

If you wish to have your child Baptised at St Joseph's church, Please ring the office to book a place on the next Baptism Meeting.



Tea and Coffee.

Tea and coffee will be served after the 9.30 am Holy Mass on the **Second and Fourth Sunday of each month in the Parish Hall.**



Church Cleaning Rota



This week it is Group 6. Thank you to **ALL** our volunteers who help to clean and prepare our church throughout the year.

Primary School Applications

The closing date for primary applications for September 2024 is 15th January 2024. Applications to be made via your own council website – the link for Lancashire County Council is:

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/>

The link for Wigan Council admissions is:

<https://www.wigan.gov.uk/Resident/Education/Schools/School-Admissions/Primary-schools.aspx>

If you know anyone who would be interested in our school, then please let them know.

Now Hiring - Maintenance Assistant at Liverpool Cathedral

An opportunity is available for an experienced maintenance worker to assist with the day to day maintenance, repairs and general upkeep of the interior and exterior of the Metropolitan Cathedral. This will include maintenance of the surrounding grounds and aiding others to ensure the smooth running of all events in the Cathedral and Crypt.

This is a permanent post, working full time, Monday to Friday, 8 00 am - 4 00 pm, To apply, please visit: <https://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/careers>

Last weeks Collection.

Total Collection for the last weekend.

Gift Aid: £315.26
Loose Plate: £232.04
Total: £547.30



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

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

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY INTERNSHIPS

Castlerigg Manor (The Lancaster Diocese Youth Service) are looking for young Catholics aged 18-25 to join their Youth Ministry Internship Programme. The scheme lasts for one or two years and gives participants wide ranging experience, skills, training, and qualifications as well as the opportunity to work with a fantastic team based in the Lake District. For more information contact:

director@castleriggmanor.co.uk

Mozart Requiem - Saturday 21 October 7:30pm

The choir of Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral is joined by the Liverpool Mozart Orchestra to present a programme of music by Beethoven and Mozart. Mozart's sublime Requiem will be preceded by his Overture to the Magic Flute and Beethoven's 1st Symphony. The combined forces will be directed by Maria Barbosa Aristizabal, and special guest conductor Tucker Biddlecombe from Nashville, Tennessee.

Tickets (£15/10 concessions) www.ticketsource.co.uk/metcathedral

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Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time.	9.30 am	Edwin Howarth. (Anniversary)
	5 pm	Michael O'Donnell (Birthday memorial)
Monday	9.30 am	Frances Harkin. (First Anniversary)
Tuesday	No public Mass	
Wednesday	No public Mass	
Thursday	9.30 am	George Massam (Lately Dead)
Friday	No public Mass	
Saturday	No public Mass	
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time.	9.30 am	Gordon, Eleanor and Elizabeth Rigby. People of the Parish
	5 pm	

Sacrament of Reconciliation available on request.

Readings for The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time.	
First Reading	A reading from the prophet Isaiah. Is 5:1-7
Psalm Response	The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.
Second Reading	A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians. Ph 4:6-9
The Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!
Gospel	A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew. Mt 21:33-43
Communion Antiphon	The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

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The Twenty - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time.

The risk for Christians today is that we read the parable complacently, because it clearly refers to Jews and Christians in the first century. But it is not only in the past that the leadership of God's project has changed hands, so to speak. Down through history, more committed groups have challenged the established Church - they can attract by more exciting worship and by a closer living of the Gospel. The hard words of St Paul to the Gentile Christians in Rome may help to shake us up: for if God did not spare the natural branches, perhaps he will not spare you (Rm II:21).

Daily Consecration to the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Lord Jesus, King of Kings, many of us never cease to place full confidence in Your Divine Heart. Many likewise, have implored the help of Your Mother, and we wish to show our gratitude by consecrating ourselves to Her Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart.

It is fitting that we should honour the Sorrowful Heart by special veneration.

For Your Mother, O Lord, acquired this title when She shared Your Passion and thus co-operated in the work of our Redemption; a just title which we believe to be dear to Your Heart, and to Her Heart pierced with the wounds of Yours. We therefore, O Blessed Mother, consecrate to Your Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart, our persons, our families and our country. We beseech You to come to our help as a Mother. Behold the trials that oppress us, the menace of evil and the dangers that surround us. We beseech You to obtain for us from Your Divine Son, solace in suffering, social unity between classes and the preservation of peace.

May the reign of the Sacred Heart, a reign of justice and love, be extended throughout our dear country, and may Your Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart, loved and invoked, reign over us also, O Blessed Mother, and ever obtain for us the mercy and blessing of God.

Sacred Heart of Jesus, have pity upon us, Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us and save us.

Sick in our Parish

Please pray the sick of our community, especially Phil Waterhouse, Fr John Johnson, Pauline Fowler and remembering all the patients in Wroughtington and Wigan hospital.
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.



Pray for all those who have died

In your charity please pray for George Massam, Katherine Buchanan and Karen Manley who have died and for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Eternal rest grant on to them,
O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in your peace. Amen.



Right To Life UK Pro-Life Prayers.

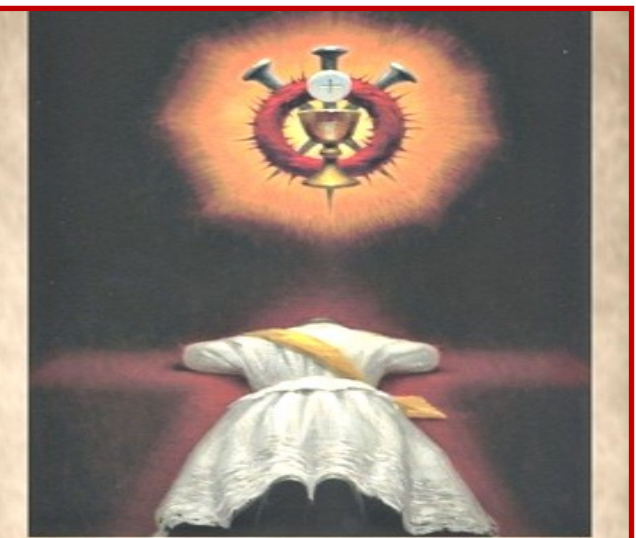
"Let us pray for all those in hospices, that they may receive the appropriate palliative care to ease any physical pain, and the psychological and spiritual care to relieve their mind and soul. Lord hear us".



October the Month of the Holy Rosary.



October is dedicated as the Month of the Holy Rosary. The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated on the 7th October but the whole month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. This period recognises both the powerful intercession of Our Blessed Mother and the wonderful gift we have received in the rosary. By meditating on the mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary we enter more deeply the mystery of God's love for us as revealed in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.



Prayer for Priests

O Jesus, eternal priest, keep Your priests within the shelter of Your Sacred Heart, where none may touch them. Keep unstained their anointed hands, which daily touch Your Sacred Body. Keep unsullied their lips, daily purpled with Your Precious Blood. Keep pure and unearthly their hearts, sealed with the sublime mark of the priesthood. Let Your holy love surround them and shield them from the world's contagion. Bless their labors with abundant fruit and may the souls to whom they minister be their joy and consolation here and in heaven, their beautiful and everlasting crown. Amen

Prisoners Sunday



Prisoners' Sunday falls on **8th October 2023**. With the support of our Liaison Bishop for Prisons, Bishop Richard Moth, Pact invites Catholic parishes across England and Wales to pray for people in prison, as well as their children and families.
A message from Cardinal Vincent Nichols:

"As President of Pact, I invite you to join with me in supporting Prisoners' Sunday on 8th October 2023. Pact is the national Catholic charity providing support to prisoners and their families. "It is good to know that Pact is there for people of all faiths and none, supporting prisoners and their families on our behalf and with our help. I encourage you to play your part in this work of the Gospel for the common good of all."

<https://www.prisonadvice.org.uk/>

Envelopes are available at the back of church should you wish to make donation.

Thank you!

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"