

**Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time 3rd November 2024 Yr B**

Sun 3rd 11.00 am **Parishioners**

Sun 3rd 6.00 pm Christina McHarron

**Memorial of St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop**

Mon 4th 10.00 am Vera O'Connell

Tues 5th 10.00 am Stan Ely Jnr

Wed 6th 12.15 pm **Canons' Chapter Mass @ The Cathedral**

**2.30 pm Holy Hour @ the Cherryfield Drive Convent**

Thur 7th 7.00 pm **November Dead Lists**

Fri 8th 10.00 pm Evelyn Burns

**FEAST OF THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA**

Sat\*\*\* 9th \*\* 9.30 am Mass @ St Michael and All Angels, Westvale

**32nd Sunday Ordinary Time - Remembrance Sunday**

Sun 10th 11.00 am **November dead Lists**

Sun 10th 6.00 pm **Parishioners**

*Masses received this Mary Ann Rowlands, Pat King, Fr Edmund Leahy, Canon Brian Mullan, Mgr Canon James Commins, Mgr Provost Peter Cookson, Fr Bernard Jackson, Very Rev. Provost Fredrick Hines, 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](http://liverpoolcatholic.org.uk), Pope Francis [Vatican-Holy See cafod.org.uk](http://Vatican-Holy See cafod.org.uk) (Children's Liturgy materials) & [Catholic Pictorial](http://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 \*\*14<sup>th</sup> November\*\*** after 7pm Mass.

Adult volunteers sought to give one hour normally every two weeks.

**Thursday 7th 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 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion, or adults of other Christian Churches who may wish to become Catholics. Let others know! Free Tea, Coffee & Biscuits. Warm Welcome!

*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 have their half-term break, 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.*

**Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession is normally celebrated 10.15-10.45am before Sunday Morning, and 5.15-5.45 pm before Sunday Evening Masses each week.**

**NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS**

**1Kings 17:10-16, Psalm 145, Hb 9:24-28, Gospel of Mk 12:38-44**

**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 3rd November, Teas and coffee will be served in the Parish Centre after Sunday 11am Mass, from 11.45am - All Welcome!*

*Next Parish Social Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November Live entertainment, light refreshments, bingo, raffle. Doors open 1pm. £5 ticket from parish office.*

The diocese will give us an interest-free loan to clear our current £100k overdraft, but over five years **we 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 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>

Current weekly offertory collection averages £2.50 per adult:

**Weekly Target average needed:** £ 8-£10 per household

**ST JOSEPH AND ST LAURENCE'S PARISH November 2024**

**Bewley Drive, Southdene, Kirkby, Merseyside L32 7PZ**

Archdiocese of Liverpool. A Registered Charity No 1199714

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

**Parish Priest: Canon Sean Kirwin Parish Secretary: Maria Byrne.**

**Office Hours: Mon – Fri, 9.00am – 4.00pm Tel: 546 3674**

**St Joseph & St Laurence's Parish Centre- Manager: Tel: 07377341977**

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](mailto: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. A special **Welcome** to families who have had a funeral for their loved ones in the last twelve months with this parish- these families have been especially invited to Masses this weekend or later in November.

As we move into the new month, the dead become a renewed focus in the life of the Church. We pray for them all the time, but in November they have a particular focus in our prayers. The final thing we can do for our loved ones is pray for them when they die. Whether they regularly attended Church or not, their parish community will celebrate their funeral in Church and/or at the crematorium or the cemetery. This is the final step on our earthly journey and as the Church community has accompanied us from our earliest moments now to our final moments and to the grave or cremation and beyond.

The final thing we can do for those who have lived and have now died is to pray for them and these funeral prayers and at Masses since they have died help them on their final journey back to God. These prayers 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. **FR SEAN**

***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.***

**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 ?**