

THE PARISH OF ST CHARLES AND ST THOMAS MORE

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

The Parish of St Charles and St Thomas More, illuminated by the Light of Christ and led by the Holy Spirit, seeks to bring that light to South Liverpool always striving to be a loving and welcoming community where all people are included and valued, and strangers are treated as friends. Fed and nurtured by scripture, prayer and the Sacraments, we journey together to come closer to God so that we can proclaim His love in our thoughts, words and actions.

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17th Sunday of Ordinary Time (C) - 28th July 2019

DAY	FEAST	TIMES	MASS INTENTION
Sat 27th	Confessions Vigil Neo-Catechumenal Community	4.30-4.45pm	Anne Meegan (A) Parishioners Martin Comer (RIP)
Sun 28th		5.00 pm 6.00 pm 9.30 am 11.00 am	
Mon 29th	St Martha	7.00 pm	Bernard Campbell (bd)
Tues 30th		9.30 am	Special Intention (LF)
Wed 31st	St Ignatius Loyola	12 noon	Thanksgiving prayers answered (CH)
Thu 1st	St Alphonsus Mary de Liguori	12 noon	Thanksgiving (CD)
Fri 2nd		9.00 am	Private Prayer
Sat 3rd	Confessions Vigil Neo-Catechumenal Community	4.30-4.45pm	Mary Doyle (A) Parishioners Peter & George Plummer (A)
Sun 4th		18th Sun. in Ordinary Time 5.00 pm 6.00 pm 9.30 am 11.00 am	

We hold in prayer all who are sick in body, mind or spirit, at home or in hospital, the housebound and all who care for them, those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.



We pray also for those who mourn that they come to experience the peace of the Risen Christ.

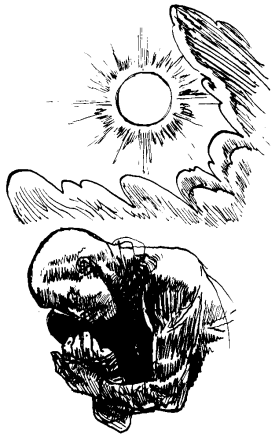
ANNIVERSARIES: Anne Meegan, George Dickinson, Molly Farrell, Peter McEvoy, Sally Williams, Patricia Green, James Lane, Michael Leydon, Margaret Wilcock, Harry Enright, Mary Barry, Patricia Walsh, Peter Plummer, Mary Doyle.

SICK: Elizabeth Reid, Carol Laing, Joanne Kay, Teddy Love, Pat Manson, Peter Connell, Barbara Miller, Peter Bridson, Bernard Roberts, John Mannion, Olive Sinclair, Susan Bell, Rachel Gordon

LATELY DEAD: Gwen Phelan



to all visitors and new parishioners. Thank you for your participation in our worship. Your presence has enriched our Eucharistic celebration. May the same Eucharist enrich your life. We wish you all a blessed week.



*Then he said to them,
"Watch and be on your
guard against avarice of
any kind, for a man's life
is not made secure by
what he owns, even
when he has more than
he needs."*

Luke 12 : 15

CANDLE INTENTIONS THIS WEEK:

Sanctuary Candle: Norah Mary
Toohey

Marian Candle: Vocations

Sacred Heart Candle: Special Intention

SANCTUARY CANDLE, MARIAN CANDLE AND THE SACRED HEART CANDLE

can be requested for many reasons. A dedication to a member of your family, young or old, living or dead. For a friend who is in need of prayer. An anniversary, or for yourself for a private intention. Choose a particular week throughout the year, put the name and date on an envelope together with a donation and bring it to the parish office.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

God is found in emptiness as well as in fullness. He can be found in the emptiness of sickness and old age and disappointment and failure and solitude.

MUSIC ON 4 August

9.30am MUSIC GROUP
11.00am ORGAN



OFFERTORY 20/21 July

Plate: £ 534.04 Envelopes: £491.00 S/O: £399.75

Total: £1424.79

Tea Money: £23.50

Thank you for your generosity.

MASS ATTENDANCE 20/21 July

5.00 pm: 139 9.30am: 129 11.00am: 167

Total: 435

SOUP & A ROLL

will be served in the Parish Hall after the 12 noon Mass on **Thursday 1st August**. All welcome.



The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday 1st August.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Congratulations on wanting your child to receive the gift of Baptism. Please see Fr. James after Mass to discuss arrangements for a Sunday, after completing a three-week course. Attendance of the course is an essential part of preparing for this important moment in your family.

Courses are held in:

Jan for baptisms in Feb, March, and April

Mar/April for baptisms in May, June and July

Jun/July for baptisms in August September and October.

Sept/Oct for baptisms in November, December and January.

THANK YOU

Fr Emmanuel wishes to thank all the parishioners of St Charles and St Thomas More for their kindness and generosity during his recent visit. He would also like to thank everyone for the most generous donation of £3709.00 which has been raised for the parish of Assin Fosso.

First Holy Communion 2020

If your child is in year 4 or above and you wish them to take part in the First Holy Communion Programme starting in September 2019 please speak to Fr James or contact the Parish Office.



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



Pastoral Associate Update: as we enjoy (?!) the warmth of this heatwave perhaps the tranquility and coolness of our beautiful churches in Liverpool South can give some sanctuary to us. I'm taking some time off over August and I wish to those having a break that you return refreshed and invigorated and for all travelling, to do so safely. A rather lovely quote from the rather aptly named Donna Summer "My life was changed in one breath from God". God Bless, Helen

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 25 September Liverpool Romero Lecture *Prophetic Trajectories of Hope from San Salvador to Liverpool*, David McLoughlin of Newman University at 001 Theatre, Cornerstone, Hope University, Everton Campus L3 8DR. Bookings: d.reynolds@sfxchurchliverpool.com or [0151 298 1911](tel:01512981911)

Monday 7 October Synod Talks *The Quiet Revolution of Pope Francis: A Synodal Catholic Church*, Fr Gerry O'Hanlon SJ, at Liverpool Hope University, Hope Chapel, monthly 7:00 for 7:30pm

PRAYER.

The Jesuits run two very useful websites: "*Sacred Space*", and "*Pray as You Go*" which provide a prayer and reflection for each day and a simple method of meditation. Could be useful for those few spare minutes you may have at lunchtime.

Visit: www.sacredspace.ie and

www.pray-as-you-go.org

Restored Lives - Recovery from Divorce and Separation.

The Archdiocese of Liverpool Marriage and Family Life Department hold meetings twice a year in February and September. For more details of times and venues contact Maureen O'Brien 07967753371 or Jacqui Selleck 07793825815. See poster in porch.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The Children's Liturgy Catechists are delighted to welcome you to our Group during our Sunday Mass. Here we will present the Gospel in a way that your child can understand and enjoy.

Our Liturgy group caters mainly for children between the ages of 3 to 11yrs. We will collect your child at the beginning of Mass and return them to you at the Offertory.

Parents/carers are very welcome to accompany a child who is a little nervous for the first 2 weeks if they wish. By then they should be settled and happy to join in unaccompanied and you are then able to enjoy your Mass with your fellow Parishioners.

Any parent wishing to stay with their child after 2 weeks or is interested in becoming a liturgist will need to go through the Archdiocese DBS process. Please see Father James and he will put you in touch with your Parish Safeguarding representative.

We are required to follow the Archdiocesan Safeguarding procedures on this matter. All our catechists are DBS checked in accordance with Liverpool Diocesan Policy.

Every child is important to us and their safety and well-being is our prime concern. In the rare event of a child being upset or unwell they will be returned to you immediately.

If your child suffers from any medical condition, please make us aware so that we can take appropriate action if needed.

A register will be kept of the children attending for safeguarding purposes only.

Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me for the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to such as these.'

Matt. 19:14

PARISH PRAYER GROUP

The next meeting will be on Monday, September 2nd. Enjoy your holidays



TO OUR YOUNG CHILDREN

There are some prayer books and story books on the hymn book trolley at the back of church for you to use while you are at Mass. Hope you enjoy them.



ASSIN FOSO

We were able to give Father Emmanuel £3709 to take with him. This amount has been raised this year for the projects in Assin Foso. Thanks to your generous support we have been able to donate over £10,000 to help with building work at the school and parish hall. We hope to be able to provide an update on progress in the autumn. Your ongoing support is very much appreciated.

ASSIN FOSO

Lucky Number Winners

1st Prize - £60.00 Rebecca Kelly
2nd Prize - £40.00 Patricia McKeown
3rd Prize - £25.00 Oonagh Newcomen

You have to be in it to win it!

Fund raising report Pizza & Prayers Academic year 2018-2019

30 young people from our Pizza & Prayers parish club have been busy fundraising to cover the cost of the 19 young people who worked as volunteers this summer on the annual Liverpool Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. In total, we have raised £6,679.00 of the £10,070.00 needed to pay the total cost of all those going to Lourdes. Each young person received £369.00 of the £530.00 cost to attend Lourdes. Leaving the youth to pay £161.00 each for their trip.

Funding breakdown;

Donations

Parishioners £1,060.00

Bursaries

Catenians £950.00

Parish raffles (Christmas, Easter & Summer)

(tickets sold at church over 6 weekends & out of church for 2 months) £923.00

Bacon Butties (Christmas, Easter & Summer)

And including supporting cake and Ossie painting sale £86.00

Sponsored walk while on retreat

£292.00

Bag Packs

£3,368.00

Total £6,679.00

- We would like to thank Adidas who sponsored in excess of £1,500.00 worth of sports equipment and to Liverpool Fair Trade Committee for the raffle prizes, and to our families who sponsored in excess of £200.
- The youth spent a total of 47 hours bag packing on 9 separate occasions at the Tescos Aigburth, Park Road and Old Swan.
- Teas and coffees after the Sunday Masses have raised in excess of £1000. This goes towards the Lourdes fund, and is not accounted for above.

We would like to thank our parishioners, family and friends for continuing to support the young people throughout the year.

God bless to you all