## Thirty Third Week in Ordinary Time Year C- 16th November 2025

Sun 16th 11 00 am Sheila Traynor

Sun 16th 6.00 pm Parishioners

Mon 17th 9.30 am Mass @ St Michael & All Angels, Westvale, L32 0TP

Tues 18th NO 10.00 am Mass this Week

Wed 19th 2.30 pm MASS @ Convent DHM - 6 Cherryfield Drive

Thur 20th NO 7.00 pm Mass this Week

#### **Memorial of St Cecelia**

Fri 21st 9.30 am Mass @ St Mary Mother of God Northwood L33 6UF

Sat 22nd 9.30 am Mass @ St Michael & All Angels, Westvale, L32 0TP

Sun 23rd 11 00 am November Dead Lists Christ the King Feast -

Sun 23rd 6.00 pm Parishioners - YOUTH SUNDAY

Masses received this week Ellen Hart, Thomas & Mary O'Meara, Rose Kemp, Natasha & Paul Everess Wedding, Irene Riley, **Anniversaries**: Delia Mair, Fr Kevin Ashton, Fr Bernard Hughes, Fr George Houghton, Fr Nicholas Lawn, Fr Henry McCaffrie, Fr Edward Formby, Fr John P O'Hara, Fr Fred Ness, Fr Bernard Doyle, *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 <u>liverpoolcatholic.org.uk</u>, Pope Leo <u>Vatican-Holy See cafod.org.uk</u> (Children's Liturgy materials) & <u>Catholic Pictorial</u>

The Parish Newsletters can be found <u>on the school websites</u> each week;

<u>St Joseph the Worker Primary School</u>, <u>or St Laurence's Primary School</u>, under 'Our Catholic Life' or 'Our Faith' section

NEXT CHURCH CLEANING:THURSDAY\*\* 27<sup>th</sup> November 2025\*\* after 7pm Mass. Adult volunteers sought to give one hour, normally every two weeks.

Parish Social- 'Festive Meal Afternoon'- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> 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 return from 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.

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 2Sam5, Psalm 122, Col1, Gospel of Lk 23

**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 <u>any day of the week</u>, **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 <u>are house-bound and their condition is likely to continue to keep them at home for the longer term</u>, 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 <u>are dying don't wait until their final hours to call for the Priest.</u>* 

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 Chrisitan Initiation of Adults At St Joseph & St Laurences' Church, Kirkby, L32 7PZ Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 <a href="https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/st-joseph-st-laurence-kirkby">https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/st-joseph-st-laurence-kirkby</a>

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

We had great response from families who had held funerals with the parish over the last 12 months, at both Sunday Masses and the annual weekday Mass where their names were read and remembered and candles were lit.

As we move through this new month, we next 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 will be celebrated for all those named on the November Pious Lists forms throughout November.

We can **also** remember the real meaning of the Feast that fell at the end of October. 'All Hallows Eve', 'Hallow'e'en- the night before the feast we remember all the Saints, deceased loved ones, all the 'Hallowed' and then Holy Souls of the dead- not ghosts but Souls and Saints, and they pray for us.

In these final weeks 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 and our deceased loved ones will rise and we are all re-united again.

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.