



27th September 2020 + 26th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A + Weekdays, Week 26 Ordinary Time year 2

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Readings for 26th Sunday Ordinary Time

First reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28

Responsorial Psalm: 24(25)

Remember your mercy Lord.

Second reading: Philippians 2:1-11

Gospel acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32

Communion Antiphon:

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Collections

Offertory TBC

Online giving You can donation to the parish at:

<https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/holy-family-southport>

Mass at Holy Family

Please note the Sunday obligation is still suspended and will remain so until further notice. These are some of the changes in church, for which we all have a responsibility, to keep us all safe:

1. If you feel unwell - stay at home - do not come to church and put others at risk
2. You need to bring and wear a face covering, all the time, while on church premises
3. You will be met by stewards in personal protective equipment (PPE)
4. You will need to use hand sanitiser when you arrive
5. You need to maintain a one metre plus social distance at all times
6. The stewards will direct you to a seat, which may not be your usual seat
7. There will be no singing
8. Communion will be distributed at the end of Mass as you leave
9. There will be a one way system in church
10. You will need to use hand sanitiser when you leave
11. You must not congregate outside the church either before or after your visit

From Monday 21st September Mass at Holy Family will be celebrated:

Tuesday 9.30am, Thursday 9.30am, Saturday 6pm and Sunday 10.15am

The Sunday morning Mass is also available via Zoom

Parish Intentions on the days where Mass is not celebrated publicly will be included in Fr Kevin's private Mass celebrations

Mass intentions this week (in bold are public Mass)

Sunday 27th September 10.15am Elsbeth Wilkinson RIP

Tuesday 29th September 9.30am Anne Bigg

Wednesday 30th September Rose McLoughlin RIP

Saturday 3rd October 6pm peter Pearson

Sunday 4th October 10.15am John Bollin

Mass Intentions Don't forget you can still request Masses - all you need to do is ring the presbytery or send an email to:

holyfamily.southport@rcaolp.co.uk.

We pray for our sick Paul Mahoney, Jimmy Hubbard, Ian Gardner, Cecilia Walsh, João Rolo, Michael O'Neill, Joseph Warden, Patricia Ball, Louise Apperley, John Fitzpatrick and all those affected by Coronavirus. *To be included on the sick list please, write down names and post them in the presbytery letter box. Please make the person aware, as they may not want their name published.*

We pray for all the lately dead and those who mourn them

Joan Prendergast and Brian Kirwan

Anniversaries

Thomas James Murphy, Albert Naughton, Ann Rossiter, Nellie Gregory, Winifred Bunting, Frances Margaret McCormack, Katherine (Kitty) Wadsworth, Margaret Furnival, James Porter, Stanislaw Rimmer, Rona McGowan.



Important Information



We are starting to record Mass at Holy Family

Our latest regular Holy Family Mass will take place on Saturdays at 6pm and will be the Vigil Mass for Sundays. We will record this Mass and upload it so that you can watch it from our website anytime, and join with us as a congregation. Look for 'Mass recordings and music links...' and click to go to the relevant page. For privacy reasons there will be no views of the congregation on this video, and it will be available on our website only, and not generally on YouTube.

God made us a family, We need one another, We love one another, We forgive one another, We work together, We play together, We worship together. Together we use God's word, Together we grow in Christ, Together we love all people, Together we serve our God, Together we hope for heaven, These are our hopes and ideals, Help us to attain them, O God, Through Jesus Christ Our Lord.



Fr Kevin's Desk

When a new Parish Priest is appointed to a parish it is usual that a formal induction takes place. I am sure some of you will have previously attended such an event which would usually be a Mass celebrated by the Bishop where the formal letter of appointment would be publicly read out. The new PP would also recite the profession of faith and declare his commitment to serving his new community concluding with the symbolic handing over of the keys prior to the much anticipated parish buffet;

Unfortunately due to the virus this is not possible however I am still duty bound to make the formal profession of faith in the presence of the Dean or Vicar General or Chancellor, which I hope will take place soon.

The formal letter of appointment which was sent to me by Archbishop Malcolm a few weeks ago is quite brief but it possesses the reminder of the immense responsibility a Parish Priest undertakes when he accepts his appointment. I share the following paragraph; **'We commit to you the full care of souls in the parish, with the faculties, rights, privileges duties and obligations attached to the office of Parish Priest in accordance with the code of Canon Law, the documents of the Second Vatican Council and subsequent decrees, and our own Archdiocesan Statutes.'**

As this is my fourth parish, I have often reflected on the awesome responsibility that comes with the statement; **'Full care of souls in the parish'**. For many years in my retail career I had the major responsibility of managing a region of thirty shops and stores but to be responsible for the spiritual wellbeing of souls, this is a whole different world. I am also under no illusion as to whom I will one day have to give an account (and I don't mean the Bishop). So! As I continue to settle into Holy Family, I ask above all for the support of your prayers, that The Lord will continue to grant me the grace that I need to serve, equally, all the souls of this parish and to joyfully minister in his name.....God Bless, **Fr. Kevin.**

An invitation to remember loved ones Every year in November the hospital chaplaincy and spiritual care service offers a memorial event for the remembrance of loved ones. This year, because of the Covid-19 restrictions, it is not going to be possible to plan an event where people gather in large numbers. However, there are some big plans for the hospital and the community to remember loved ones.

During October the Hospital are inviting you to bring a piece of colourful ribbon and a bulb, and tie the ribbon and plant a bulb, in memory of a loved one. Please be sure that this does not have to relate to Covid-19, or even a loss in the last year. It can be about any loss at any time.

There will be a memorial event which will be broadcast on the hospital YouTube channel and the Methodist Church channel, which can be accessed via the hospital website. This will be pre-recorded but broadcast at 11am on Sunday 1st November. It will be available for some months after that.

CAFOD family fast day On Friday October 9th our parish is marking CAFOD's Family Fast Day to help people facing the worst of the Coronavirus crisis. We've all felt the impact of this terrible disease, let's come together to help the poorest and most vulnerable people in the world **survive, rebuild and heal**. Please pray for all those affected and donate online at cafod.org.uk/give or by using one of the envelopes. If you decide to donate online can you let the parish office know the amount so we can count the parish response? Email holyfamilysouthport@rcaol.org.uk. You can also give by text. Text CAFOD to 70085 to donate £10. (texts cost £10 plus one standard rate message and you'll be opting in to hear more about CAFOD's work and fundraising via telephone and SMS. If you'd like to give £10 but do not wish to receive marketing communications text CAFODNOINFO to 70085. For more information please see the Privacy Policy. cafod.org.uk/Legal-information/Privacy-notice)

Restored Lives - Recovery from Divorce and Separation The Restored Lives course is a series of six meetings by Zoom starting on Monday 12th October. The course is for any person who has been impacted by the end of a serious relationship whether separated, currently going through a divorce or already divorced, either recently or at any time in the past. Meetings are free, confidential, informative and affirming. For further details please contact Maureen O'Brien m.obrien@rcaol.org.uk

Bulbs and the car park area Thank you to everyone who has brought in bulbs. We have now planted just over 1,500 of them with just over 1100 being daffodils. The grass seed was sewn on Friday afternoon. Now we just have to be patient.

Churches Together in Southport: There will be no meetings until further notice



Pope Francis Prayer intention for September: **Respect for the Planet's Resources** We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

Catholic Chaplaincy Southport Hospital and Queenscourt Hospice

If you or a family member are admitted into the hospital/hospice please make sure the Catholic Chaplaincy Team know you are there. In an emergency ask the ward staff to contact the Catholic Priest. For routine visits and Holy Communion contact Maria Parker: **07467 374830**