

ST JOSEPH AND ST LAURENCE'S PARISH

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A warm **Welcome** to everyone at Masses this weekend and a particular welcome to all our Year 4 children and their families! They have been especially invited to either Mass this weekend for their official Parish Mass of Welcome and enrolment for the focused preparation to celebrate and receive their next sacraments of the Church; the gift of the loving, merciful forgiveness of God and the gift of the Body & Blood of Jesus in Holy Communion. Every year these months of preparation help all of us as our Parish Family, adults and children together, to deepen our faith and then LIVE our faith in action more and more, in our everyday lives, at home, school, or work. This will be a wonderful blessing for our parish community, through the support of our families and school communities. For Year 4 families, attending weekly Masses and any meetings that will be organised will help them be ready and prepared, not for a day of celebration but prepared to LIVE more fully every day of their lives!

FR SEAN

Vocation Discernment Group

To support those exploring vocations to the Priesthood in our archdiocese, a monthly day of recollection has been organised for the first Saturday of each month. These days will help men who feel called to the ordained ministry, to discover more about diocesan priesthood and meet others discerning a call to priesthood. There will be an opportunity to talk with and hear from priests who minister in the diocese and also a time for prayer and discussion.

The next such day is Saturday 3rd February, at St Charles' Presbytery, 224 Aigburth Road, Liverpool L17 9PG. For further information please contact Fr James Preston, Vocations Director for the Archdiocese, at frjamespreston@gmail.com or telephone 0151 727 2493. Regular updates will be posted on the Facebook page: Archdiocese of Liverpool Vocations.

FINANCES

Cathos Collection £374.69 Church Repairs £22.52

SAB £ 30.00

Thank you.

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**Holy Hour of Blessed Sacrament @ Convent THIS Wednesday,
2.30pm, 8 Cherryfield Drive. All Welcome.**
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Next Weekend

1st Chris Davies Teresa Taylor

2nd Anthony Ely Sr Eva

Int Paula Hines Barbara Lye

HL Ray Hines Margaret Byrne

CL Joe Bennett Pat Fleming

CL Tony Bennett Ann Murphy

HR Gerard Riley Magdeline Green

CR Annette Ruane Ellen Richards

CR Claire Tyrrell Sr Jessie
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Year 4 children and their families: - Special Invitation

Our parish community will be giving extra support to our Catholic children in Year 4 and their families, so that together we will all deepen our faith and understanding about the Church in the coming months. This will focus on the gift of God's forgiveness in Reconciliation/Confession and on God's gift of Jesus in Holy Communion- His Body & Blood seen at the altar, in the Tabernacle and at Holy Communion time during Mass. As part of family-preparation for receiving these gifts for the first time ALL Year 4 families, living in the parish, are especially invited to attend WEEKLY Saturday night/Sunday Masses, every week: at the start of a New Year, Masses and prayers prepare us all for the year ahead and beyond. Families NEED to be coming regularly to Mass if they are to be ready to receive the gifts, for the first time, so as to then LIVE-the-faith more fully in daily life. If they are not ready in 2018, they will celebrate later in their Year 5, during 2019.

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW.
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St Joseph the Worker RC Primary: Head: Mrs Jude Ryan. Tel: 477 8173

St Laurence's RC Primary: Head: Miss Sarah Jane Carroll Tel: 546 4733

All Saints Catholic High: Headteacher: Mr Tony McGuinness. Tel: 477 874

When Mass intentions are received by the Parish, the names will be put on the Newsletter the following week so that prayers can be said by everyone for those people and then Masses will be offered by a priest in the order that they are handed in & appear in the parish Mass book. When people's anniversaries, or birthday remembrances fall in a given week, their names will also now be listed on the newsletter for that week.

At some point in the future, the individual's name will also now be printed on the newsletter for a particular Mass, to show that the Priest is fulfilling his obligation to offer in his own prayers that named person during a particular Mass.

We cannot guarantee that any specific Mass intention will be possible at a particular Mass, on a particular day, but their name will now appear on the parish newsletter up to three times – the week it was handed in, the week of the actual anniversary/birthday and the day the Mass intention is being offered by the priest at Mass. Every Sunday and Holy Days the Parish Priest must also offer one of the Masses for all of his parishioners.

Every Mass is always celebrated for everyone. No-one is forgotten by God, on any day, whether their name is on the newsletter or not and each of us may also be praying for someone else at the same Mass we all attend.
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Anniversary intentions requested at this time: Fr Peter Nicholson

Birthday Remembrances intentions requested at this time:

Mass intentions received this week: Maurice Butler, Peter Kent, Bob Pollitt

All our Special Intentions for family and friends, alive or dead. The empty place at the table; a candle light and prayer before our meals; the separated and divorced; the hungry and the homeless.

We pray for those who have died recently, especially:

**Maria Moran, Eileen Yong, William Price, Mary Carroll
their families and friends;**

-and all those who are bereaved, or sad, the sick, lonely, or depressed.

Saturday/Sunday 27th/28th January 2018.