

# THE PARISH OF ST CHARLES AND ST THOMAS MORE

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## Birthday of St John the Baptist (B) - 24th June 2018

DAY	FEAST	TIMES	MASS INTENTION
Sat 23rd Sun 24th	<b>Vigil</b> Neocatechumenal Community	5.00 pm 6.00 pm (Hall) 9.30 am 11.00 am	Special Int (Baby Maddie) Parishioners James Shaw (Id) Rev Deacon Thomas Clarke
Mon 25th		7.00 pm	Thanksgiving Sacred Heart & Our Lady of the Rosary
Tues 26th		9.30 am	Sick & Retired Priests
Wed 27th	St Cyril of Alexandria	12.00 noon	Thanksgiving (BH)
Thu 28th	<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul (Vigil)</b> Mass at Bellerive Mass at Bellerive	<b>No midday Mass</b> 1.00 pm 2.00 pm 7.00 pm	David Coutts (A) Catherine Angell (RIP) Eileen & Patrick Connole (RIP)
Fri 29th	<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>	10.00 am	Kathleen Sykes (RIP)
Sat 30th Sun 1st	<b>Vigil</b> Neocatechumenal Community <b>13th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	5.00 pm 6.00 pm (Hall) 9.30 am 11.00 am	Mary Halpin (A) Parishioners Rev Deacon Paul McNicholl Dolly Powell (bd)



*'God has raised for Israel one of David's descendants, Jesus, as Saviour, whose coming was heralded by John when he proclaimed a baptism of repentance for the whole people of Israel.'*

Acts 13:23

### Confessions:

Mon 6.30 - 6.45pm  
Sat 4.30 - 4.45pm

**PLEASE PRAY** for all who are sick and housebound or in hospital, for all those who have died recently, and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.



**ANNIVERSARIES:** Christopher Pauline, Annie McNamara, Patricia Richter, Elizabeth Harris, Winifred Genin, Ann Lindsay, Thomas Bennett, John Farrell, Josephine Murphy, Teresa Butterworth, Ernest Mulhearn, Lynda Kuiper, Catherine Dickinson, Winifred Higgins, Kathleen Murphy, Thomas Costello, Cecilia Young, David Coutts, Mary Halpin.

**SICK:** Elizabeth Reid, Baby Maddie, Marie Dalton, Nora Lloyd, Pauline Latimer.

**LATELY DEAD:** Peter Burns, Geraldine Gobbin, Thelma Ellis, Gerry McDonald.

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON FRIDAY 29 JUNE UNTIL WEDNESDAY 4TH JULY.**

**Newsletter contributors please note:** The deadline for items for next week's newsletter is **8pm Tuesday 26th June.**

**TEA AND COFFEE** will be served after the 9.30am and 11.00am Masses today. All proceeds to the Lourdes Fund.



## First Holy Communion

Please pray for all those who will receive the sacrament of Holy Communion today:

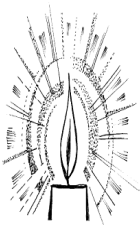


*Eva Hales, Esme Putwain,  
Leila Cave, Isabelle Fisher,  
Sarah Turner, Nell Osu, Oscar Kanji.*

### Prayer on Your First Holy Communion

*On your first Communion from this day on may  
the truth of God's word grow strong in your heart  
and may the gentle love of Jesus fill your life now  
and always.*

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit this week for **Fr James**, the **Marian Candle** is lit for a **Special Intention** and the **Sacred Heart Candle** is lit for **Mary & Harry Grogan (RIP)**



## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

If your child is going into year 4 in September they are eligible to begin the Preparation Programme for First Confession and First Holy Communion. Please contact the parish office for more details.

## FEAST OF ST PETER AND ST PAUL.

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June is a **Holy day of Obligation**. Masses will be on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm and on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June at 10am.

## MUSIC ON 1 JULY

9.30am MUSIC GROUP  
11.00am ORGAN



## OFFERTORY 13/14 June

Plate: £529.79 Envelopes: £510.00 S/O: £429

**Total: £1468.79**

**Day for Life: £181.61**

**Tea Money: £18.86**

**Thank you for your generosity.**

## MASS ATTENDANCE 13/14 June

5.00pm: 161 9.30am: 175 11.00am: 256  
**Total: 592**

Dear Parishioners,

It has been 12 months since we had our last parish meeting, during which every group gave us a brief outline of what they do and how they would like to further develop their ministries. In the future, I'd like us to have quarterly meetings where we can come together and discuss what's going on in the life of the parish.

With this in mind, I'd like to invite all of our parish community to meet with me in the hall on **Monday 25th June at 19:30**. The format of the meeting will be the same as last year, with opportunities for parish groups to inform us of what is going on, and then further opportunity for people to suggest constructive ways in which we can further develop the life of our parish. We will meet subsequent to this on **Monday 10th September at 19:30**.

Hopefully these meetings will open up more space for better communication between different groups, and give parishioners a fuller idea of what is on offer at St. Charles Borromeo and St. Thomas More.

**Fr James.**

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Today we welcome to God's family **Seth Malachy McDonough, Honey Veronica** and **Missie Eleanor McInerney** who will be baptised. Please remember them in your prayers.



# Summer Fair

**Saturday & Sunday, 11/12 August**

**after all Masses in the Parish Hall**



**Tombola, home bake, toys, raffle.**

**Admission: adults 50p, children free.**

If anyone has any unwanted gifts, bottles (home bake on the day) not toys or bric-a-brac, please put them in the box at the back of the church. Thank you.

**Thought for the Week:** What peace can we hope to find elsewhere if we have none within us. (St Teresa of Avila)



## Pizza & Prayers

Summer raffle is here!  
Chance to win

**Mo Salah &**

**Morgan Schneiderlin's**

footy boots.

Hand made-to-measure player boots - unused  
plus other prizes for a £1.00 ticket.

**Tickets on sale at all Masses weekends of 23<sup>rd</sup> and  
30<sup>th</sup> June 2018.**

**Raffle drawn on 1<sup>st</sup> July after 11.00 Mass**

Raffle in aid of Liverpool Archdiocese Youth  
Pilgrimage – Pizza & Prayers youth group. Some  
prizes donated by Adidas.



## REFUGEES

*They have no need of our help  
So do not tell me  
These haggard faces could belong to you or I  
Should life have dealt a different hand  
We need to see them for who they really are  
Chancers and scroungers  
Layabouts and loungers  
With bombs up their sleeves  
Cut-throats and thieves  
They are not  
Welcome here  
We should make them  
Go back to where they came from  
They cannot  
Share our food  
Share our homes  
Share our countries  
Instead let us  
Build a wall to keep them out  
It is not okay to say  
These people are just like us  
A place should only belong to those who are born  
there  
Do not be so stupid to think that  
The world can be looked at another way.*

(now read from bottom to top)

Brian Bilston

Dear All,

As I mentioned last Sunday, I will soon be off to the sun-kissed hills of the Eternal City as I begin Seminary Formation at the Venerable English College, Rome.

Allow me to take this opportunity to thank you once more for your love, kindness and generosity of heart and spirit; please be assured of my continued prayers.

In order to thank you and to say 'CIAO', may I invite you all to tea and cake on Wednesday 4th July after 12noon Mass.

As with Josh and Joe, I will continue to use the Parish House as a Home-base (not a hardware store) so you have not seen the back of me yet!

With fondest affection,

James Finnegan. (young James)

## THOMAS CLARKE

Please pray for Thomas Clarke who was ordained a Deacon at Oscott College yesterday.

Thomas will be ordained a priest in St Charles on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at 11am.

Please continue to pray that the Lord will send us more Priestly Vocations, so we will never be deprived of the opportunity to receive the Sacraments in years to come.

God Bless, Fr James.

## THE UNEXPECTED GIFT

### SPIRITUAL JOURNEY OF A DEAF PERSON

A talk by Denise Armstrong-Hart

**Sunday 24th June 2018, 3.30 to 5.30pm**

Carmelite Convent, Maryton Grange,  
Allerton Road, Liverpool L18 3NU.

including Adoration and Evening Prayer with hospitality following.

**A personal reflection on experiencing the Eucharist as a deaf person in preparation for the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage & Congress 2018.**

## DIACONATE CELEBRATIONS

On Sunday 1st July after the 9.30am Mass there will be refreshments in the Parish Hall to celebrate with Reverend Paul McNicholl and his family, the 30th anniversary of his Diaconate ordination.

After the 11am Mass on that same day we will celebrate the Diaconate Ordination of Reverend Thomas Clarke with tea and cake in the Parish Hall. Please remember them both in your prayers.

## LUCKY NUMBER WINNERS

1st prize £60 A. Summers

2nd prize £40 C. Dixon

3rd prize £25 T. Boateng

You have to be in it to win it!

## FILM NIGHT

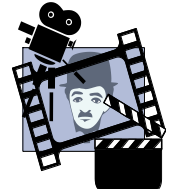
Monday 9th July at 7.30 pm  
in the Parish Hall.

### *"Nine Lives"*

*Starring Kevin Spacey, Jennifer Garner and Christopher Walken.*

Tom's workaholic lifestyle has disconnected him from his family, particularly his beautiful wife Lara and his adoring daughter Rebecca. En route to his daughter's Birthday party, Tom has a terrible accident. When he regains consciousness he discovers that somehow, he has become trapped inside the body of the cat.

Entrance will be by donation, so please be your usual generous selves. There will be a glass of wine - but feel free to bring your own bottle as well, and with nibbles and raffles it will be a great night for everyone. Please let us know if you are coming as places are limited. **Call the Parish Office on 727 2493.**



## SOME MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES IN OUR PARISH

**Do you co-ordinate any type of group within our parish? Please send details to Martin, Barbara or Val and we will include them in this column. All meetings take place in the hall unless otherwise stated.**

**MESSY CHURCH** Third Saturday of every month, 11am - 1 pm. Fun activities: painting, crafts, stories, etc. All ages welcome, but children must be accompanied by an adult. Lunch provided.

**AFTERNOON TEA** We meet on Thursdays, 1.30 - 3.00. Come and share a cuppa and an activity. All are welcome!

**PARISH PRAYER GROUP** meets monthly, usually, but not always, in a member's home and on the first Monday of the month from 8 to 9 pm. Everyone is welcome. If you would like to join us ring 727 2195 to check date and venue.

**PENSIONERS CLUB** Mondays at 2pm.

**PIZZA & PRAYERS YOUTH GROUP** meets once a month on a Sunday from 6:30 - 8 pm. Open to young people in High school. See notices for dates.

**JUSTICE & PEACE GROUP** meets at 6 pm on the last Tuesday in every month.

**PARENTS AND TODDLERS GROUP** meets on Wednesday mornings from 9.30 am - 11.30 am in the Parish Meeting Room. Parents/grandparents are invited to come along and join in.

**BINGO** Friday evenings at 7.30pm.

**MOTHERS PRAYER GROUP** Thursdays 7.00pm. For more details, ring Brenda on 728 7048

**TEA AND COFFEE** is served on Sunday after each Mass. Proceeds to Lourdes Youth Fund.

**SOUP AND A ROLL** is served on the 1st Thursday of the month after 12 noon Mass. All welcome.

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE** meets monthly to plan and organise social activities within the parish community. If you are interested in joining this group please contact the parish office.

**KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA** Council 9 welcomes Catholic men to come and meet us and find out more about what we do. If you are interested please ring Aidan Carney on 0151 427 7126.

**BEREAVEMENT CARE TEAM** aims to support families within the parish who have experienced bereavement. If you are interested in joining this group, or if you or anyone in your family would like support from this group, please contact the Parish Office.

**YOUNG ADULTS GROUP (18-35)** meets on the third Wednesday of every month for Mass and a Meal.

**CHILDREN'S PRAYER BOOKS.** There is a selection of prayer books for young children which they are welcome to use during Mass. These are available on the trolley at the back of church before Mass.