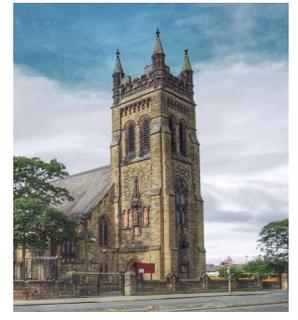




**THE PARISH OF
ST CHARLES & ST THOMAS MORE
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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Day	Date	Times	Feast	Mass Intention
Saturday	23/7/22	5.00 pm	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Marie Dalton
		6.00 pm	Neo-Catechumenate Community	Priest's Intention
Sunday	24/7/22	9.30 am	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time	People of the Parish
		11.00 am	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Catherine Atkins
Monday	25/7/22	11.30 am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
		12 noon	St James, Apostle	Albertina de Sousa & Domingos Alves
Tuesday	26/7/22	7.00 pm	Ss. Joachim and Anne	Rachel Cunningham
Wednesday	27/7/22	10.30 am	Funeral Service for Terence Thomas Lewis	
Thursday	28/7/22	7.00 pm	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Anne Meegan
Friday	29/7/22	12 noon	Ss. Mary, Martha and Lazarus	Tommy Reitdyke
Saturday	30/7/22	4.15 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
		5.00 pm	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Joe & Josephine Mallon
		6 pm	Neo-Catechumenate Community	People of the Parish
Sunday	31/7/22	9.30 am	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mary O'Leary
		11.00 am	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Thanksgiving (FE)

The Annual Second Collection for Priests in Retirement

Donations can be made this weekend in the baskets labelled for the cause.

Aid to Ukraine

As part of our #Liverpool4Ukraine appeal, a third trip to the Ukraine border to deliver essential supplies left Liverpool on Friday 22 July.

Staffed by volunteer drivers from the St Margaret Clitherow Centre the vehicles were loaded with donations specifically requested by Bishop Gregory which include medical items, tools and dried food. Please keep our volunteer drivers in your prayers as they embark on this six day trip.

Agape Mass

Thursday 4th August at 7 pm at the Thomas of Canterbury Oratory & Irenaeus Centre, Great Georges Road, Liverpool, L22 1RD

Youth 2000 Festival

Youth 2000 is returning this August with a summer festival at Ampleforth College, York which will run from Friday 26th - Monday 29th August.

To book tickets visit: youth2000.org/events/summer-festival. Sponsored places are available, email events@youth2000.org.uk

*Mary,
Mother of God and Mother
of the Church,*

*Your Son gave you as a Mother
to all who believe in Him,
we ask that you place each one
of us, our families and our
parish community under your
protection and care.*

*Intercede for us we pray,
that our parish community
may be renewed and our
personal faith deepened.*

*May our ears be open to hear
God's word anew,
to recognize his voice and his
call in our lives.*

*Awaken in us a desire to serve
Him in one another
and in the poor so that we may
live each day in the power of
His merciful love.*

*In times of trial and difficulty,
help us to entrust ourselves
fully to Him, recognising that in
these moments our faith is
called to mature and grow.*

*Remind us that because of your
Son, the Word made Flesh,
we are never alone on our life's
pilgrimage and help us to see
all things through the eyes of
Him who has been revealed to
us as the Way, the Truth
and the Life.*

*We ask this through
Christ our Lord. Amen.*

This coming week...

Sunday 24th July

At 9.30 am Mass

Music TBC

At 11 am Mass

Music Group

Monday 25th July

Pensioners' Club meets at 2 pm.

Wednesday 27th July

Justice and Peace Meeting at 5 pm

Friday 29th July

Bingo meets at 8 pm

Sunday 31st July

At 9.30 am Mass

Music Group

At 11 am Mass

Organ Music

Please note...

The Playgroup and Afternoon Tea Group are both now closed for the holidays and will re-open in September.

Please remember in your prayers...

All those taking part this week in the Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, all those who are sick and those who care for them, those who have died recently, including, Terence Thomas Lewis, Michael Noone and John Hilliard and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

From Fr Ron's Desk

130th Anniversary!

Tidying up and drying the dishes after the Archbishop and seminarians came to Mass last Monday sparked an interesting debate. Val commented on how old the tea towel was. It certainly had seen better days but still usable I thought but looking more closely, it was one of those commemorative tea towels that was made to mark the 100th anniversary of the establishment of a parish mission between Sefton Park and the River Mersey here in South Liverpool. Further investigation told me the tea towel was nearly 30 years old which sparked the debate shouldn't we be marking our 130th anniversary this year. I know it's not a normal one to celebrate but I doubt I'll not be here for the 150th so was thinking we should!

If anyone would like to be involve in planning something for September perhaps we could get together after Mass on Tuesday 2nd August after 7 pm Mass to brainstorm some ideas?

Dean of South Liverpool

As many of you know Fr Joe Kendall is leaving the Parish of St Wilfrid in Garston to take up a new appointment as Vice-Rector at the Seminary in Valladolid at the end of August. This means he is also stepping down as the Dean of South Liverpool.

I have been asked to step into this role when he leaves at the end of the summer to help create the space for discussion about the future as we seek to establish new ways of working together across the families of parishes as envisaged by the Synodal Pastoral Plan.

Lourdes Intentions

Originally, I was unsuccessful trying to book on the pilgrimage to Lourdes as the flight was already fully booked but when a place became available last Friday I snapped up the opportunity!

I am very grateful to the priests who are saying Masses this week Fr Joe Bibby, recently returned from LAMP, and Fr Derek Lloyd, who was ordained only a few weeks ago.

Now I will be able to personally take the intentions I received over the past 2 weeks to the Lady of Lourdes on your behalf and in this special year of parish prayer to Our Lady I will be able to offer the Mass for all those named in your intentions and for our parish and all our parishioners at the Grotto.

We received donations of £180 which begins the fundraising to support young people travelling to Lourdes from our parish next year.

St Bernadette Relic Tour 2022

The relics of St Bernadette will be visiting Liverpool both the Anglican and Catholic Cathedrals arriving on the morning of Saturday 17th September and leaving on Tuesday the 20th September

Mass Attendance...

16th Sunday

5 pm 171

9.30 am 110

11 am 151

Total 432

Parish Income...

16th Sunday

Envelopes

£ 506.10

Loose plate

£ 286.45

Standing Orders

£ 390.32

Total

£1182.87

Candle Intentions this Week:

Sanctuary Candle

Sr Veronica

Marian Candle

Lourdes Pilgrims

and parish intentions

Sacred Heart

Candle

Norman Johnson

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 67: 6-7, 36

*God is in his holy place,
God who unites those who dwell in his house;
he himself gives might and strength to his people.*

**In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Penitential Act

*Lord have mercy Lord have mercy
Christ have mercy Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy Lord have mercy*

*May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us
our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.*

Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.**

*We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,*

Lord God, heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect

*O God, protector of those who hope in you,
without whom nothing has firm foundation,
nothing is holy,*

*bestow in abundance your mercy upon us
and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide,
we may use the good things that pass
in such a way as to hold fast even now
to those that ever endure.*

*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.*

First reading

Genesis 18:20-32

Abraham negotiates with the Lord

*The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against
Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I
propose to go down and see whether or not they have
done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that
has come up to me. I am determined to know.'*

*The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham
remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him
he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man
with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the
town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not
spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not
think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with
the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think
of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer
justice?' the Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just
men in the town, I will spare the whole place because
of them.'*

*Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this
to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the
fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city
for five?' 'No,' he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find
forty-five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him,
'Perhaps there will only be forty there.' 'I will not do
it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.'*

*Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but
give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be
thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty
there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this,
but perhaps there will only be twenty there.' 'I will not
destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He
said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once
more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not
destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'*

The Word of the Lord. R/. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 137(138):1-3,6-8

On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord.

*I thank you, Lord, with all my heart:
you have heard the words of my mouth.
In the presence of the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple.*

On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord.

*I thank you for your faithfulness and love,
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul.*

On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord.

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly

*and the haughty he knows from afar.
Though I walk in the midst of affliction
you give me life and frustrate my foes.*

On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord.

*You stretch out your hand and save me,
your hand will do all things for me.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands.*

On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord.

Second reading **Colossians 2:12-14**

**Christ has brought you to life with him
and forgiven us all our sins**

*You have been buried with Christ, when you were
baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised
up with him through your belief in the power of God
who raised him from the dead. You were dead,
because you were sinners and had not been
circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he
has forgiven us all our sins.*

*He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every
record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done
away with it by nailing it to the cross.*

The Word of the Lord. R/. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation **Jn 1:14,12**

Alleluia, alleluia!

*The Word was made flesh and lived among us:
to all who did accept him he gave power
to become children of God. Alleluia!*

Gospel **Luke 11:1-13**

How to pray

*Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when
he had finished one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach
us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.'*

He said to them, 'Say this when you pray:

*"Father, may your name be held holy, your kingdom
come; give us each day our daily bread,
and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive each
one who is in debt to us. And do not put us to the
test."'*

*He also said to them: 'Suppose one of you has a friend
and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My
friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine
on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have
nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from
inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is
bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot
get up to give it you." I tell you, if the man does not
get up and give it him for friendship's sake,*

*persistence will be enough to make him get up and give
his friend all he wants.*

*'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you;
search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be
opened to you. For the one who asks always receives;
the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks
will always have the door opened to him. What father
among you would hand his son a stone when he asked
for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or
hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you
then, who are evil, know how to give your children
what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father
give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'*

The Gospel of the Lord.

R/. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

The Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,**

At the words that follow all bow.

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;**

**on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right
hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.
Amen**

Prayer over the Offerings

*Accept, O Lord, we pray, the offerings
which we bring from the abundance of your gifts,
that through the powerful working of your grace
these most sacred mysteries may sanctify our present
way of life and lead us to eternal gladness.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen*

Communion Antiphon **Ps 102: 2**

*Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and never forget all his benefits.*

Prayer after Communion

*We have consumed, O Lord, this divine Sacrament,
the perpetual memorial of the Passion of your Son;
grant, we pray, that this gift,
which he himself gave us with love beyond all telling,
may profit us for salvation.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen*