15am – Mass, St Mark's church

11am – Mass, Holy Family church

12.30pm – Baptisms, Holy Family church

James Clancy

Bill Scrivens

**Monday, 6 June,**

Memorial of Our Lady, Mother of the Church

6pm-7pm – Exposition & Private Prayer,

Holy Family church

**Tuesday, 7 June, Weekday in Ordinary Time**

9am – Mass, Holy Family church

Tommy Jones

**2pm – Requiem Mass for Stephen Ryan**

**at Holy Family church**

**Wednesday, 8 June, Weekday in Ordinary Time**

10am-11am – Exposition & Private Prayer,

St Mark's church

**Thursday, 9 June,**

Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Eternal High Priest

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

**10.45pm – Funeral Service for Margaret Mary Buckley**

**at Holy Family church**

6.30pm - Mass, St Mark's church

Felicity Knight,

Tony Crompton

**Friday, 10 June, Weekday in Ordinary Time**

9am - Mass, St Mark's church

Betty & Pat Flynn

**Saturday, 11 June**

5.15pm – First Mass of Sunday, Holy Family church

Fr Arthur Fitzgerald

**Sunday, 12 June, Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity**

9.15am – Mass, St Mark's church

11am – Mass, Holy Family church

12.30pm – Baptisms, Holy Family church

People of the Parish

Anne Dickenson

# Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

11 June – 19 June

We Pray Especially For

<b>Saturday, 11 June,</b> 5.15pm – First Mass of Sunday, Holy Family church	Fr Arthur Fitzgerald
<b>Sunday, 12 June, Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity</b> 9.15am – Mass, St Mark's church 11am – Mass, Holy Family church 12.30pm – Baptisms, Holy Family church	People of the Parish Anne Dickenson
<b>Monday, 13 June, Memorial of St Anthony of Padua</b> 6pm-7pm – Exposition & Private Prayer, Holy Family church	
<b>Tuesday, 14 June, Weekday of Easter</b> 9am – Mass, Holy Family church	Maisie Buckley
<b>Wednesday, 15 May, Weekday in Ordinary Time</b> 10am-11am – Exposition & Private Prayer, St Mark's church	
<b>Thursday, 16 June, Weekday in Ordinary Time</b> 9am – Morning Prayer Online via zoom (see website) 6.30pm - Mass, St Mark's church	Mary Kelly
<b>Friday, 17 June, Weekday in Ordinary Time</b> 9am - Mass, St Mark's church	Doreen McAteer
<b>Saturday, 18 June</b> 9.30am – First Holy Communion Mass, St Mark's church 11am – First Holy Communion Mass, St Mark's church  5.15pm – First Mass of Sunday, Holy Family church	Special Intention Thomas Jones  Catherine Fletcher
<b>Sunday, 19 June,</b> Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ 9.15am – Mass, St Mark's church 11am – Mass, Holy Family church  12.30pm – Baptisms, Holy Family church	Brian Kelly, Frank Perry, Patrick Ahearne People of the Parish