

**PARISH  
NEWSLETTER**



**FOR THE PARISH OF  
ST CHARLES &  
ST THOMAS MORE  
AIGBURTH**

**Parish Office Hours**

**Parish Office is open  
During Easter Week from  
Tuesday to Friday  
between 9.30 & 2.30 pm.**

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**Sunday 20th April 2025**

**Easter Sunday**

**Times of Masses and Services**

Day	Date	Times	Feast	Intention
Saturday	19/4/25	8.00 pm	Easter Vigil	Easter Mass Association
Sunday	20/4/25	9.30 am	Easter Sunday	Easter Mass Association
		11.00 am	Easter Sunday	Easter Mass Association
Monday	21/4/25	11.30 am	Monday of Easter Octave	Easter Mass Association
Tuesday	22/4/25	11.30 am	Tuesday of Easter Octave	Easter Mass Association
Wednesday	23/4/25	11.30 am	Wednesday of Easter Octave	Easter Mass Association
Thursday	24/4/25	11.30 am	Thursday of Easter Octave	Easter Mass Association
Friday	25/4/25	11.30 am	Friday of Easter Octave	Easter Mass Association
		2.00 pm	Funeral Service for Joseph McNamee	
Saturday	26/4/25	11.30 am	Saturday of Easter Octave	Easter Mass Association
		5.00 pm	2nd Sunday of Easter	Easter Mass Association
		6.00 pm	Neo-Catechumenal Way	Easter Mass Association
Sunday	27/4/25	9.30 am	2nd Sunday of Easter	Easter Mass Association
		11.00 am	2nd Sunday of Easter	Easter Mass Association

**Happy Easter 2025**



Fr Ron, Dcns Jeremy, Paul & Kelly, our Office Admin Assistant, would like to wish all parishioners and their loved ones a happy and holy Easter!

**Scottish Relics Tour & the Relic of St Carlo Acutis**

A second British tour of the Scottish Relics of St. Andrew, St. Margaret and St. Columba has been organised with the relics to be venerated at parish level within the KSC Provinces. The Relics will be here at St Charles Church from Monday 21st to Tuesday 22nd April 2025 with the Church open for private prayer, with the relics and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, from Mass until 2 pm on Monday and, on Tuesday, from 10.30 until Mass and after Mass until 2 pm. Please come and join us!

Then next weekend, as the Vocation Parish for the Archdiocese, we have been selected to hold the Archdiocesan Relic of Carlo Acutis, who will be canonised next weekend in Rome, for veneration during our weekend Masses and during our Divine Mercy Reflections at 3 pm on 2nd Sunday of Easter.

**Vivaldi 'Stabat Mater' & Sacred Baroque Vocal Gems**

As part of our celebrations of Easter and for the parish celebrations of the 125th anniversary of the opening of St Charles new Church, on Friday 25th April 2025 at 7.30pm at St Charles Church there is a sung recital with organ accompaniment.

Entry is free but donations appreciated to help cover costs, with any extra donations going to our parish 125th Anniversary Fund.



**This coming week...**

**Sunday 20th April**

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

**Tuesday 22nd April**

Pensioners' Club  
 begins at 2.00 pm.

**Wednesday 23rd April**

Parent and Toddler Group  
 begins at 9.30 am.

**Thursday 24th April**

Afternoon Group  
 begins at 2.00 pm

**Saturday 26th April**

With You Always 2024-25  
 Sacramental Preparation  
 Course for First  
 Reconciliation and  
 Holy Communion  
 Session 7  
 begins at 1pm

**Sunday 27th April**

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

**Archbishop Malcolm McMahon Easter Message 2025**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

During Lent and throughout my preparations for Easter, one word that I always refer to is hope. We are now over four months into the Jubilee Year, which as I'm sure you're aware, has the theme of 'Pilgrims of Hope', so this year it is a word I have reflected on more than ever.

So far this year, the Archdiocese has been privileged to celebrate an original pilgrim of hope, Jack Traynor. In February, thousands of people from across the Archdiocese and beyond joined together for a Mass filled with joy and hope to mark his miraculous cure in Lourdes from 1923. Despite the severity of his illness and the obstacles he faced to even travel to Lourdes, Jack never gave up hope. There had been an attempt to declare it a miracle in 1993, but the Archdiocese didn't give up hope to get an official ecclesiastical declaration.

Recently, we have all been closely following the progress of Pope Francis and I was delighted when he left hospital after five weeks of medical care. Last month, during his hospital stay, he also referred to hope saying: "Our bodies are weak but, even like this, nothing can prevent us from loving, praying, giving ourselves, being for each other, in faith, shining signs of hope."

The annual feast of Easter provides us with hope. When Jesus was betrayed and consequently crucified on Good Friday, his followers were surrounded in darkness and had lost all hope. Three days later, on Easter morning when they had discovered that the tomb was empty, Mary Magdalene stood outside the empty tomb weeping and asked where the body of Jesus had been taken to. She then recognised the triumphant news that the Lord had risen. Their darkness had turned into light, war into peace and despair had turned into hope.

During our Easter celebrations in 2025, we are surrounded by hope. We have seen an increase in RCIA candidates being welcomed into our Church. We have also the wonderful news that Pope Francis has appointed my successor Bishop John Sherrington. This gives me great hope for a vibrant future for the Catholic Church in Liverpool.

During this great feast of Easter, may we welcome the hope from the Risen Christ into our lives. May the Risen Lord touch our hearts and lives with His peace, light and hope.

Yours in Christ,

*+ Malcolm McMahon OP*

Archbishop Malcolm McMahon OP  
 Apostolic Administrator, Archdiocese of Liverpool

**Held  
 in  
 Prayer**

Let us pray for peace and for those involved in negotiating peace deals around the world that they may work for a just and lasting peace.

For all who are sick and housebound and for those who have died recently, including Joseph McNamee and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

Mass Attendance		Parish Income		Candle Intentions	
Palm Sunday		Palm Sunday		Sanctuary Candle	
5 pm	95	Loose Plate	£ 548.11	Fran (Birthday)	
9.30 am	132	Envelopes	£ 425.10	Marian Candle	
11 am	102	Standing Orders	£ 520.60	Fr George Russell	
<b>Total</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 1493.81</b>	Sacred Heart Candle	
				Thanksgiving BG	