

# THE PARISH OF ST CHARLES AND ST THOMAS MORE

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## 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) - 13th August 2017

DAY	FEAST	TIMES	MASS INTENTION
Sat 12th Sun 13th	<b>Vigil</b>	5.00 pm 9.30 am 11.00 am	Parishioners Julia Drozd (A) Nora & Leo Forsey (Ruby Wedding)
Mon 14th	<b>Vigil of the Assumption</b>	7.00 pm	Special Intention (CH)
Tue 15th	<b>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>	9.30 am	Kathleen Halpin (A)
Wed 16th		No Mass	
Thu 17th		No Mass	
Fri 18th		No Mass	Church open for private prayer
Sat 19th Sun 20th	<b>Vigil</b> <b>20th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	5.00 pm 9.30 am 11.00 am	James Pringle Alan Thelwell (Id) Parishioners



*Truly you are the Son of God.*

*Matthew 14:33*

**Confessions:**

Mon 6.30 pm  
 Thur 11.30 am  
 Sun 8.45 - 9.15 am

**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:** Julia Drozd, Jim Jones, Mary Simister, Sr Barbara Holmes, Francis Joseph Reid, Kenneth John Armstrong, William John Clark, Thomas Bainbridge, Sydney Patrick Fletcher, Thomas McNally, John Wilson, David Ball, Jean Parry, Jan McClure, Beatrice Moran, Cis Clare, Pam Walsh, Madge Craven.

**LATELY DEAD:** Bridie Reynolds

**SICK:** Elizabeth Reid, Russell Grindley, Rene Farrell, Paula Williams, Dave Richter.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

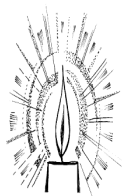
You are invited to submit the names of any relatives or friends (with their permission) to be published in this section of the Newsletter. Upon request, names will be listed for a period of 4 weeks from the date of submission, unless otherwise requested. Please contact the Parish Office.



to any visitors and new parishioners.

**RUBY WEDDING** Please pray for Nora and Leo Forsey, who are celebrating their Ruby Wedding and will receive a blessing during the 11am Mass.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit this week for **Nora & Leo Forsey, wedding anniversary** and the **Marian Candle** is lit for **Margaret Mullen (bd)**



### 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 20 AUGUST

9.30am ORGAN

11.00am MUSIC GROUP



### OFFERTORY 5/6 August

Plate: £566.06 Envelopes: £649.82 S/O: £411.25

**Total: £1627.13**

**Lourdes Tea Money: £18.35**

**Soup & Roll Money (towards the boiler): £25.00**

**Donation towards the boiler: £1000**

**Thank you for your generosity.**

### MASS ATTENDANCE 5/6 August

5.00pm: 151 9.30am: 148 11.00am: 186

**Total: 485**

### THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Today we welcome to God's family **Lara Catherine & Heidi Rose Kaufmann** who will be baptised. Please remember them and their family in your prayers.



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

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August:** Vigil Mass at 7.00 pm

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> August:** Mass at 9.30am



### CALLED BEYOND

This is a new initiative developed by the **National Office for Vocations**. It is an opportunity for all Catholics to celebrate the call of Christ in our lives. This Pastoral Area has been chosen to launch a pilot scheme which will take place in October of this



year. It will explore the vocation of all of us from youth, young adults, married people as well as those called to religious life and the priesthood.

### 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.

### Thought for the Week:

All shall be well and all shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well. (Mother Julian of Norwich)

## 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

**Thank you to all those who have given donations. Up to now we have received £2492.52, this amount includes the Summer Fair, but we still have a long way to go to reach our target.**

## 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 from the back of church. Forms should be returned to the Parish office where they will be stored securely.

If you need any more information please ask a member of the committee ( Julie Devine, Tony Wardale, Sean Morgan, Jacinta Hartman, Angelina Boateng, Jim Doyle and Susan Murray) or contact us at [assinfoso@gmail.com](mailto:assinfoso@gmail.com)

Thank you for your on-going support

## Would you like to learn more about our Catholic Faith?

Was the last time you studied your faith at school? It is important that we continue on a path of life-long learning so that we are spiritually renewed in life's journey. A group of Catholic lay people are coming on **Monday and Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm** (starting on **25th September**) for six weeks of Catechesis and Prayer for adults. This course is suitable for Catholics, enquirers and anyone interested in the faith. (The format of the evening does not involve group discussion—talks will be given).

Fr James



## 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.

## 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.

## Energy Saver Club

One of our parishioners, Andrew Boateng, is able to give advice on how to reduce your home energy costs. Andrew has kindly offered to donate any commission made to the **Friends of Assin Foso Parish and School (Ghana)**. There is more information on the notice board at the back of church or you can contact Andrew on 07504 45079 or [Andrew.boateng@my.com](mailto:Andrew.boateng@my.com)

***(Please note: this is a different number from that published previously)***

**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](mailto: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.

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

### **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.

### **PIETY SHOP**

We have a selection of cards, rosary beads and prayer books available for sale in the Piety Shop. If anyone can help on a Saturday night please contact the Parish Office.

### **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.

**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.

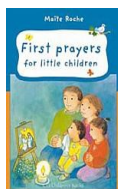
**BEREAVEMENT CARE TEAM** aims to support families within the parish who have experienced bereavement. If you are interested in joining this group, or if you or anyone in your family would like support from this group, please contact the Parish Office.

**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.