## Newsletter

### **Parish of St John Vianney**

**Halewood & Hunts Cross** 

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### Luke 18:9-14 Pointers for Prayer

- 1. There can be an element of defensiveness in our relationships with others. We are reluctant to let another see us as we see ourselves. Occasionally we meet someone with whom we can be totally open and know we will be accepted. With whom have you had that kind of a relationship? What was it like for you to have that freedom?
- 2. Likewise with God, when we come to prayer pretending to be better than we are, we are hiding from God. What difference does it make when you pray to God, acknowledging your faults and limitations? Have you ever found that when you are humble in this way in prayer, God lifts you up?
- 3. The parable is also a cautionary tale against judging others negatively on the basis of externals. Perhaps God, who looks into the heart, sees another picture. When have you discovered there was more to another person than the negative picture you got from first impressions?

#### **Prayer**

O God, who alone can probe the depth of the heart, you hear the prayer of the humble and justify the repentant sinner. As we stand before you, grant us the gift of humility, that we may see our own sins clearly and refrain from judging our neighbour. We make our prayer though our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

#### **Keep In Your Prayers**

Joan Bradley RIP, Francis Burns RIP, Veronica Humphreys, Nora Bartley, Vera Leonard, Silva, Gerry Marsh, Marian Hawkins, Laura Wakefield, Lisa Crompton, Vera Farrell, Barry Jackson, Maureen Jackson, Lorraine Keogh, May McGrath, Maureen Skillicorn, Eileen Ireland, Frank and Josie Henesy, Patricia Bracegirdle, Father Vin McShane our sick and housebound and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

#### **November Pious List**

Lists and envelopes are now available at the back of church. Please place completed lists along with your donation in with the offertory or post into parish office. Through the month of November, one weekday Mass and one weekend Mass will be offered for those names on the lists.

#### **World Mission Sunday**

Today is World Mission Sunday and is being celebrated in every Catholic parish around the world. It supports missionaries who work alongside communities that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. By supporting Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission, you will help missionaries witness their faith and offer the vulnerable hope for a better future.

Please pray for the mission of the Church throughout the world and give what you can to this very important collection which will sustain the future of our Church.

To give a single gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation please visit mission.org.uk. Envelopes at back of church and if you have a Red Missio Box, please bring it along for emptying.

#### **Our Parish Community**

Being made to feel welcome can leave a deep and lasting impression. How welcoming do you think our community is?

Fr Matthew will lead a reflection on the ministry of welcome that may help us to enrich the welcome that we extend to each other on Tuesday 25th October 2pm to 3.30pm at Holy Family. All are welcome!!

### **Eucharistic Ministers Meeting**

Father Matthew invites you to the above on Thursday, 3 November after 6.30pm Mass in St Mark's. The meeting will be held in the annexe.

#### **Annual Bereavement Service**

This will take place on Wednesday, 9 November at 7pm in St Mark's church. Please bring a photo of your loved one or Order of Service to be placed on the altar. The Service will be followed by refreshments in the annexe.

## With You Always Programme (First Holy Communion 2022/23)

Please note when the information for the next group of candidates is available, it will be published in this newsletter and on our website.

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

#### **Baptismal Information**

Next meeting to register and find out more Monday, 7 November, 6pm, St Mark's annexe. All enquiries please ring Chris Myles on 07443 018 816.

#### **Piety Shop**

Christmas cards and other festive items now available.

#### **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.

# An Evening at Liverpool Philharmonic

Each year, our Ladies Group attend the Spirit of Christmas Concert at The Phil, this is a wonderful evening of festive music and stories. They have a few tickets remaining for Saturday, 17 December, 7.30pm, adult £31.45, child/student £8, seats are in middle stalls. If you are interested please ring Chris on 428 9744 or 07443 018 816. Transport optional at an additional

cost. Gentlemen welcome, if you know any!

#### **Ladies Group**

Our next meeting takes place at 7pm on Wednesday, 2 November in St Mark's annexe and a reminder for those ladies coming along to the Phil, please bring your payments with you.

#### Warm & Cosy Spaces at Our Parish Centres

The Archdiocese is working on creating a network of warm and cosy spaces for winter with hot drinks, TV and internet access where possible.

This initiative is currently available at:

Our Lady of the Assumption, Monday's, 1pm-3.30pm

Christ the King Parish Centre, Tuesday's, 1pm-3pm

St Mark's Parish Centre, Wednesday's, 1pm-3.30pm

St Cyril's Club, Thursday's, 1pm-3.30pm.

All welcome!

### **Macmillan Coffee Morning**

Wednesday, 26 October in St Mark's Parish Centre, tea, coffee, cake, raffles etc. Please support this morning if you are able.

#### Could you be a Deacon?

As we start to implement our new Pastoral Plan which sets out concrete actions to change our ways of working so that our Church becomes more inclusive, more welcoming and more engaged with those on the margins, the ministry of deacons will continue to evolve alongside the presbyteral ministry in the service of the priesthood of all the baptised.

If you would like to hear some of their stories and you feel this may be your calling too, please join Archbishop Malcolm and the diaconate team at our meetings for men who may be wondering if they are called to serve as deacons and what the formation involves. Wives and supporting priests or deacons are also welcome.

Tuesday, 25 October, 7.30pm–9pm (refreshments from 7pm) at Holy Family Church, 1 Brompton Road, Southport, PR8 6AS

Tuesday, 29 November, 7.30pm-9pm in the St John Vianney Meeting Room at Christ the King Church, 78 Queens Drive, Wavertree, Liverpool L15 6YQ

For more information, please email p.rooney@rcaol.org.uk

#### **News from CAFOD**

CAFOD would like to invite you to a screening of the new film, The Letter: A Message for our Earth, produced by the Laudato Si movement.

Fr Peter at St Anne's in Edge Hill has kindly offered to show this film in his church. The film will be shown while the COP27 in Egypt will still be taking place, on Wednesday, 16 November from 2pm–4pm. It would be wonderful to see you there if possible!

#### **News from Nugent**

Gala Evening, Thursday, 3 November, from 6.30pm, Rum Warehouse, Titanic Hotel. Join Nugent as they celebrate over 140 years of educating, protecting and caring for the most vulnerable in our communities and find out how you can support them in the future. Live entertainment, silent auction, drinks, dinner, raffle etc. For ticket info visit wearenugent.org/fundraising/gala

Also, Nugent are delighted to invite you to their Light up a Life services this year taking place as follows:

Sunday, 11 December, 3pm, St Teresa's Church, Upholland led by Father Philip Kehoe followed by refreshments and also Friday, 16 December, 12:30pm at the The Metropolitan Cathedral, Liverpool led by Bishop Tom Williams followed by refreshments.

Light up a Life is an opportunity to sponsor a light on Nugent's Tree of Light in memory or in honour of a loved one. It is a chance to celebrate the life of someone special and make a difference to the lives of those Nugent are supporting this Christmas. Light up a Life is traditionally the time where we gather for a service of remembrance, thinking about those we have loved and lost, sharing our grief with others; but also celebrating the very special place they had in our lives. We hope that you can join Nugent this year.

If you would like to take part contact the Fundraising team by emailing fundraising@wearenugent.org or calling 0734 186 4180, having your dedication name(s) and your debit or credit card details ready.

Finally, Nugent's Christmas cards are now on sale for collection from Nugent's head office 99 Edge Lane, Liverpool L7 2PE. Poster with card designs on display at back of church.

#### **OLA Gateacre, Car Boot Sale**

Car Boot/Table Sale: 9am-11am. Saturday, 5 November, church car park. If you know of anyone who has things to sell pass on the details. There are 22 spaces available. A space costs £10. People may arrive at 8.15am. To book a space visit ourladygateacre.org.uk and look for "Car Boot/Table Sale Sat 5th Nov". Payment will be taken on the day.

#### **Halewood Foodbank**

Halewood Foodbank has seen an increase in numbers of people accessing their service. Food collection boxes are available at the back of church if you are able to contribute any tins or non-perishable

goods which the SVP will take to the Foodbank. Thank you for your generous support.

#### **Irenaeus Centre**

The Irenaeus Centre is open for drop in and a chat 10am-4pm, Monday-Thursday, Great Georges Road, Waterloo, L22 1RD.

Restored Lives Course - Recovery from Divorce and Separation "This course is for any person who is going through, or who has gone through, a relationship breakdown." Every Monday up to 14 November. If you would like any further information, or an informal chat please contact Maureen O'Brien on 07967 753 371 or Jacqui Sellek on 07793 825 815. For further info of what's on at the centre contact jenny@irenaeus.co.uk or telephone 0151 949 1199.

All are welcome to come along with every penny raised supporting the NSPCC in Merseyside.

### **Job Opportunities**

There are a number of job opportunities currently available within the Archdiocese of Liverpool. Please visit their website for all the details.

#### What's On at St Columba's

Saturday, 26 November, Christmas Fair with grotto. Open from 10am. More details to follow.

Also, starting on Tuesday, 1 November then every other Tuesday between 2pm-4pm, Fellowship Afternoon, guest speakers, topical conversation, games, tea and cake. Guest speaker 15 November, Steven Yip from KIND.

#### What's On at our Cathedral

Saturday, 12 November, 7pm-9.30pm. The choir of Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral and Liverpool Mozart Orchestra join forces in the majestic surroundings of Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral to perform music by Gabriel Fauré & Ralph Vaughan Williams.

On the eve of Remembrance Sunday, the choir and orchestra under the direction of Christopher McElroy will perform Fauré's evocative 'Requiem Mass.' Baritone Damian O'Keeffe is the soloist in Vaughan-William's 'Five Mystical Songs' and the Liverpool Mozart Orchestra will perform the 'Fantasia on a Theme by Thomas Tallis.'

Tickets priced at £10 (£5, u6, NUS, Over 65) are available from Ticketsource.

NSPCC Carols by Candlelight. This will return to Liverpool's Metropolitan Cathedral on Tuesday, 6 December at 7pm. The event is sponsored by Home Bargains and has an array of performers from across Merseyside including the PopVox Choir, Metropolitan Cathedral Youth Choir,

Connected Voices Choir and Wirral Schools' Concert Band. Check Events page on Cathedral website for tickets.

## What's On at the Anglican Cathedral

Join their amazing guides to hear the stories of how Liverpool Cathedral came to be located on St James Mount, how the architect was chosen and where the stone came from.

On this tour, you will find the many hidden creatures, symbols and seagoing vessels hidden in the intricate carvings and learn more about the folk who built this architectural wonder over 74 years.

Length: 45 minutes, location: Liverpool Cathedral exterior (outside the Cathedral), cost £10 per person, to book contact Brian Dowling at brian.dowling@liverpoolcathedral.org.uk

Stitching Group - 'Encountering Common Threads', The Radcliffe Learning Centre, 2 November, 12.30pm-2.30pm. Pop along to The Cathedral and stitch in the company of others.

Join them on the 1st Wednesday of the month - 2 November from 12.30 to 2.30pm in The Radcliffe Learning Centre, access by stairs or lift. Yarn and fabric stitchers of all skills and abilities welcome, stitch in the company of others, share skills, patterns, ideas and friendship. Bring your own project to work on or start

one of ours. Stay for the whole session or drop in for a while/in your lunch break. Please bring your own refreshments or take away options are available from the bistro. More info at prayershawls@liverpoolcathedral.org.uk

#### Caring for our Housebound Parishioners

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.

Gift Aid Envelopes	£342.00
GASDS Loose	£283.75
Non Gift Aid	£ 50.00
Standing Orders	£384.77
Total	£1060.92
Bonus Ball 14	£ 58.00
SVP	£170.95

Second collection this week World Missions then 6 November Parish Lourdes Fund.



And Remember BST ends next weekend!

## **Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

22 October – 30 October 2022	We Pray Especially For
Saturday, 22 October 5.15pm – First Mass of Sunday, Holy Family	Katherine Brothwood, Olivia Pratt-Korbel
Sunday, 23 October, Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time 9.15am – Mass, St Mark's 11am – Mass, Holy Family	Alan Hampson, QEII People of the Parish
Monday, 24 October, Weekday in Ordinary Time 6pm-7pm – Exposition & Private Prayer, Holy Family	
<b>Tuesday, 25 October</b> , Weekday in Ordinary Time 9am – Mass, Holy Family	David Powell, John Quirk
Wednesday, 26 October, Weekday in Ordinary Time 10am-11am – Exposition & Private Prayer, St Mark's	
<b>Thursday, 27 October</b> , Weekday in Ordinary Time, 9am – Morning Prayer Online via zoom (see website) 6.30pm - Mass, St Mark's	Denise & Paul, Ellie Davies
Friday, 28 October, Feast of Sts Simon & Jude 9am – Mass, St Mark's	Stephen Wood, Peter Crompton
10am – Requiem Mass at Holy Family	Joan Bradley
Saturday, 29 October 5.15pm – First Mass of Sunday, Holy Family	Billy Bryne, Rita Shreenan
Sunday, 30 October, Thirty First Sunday of Ordinary Time 9.15am – Mass, St Mark's 11am – Mass, Holy Family	People of the Parish Bridget Ventre, Mary Johnson