

THE PARISH OF ST CHARLES AND ST THOMAS MORE

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) - 23rd July 2017



I call you friends says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.
 John 15:15

DAY	FEAST	TIMES	MASS INTENTION
Sat 22nd Sun 23rd	Vigil	5.00 pm 9.30 am 11.00 am	Parishioners Deceased Members of D'Arcy Family Maurice and Norma Davitt (A)
Mon 24th		10.00 am	Christopher Scattergood (Id)
Tue 25th	St James, Apostle	7.00 pm	Andrea Welsh (A)
Wed 26th	SS Joachim & Anne	12 noon	Paul Heron (Id)
Thu 27th		12 noon	John Farrell (Id)
Fri 28th		No Mass	Church open for private prayer
Sat 29th Sun 30th	Wedding Service Vigil 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time	2.00 pm 5.00 pm 9.30 am 11.00 am	Paul Kayll & Elizabeth Farrington Ann Meegan (A) Parishioners Thanksgiving (FE)

Confessions:

Tue. 6.15 –6.45pm
 Sat. 4.30 pm - 4.50 pm

PLEASE PRAY for all who are sick and housebound or in hospital, for all those who have died recently, and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.



ANNIVERSARIES:

Norma Davitt, Leonard Williams, Catherine Connor, Noreen Neilson, Joan Boyce, Mary Darby, Paul Mayne, George Dickinson, Molly Farrell, Peter McEvoy, Andrea Welsh, Ann Meegan.

SICK: Elizabeth Reid, Baby Teddy Love, Russell Grindley, Rene Farrell, Paula Williams, Dave Richter

LATELY DEAD: Fr Patrick Harnett, Phil Lyons, Jim Lynch, Siobhan Sheridan, Sylvia Walsh, Sheila Chabrel, Dorothy Stuthridge.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

You are invited to submit the names of any relatives or friends (with their permission) to be published in this section of the Newsletter. Upon request, names will be listed for a period of 4 weeks from the date of submission, unless otherwise requested. Please contact the Parish Office.



to any visitors and new parishioners.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit this week for **Norah Mary Toohey** and the **Marian Candle** is lit for **Lana**



THE SANCTUARY CANDLE AND THE MARIAN CANDLE

can be requested for many reasons. A dedication to a member of your family, young or old, living or dead. For a friend who is in need of prayer. An anniversary, or for yourself for a private intention. Choose a particular week throughout the year, put the name and date on an envelope together with a donation and give it to Fr James or bring it to the parish office.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Congratulations on wanting your child to receive the gift of Baptism. Please see Fr James after Mass to discuss it. A date can be arranged, for a Sunday, after completion of a three-week course.

Courses are held in:

January for baptisms in **Feb, March and April**

April for baptisms in **May, June and July**

July for baptisms in **Aug Sept and Oct**

October for baptisms in **Nov, Dec and Jan**

MUSIC ON 30 JULY

9.30am MUSIC GROUP

11.00am ORGAN



OFFERTORY 15/16 July

Plate: £477.30 Envelopes: £691.37 S/O: £512.25

Total: £1680.92

Thank you for your generosity.

Lourdes Tea Money £22.17

Soup and a Roll donations (Boiler Fund) £42.00

MASS ATTENDANCE 15/16 JULY

5.00pm: 153 9.30am: 152 11.00am: 172

Total: 477

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Congratulations to **Paul Kayll** and **Elizabeth Farrington** who will be married here on Saturday 29 July at 2.00 pm.



We wish them all the best for their future together and ask you to keep them in your prayers.

PRAYER INTENTION BOOK

A book is placed near St. Anthony's statue in which to write your prayer requests which will be offered to God at the week-end Masses.

WEEKDAY MASS TIME CHANGES

Due to my Vocations commitments and the work I do promoting Vocations in schools throughout the Archdiocese I need to make changes in the weekday Mass schedule and also confessions. These changes will take place from the week **commencing Monday 31st July 2017.**

The new Mass times are as follows:

Monday 7.00 pm Tuesday 9.30 am

Wednesday 12 noon Thursday 12 noon.

Confessions will now be on:

Monday at 6.30pm

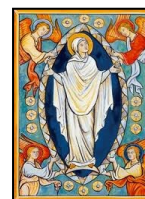
Thursday at 11.30am

Sunday at 8.45 - 9.15am.

Holyday of Obligation – the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven

Monday 14th August: Vigil Mass at 7.00 pm

Tuesday 15th August: Mass at 9.30am



THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Today we welcome to God's family **Otis Patrick Price** and **Liam George Woods** who will be baptised. Please remember them and their families in your prayers.



TEA AND COFFEE will be served after the 9.30am and 11.00am Masses today. All proceeds to the Lourdes Fund.

HEATING SYSTEM

The Archdiocese Surveyor has recently informed me that the Church heating system needs to be replaced. The current boiler is **over 40 years old** and it is becoming increasingly difficult to find spare parts for the boiler. The cost to replace it will be **£14,400.00**. Hopefully we will be able to have this replaced before the end of this year. The money raised at the Summer Fair will go towards the cost of the boiler. This is a good start to the fundraising we need to do to replace it. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Fr James

Lucky Number Club – Assin Foso

The Assin Foso group is starting a lucky number club to fund raise for the parish and school in Ghana. The cost is £2.50 a month (paid by direct debit) with a chance of winning one of 3 cash prizes. We are hoping to start the monthly draws in October. To sign up & be allocated a number please collect a form that we will be giving out at the end of Mass. The completed form can be handed in after Mass next week or returned via the parish office. If you need any more information please ask a member of the committee or contact us at assinfoso@gmail.com

Thank you for your on-going support and good luck!

Thought for the Week:

What does love look like?
Love has hands to help others
It has feet to hasten to the poor and needy.
It has eyes to see misery and want.
It has ears to hear the sighs and sorrow of others.
That's what love looks like.

(St Augustine)

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

If your child is going into year 4 in September they are eligible to begin the Preparation Programme for First Confession and First Holy Communion. Please contact the parish office for more details.

Save the Date – future planned events

Friday 29th September - Parish Social Evening

Friday 22nd December - *Spirit of Christmas* at the Liverpool Philharmonic. Block of 42 seats booked at £30 per person.



FILM NIGHT

Tuesday 22nd August at 7.30pm

in the Parish Hall.

“The Girl on the Train”

Starring Emily Blunt and Justin Theroux

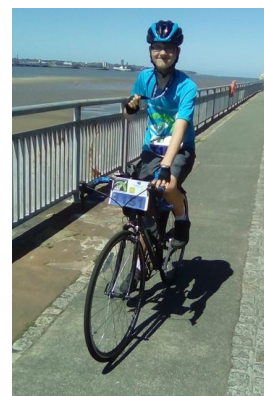
A recent divorcee (Emily Blunt) becomes entangled in a mystery involving her former husband and his new family in this adaptation directed by Tate Taylor.

Entrance will be by donation, so please be your usual generous selves. There will be a glass of wine - but feel free to bring your own bottle as well, and with nibbles and raffles it will be a great night for everyone. Please let us know if you are coming as places are limited.

Proceeds to Ghana.

THANK YOU

Hello, Nat from Pizza and Prayers here. Thank you to all who contributed for my ride on Sunday 2nd July, it went much better than me and my mum could imagine. It also helped to raise a lot of money to help to get people to Lourdes, and we are very thankful to all those who helped by giving the spare change from their pockets.



Nugent Charity Shop on Allerton Road is in urgent need of stock consisting of clothing, books, bric-a-brac, shoes and handbags. If you have any unwanted items please consider donating them to our Charity Shop and these can be dropped off at 73 Allerton Road, Liverpool, L18 2DH from 9am – 5pm, Monday to Saturday. We can collect donations on Thursday mornings. To arrange a collection please contact the manager at the shop - Jeannette on jeannette.burnett@nugentcare.org or 0151 737 2951

PARISH BINGO every Friday evening at 7.30pm in the Meeting Room.

IF SOMEONE IS ILL

If you, or someone you know of, becomes ill, goes into hospital, or is no longer able to get to Mass, please contact the parish office 0151 727 2493.

PIETY SHOP

We have a large selection of cards, rosary beads and prayer books available for sale in the Piety Shop.

WANTED: USED STAMPS

There is a box at the back of church for used postage stamps, cut out from envelopes with a wide border please, for the Marie Curie Centre in Woolton.



MARRIAGE ENQUIRERS

For all enquirers about weddings please see Fr. Preston after one of the weekend Masses. Wedding bookings and preparation cannot be arranged by email. If you are getting married at St. Charles and St. Thomas More, or abroad, six months' notice is required for the necessary paperwork to be completed.

SOME MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES IN OUR PARISH

Do you co-ordinate any type of group within our parish? Please send details to Martin, Barbara or Val and we will include them in this column. All meetings take place in the hall unless otherwise stated.

MESSY CHURCH Third Saturday of every month, 11 am - 1 pm. Fun activities: painting, crafts, stories, etc. All ages welcome, but children must be accompanied by an adult. Lunch provided.

CUPPA AND CHAT each Monday 10.30am - 12 noon. Young and old are invited, bring your toddler or baby along if you wish.

PARISH PRAYER GROUP meets monthly, usually, but not always, in a member's home and on the first Monday of the month from 8 to 9 pm. Everyone is welcome. If you would like to join us ring 727 2195 to check date and venue.

PENSIONERS CLUB Mondays at 2pm.

PIZZA & PRAYERS YOUTH GROUP meets once a month on a Sunday from 6:30 – 8 pm. Open to young people in High school. See notices for dates.

JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP for children in Years 4-6 meets on Monday evenings 6.00 pm to 7.30 pm.

JUSTICE & PEACE GROUP meets at 6 pm on the last Tuesday in every month.

PARENTS AND TODDLERS GROUP meets on Wednesday mornings from 9.30 am - 11.30 am in the Parish Meeting Room. Parents/grandparents are invited to come along and join in.

BINGO Friday evenings at 7.30pm.

MOTHERS PRAYER GROUP Thursdays 7.00pm. For more details, ring Brenda on 728 7048

TEA AND COFFEE is served on Sunday after each Mass. Proceeds to Lourdes Youth Fund.

SOUP AND A ROLL is served on the 1st Thursday of the month after 12 noon Mass. All welcome.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE meets monthly to plan and organise social activities within the parish community. If you are interested in joining this group please contact the parish office.

KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA Council 9 welcomes Catholic men to come and meet us and find out more about what we do. If you are interested please ring Aidan Carney on 0151 427 7126.

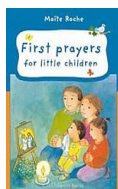
BEREAVEMENT CARE TEAM aims to support families within the parish who have experienced bereavement. If you are interested in joining this group, or if you or anyone in your family would like support from this group, please contact the Parish Office.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP (18-35) meets on the third Wednesday of every month for Mass and a Meal.

CHILDREN'S PRAYER BOOKS. There is a selection of prayer books for young children which they are welcome to use during Mass. These are available at the back of church before Mass.

TO OUR YOUNG CHILDREN

There are some prayer books and story books in a box at the back of church for you to use while you are at Mass. Hope you enjoy them.



CAR PARK

Please note the car park is locked directly after Mass on Saturday evening and at 1pm on Sundays.