

We welcome into our parish community Jack John Bullen-Lucas who was Baptised here at St Joseph's Church last 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 on the next Baptism Meeting.



### Tea and Coffee.

There will be **no** Tea and coffee served after the 9.30 am Holy Mass until further notice in the Parish Hall.



### Headteacher Appointment.

We offer our congratulations, best wishes and prayers to Miss Gleeson of St Joseph's Catholic Primary School who has been Acting Headteacher since September 2023 at the school.

After a rigorous recruitment process Miss Gleeson was successful in her application to take up the role of Headteacher on a permanent basis.



### Last weeks Collection.

Total Collection for the last weekend.

Gift Aid: £333 03  
Loose Plate: £266 55  
Total: £599.58



### Church Cleaning Rota



This week it is Group 5. Thank you to **ALL** our volunteers who help to clean and prepare our church throughout the year.



Many of our parishioners keep Red Mission boxes in their homes, allowing them to donate any loose change to the APF (Association for the Propagation of the Faith) and Mill Hill Missionaries.

New contributors are of course always most welcome! If you would like a Red Box please take one from back of church and return either when full or at least once a year.

If you require a receipt for your donation or you gift aid then please remember to write your name and address on label.

**Thank you for your support!**

### St. John Paul II

Mary remains in the Church and is present in her in a maternal way. She continues to reserve in her Heart all that the Church, the Mystical Body of her Son, lives and all that - in the Church - the human family lives as well as every person redeemed by Christ.



*Catholic Quotes and Beyond*

### St John Rigby College-Deadline for Y11 applications.

The deadline for applying for a place at St John Rigby College in September 2024 is by Monday 5th February 2024. Applications can be made via the college website: [www.sjrac.uk](http://www.sjrac.uk)

### St John Rigby College-applications for Part-Time Examinations Invigilators.

SJR is now hiring examination invigilators for the May to June 2024 external examination season. Prior experience is not essential as full training will be provided to successful candidates.

Further information about this part time post may be obtained by contacting the College's HR Manager, Nellie Fakudze, via [HR@sjr.ac.uk](mailto:HR@sjr.ac.uk) or by telephone on 01942 214 797

# St Joseph's Catholic Church

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## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4th February 2024  
World Day of the Sick



<b>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9.30 am 5.00 pm	Deceased relatives of Paul & Elaine Roper. Henry Woods
<b>Monday</b>	9.30 am	Lynn & Ronnie Welch
<b>Tuesday</b>	No public Mass	
<b>Wednesday</b>	No public Mass	
<b>Thursday</b>	9.30 am	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
<b>Friday</b>	No public Mass	
<b>Saturday</b>	No public Mass	
<b>Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>	9.30 am 5.00 pm	Alan Howarth R.I.P Ann Woods

**Service of Reconciliation available on request.**

## Readings for The Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

<b>First Reading</b>	A reading from the book of Job. Job 7:1-4,6-7
<b>Psalm Response</b>	Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.
<b>Second Reading</b>	A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians. 1 Cor 9:16-19,22-23
<b>The Gospel Acclamation</b>	Alleluia, alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!
<b>Gospel</b>	A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark. Mk 1:29-39
<b>Communion Antiphon</b>	Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

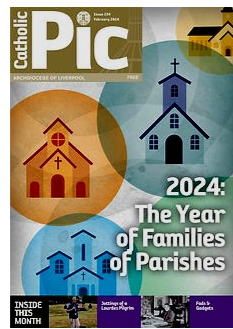
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## The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

The first reading on each Sunday is usually connected to the gospel of the day. Sometimes an incident occurring in the gospel is seen to be foreshadowed by an earlier event in the Hebrew Scriptures. At other times they will both contain a similar theme. Sometimes the first reading anticipates the gospel theme. However, it is profitable to find out what the first reading meant in its own day. A second step can then be to see how both readings relate to each other.



The February edition of the **Catholic Pic** is available to download here: <http://tinyurl.com/3s2es25x> through your electronic copy of your newsletter. Some hard copies are available at the back of church.

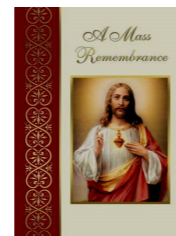


### Piety Stall

Various Mass Cards are on sale at the back of church.

**Please leave your money in the dish.**

*Please let the Parish Office know if there are any particular cards you would like to see on sale, and we will look to order them for you.*



### The Flame of Love Unity Prayer



**My** adorable Jesus. **May** our feet journey together. **May** our hands gather in unity. **May** our hearts beat in unison. **May** our souls be in harmony. **May** our thoughts be as one. **May** our ears listen to the silence together. **May** our glances profoundly penetrate each other. **May** our lips pray together to gain mercy from the Eternal Father.

**Amen.**

### Sick in our Parish

Please pray the sick of our community, especially Brenda Harmer, Fr John Johnson, Pauline Fowler 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.



### Pray for all those who have died

In your charity please pray for Marleen McGuire, Emma Scott, Philomena Waterhouse and Beryl Foster who have died and for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time. We particularly 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.



### **Right To Life UK**

#### **Pro Life Prayers**

*“ We pray for all women going through unexpected pregnancies, that they would experience peace and support in their situations, and experience the many blessings that motherhood brings. Lord hear us”.*

### **A prayer for priests**

*“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...”*

### An Evening of Recollection for Men

Our Lady's and All Saints Church at Parbold are holding 'An Evening of Recollection for Men' on **Tuesday 27th February 2024 at 7pm.**

The evening will begin with Holy Mass at 7.00pm, followed by a talk from the Parish Priest Fr Daley, Night Prayer and concluding with refreshments in the Priory.

**Telephone:01257 463 248 or Email: Parbold@hotmail.com for further information**



The Knights of St Columba will be selling tickets for their annual sweepstake on the Grand National after Mass today and for the next few weeks. Tickets are £1 each or £5 for a book of 5. Please support the Knights in their work by buying tickets.



### Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes Mass - Saturday 10th February 2024

Diocesan celebration for the Feast of our Lady of Lourdes and World Day of prayer for the Sick



**12 Noon, Saturday 10th February**  
**Christ the King, Queens Drive Liverpool.**  
Bishop Tom Neylon presiding.

**Mary, Mother of Our Saviour, be a Mother to me today and always!**

### Holy Mass Intentions.

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.

### **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”*