

FEAST OF Christ the King C– 23rd November 2025

Sun 23rd 11 00 am November Dead Lists **YOUTH SUNDAY**

Sun 23rd 6.00 pm **Parishioners**

Memorial of St Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions, Martyrs of Vietnam

Mon 24th 10.00 am Mary Ross

12.00 pm Funeral - Ellen Hart

Tues 25th 10.00 am Thomas & Mary O'Meara

Wed 26th **2.30 pm Holy Hour @ Convent DHM – 6 Cherryfield Drive**

Thur 27th 7.00 pm **Monthly Mass for the Memorial Book Dead**

Fri 28th 10.00 am Aubrey David Newall

Fri 28th **7.00 pm November Mass Lists**

Sat 29th **9.30 am Mass@ St Michael & All Angels ,Westvale, L32 0TP**

Sun 30th **11.00 am Delia Mair First Sunday of Advent Year A**

Sun 30th 6.00 pm **Parishioners**

Masses received this week Ellen Hart, Joan Munro,- Mal Smith

Anniversaries: Betty Kirwin, Fiona Doyle (nee Kirwin) Fr Thomas Moroney, Fr Joseph Daley, Mgr William Dalton, Fr Michael Youell, Mgr Can Denis McDonnell, Fr Arthur Mulcahey, Fr John Gavin, Mgr William Dalton, Fr Robert Joyce , *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 Leo 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 27th November 2025**** after 7pm
Mass. Adult volunteers sought to give one hour, normally every two weeks.

Parish Social- 'Festive Meal Afternoon'- Monday 8th December,
St Joseph & St Laurence Parish Club,
Live entertainment, Festive Meal, Bingo , Raffle. Doors open 1pm
Ticket £10, from the Parish Office

'SUGGESTIONS BOX': if any parishioners have suggestions about what you would like to see happen in the parish, or to say what you could do to help, please leave a note in the offertory basket at the back of Church.

*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 still officially 'GOOD' schools after their latest OFSTED inspection. As the children and staff continue to work hard, 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.

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 earlier before weekend Masses in Church and ask to celebrate on the chairs in front of the Tabernacle .

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

NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS

Is 2, Psalm 122 , Rm 13 , Gospel of Mt 24

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

2025/26 Private Functions you can also book ANY day or night

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

Thur 12- 4pm, & Sun from 11.45 am.

All Welcome! **We have a New Club Manager , Antonia**

PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR PARISH CLUB : 07377 341 977.

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.

For the regular visiting of the elderly and vulnerable, we need new Eucharistic Ministers to have DBS checks, so we currently cannot normally provide regular communion visits at home, but 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. *Please remind everyone that this is not just for those who are dying, but for the sick. If people are dying don't wait until their final hours to call for the Priest.*

Fr Sean is the Catholic Chaplain to Alder Hey Children's Hospital. He also provides some holiday-cover & some weekly night-cover to the Aintree Hospital Chaplaincy priests. If a parishioner is ill in hospital, please ask family to inform nursing staff that they want to be registered as Catholic and wish to be seen by the Catholic Chaplain on call.

Journey in Faith-RCIA-Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

At St Joseph & St Laurences' Church, Kirkby, L32 7PZ

Thursday 27th November 2025 ,

7pm Mass and 'Come and See' meeting 7.30-9pm

Fr Sean has formed a new adult sacramental preparation group, with Masses and meetings to be held at St Joseph & St Laurence's Church.

This is for adults of other Christian Churches who may wish to become Catholics, or for other adults who are yet to be baptised, or adults yet to be confirmed, or adults yet to receive their 1st Holy Communion.

Weekly, Thursday 7pm Mass and meetings until Easter 2026.

Come and find out more.....

No obligation to commit to future meetings. Let others know!

Free Tea. Coffee & Biscuits. Warm Welcome!

ST JOSEPH AND ST LAURENCE'S PARISH Nov 2025

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 7pm

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

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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: Mr Paul McKenzie Tel: 546 4733

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

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

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

A warm **WELCOME** to everyone at Mass at Church this weekend.

As we move through and approach the end of this month, we continue to have the November Dead/Pious Lists tradition, of writing names of loved ones onto lists and placing the envelope and Mass offering donation into the offertory bags or the box on the altar steps. A weekly Mass is celebrated for all those named on the November Pious Lists forms throughout November; come to it.

In this final week of the Church's year, before the new season and new liturgical year begins with Advent, the bible readings at Mass invite us to reflect upon the promised return of Jesus from Heaven, when the angels and saints return and our deceased loved ones will rise and we are all re-united again. Sunday's Feast of Christ the King and Archbishop John Sherrington's Pastoral Letter reminds us all, young and old, that the message of Jesus Christ is one of hope, truth, justice and peace. These are not to be just words, but helpful guides to find concrete ways to serve Jesus with our daily lives here on earth, until the coming of His kingdom.

MEMORIAL BOOK. If you would like a dead loved one's name to be entered in the Memorial Book on display near the Lourdes Grotto, please give their name and date of their anniversary of death together with £20 in an envelope into the offertory or the Presbytery and they will be entered in Book. Mass is celebrated every month for those named in the Book.

The next meeting of the **Kirkby Family of Parishes** group is in January 2026. We're looking for volunteers from the parish to join this group. Find out more from Fr Sean about their future meetings in 2026.