

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.**



### Saint Mary of the Isle Inauguration Ceremony Friday 3 November

The Church of Saint Mary of the Isle, Douglas, has been granted cathedral status by Pope Francis as a co-cathedral of the Archdiocese of Liverpool. The inauguration ceremony, at which Archbishop Malcolm will be installed in his seat by the Apostolic Nuncio to Great Britain, will take place on **Friday 3 November at 12 noon**. The canons of the Metropolitan Cathedral will also be installed. Ecumenical partners and civic dignitaries will have a role in the liturgy. On this historic day for the Isle of Man, the Archdiocese of Liverpool and the wider church, we welcome people across the Archdiocese to join the celebration online by watching the livestream

[Manx Catholic -The Roman Catholic Church on the Isle of Man](http://Manx Catholic -The Roman Catholic Church on the Isle of Man)

### Last weeks Collection.

Total Collection for the last weekend.

Gift Aid: £190.99  
Loose Plate: £225.31  
Total: £416.30



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

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

### Church Cleaning Rota



This week it is Group 2. Thank you to **ALL** our volunteers who help to clean and prepare our church throughout the year.



### CAFOD Christmas Fun Run 2023

CAFOD's Christmas Fun Run is back! Join us for some festive fun on Wednesday 27 December to walk, run, roll or stroll a 3km or 5km route, all raising money for CAFOD's work. Get the family together for the Fun Run with a difference, all whilst burning off that Christmas indulgence! This year, the Christmas Fun Run will be raising funds for mums and babies fleeing conflict around the world. For more information, go to the CAFOD website.



### Midnight Mass 2023

We are delighted to announce that Midnight Mass, celebrated by Archbishop McMahon OP, will be broadcast live on BBC Radio 4 this year, from the Metropolitan Cathedral with the Cathedral Choir. The start time is **23.30** and the congregation are asked to be in their seats by 23.15. **No tickets are required.**

The ladies raised £64.50 from our recent sales of the teas coffee and cakes, and very nice they were too!

Thank you to everyone for your support.



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## Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time. 22nd October 2023



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time.	9.30 am	Dorothy Appleton (Anniversary remembrance)
	5 pm	George Darwin (Anniversary remembrance)
Monday	9.30 am	Mary & John Culligan (Wedding Anniversary)
Tuesday	No public Mass	
Wednesday	No public Mass	
Thursday	9.30 am	Jim & Joyce (60th wedding Anniversary)
Friday	No public Mass	
Saturday	No public Mass	
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time.	9.30 am	Special Intention (C&D)
	5 pm	Nicola Freeman and Family

Sacrament of Reconciliation available on request.



### Readings for The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time.



First Reading	A reading from the prophet Isaiah. Is 45:1,4-6
Psalm Response	Give the Lord glory and power.
Second Reading	A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians. 1 Th 1:1-5
The Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord. Consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!
Gospel	A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew. Mt 22:15-21
Communion Antiphon	The Son of Man has come to give his life as a ransom for many.

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The Twenty - Nineth Sunday in Ordinary Time.  
Mission Sunday

The relationship between religious faith and public life is perplexing. In some societies, even today, there is virtually no difference between the two. In other more secular societies, any expression of religious conviction is unacceptable in public. It is true of course that there is an appropriate distinction and even separation to be made, as indeed Jesus does make today in the Gospel. But on at least two issues, there is bound to be some crossover. Religious faith informs our values and in society today policies and laws must be grounded, not in a particular faith certainly, but in values nevertheless.

**Second Collection- World Mission Sunday.**

This Sunday is World Mission Sunday. The Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for Missio, his charity for world mission. Please support Missio in helping missionaries to work alongside communities throughout the world that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. Join in on this special day, that unites Catholics all over the world in prayer and celebration of our Church's mission to share God's love with all people. Please call 020 7821 9755 (office hours) or visit Missio's website to give a single gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation if possible:

[mission.org.uk](http://mission.org.uk).



**Gift Aid envelopes are available at the back of church.**

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

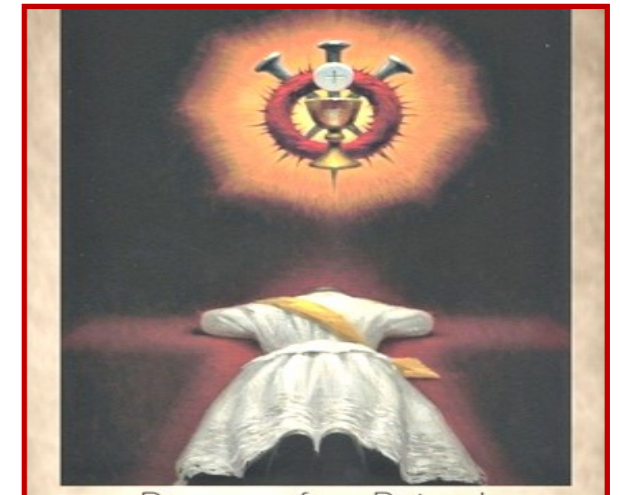
In your charity please pray for Frances Smith, George Massam, Katherine Buchannan and Karen Manley who have died and for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

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.**

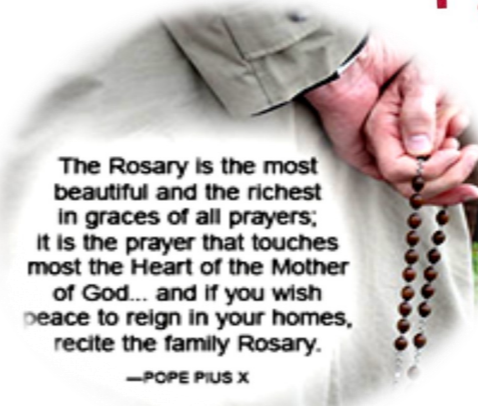
*"Let us pray for fathers and mothers of growing families, that their relations and friends, and the wider community, would rally around them with encouragement, support, friendliness and love.  
Lord hear us".*



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

**October the Month of the Holy Rosary.**



The Rosary is the most beautiful and the richest in graces of all prayers; it is the prayer that touches most the Heart of the Mother of God... and if you wish peace to reign in your homes, recite the family Rosary.  
—POPE PIUS X

**Requests for Holy Mass**

If you would like to request a Mass to be celebrated here at St Joseph's church, there are envelopes at the back of church. Please state clearly for whom your mass intention is for and the date you wish to have the mass celebrated on. We will try to meet your requests, Please enclose your offering and pass to the parish office.

**Pious List**

Next month is the month dedicated to the Holy Souls. The Church encourages us to hope and pray for all those we've lost. She asks us not to presume that anyone has gone straight to heaven or hell, but rather to petition God with loving confidence on their behalf. Our prayers and sacrifices for loved ones who've gone before us have real efficacy. They can bring comfort and consolation to those suffering from the purification that comes in purgatory, and they can bring about their final release from that purification, helping them experience at long last the loving gaze of the Father.

The Catechism tells us: This teaching is based on the practice of prayer for the dead, already mentioned in Sacred Scripture: "Therefore [Judas Maccabeus] made atonement for the dead, that they might be delivered from their sin." From the beginning the Church has honoured the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God.

The Church also commends almsgiving, indulgences, and works of penance undertaken on behalf of the dead. (CCC 1032)

**Pious lists are available with your newsletter or in church.  
Please return to the Parish Office.**

**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"