

15th Sunday of Ordinary Time Yr B

(Week 69 of Covid-19 UK restrictions Week 28 of National Lockdown III)

Vigil and First Mass of Sunday:

Sat 10th 7.00 pm Frank Cameron

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Sun 11th 10.00 am Parishioners

Mon 12th 10.00 am Bella Barton

Memorial of St Henry

Tue 13th ****10.00 am**** Maureen Stevens

Wed 14th **NO MASS**

Memorial of St Bonaventure

Thu 15th ****10.00 am**** Philip Hughes

Memorial of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Fri 16th 10.00 am Elizabeth Keeley

Sat 17th **10.00 am** Lancashire Infirm Secular Clergy Fund

Vigil and First Mass of Sunday:

Sat 17th 7.00 pm Parishioners

16th Sunday of Ordinary Time Yr B-

Sun 18th 10.00 am Tony Davies

Mass Intentions received this week: Kathleen Mythen, Cornelius Mulvaney, Philomena Donohue, Fr Patrick Connors SJ, Pope Francis

Anniversaries Fr Cyril Brownbill, Fr Brian Lawlor OSA, Fr Pat Harnett SCJ

Sacrament of Confirmation with Year 8+age children & above. If you / your child would like to register for preparation for this sacrament please go to liverpoolcalled.co.uk and complete the registration form (which can be found at the top right of the website). Your local Confirmation co-ordinator will later contact you to inform you of the next stages of the preparation process. We will celebrate in Kirkby in October.

Please join your prayers with God the Holy Spirit, for the richest outcomes of the archdiocesan synod

· Angelus Prayer (Especially @ 12 noon and 6pm)

The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.

And she conceived by the Holy Spirit. (Hail Mary....)

Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

Be it done unto me according to thy word. (Hail Mary....)

And the Word was made Flesh. And dwelt among us. (Hail Mary....)

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts;

that, we to whom the Incarnation of Christ, Thy Son,

was made known by the message of an Angel,

may by His Passion and Cross, be brought to the glory of His Resurrection,

through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Our **HOME-CHURCH-SCHOOL** links, each support and build up the parish family, as we recognise and celebrate being part of something bigger; the visible Body of Christ; the gathered community; this is what CHURCH is really all about- we are the People of God- mainly lay people, with religious, the deacons, priests, bishops, altogether across our archdiocese of Liverpool- making up part of the world-wide family of the Church, gathered by God the Father, under His Son, the Word of God and with the Holy Spirit and with the Pope in prayer..*

*Each of our local parish schools, All Saints Catholic High, St Joseph the Worker and St Laurence's Primary schools are back to learning. I'd like to **THANK** our three Head Teachers, all the staff and governors, who have worked so hard to keep our schools safe. Parents will have been informed of the procedures in place to keep them safe, whilst the rest of the local community **also need to continue to follow public health advice**, to keep the level of local infections lower, to allow schools to stay open.*

The Parish Newsletters can be found on the school websites each week: St Joseph the Worker Primary School, or St Laurence's Primary School, under 'Our Catholic Life' or 'Our Faith' sections

More information about the Catholic faith is available on-line.

Archdiocese website liverpoolcatholic.org.uk **SEE MORE ABOUT SYNOD**

Pope Francis Website Vatican-Holy See

cafod.org.uk (including Children's Liturgy materials) **or** Catholic Pictorial

Canon Tom Neylon VG, has been appointed by Pope Francis as a new Auxiliary Bishop of Liverpool. His ordination as Bishop will be 3rd September at the Cathedral. We wish him congratulations and offer prayers for his ministry of service and leadership in the years ahead, with Archbishop Malcolm and Bishop Tom Williams

Jesus, the Blessed Sacrament, is present in the Tabernacle:

Please pray at home and join your prayers with Jesus, also in your heart.

I light candles regularly each day in Church for all your intentions from 8.30 am until 7pm, join your prayers with mine.

Each day at 12 Noon and 6pm EVERY day I invite everyone at home to pray the Angelus prayer, printed over the page, inviting us to pray as the Angel Gabriel, Mary, and the unborn baby Jesus.

During the day consider praying the 'Rosary', the life of Jesus, with Mary and Joseph. 1 X 'Our Father' and 10 X 'Hail Marys', 1X 'Glory be' for each of the 5 mysteries Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful, Glorious... The Angel's Prayer to Mary 'Hail', then the greeting prayer of St Elizabeth 'Blessed art thou amongst women' and indeed the added prayer for life and death.

Carefully and safely, I place a candle in the window of the Presbytery house to show Christ our Light into the darkness of the streets: @ 9pm each evening I'm still celebrating Masses in Church, as indicated over the page, but I again invite some of you to continue to join me in prayer from your homes, as we offer together our prayers to God, with the sacrifice of Jesus on Calvary at the altar. United in prayer, we receive communion in our hearts, even when not in our hands or on our tongue .

In these most unusual times, the Church building is still cautiously open for lighting candles & private prayer sat in benches before the Blessed Sacrament at the altar. **Public Masses continue and are NOT affected by the current Lockdown, but there is to be no 'mingling' with anyone not of your household. Church will OPEN fifteen minutes before each Mass.**

NOW it is still the time to continue to keep safe 'social distancing',

Only limited meeting of others outside your house ,

'rule of six'/ two households now inside our houses and back gardens,

but still not mingling with other people in other settings

staying alert, to slow the spread of any infection and new variants,

to break the chains to other people and still protect the NHS and save lives.

St Joseph & St Laurence's Parish Centre -

Elaine and staff would like to welcome back all our customers old and new.

We will be re-opening **THURSDAY 22nd July 8-11pm BAR.**

OPENING HOURS: THURSDAY & FRIDAY 8 - 11PM BAR ,

SATURDAY 7:30 - 11.30PM BAR SUNDAY 12:30 - 4.30pm PM BAR

07377341977 to book future functions for all days of the week & any enquiries

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St Joseph & St Laurence's Parish Centre- REOPENING Thursday 22nd July 8pm

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

All Saints Catholic High: Head: Mr Tony McGuinness. Tel: 477 8740

Our Parish e-mail: jsl@rcaol.org.uk for any queries/ concerns/volunteers.

<https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/st-joseph-st-laurence-kirkby> for donations

We are still awaiting official government guidance for Churches after the 19th July step of ceasing all legal restrictions. However, as the PM and the chief advisors have also stated, the pandemic does not disappear after that date and there still needs to be **caution** shown for the on-going risks; to those who are vulnerable and particularly those not yet fully vaccinated, with the risks of long-covid and new variants developing, with larger number of new cases each day creating a risk of residual sources of illness and hospitalisation through to the winter and into next Spring. It will be lovely to have greater freedom to choose to mix with family and those closest to us, whilst perhaps still maintaining some greater degree of distance from too many other people- continuing to use face coverings, space and hand washing, with rooms ventilated, for an on-going period of time. With this being the new reality of living with covid, I intend to request everyone continues as we have been when they come to church, to minimise the Church being the source of 'track and trace' still instructing people to isolate at home for 10 days, during this next phase up to the middle of August.

There is no obligation to attend Masses on a Sunday, but as the vaccination programme continues its successful effect, combined with all the efforts of people during the continuing period of caution, I hope parishioners will feel they can return to Masses at least one day a week, any day of the week, with growing confidence; knowing that we are still operating safely and Covid-secure, with the restrictions that apply to anyone entering Church, of 'hands, face and space', with good ventilation and limited total numbers present at any Mass/service. If you feel able, please come, it will be lovely to see you , at some point, at least one day each week.

KEEP THESE DATE IN YOUR DIARIES: I will be celebrating Masses, **7pm Tuesday 20th, Thursday 22nd & Friday 23rd** - each simple Mass to mark my 25 years since Priestly ordination, with still small numbers in Church. Depending on 'Track & Trace ' restrictions there will be a parish social later in August.