

Newsletter

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John 3:16-18 Pointers for Prayer

1. Jesus speaks of himself being lifted up, a term that can mean a physical lifting, or also exaltation. By this play on words the evangelist explains to us that Jesus' gift of himself in the passion was a glorious revelation of love, despite all its injustice and brutality. Bring to mind occasions when the love shown by Jesus in his passion was a sacrament of God's love for you.

2. It would be very cushy for us if we could be a source of life to others without cost to ourselves. The true life-givers know that they need the generosity of being lifted up by giving their lives so that others may have life. Recall when you have had that generosity and give thanks for others who have been like that for you.

3. We receive life from God when our faith enables us to trust in God's love for us. We give life to one another when the love between us is trustworthy. Recall memories of that kind of trustworthy love. For whom have you been able to be a 'Jesus person' and give a love that another could trust? Who has shown that kind of love to you and been for you a sacrament of God's love?

4. People loved darkness rather than light ... so that their deeds may not be exposed. Judgment and condemnation are very inhibiting forces and we easily slip into them. Occasionally we meet someone who is non-judgmental, who does not come into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might

be saved. What has it been like for you when you met a non-judgmental person? What has it been like for you and for other people, when you have been able to adopt a non-judgmental approach to them?

Prayer

Merciful and gracious Father, you showed the fullness of your love when you gave your only Son for our salvation and sent down upon us the power of your Spirit. Complete within us the work of your love, that we who have communion in Christ may come to share fully the undying life he lives with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

Healing

In the Sacrament of the Sick Christ strengthens our faith, bestows God's grace in a time of anxiety and pain, and forgives our sins. Fr Matthew will go to the front of the altar **after all the Masses this weekend of 3/4 June** for anyone who might like to receive the sacrament through the anointing with Holy Oil.

Keep In Your Prayers

Eileen Ireland RIP, Jack Trainer RIP, Joseph Facenfield RIP, James Dowdall RIP, Joan Carr, 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, Barry Jackson, 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.

Rite of Welcome

9.15am: Rory Peter George King

Baptismal Information

Next meeting to register and find out more is Monday, 5 June then Monday, 3 July, 6pm, St Mark's annexe. All enquiries please ring Chris Myles on 07443 018 816.

Baptisms this weekend:
Maddox Sean Rushworth

Mission Appeal

Fr Mike Heap of Missionaries of Africa (The White Fathers) will be making an appeal at all Masses over the weekend of 10/11 June. The White Fathers are an international team of priests, brothers and lay associates from Africa, Britain and many other countries around the world. Through parish work, building up small Christian communities, working with media, involvement in justice and peace, education and social welfare etc they aim to work in partnership with the church in Africa. We look forward to hearing from Fr Mike about their important work.

From the Deanery Synodal Council

In recent Pastoral Letters the Archbishop has acknowledged the

work of the Synod is continuing in various ways across the Archdiocese but it might appear that nothing has been happening locally. Since July 2022 a small group of priests and people from across the Deanery have been working together as members of the Deanery Synodal Council.

The four meetings since September have seen the real work begin. We have explored something of the richness of what is happening in our Deanery and sought to interpret what this idea of “Families of Parishes” means. As we explored further, the enormity of the task ahead has become clearer and we have considered some of the limitations we might face because of geography and resourcing. We decided at our last meeting that the most effective way forward would be to take a step back and examine a little more the purpose of our group and how “Families of Parishes” might shape the work in our area.

In mid-June we are meeting again to focus on these questions and will report back the fruit of our discussions at the start of the autumn term. Please keep the Deanery Synodal Council members in your prayers.

Ordination of Peter Renwick Sunday, 16 July 2023

On 16 July there will be an ordination ceremony of 4 Acolytes to permanent deacons taking place at the Cathedral at 3pm and Peter Renwick will be among them.

For those interested 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.

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 is Tuesday, 6 June, 2pm in St Mark's annexe, all welcome for a confidential chat and a listening ear over a cuppa.

Ladies Group

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 7 June, 7pm St Mark's annexe, new faces always welcome, please come along and see what we get up to!



Animate Youth - Faith in Action A Little More Info

This is a national award and pre covid the archdiocese had 2000 young people involved.

It runs along the lines of the Duke of Edinburgh award in that it has Bronze, Silver and Gold, various ages but with a Christian spirit.

The junior stage is called pin and they are seekers, they follow the programme set out and actions during the churches year could include making clay poppies for remembrance, reading prayers at Mass, at Advent making Christingle candles for the children's liturgy.

This course is run through the Animate team. The group would meet weekly from September/October and ideally would be parish based, perhaps the annexe but a venue is still to be decided.

This is a fantastic programme for our young people to get involved with so please contact the parish office asap if you would like further details.

St Mark's Cleaning Sessions

Wednesday, 7 June, 9am

Saturday, 17 June, 8.30am

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!

St Mark's Reading Rota

The latest version is now at the back of church. If you have to make any

changes to this (say for holidays etc) please amend this copy accordingly.

Missio – Red Boxes

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

The Good Companions Group

The Parish Office need a contact name and number for this group. If you can help then please ring the office on 486 3992.

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

On Saturday, 17 June there will be a refresher/reflection session for Eucharistic Ministers in St Mark's annexe, 9.30am-12 noon.

Following this, during the 3 Masses on that weekend (17/18 June), ministers will be re-commissioned to serve our parish.

It would be helpful if Eucharistic Ministers would text on the WhatsApp group which Mass they intend to

attend that weekend or phone the Parish Office. Many thanks.

Archdiocesan Resources & Events

Training – The archdiocese are now accepting applications for anyone wishing to join us on the Loyola Certificate in Pastoral Ministry. It is a 2 year course exploring topics such as Scripture, Catechesis and Leadership and Ministry. Previous participants have described that their experience helped to deepen their faith and help them find practical ways of supporting their church. If you are interested in finding out more information about the course, please visit <https://www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/loyola> and complete the application form or join us on a zoom call on the evening of the 27 June at 7pm. To receive this zoom link, please email loyola@rcaol.org.uk

Marriage Encounter Weekends - Online and in person, full details can be found on the website: <https://wwme.org.uk>, including an in-person event 10/11 June 2023 (non-residential, Macclesfield).

Social Action Networking On Environment: Investments as a force for good? – Thursday, 15 June, 6.30pm, online special network event focusing on how church funds are used in relation to action on climate change. Contact Pablo or visit https://Archdiocese_environment_network.eventbrite.com

‘Every Migrant Has A Name, A Face and A Story’ – Friday, 23 June, 4pm-5pm, online to celebrate Refugee Week, this online event will discuss the principles set out in “Love the Stranger” - a new document from the Bishops’ Conference. Further details contact Pablo Guidi or visit https://love_the_stranger.eventbrite.com

Welcome Churches: Welcoming Displaced People – Monday, 19 June, 1-3pm at St Barnabas, Penny Lane. This event will be an opportunity to hear more about the needs of refugees and asylum seekers in your community, how you can get involved and how Welcome Churches can support you. To book go to <https://tinyurl.com/4p4wnzpv>

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.

RCIA - Mass for the New Catholics

The Mass for the new Catholics will now 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.

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.

Exam Season

Prayer to St Joseph of Cupertino for success in examinations prayed before the examination.

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.

First Holy Communion Preparation Programme

We have started our new programme and welcome all the children and their families who will be attending our Masses over the next year in order to prepare for their First Confession and First Holy Communion.

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 find that you are getting to the stage of life where it is becoming impossible to get to Mass, **please don't just disappear!** Get in touch either directly with Fr Matthew or the Parish Office. Fr Matthew will be able to pop round to pray with you and see what else 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, 21 May 2023:

Gift Aid Envelopes	£283.20
GASDS Loose	£425.75
Non Gift Aid	£ 43.00
Standing Orders	£367.23
Total Offertory	£1119.18
Bonus Ball 17	£ 58.00
Second Collection	
World Communications	£123.95

Collection for Sunday, 28 May 2023:

Gift Aid Envelopes	£289.40
GASDS Loose	£320.40
Non Gift Aid	£ 83.00
Standing Orders	£367.23
Total Offertory	£1060.03
Bonus Ball 18	£ 58.00
Second Collection SVP	£330.85

Second collections:
11 June, Missionaries of Africa
18 June, Day for Life
25 June, Peter's Pence

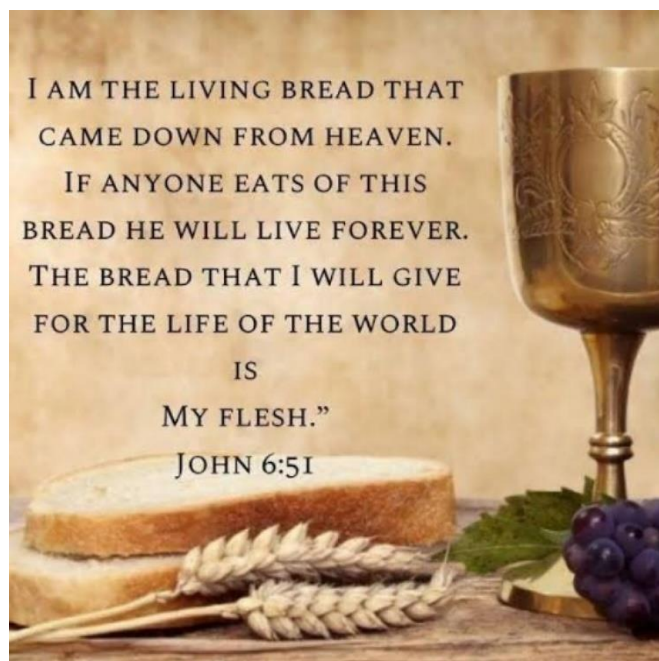


For Refreshments

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

Holy Family church – every Sunday
after 11am Mass.

All welcome!



Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity

3 June – 11 June 2023

We Pray Especially For

Saturday, 3 June

5.15pm – First Mass of Sunday, Holy Family

People of the Parish

Sunday, 4 June, Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity

9.15am – Mass, St Mark's

11am – Mass, Holy Family

12.30pm - Baptisms

Hanlon Family, Teresa Davies
James Clancy

Monday, 5 June, Memorial of St Boniface

6pm-7pm – Exposition, Holy Family

Tuesday, 6 June, Weekday in Ordinary Time

9am – Mass, Holy Family

Special Intention, Tony Milligan

Wednesday, 7 June, Weekday in Ordinary Time

10am-11am – Exposition, St Mark's

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

1pm – Funeral Service, St Mark's

Joseph Facenfield

Thursday, 8 June, Weekday in Ordinary Time

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

12noon – Requiem Mass, St Mark's

2pm – Requiem Mass, St Mark's

6.30pm – Mass, St Mark's

John (Jack) Trainer
James Dowdall

Pat Williams, Fr Vin McShane

Friday, 9 June, Weekday in Ordinary Time

9am – Mass, St Mark's

Betty McLindon

Saturday, 10 June

5.15pm – First Mass of Sunday, Holy Family

Eileen & Cliff Stanton

Sunday, 11 June,

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

9.15am – Mass, St Mark's

11am – Mass, Holy Family

12.30pm – Baptisms

Jean Carlisle
People of the Parish

