

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King 24th November 2024 Yr B

Sun 24th 11.00 am Kate Durney

Sun 24th 6.00 pm **Parishioners**

Mon 25th 10.00 am Margaret O' Neils Mum

Tues 26th 10.00 am Patsy Skillin

Wed 27th **2.30 pm Holy Hour @ the Cherryfield Drive Convent**

Thur 28th 7.00 pm **November Dead Lists**

Fri 29th 10.00 pm Martine Mary

Fri 29th 7.00 pm Delia Mair

Sat***30th **9.30 am Mass @ St Michael and All Angels, Westvale**

December FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Yr C

Sun 1st 11.00 am Alfie Drew

Sun 1st 6.00 pm **Parishioners**

Masses received this Teresa Holmes, Kenneth Noon, Fiona Doyle(nee Kirwin), Betty Kirwin, Mgr William Dalton, Fr Arthur Mulcahey, Mgr Canon Denis McDonnell, Fr Michael Youell, Parishioners' Intentions Remembrances for those who have died, anniversaries, birthdays, sick, lonely, unemployed, or depressed.

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

Archdiocese Website liverpoolcatholic.org.uk , Pope Francis Vatican-Holy See cafod.org.uk (Children's Liturgy materials) & [Catholic Pictorial](#)
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' section

NEXT CHURCH CLEANING:THURSDAY ****28th November**** after 7pm Mass.
Adult volunteers sought to give one hour normally every two weeks.

Thursday 28th November, 7pm Mass and 'Come and See' meeting 7.30-9pm

I am forming a new preparation group, for adults who wish to be baptised
or for already baptised Catholic adults yet to be confirmed,
and/or adults yet to receive their 1st Holy Communion,
or adults of other Christian Churches who may wish to become Catholics.
Let others know! Free Tea, Coffee & Biscuits. Warm Welcome!

***Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession is normally celebrated
10.15-10.45am before Sunday Morning Mass,***

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 communities of sisters and brothers, 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 joined in prayer, with the Pope.

'Encourage and invite someone back to Church': People, for various reasons, stopped regularly attending Mass and some people also may feel it is difficult to re-start. No-one needs to worry about having been absent from Church, even for many years. Everyone is WELCOME! It might just take a word of encouragement from you. Please ask a friend or relative to come with you to Church next Sunday.

All our local parish schools, All Saints Catholic High, and St Joseph the Worker Primary, and St Laurence's Primary are officially 'GOOD' schools after OFSTED inspection. As each now maintain their focus in this long Autumn term, I would like to again thank our three Head Teachers and the Governors, children, and families, for all their efforts to build on the work & support that our partnerships continue to see, as our children flourish.

When I was first ordained priest in 1996 the usual Mass offering was £5 per Mass Intention. To allow for inflation since then, the equivalent value of that £5 would be £11.76 per Mass! Mass requests can be for any person, the dead, the sick, those in need, special or private intentions. Requests for Mass Intentions can be made without needing to buy a Mass card.

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St Joseph & St Laurence's Parish Centre-

All the staff will give a warm welcome to all customers, old and new.
Phone 07377341977 to book future functions for **any day of the week**,
for daytime, or evening bookings. FREE Wi-Fi etc

2024/25 Private Functions you can also book FRIDAY/SATURDAY nights

Also, the Lounge is open every week for anyone who'd like to socialise.

Thur 12- 6pm, Sat from 8.00 pm & Sun from 11.45 am. All Welcome !

NOW BINGO every Tuesday afternoon 12-3pm & Thursdays 8 'til 1030pm

We have a New Club Manager , her name is Antonia, (Toni)

PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR PARISH CLUB

Please join in prayer with the Holy Spirit, for the success of the Archdiocesan Pastoral Plan

Prayer to God the Holy Spirit

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.

And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Spirit, we may be always truly wise, & rejoice in His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord Amen.

There is extra car parking space at the back of the Presbytery, off Bewley Drive and then, walk through the back garden & 'Collins Room' to the back of Church.

The regular visiting of the elderly and vulnerable, with the need for new Eucharistic Ministers to have DBS checks, means we currently cannot normally provide communion visits at home. If parishioners are house-bound and their condition is likely to continue to keep them at home for the longer term, please telephone the presbytery and Fr Sean will arrange a visit for the Sacrament of the Sick and Holy Communion.

Fr Sean is the Catholic Chaplain to Alder Hey Children's Hospital.

He also provides some holiday-cover & some weekly night-cover to the Royal & Broadgreen Hospitals & Aintree Hospital Chaplaincy priests. If a parishioner is ill in hospital, please ask family to inform nursing staff that they are Catholic and wish to be seen by a Catholic Chaplain.

Sunday 1st December, Teas and coffee will be served in the Parish Centre after Sunday 11am Mass, from 11.45am - All Welcome!

Next Parish Social Monday 9th December Live entertainment, food, refreshments, bingo, raffle. Doors open 1pm. £10 ticket from parish office.

Current weekly offertory collection averages £2.50 per adult: The diocese will give us an interest-free loan to clear our current £100k overdraft, but over five years **we will then need to raise the extra £20,000 each year** to pay off the loan itself **and we then also need extra weekly income** to meet our annual running costs that still put us in the red. In brief we need to more than double our weekly offertory collection to repay the loan, and we then need more in addition each week to meet the week-to-week increased running costs each year Whatever you currently give, please consider what you could afford to give each week and increase your weekly offering. You can also donate to the parish online: <https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk>

ST JOSEPH AND ST LAURENCE'S PARISH November/December 2024

Bewley Drive, Southdene, Kirkby, Merseyside L32 7PZ

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Church is open for prayer every day 9 am 'til 4pm, except Sunday 9 am 'til 6pm

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St Joseph the Worker RC Primary: Head: Mrs Jude Ryan. Tel: 477 8173

St Laurence's RC Primary: Head: Mrs Sarah-Jane Carroll-McKevitt Tel: 546 4733

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

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

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

A WARM WELCOME to everyone at Church this week. We also **Welcome** any visitors who may be joining us or their families this weekend.

As we conclude this month the dead continue to be a focus in the life of the Church. We pray for them all the time, but in November they have had a particular focus in our prayers. Our November Dead lists are another way to remember all our loved ones, - those long dead and the more recently died. There are sheets at the back of Church for you to write their names on and put into the envelopes for the Masses to be said for all the names on the Dead Lists during this month. You can also put donations in the envelope for the November Masses. The final thing we can do for those who have lived and have now died is to pray for them and the funeral prayers and at Masses since they have died, help them on their final journey back to God. These prayers and Masses also help us who remain on earth and give comfort and peace. We pray for them and the dead help us with their continuing prayers for us: the 'communion of saints'. In this last week of the Church's year, the end of our lives here on earth, death and resurrection become the next focus.

All Children and their Families are WELCOME to Mass EVERY week, as part of their family-catechesis, 'Living-out' of the faith. Children's Confession will also be celebrated each weekend, come early before weekend Masses in Church and ask to celebrate on the chairs in front of the Tabernacle .

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS

Jer33:14-16 7:13-14, Psalm 24, 1The 3:12-4.2, Gospel of Luke 21:25-36

'SUGGESTIONS BOX': if any parishioners have suggestions about what you would like to see happen in the parish, please leave a note in the offertory basket. What can you do to help ?