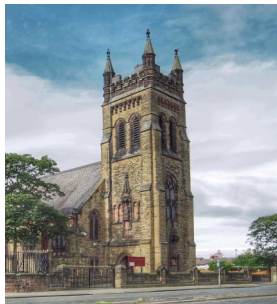


PARISH NEWSLETTER



FOR THE PARISH OF ST CHARLES & ST THOMAS MORE AIGBURTH

Parish Mission Statement

The Parish of St Charles and St Thomas More, illuminated by the Light of Christ and led by the Holy Spirit, seeks to bring that light to South Liverpool always striving to be a loving and welcoming community where all people are included and valued, and strangers are treated as friends. Fed and nurtured by scripture, prayer and the Sacraments, we journey together to come closer to God so that we can proclaim His love in our thoughts, words and actions.

Parish Priest:

Fr Ron Johnson

Deacons:

Rev Paul McNicholl
Rev Jeremy Mitchinson

Office Admin Assistant:

Mrs Val Hogg

Parish Office Hours

The Parish Office is closed until Thursday 30th November although it is possible to leave messages by phone or email...

Parish Telephone
0151 727 2493

Parish Email Address
stcharles@rcaol.org.uk

Website Address
www.stcharlesandstthomasmore.org.uk

Sunday 18th November 2023 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Times of Masses and Services

Day	Date	Times	Feast	Intention
Saturday	18/11/23	5.00 pm	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	John Egan
		6.00 pm	Neo-Catechumenate Community	People of the Parish
Sunday	19/11/23	9.30 am	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Helen & Peter Kane
		11.00 am	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Ronald Bee
Monday	20/11/23	11.30 am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
		12 noon	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Pious List
Tuesday	21/11/23	7.00 pm	Presentation of the BVM	Pious List
Wednesday	22/11/23	10.00 am	St Cecilia	Pious List
Thursday	23/11/23	7.00 pm	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Pious List
Friday	24/11/23	12 noon	St Andrew Dun-Lac & Companions	Fr A McCawley
Saturday	25/11/23	4.15 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
		5.00 pm	Christ the King	Mary Wilcox
		6.00 pm	Neo-Catechumenate Community	Pious List
Sunday	26/11/23	9.30 am	Christ the King	People of the Parish
		11.00 am	Christ the King	People of the Parish

Come and See - World Youth Sunday 2023

Next weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, which we traditionally hold as a celebration of Youth Sunday.

In November 2020, Pope Francis called for a relaunch of World Youth Day, which had been previously celebrated in Rome on Palm Sunday, asking the global Catholic community to celebrate Youth Sunday locally on the Solemnity of Christ the King which the Church in England and Wales had already been doing.

It is a day to celebrate the role of young people in the Church, to pray for and encourage young people to deepen their relationship with Jesus and explore various opportunities within the Church.

An international gathering of young people to mark World Youth Day with the Pope occurs biannually, most recently in August in Lisbon, Portugal.

The Catholic Youth Ministry Federation of England and Wales coordinate parish and school celebrations. Since lockdown 2020, this has included an interactive livestream event, "World Youth FUNday!" connecting classrooms across the UK, this year on Friday 24th November.

Next Weekend... World Youth Sunday Second Collection

Each year, when we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King and Youth Sunday, we take a Second Collection to support the work of Animate the Archdiocesan Youth Ministry Team based in St Helens. Since its formation, Animate has worked with thousands of young people across the Archdiocese in schools, parishes and through the Archdiocesan Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

This coming week...

Sunday 19th November

At 9.30 am Mass
Music Group
Children's Liturgy
of the Word
Tea & Coffee after Mass

At 11 am Mass
Organ Music
Tea & Coffee after Mass

Monday 20th November

Warm and Cozy Session
begins after Mass
Pensioners Club
meets at 2 pm.

Rehearsal for the Advent
Carol Concert begins 7.30 pm

Wednesday 22nd November

Parents and Toddlers
group meets between
9.30 and 11 am

Thursday 23rd November

Afternoon Tea Group
meets between
2 pm and 3.30 pm

Friday 24th November

Bingo meets at 7.30 pm

Sunday 26th November

At 9.30 am Mass
Organ Music
Children's Liturgy
of the Word
Tea & Coffee after Mass

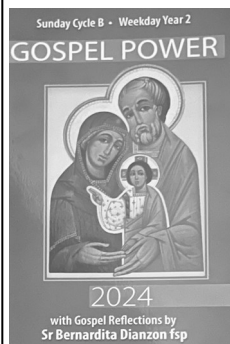
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Monday 27th November

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Pensioners Club
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Carol Concert begins 7.30 pm



**Are you
enjoying your
2023 Gospel
Power book?
Would you
like to order a
copy for 2024?**

The Gospel Power Book proved very successful last year and so we are hoping to offer it again this year. Normally priced at £ 6.99, the Sisters of St Paul have offered us a discount if we buy in bulk and so we hope to pass this on to you and sell them at just £ 6.50..

In order to pass on this saving we need an idea of how many copies to buy and so if you would like to place your order please sign the sheet at the back of Church.

Bach Cantata

As we near the end of the liturgical year, the Cathedral Choir, accompanied by members of the Liverpool Mozart Orchestra, will sing Bach's Cantata 'Wachet auf' (Sleepers wake) on Sunday 19th November at 3 pm.

It is free to attend but a retiring collection will be taken.

Could you be a deacon?

Archbishop Malcolm will be hosting an information evening for men who may feel called to the diaconate between 7.30 - 9.00pm (refreshments from 7.00pm) on Thursday 23rd Nov in St Bede's Guild Hall, Appleton Village, Widnes, WA8 6EL.

Wives and supporting deacons or priests are very welcome...

If you are interested in the diaconate but unable to attend this evening, email Fr Chris Fallon, c.fallon@racol.org.uk, or Deacon Paul Rooney, p.rooney@rcaol.org.uk

Archdiocesan Synodal Council

The first-ever Archdiocesan Synodal Council for the Archdiocese of Liverpool will be taking place from 10.30am on Saturday 25th November.

Anyone can watch the ASC online and can submit questions by clicking the link on the Archdiocese of Liverpool's homepage: <https://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/>

We want as many people as possible to be able to be part of this event.

At the Cenacle

Tithebarn Grove,
Lance Lane, Liverpool L15 6TW

Quiet Saturday... Nov 25th

Time out Tuesdays... Dec 12th

Each day begins at
10.30 and ends about 4pm.

Tea/coffee is provided
but bring your own lunch.

The suggested offering
for the day is £10.

No booking required...

Notre Dame Association Mass and Afternoon Tea

26 November 11am - 4pm

There will be an Annual Mass of deceased pupils/sisters and staff of Notre Dame on

Sunday 26 November at

The Irenaeus Centre on Great George's Road Waterloo, Crosby.

This event is for any ex-pupils and staff of all Notre Dame schools and the cost is £12 per person.

11am - arrival, tea/coffee and biscuits

12pm - Mass

1pm - 4pm - Afternoon Tea
with raffle etc.

For further details please ring
Angela Swift on Tel 07866033227

Vatican II Constitutions

The Vatican II Constitutions Lecture & Seminar Series will be starting in October.

Wednesday 6 December:
Paul McPartlan
(Lumen Gentium)

Wednesday 17 January:
Peter McGrail
(Sacrosanctum Concilium)

Wednesday 28 February:
Pat Jones
(Gaudium et Spes)

The seminars will take place at Liverpool Hope University between 3pm - 4:30pm, and after a break for refreshments, the lecture will be from 5:30 - 7pm. The lecture will also be available to view online. Please register your interest, as soon as possible with Elizabeth Parsons by emailing e.parsons@rcaol.org.uk

With You Always Sacramental Preparation Course for First Reconciliation and Holy Communion 2023-24

Our second Sacramental Preparation Course session for children enrolled in this year's With You Always programme will take place on Saturday 9th December at 1 pm
or
Monday 11th December at 6 pm.

Dates of the future sessions, which will in the new year, will be advertised on the newsletter as soon as they are set.

Parish Mission at St Francis of Assisi led by John Pridmore

John Pridmore is the author of the book, from "Gangland to Promised land" in which he describes his journey from East End gangster to a world-renowned Catholic evangelist.

He will be leading a Parish Mission in St Francis of Assisi from Monday 4th to Friday 8th December.

The mission timetable is...

Monday 4th December

9.30 am Mission Mass

7.30 pm Evening Session:
"The Father's Will For Us"

Tuesday 5th December

9.30 am Mission Mass

7.30 pm Evening Session:
"Renewed Freedom in Jesus"

Wednesday 6th December

9.30 am Mission Mass

7.30 pm Evening Session:
"Healing Our Wounded Heart"

Thursday 7th December

9.30 am Mission Mass

7.30 pm Evening Session:
"Saints Of God"

Friday 8th December

7.30 pm Evening Mass:
"The Holy Angels"

Most of the evening sessions will include Exposition and Benediction.

Parish Christmas Quiz

Our Christmas Quiz is set for Thursday 8th December at 7.30 pm

Ticket £3 available from next weekend.

Parish Christmas Bingo

Our Parish Christmas Bingo will be held on Sunday 10th December.

Ticket £3 available from next weekend. Donations of prizes gratefully received.

LGBT+ Catholic Gathering

Sunday 10th December 2023
Mass begins at 2.00pm

Venue:

All Saints Church, High Street,
Golborne, WA3 3BG

St Charles and St Thomas More Advent Carol Service

Our Advent Carol Service will take place at 7:30pm on Wednesday 13th December.

A Celebration of Christmas

On Saturday 16 December 2023 at 7pm, the Metropolitan Cathedral is hosting their Family Christmas Concert which promises to be a magical night of Christmas Carols and seasonal favourites.

Featuring the Metropolitan Cathedral Choir, Knowsley Catholic Children's Choir & special guests The Rock Choir.

Tickets: £10 each / £18 family from www.ticketsource.co.uk/metcathedral.

The Irenaeus Project
*The glory of God
is a person fully alive*

32 Great Georges Road,
Waterloo, Liverpool L22 1RD

Come and See Days 2023

The Power of the Word
led by

Michael Winstanley

10:30am - 4pm

2nd December 2023

Bring a packed lunch

Craft Workshop

1pm

4th December 2023

(booking essential)

Agape Mass

7pm

7th December 2023

Advent

Scripture Evenings

A New Beginning

7pm on

27th November,

4th December,

11th December

18th December

Zoom link available
for this event.

For more information
about all

Irenaeus events

contact

jenny@irenaeus.co.uk

or

Tel: 01519391199

Christmas Shopping with EasyFundraising

Did you know 57% of shoppers will do most of their Christmas shopping online this year?

And did you know this shopping can easily turn into funding for your church?

We have registered the parish with Easy Fundraising - Funding for Faith.

8,000 popular online shops including

eBay, Argos, John Lewis, Currys, Etsy, M&S, Boots, Waterstones and

Moonpig will donate money whenever you shop with them.

If you plan to use EasyFundraising's services,

please ensure you are shopping online safely:

Check the website address is correct when shopping online.

Make sure the website is secure - the website address should start with

"https" (the "S" stands for "Secure").

Use PayPal for added buyer protection.

Don't use public wifi - use your home wi-fi,

or your mobile phone data (your 4G or 5G connection).

Keep your virus software up-to-date, and

use strong passwords for your online accounts.

As Martin Lewis always says, if a deal looks too good to be true...

it probably is!

Held in prayer...

Please remember in prayer all those who are affected by war and conflict, including those affected by the continuing violence in Africa and Ukraine, and those caught up in the unfolding violence between the Israeli and Palestinian peoples in the Holy Land.

All those who are sick, homeless or in need...

And all those who have died recently, all those whose anniversaries occur at this time and all those whose names are included on our November Pious List.

May they rest in peace...

Parish Income

32nd Sunday

Envelopes £ 447.00

Loose Plate £ 477.37

Standing Orders £ 404.00

Total £ 1328.37

Mass Attendance

32nd Sunday

5 pm 128

9.30 am 157

11 am 88

Total 373

Candle Intentions:

Sanctuary Candle

Special Int (P&M)

Marian Candle

Special Int (J)

Sacred Heart Candle

Late Mem Errity Family

Christmas Mass Times...

This year the 4th Sunday of Advent falls on Christmas Eve which means if we had our normal Masses schedule there would 9 Masses between 5 pm Saturday evening and lunch time Monday.

Past experience tells me that numbers on the 4th Sunday of Advent might not justify 3 Masses and so I propose Saturday 5 pm and Sunday at 10 am or 10.30 am. What do you think?