

We welcome into our parish community Edward Anthony Rigby who was Baptised here at St Joseph's Church this weekend. Keep him and his family in your prayers. If you wish to have your child Baptised at St Joseph's church, please ring the Parish office to book a place at the next Baptism Meeting.



### A Introduction to Vatican II

An Introduction to Vatican II - Light of Truth, in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Liverpool, will be hosting a study day on Saturday 27th April from 10am - 3pm introducing the basics of Vatican II. This is the perfect opportunity to learn the basic concepts covered in Vatican II for anyone new to the document. This will take place in the Gibberd Room of the Metropolitan Cathedral. To sign up for this free event, visit this page: <https://archdioceseofliverpool.churchsuite.com/>

### Unclaimed Raffle Prize

Ticket number is: **175 blue**

### Visit from Fr Gabriel, Parish Priest at Holy Family in Gaza - Sunday 28 April

Fr Gabriel Romanelli, the parish priest of Holy Family Parish, Gaza, has accepted an invitation from the Catholic Bishops to visit the UK at the end of April. During the visit, Fr Gabriel will meet the Bishops to thank them for their continued support; he will speak to MPs and Lords in Parliament before a brief visit to Glasgow. He will spend a few days in English Martyrs parish, Litherland, before returning to the Holy Land. On Sunday, 28 April, he will join the parish for Mass at 10.30; Bishop Tom Neylon will be the principal celebrant and Knights & Dames of the Holy Sepulchre will also attend. All are welcome.

### Escorted Pilgrimages.

Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024. £899.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 5 nights' in 4\* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on three days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick & Ashford Castle. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact Patricia or Natali on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com).

### Tea and Coffee.

There will be Tea and coffee served after the 9.30 am Holy Mass on the second and fourth Sunday of the month in the Parish Hall.



All Welcome!

### Church Cleaning Rota

#### This week Group 2



Thank you to **ALL** our volunteers who help to clean and prepare our church throughout the year.

### Last weeks Collection.

Total Collection for the last weekend.

Gift Aid: £339.70  
Loose Plate: £221.35  
Total: £561.05



Thank you for your wonderful generosity!

# St Joseph's Catholic Church

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## Third Sunday of Easter

14th April 2024



<b>Third Sunday Easter</b>	9.30 am 5.00 pm	Peter Carty (Anniversary) Teresa & Chris O'Brien (Anniversary)
Monday	9.30 am	Karen Davis (Special Intention)
Tuesday	No public Mass	
Wednesday	11.00 am	Requiem Mass Bernard Pressman R.I.P
Thursday	9.30 am	Jacque Edmondson (Birthday)
Friday	No public Mass	
Saturday	No public Mass	
<b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b> <b>Day of Prayer for</b> <b>Vocations</b>	9.30 am 5.00 pm	Margaret Cheetham (Anniversary) Tony Woods R.I.P

### Parish Office Hours

The Parish Office is open Tuesday: 10am -4pm and Thursday and Friday from 10am until 3pm.

## Readings for the Fourth Sunday of Easter



<b>First Reading</b>	A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. Acts 3:13-15.17-19
<b>Psalm Response</b>	Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.
<b>Second Reading</b>	A reading from the first letter of St John. 1 Jn 2:1-5
<b>The Gospel Acclamation</b>	Alleluia! Alleluia! Lord Jesus explain the scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us. Alleluia!
<b>Gospel</b>	A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke. Lk 24:35-48
<b>Communion Antiphon</b>	The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus in the breaking of bread, alleluia.

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For the latest events around the Liverpool Archdiocese, please visit the events page:

Events - What's on ([liverpoolcatholic.org.uk](http://liverpoolcatholic.org.uk))

### Third Sunday of Easter.

In today's gospel Luke describes how the Lord appears to the apostles and clears away their doubts, inspires and enlightens them and leads them to understand the Scriptures. The final section of the gospel echoes a favourite theme of Luke: Jesus can be known through the interpretation of Scripture.

### Bishop Tom Neylon– Request for Prayers.

Following the 7.4-magnitude earthquake that hit the the eastern county of Hualien, Taiwan, on Wednesday 3 April, Bishop Tom Neylon, Lead Bishop for Asia, has called on the Catholic community to pray for those impacted by the quake – victims, friends, family, and the wider community. At least nine people have been killed, more than 1,000 injured, and 660 people are said to be trapped or stranded. It's the worst earthquake to hit Taiwan for 25 years. "Please join me in prayer for those who have lost their lives, those who are mourning their families and friends, and all those who have been injured," said Bishop Neylon. "We pray too for a swift recovery for the wider community, particularly in Hualien City, as they seek to rebuild following this dreadful earthquake."

### Nine First Fridays Devotion.

At St Joseph's we continue with our First Friday Devotion in honour of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. This devotion begs God's infinite mercy for our World and for our Church. The "Great promise" associated with this devotion applied to those who went to Holy Mass and received the Eucharist on **nine consecutive First Fridays**: "I promise you, in the excess of the mercy of My Heart, that its all-powerful love will grant to all those who shall receive Communion on the first Friday of nine consecutive months the grace of final repentance; they shall not die under My displeasure nor without receiving the Sacraments, My Divine Heart becoming their assured refuge at that last hour." **Our next First Friday Devotion is on 3rd May at 9.30am**. We encourage you to join us in begging the Lord for those graces promised through St. Margaret Mary to those who fulfil his directions by completing the Nine First Fridays devotion.

### Sick in our Parish

Please pray the sick of our community, especially Brenda Harmer, Pauline Fowler and remembering all the patients in Wroughtington and Wigan hospital and our local Hospice.  
Heal thy servants, O Lord, who are sick and put their trust in Thee. Send them help O Lord, and comfort from thy Holy Place.



### Spiritual Communion Prayer.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament.  
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there, and I unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen

(Saint Alphonsus Liguori)



### Pray for all those who have died

In your charity please pray for all those who have died Tom Watson, Fr John Johnson, Geoff Williams, Christopher Ribchester and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time. We also remember the forgotten Holy Souls who have no one to pray for them including Priests and Religious.  
Eternal rest grant on to them,  
O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in your peace.  
Amen

### Prayers for Life

*"We pray for all expectant mothers. We pray for an overwhelming sense of hope and joy to fill their lives, and for increased support to be given by their family, friends and local communities, as the journey through this life changing experience. Lord hear us"*

### Liverpool Pilgrimage to Lourdes 19th – 26th July 2024

#### Ordinary Pilgrims

Applications forms for this pilgrimage are available from Joe Walsh Tours Freephone 0808 189 04468 or email info@joewalshstours.co.uk

#### Assisted Pilgrims

should contact the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office liverpool-lourdes.co.uk lourdespilgrimage@rcaolp.co.uk

#### Can you help!

In addition to the youth pilgrimage helpers, the pilgrimage needs doctors, nurses and healthcare professionals. Adult helpers, musicians and singers. For more information email lourdespilgrimage@rcaolp.co.uk



The April edition of the Catholic Pic is available to download here: <https://tinyurl.com/yv24h9ef>

### ST MARY'S STANDISHGATE



#### Sunday 14th April

10.30am: (Traditional Rite)

Wednesday 17th April

10.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Holy Hour & Confessions

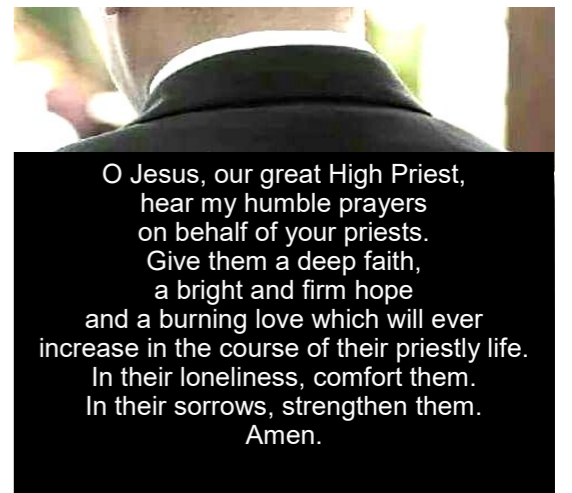
12.00pm Mass: (Low Mass: Traditional Rite)

The Masses at St Mary's will be celebrated each week on Sunday and Wednesday by the Canons of the Institution of Christ the King Sovereign Priest.

All welcome. Booklets with easy-to-follow translations of the Latin Mass are available. Tea in the Hall after Sunday Mass. [For more Information about the Institution visit: icksp.org.uk](http://icksp.org.uk)

### MISSION STATEMENT OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF LIVERPOOL

"Taking to heart the last words of the Lord Jesus, we will go into the world to proclaim the Good News to the whole of Creation"



O Jesus, our great High Priest, hear my humble prayers on behalf of your priests. Give them a deep faith, a bright and firm hope and a burning love which will ever increase in the course of their priestly life. In their loneliness, comfort them. In their sorrows, strengthen them. Amen.

### Our Lady and All Saints, Parbold An Evening of Recollection for Men: new date

This has been rearranged to take place on **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April** at Our Lady and All Saints, starting with Mass at 7:00pm. The evening will include a talk by Fr Daley, followed by Night Prayer (Compline) and supper in the Priory.

All men of any age are welcome!

