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.



## **Prayers for Life**

"As we celebrate the feast of Pentecost, we recall the fruits of the Spirit that are present in our lives. We pray for an outpouring of love, joy, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control, that these gifts help us to serve the poor, broken and unborn. Lord hear us".



# Church Cleaning Rota This week Group 1



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: £348.01 Loose Plate: £206.47 Total: £554.48



Thank you for your wonderful generosity.

Holy Mass at the Birthplace of St John Rigby, Harrock Hall, Lancashire

## Friday 21st June 2024 at 7pm

Principle celebrant Bishop Tom Neylon.

It is wonderful to be able to celebrate Holy Mass in honour of St John Rigby at Harrock Hall.



All Welcome!

## **School Chaplain Vacancy**

Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic
Engineering College is seeking to appoint a
new School Chaplain to support the Catholic
Life & Mission of the school and to lead on
Prayer & Liturgy. You will be warmly welcomed into the school community and we
will be delighted to show you around. Please
contact Natalie Barber:

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n.barber@olqp.lancs.sch.uk. Application
packs are available from the school website
www.olqp.org.uk. Closing date for
applications is 9.00am on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June
2024. Interviews will be held on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2024. We look forward to receiving your application.

# <u>Tea and Coffee.</u> 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!

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

Events - What's on (liverpoolcatholic.org.uk)

## St Joseph's Catholic Church

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## Pentecost Sunday 19th May 2024



Pentecost Sunday	9.30 am	Terry Flynn (Birthday Remembrance)
	5.00 pm	Emma Scott (R.I.P)
Monday Memorial of Our Lady	9.30 am	Maureen Smith (S.I)
Mother of the Church		
Tuesday St Christopher Magal-	No public Mass	
lanes.		
Wednesday	No public Mass	
St Rita of Cascia		
Thursday Feast of Our Lord Jesus	9.30 am	Ann Leach (R.I.P)
Christ, The Eternal High Priest.		
Friday	No public Mass	
Saturday St Bede	No public Mass	
Solemnity of The Most	9.30 am	Terry Flynn (Anniversary)
Holy Trinity	5.00 pm	Jo Bridge (S.I)

#### 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"

	Readings for Pentecost Sunday	
First Reading	A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.	
	Acts 2:1-11	
Psalm Response	Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,	
	and renew the face of the earth.	
Second Reading	A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians.	
	Gal 5:16-25	
The Gospel	Alleluia! Alleluia!	
Acclamation	Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful	
	and kindle in them the fire of your love.	
	Alleluia!	
Gospel	A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.	
	Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15	
Communion Antiphon	They were filled with the Holy Spirit	
	and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.	

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## Pentecost Sunday.



The word 'Pentecost' meaning 'fiftieth day' was the name given to the Feast of Weeks in the Jewish calendar because it fell on the fiftieth day after the Passover. In the Christian tradition it was applied to the feast of the descent of the Holy Spirit because this event is portrayed as occurring fifty days after Easter Sunday.

It has been described as the second festival of the Church after Easter.

Pentecost Sunday marks the close of the Eastertide.

From this weekend we will be resuming the reception of Holy Communion under both kinds. You will now be able to receive from the Chalice, the Precious Blood.

## Mary, Help of Christians Feast Day: May 24

O Mary, you love me with a Mother's heart Just as you held your son Jesus in your arms, you hold me in your care. Help me in my need. Protect me day by day. And through your Motherly intercession, may I become ever more aware of the breath of God living within me.

Mary, Help of Christians, pray for us. Amen.



#### 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)

#### Sick in our Parish

Please pray the sick of our community, especially Pauline Fowler, Julie Atherton and remembering all the patients in Wrightington 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.





In your charity please pray for all those who have died especially Brenda Harmer 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

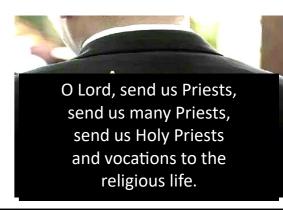
## The Two Cathedrals for Pentecost Celebration. 19th May 2024 3 pm-5 pm. A Family friendly event.

This year Pentecost Sunday 19th May 2024
will mark 100 years of Liverpool Cathedral and
the 2 Cathedral Pentecost Service will be a
family friendly event of celebration.
The event starts at 3pm at Liverpool
Metropolitan Cathedral where Monsignor
John Devine OBE will be preaching. Then
everyone will be taking a pilgrimage walk down
Hope Street and will receive a final blessing at
Liverpool Cathedral. You can meet characters
from the last 100 years during the event, enjoy a
thanksgiving picnic at Liverpool Cathedral by
bringing your own picnic or dining in the Welsford
Bistro. It will be a family friendly event with live
music and giant games.



## A Message to parishioners of St Mary's Church, Wigan from Mgr Philip Inch:

LISTENING: On Wednesday 29th May, 1.15pm until 6.30pm I will be available to the parishioners of St Mary's. As I promised when I was last at a Saturday morning meeting I would come back and hear your feelings about the proposed changes at St Mary's from a parish church to a shrine church run by the ICKSP. You can come individually or in a group. This will enable everyone to have their say. I also invite anyone who wishes to email me with your feelings and thoughts: holyrosary@rcaol.org.uk





#### Message from Catherine Robinson-Right to Life

As you may have seen reported in The Telegraph last weekend, campaigners against sex-selective abortion have called on MPs to vote against Stella Creasy and Diana Johnson's extreme abortion amendments because they will legalise sexselective abortion. Sex-selective abortion usually targets baby girls due to a preference among some parents and cultures for having sons. Campaign group Stop Gendercide has launched a tool on their website that makes it easy to send an email to your MP to ask them to vote against these amendments so that sex-selective abortion is not legalised. Although you may have already asked your MP to vote against these amendments, it's important that you contact them again on this so they are aware that their local constituents do not want sex-selective

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abortion legalised.

# Vocations Weekend for Women (20s & 30s) Discerning God's Call in your life 24 - 26 May 2024 in Liverpool

The weekend is organised by the Sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ). Jesus invites each of us to 'Come and See' - this weekend will give the opportunity to explore the vocation to religious life and to reflect on God's call to you. If you are wondering if God is calling you to religious life and would like to find out more why not come along? You are welcome to stay for the weekend or just come along on Saturday for the day. There will be opportunity for prayer, reflection and input, chance to ask questions and to meet others who are also wondering where God is calling them. For more information contact Sr Lynne fcJ

at <u>fcjvocationeurope@gmail.com</u> or visit our website <u>www.fcjsisters.org</u>

## Missionaries of Charity May Procession Saturday 25 May at 2pm

Missionaries of Charity are hosting their annual May Procession. Starting at



St Peters Square, it will and process via Seel Street, Berry Street, Bold Street, Church Street, Whitechapel and finishing at the Shrine on Queens Square. A special invitation is extended to anybody

making their 1st Holy Communion in May 2024. A poster is attached for you to share in your parish. For more information or to help on the day, please contact Jim Ross on 07766 706 766.