



23rd June 2024 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time, year B + Weekdays week 12 Ordinary Time

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Readings for the 12th Sunday Ordinary Time

First reading: Job 38:1,8-11

Responsorial Psalm 106(107)

O give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures for ever.

Second reading: 2 Corinthians 5:14-17

Gospel acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 4:35-41

Feasts of the week

Monday 24th June The Nativity of St John the Baptist

Thursday 27th June St Cyril of Alexandria

Friday 28th June St Irenaeus

Sunday 30th June Ss Peter and Paul



News from our School

Last week the children in Years 1, 2 and 3 invited their families to join their Stay and Pray collective worships about difference and friendship.

Important Information

Children's Liturgy during the 9.30am Mass

Tea and coffee after the 9.30am Mass, in the Hall.

Summer Social Instead of a Summer Fair this year, we are holding a Summer Social Fundraiser on Sunday July 7th immediately after both the 9.30am and the 11am Masses. Come along to the Hall for tea, coffee, cake and chat. If the weather is good then we will have tables and chairs in the garden. There will also be a raffle and a gift stall. If anyone has ideas for other stalls that they would like to run or if anyone would be willing to bake cakes for sale then please get in touch with the Parish Office as soon as possible. Donations for the raffle and gift stall are urgently required. Please leave them in the Church Porch. Thank you all for your continuing support!

Next weekend there is an appeal on behalf of The Missionary sisters of St. Joseph who have been given permission by Archbishop Malcolm to visit all the parishes in the archdiocese this year.

Iridium concert Sunday 23rd June 3pm in church, admission £5, in aid of the building fund.

This Week at Holy Family

Saturday 22nd June 6pm Carl John Williams, Anniversary RIP

Sunday 23rd June 9.30am Thomas Cahill, Birthday Remembrance

[also on YouTube](#)

11am Hilda Lopez RIP [also on Zoom](#)

Monday 24th June 9.30am Margaret McLoughlin

Tuesday 25th June 9.30am Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion

Wednesday 26th June 9.30am Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion

Thursday 27th June – No Mass or Service

Friday 28th June – No Mass or Service

Saturday 29th June 6pm Peace in the World (Chris Hodgson's Intention)

Stanyon Family Baptism

Sunday 30th June 9.30am Parishioners [also on YouTube](#)

11am Fr John Heaney RIP [also on Zoom](#)

Evening Prayer: Wednesday 6pm **Morning Prayer:** Saturday 7.10am [both via Zoom only](#) For the Zoom codes please contact the Parish Office.

Reconciliation/Confession 5.15-5.45pm every Saturday and by request

We pray for all our sick (Any request for prayers and names on the sick list will remain on the bulletin for a maximum of 4 weeks, prayer will continue) Joanne Frankland, Joan Latham, Pat Ball, Chris Littlewood.

We pray for all the lately dead and those who mourn them: John Shrigley, Margaret Cox, Connor McLoughlin (Fr Kevin's cousin)

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur this week Mary Foster, Theresa Horseman, Annie Hurst, Kay Martin, Eileen Fahey, Margaret McLoughlin, Guiseppina Desiano, Thomas McCabe, Norman Thistlewaite, Ada Heap, Mary Burns, Joslyn Daniel (Jos) Butler, Lucy Cecilia Ambrose, Carol Richardson, Elsie Ratcliffe, William Bradley, Eileen Rimmer, Maureen Philomena Olsson.

Important Information

Families of Parishes

The Archbishop has now determined that for our deanery there will be two Family of Parishes, splitting the deanery into the North and the South.

The Deanery Synodal Council are keen to consult with all parishioners about the Family of Parishes, and importantly how we respond to a challenge from the Archbishop for us all *"to build relationships and develop communications"* in our Family of Parishes and our deanery.

There will be meetings for parishioners on:

St Marie's (Marian Centre) on 27 June 2024 at 19.30; and

St John's Stone (in the church) on 4 July 2024 at 19.30.

The DSC want to listen to what you think. A summary letter and leaflet has been produced and is at the back of Church.

Ben Miller

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

I can hardly believe that Tuesday will be the first anniversary of my special sister Margaret's death. The year has passed swiftly but there has not been a day when she was not in my thoughts and prayers. There are also those moments which we all experience following the loss of a loved one when we are suddenly 'ambushed by grief.' Precious memories triggered by a simple thought, song, place, or a multitude of things which instantly intensify their absence. Thankfully, our faith assures us that our loved ones are safe and that in time, we will be re-united with them in the joyful presence of God who loves each of us unconditionally.

Immediately after Mass on Monday I will be going to Ampleforth Abbey for my annual silent retreat. It is a place that I have never been to before as I usually choose St. Beuno's in North Wales or a few other retreat centers familiar to me. The Church in her wisdom recommends that all priests and religious have an annual spiritual retreat of a minimum five days. This will always involve times of silence and solitude, but I always prefer the option of complete silence with no distractions. This means no radio, tv, mobiles, internet etc. and no speaking during meals. And although this may appear anti-social, it is essential to create an atmosphere of solitude to come closer to Christ and to try and develop a renewed perspective on life. We mostly live in a very boisterous world full of noise, entertainment, and distractions where silence and solitude have become unwelcome guests. The wonderful Saint Anselm an eleventh century Benedictine monk and a previous Archbishop of Canterbury and Doctor of the Church wrote the following over nine hundred years ago,

Come now, turn aside from your daily employment. Escape for a moment from the tumult of your thoughts, put aside your weighty cares. Let your burdensome distractions wait. Free yourself for a while for him. Enter the inner chamber of your soul. Shut out everything except God and that which will help you in seeking him. When you have shut the door, say to him: 'I seek your face. Lord my God, teach my heart where and how to seek you.'

As I try to follow St. Anselm's advice, please know that you will all be very much in my thoughts and prayers during these days, and I will be home in time for the Masses next weekend.

God Bless, Fr. Kevin.



Mr Paul Meredith will, this Friday, attempt his 'old man's triathlon' for our heating appeal, which I am certain he will successfully complete. There is still time to sponsor Paul and to those who already have, thank you and if you would be kind enough to bring your sponsorship money to church next weekend, this would be great! I am extremely grateful to Paul for his unique initiative and generosity in supporting Holy Family.

Fr. Kevin.

Can you help Paul Meredith raise £1000 to help fund new heating system for Holy Family Church? Please donate to his JustGiving Page for his "Old man's triathlon": https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/paul-meredith-1-holyfamilyfund?utm_id=2&utm_term=23zWRpNPP Thank you!

CAFOD General Election CAFOD & the SVP ask for your help to answer Pope Francis' call to support the most vulnerable by contacting your parliamentary candidates before the General Election. They've made it easy – just follow this link on CAFOD's website and you can use the prepared email or amend it & when you send it, it will reach all your candidates: <https://action.cafod.org.uk/page/150354/action/1>. Cardinal Nichols and the Bishops Conference are urging us to voice our support for the most vulnerable & the environment too. If you would like to respond as part of the parish, please look at the CAFOD website for the 8 issues and let me know which 3 you think we should focus on. Adrian. adriancannell@aol.com 07523668075

Christ the King 6th Form Entry To find out if you meet our entry requirements and discuss the options available to you, please contact sixthformadmin@christtheking-school.com and we can arrange an informal chat. We also have a Year 12 Induction Day on Thursday 11th July so, please let us know if you would like to attend that too.

Exercise class this Wednesday in the Parish Hall beginning at 1.30pm. Everyone is very welcome to join us for our fun but effective chair-based exercises

Meet up Mondays At this month's Meet Up Monday, we welcomed Sister Catherine from the Daughters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul who gave us a very informative talk about her order and her work within it. She is a great speaker and had us all laughing in some parts and being very moved in others. Thank you for coming along Sister Catherine and we hope to see you again soon. After the talk, one group moved on to the next stage of watercolour painting and another group made delicious lemon and cardamon biscuits. If you have been wondering whether you might enjoy Meet Up Mondays why not come along next month on Monday July 8th. We will be learning some drawing techniques and having a (non-alcoholic) gin and tonic tasting session. Come and see what it's all about!

Celebrate Summer at New Leaf Garden Centre's Fayre! ☀️ Join us on Saturday, June 29th, from 11 am to 3 pm for a delightful summer celebration at New Leaf Garden Centre! New Leaf is located next to Victoria Park in Southport.



Pope Francis Prayer intention for June 2024: For migrants fleeing their homes We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

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**