

Bruckner and Saint-Saëns

The choir of Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral is joined by the Liverpool Mozart Orchestra to present a programme of music by Bruckner and Saint-Saëns on Saturday 19 October, 7pm. Tickets are £15.

In celebration of Anton Bruckner's 200th anniversary, the cathedral choir will sing three of Bruckner's best-known motets, before combining with the Liverpool Mozart Orchestra and soloists to complete the programme with his mighty Te Deum.
<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/metcathedral/>

The Archdiocese of Liverpool Lourdes Youth Pilgrimage 2025

23rd July - 1st August for ages 15 (year 10) - 22

Each year, around 500 young people make the annual trip to Lourdes with the Archdiocese Youth Pilgrimage. The pilgrimage has been running for over 35 years and young people from across the Archdiocese take part. While in Lourdes, the youth take part in an array of things. They pray together, work together, eat together, sing together, laugh together and come away with some of the best friendships and memories that they will treasure for life.

If you would like to join this trip, you can apply online from 7th October 2024 liverpool Lourdes youth.co.uk

Price £710, this includes Travel, Insurance, Accommodation, Breakfast, Lunch and Evening Meal. Deposit paid at time of application £100

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 Jeremy Mitchinson
Rev Paul McNicholl (Retired)

Office Admin Assistant:
Mrs Kelly Hughes

Parish Office Hours

The Parish Office is open Monday to Friday, 9.30m till 2.30pm
 Parish Telephone 0151 727 2493
 Parish Email Address stcharles@rcaol.org.uk
 Website Address www.stcharlesandstthomasmore.org.uk

Sunday 29th September 2024 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Times of Masses and Services

Day	Date	Times	Feast	Intention
Saturday	28/9/24	5.00 pm	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Marie & Fred Ferguson
		6.00 pm	Neo-Catechumenate Mass	Fr W Mills
Sunday	29/9/24	9.30 am	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time	People of the Parish
		11.00 am	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Eileen Nixon
Monday	30/9/24	11.30 am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
		12 noon	St Jerome	Special Int EH
Tuesday	1/10/24	10.00 am	St Teresa of the Child Jesus	Jill Hughes
Thursday	3/10/24	7.00 pm	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Anthony Christie
Friday	4/10/24	12 noon	St Francis of Assisi	Marie Schimpel
Saturday	5/10/24	11.00 am	Weekday in Ordinary Time	Fr C Brownbill
		4.30 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
		5.00 pm	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mary Halpin
		6.00 pm	Neo-Catechumenate Mass	People of the Parish
Sunday	6/10/24	9.30 am	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	A & M Byrne & E & R Collins
		11.00 am	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Ronald Bee

St Charles and St Thomas More Advent Carol Service

This year our Advent Carol Service will take place on Wednesday 11th December at 7:30 pm. The Parish choir will lead our singing. Rehearsals for the Parish Choir will take place on Monday evenings beginning at 7:30 pm and starting on Monday 28th October. New singers are always very welcome and especially tenors and bases.

Please see Jeremy Mitchinson for more details or contact him on 07808 000042.

Candle Intentions

Yellow envelopes are available if you would like to sponsor the Sanctuary, Marian or Sacred Heart Candle, and dedicate it to a loved one.

Could you be a Deacon?

The Archbishop will be hosting Diaconate Information Evenings on Thursday 5th December at Bishop Eton in Liverpool and on Thursday 23rd January at St John's in Wigan. Each evening will begin at 7.30pm, with refreshments available from 7.00pm and will end by 9.00pm. The evenings are open to anyone who would like to find out more about the diaconate., especially men who are wondering if they may be called to this ministry.

Wives and supporting priests and deacons are also very welcome.

For more information email Deacon Paul Rooney
 Email p.rooney@rcaol.org.uk.

Held in prayer...

Let us continue to pray for peace in the Holy Land and Ukraine and in every other region where people's lives are affected by conflict.

For all who are sick and housebound and for all those who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries that occur at this time.

Candle Intentions

Sanctuary Candle
Dominic Redcliffe
Marian Candle
Joseph Patrick Campbell
Sacred Heart Candle
Bob McCappin (B'Day)

Mass Attendance 25th Sun Ordinary Time

5 pm	124
9.30 am	130
11 am	108
Total	362

Parish Income 25th Sun Ordinary Time

Envelopes	£ 509.51
Loose Plate	£ 480.06
Standing Orders	£ 520.60
Total	£ 1510.17

Catholic Pic

Have you picked up your copy of the September Catholic Pic?

Knights of St Columba Charity Walk

The Knights of St Columba annual charity walk takes place this Sunday the 29th September.

Good luck to all taking part in the walk!

They have decided that all funds raised this year will be given to Zoe's Place, Liverpool.

Donation envelopes were made available last weekend, and there are still some left for you to use. This weekend collection baskets are available at the back of Church for you to return them.

Season of Creation 2024

The Season of Creation 2024 comes to an end in a few days time. It ends on Friday the 4th October as we celebrate the Feast of St Francis of Assisi.

Of course the work of living simply, sustainably and in solidarity with the poor will continue throughout the rest of the year, as we seek to continue to find new ways, as individuals and as a community of faith, to tread more lightly upon the earth.

As we look to 2025 and our next big project, we hope to extend and improve the car parking facilities but this will also include new zones for planting.

Message of Thanks from Deacon Paul McNicholl

Sue and I have just returned from a wonderful holiday in Malta, a place I have always wanted to visit. It was your generosity on the occasion of my retirement from the Diaconate that prompted and financially supported our plans. It was a wonderful experience in so many ways, so many thanks to you all for helping to make it happen. We have asked Fr. Ron to say a Mass for you and all your intentions.

Paul McNicholl

New Sunday Missal

A new edition of the Lectionary using the English Standard Version - Catholic Edition and the Abbey Psalms and Canticles will come into use in England, Scotland, and Wales on the First Sunday of Advent, 2024.

The new Lectionary gives us an opportunity to hear the Word of God with fresh ears and deeper understanding as we engage with a text that reflects up-to-date biblical scholarship. The New Sunday Missal costs £19.99

If you would like to purchase a copy, please see the poster and sign up sheet at the back of Church.

This coming week...

Sunday 29th September

At 9.30 am Mass
Organ Music
Children's Liturgy
of the Word

Tea & Coffee after Mass

At 11 am Mass
Music Group

Tea & Coffee after Mass

Monday 30th September

Mothers' Prayers
begins at 10.30 am

Pensioners Club
meets at 2pm

Wednesday 2nd October

Parent and Toddler Group
meets at 9.30am

Thursday 3rd October

Afternoon Group
meets at 2 pm

Friday 4th October

Bingo meets at 7.30 pm

Sunday 6th October

At 9.30 am Mass
Music Group
Children's Liturgy
of the Word

Tea & Coffee after Mass

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Organ Music

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The Meeting Room Refurbishment

After a few delays and snags along the way the meeting room is finally ready to reopen this weekend, however there is still a problem or two to be sorted out.

There is a problem with the new doors. Unfortunately, as I was on my way to celebrate the 12 noon Mass on Friday, I noticed that one of the new glass panels had been broken as the window fitters tried to install them into the new doors. I am assured it is safe but please be careful!

The biggest problem is around the new storage. Unfortunately, what I planned would happen has proven to be too expensive as the quote was of over £7,000. So we had to make changes to the plans and create a new smaller walk in storage room near the new entrance doors. This new room, along with the former kitchen and original small storage room near the disabled toilet, will be the only storage spaces within the new meeting room. It will take some time to complete these spaces as apparently the builders had only quoted for construction and re-decoration and not for any new shelving units. They say every cloud has a silver lining, and I guess the silver lining here is that we have some time to review what we really need to keep, what is currently being duplicated but could be shared between groups and what needs to be thrown out or could find a new home somewhere else.

I really hope that you take some time to pop down to look at the new facilities after Masses this weekend and I would be interested to hear of suggestions for new activities and events that could take place there. After all it's no good just having these facilities, we really need to make use of them, to proclaim the Gospel light.

Thank you

The whole project has created an overspend of £10,000 but fortunately this has been offset to some extent by the generosity of parishioners over the past few weeks. You have collectively donated nearly £ 2,500 so far. In the coming weeks I will be purchasing the new supplies we need, including cups to tea towels, teaspoons to bins. Thank you once again for all your support!

With You Always Sacramental Preparation Course for First Reconciliation and Holy Communion 2024-25

We will soon begin the next series of preparation programmes for First Reconciliation and Holy Communion early in the Autumn Term for baptised children in Year 4 and above regardless of what school they attend.

If you would like to enrol your child on the next course please collect an application form at one of the weekend Masses, complete it and return it as soon as possible.

Pilgrims of Hope Reflections

We are coming to the end of our series of "Pilgrims of Hope" Reflections which are being held ahead of the Holy Year 2025.

The last two events are listed below.



Family of Parishes

Riverside

Inland

Session Four begins at 7 pm

Monday 30th Sept
St Anthony of Padua
Mossley Hill

Tuesday 1st Oct
St Mark
Halewood

Session Five begins at 7 pm

Monday 7th Oct
St Francis
Garston

Tuesday 8th Oct
Our Lady of the Assumption
Gateacre

Peace Walk on

International Day of Nonviolence

Pax Christi are organising a Walk for Peace on Wednesday 2nd October at 11.50 a.m.

Please gather at Lime St Station (Platform 9).

We will proceed to the Cenotaph to Peace Garden, stopping at places where we will pray and pass on the message of the power and the value of nonviolent peace making. The walk will end with the opportunity to pray and reflect on the Vow of Nonviolence.

Enquiries : kathlydon50@gmail.com

Parish Readers

The Archdiocesan Liturgy Commission are offering parish readers (existing or new) an opportunity to come together for some practical training and reflection on their important ministry this autumn.

The nearest to our parish is Saturday, 5th October at Christ the King Parish Club, Childwall, L16 6AW between 10am to 1pm
Contact pa.stmaryleyland@rcaol.org.uk to book.

Other dates are available at the venues listed here...

Saturday, 19th October:
Irenaeus, Waterloo, L22 1RD

Saturday, 2nd November:
St Mary's Community Centre, Leyland, PR25 1PD

All run between 10am to 1pm
(please bring a packed lunch)

Eucharistic Ministry Training Day

The Irenaeus Project will lead a Eucharistic Ministry Training Day on Saturday 5th October 2024.

If you are interested in this ministry you must speak with Fr Ron as places can only be booked through the Parish Office.

Autumn Bingo

The Parish Autumn Bingo, raising funds for the meeting room will take place on Sunday 6th October at 3 pm. Tickets are available from Fran at all Masses. Donations of prizes appreciated.

Lucky Numbers Annual Subscriptions Renewal

For those who pay one annual subscription of £30.00 for their Lucky Number, this is payment is now due. Please put cash/cheque in an envelope marked 'Lucky Numbers' with your name and put it on the collection plate or pass it into the Parish Office before the end of the month. As you know the profits from the Lucky Numbers Draw are used to help fund our parish charitable outreach to those in need. If anyone would like to join this charitable outreach of the parish then please contact Jacinta on 07757143851.