

THE PARISH OF ST CHARLES AND ST THOMAS MORE

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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) - 4th February 2018

DAY	FEAST	TIMES	MASS INTENTION
Sat 3rd Sun 4th	Vigil	5.00 pm 9.30 am 11.00 am	Veronica Corcoran (A) Parishioners Frank Loftus (A)
Mon 5th	St Agatha	7.00 pm	Molly Hilliard (RIP)
Tue 6th	Ss Paul Miki & companions	9.30 am	Brougham Family Intentions
Wed 7th		No Mass	
Thu 8th	Requiem Holy Hour	12 noon 7.30 pm	William Finnegan Adoremus
Fri 9th		No Mass	Private Prayer
Sat 10th Sun 11th	Vigil 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	5.00 pm 9.30 am 11.00 am	Parishioners David George Parry (A) Mary & Thomas Cleary



"Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came."

Mark 1:38

Confessions:

Mon 6.15pm - 6.45pm
 Sat 4.00 - 4.45 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: Veronica Corcoran, Frank Loftus, David George Parry, Susan Elliot-Carlina, Josephine Mottram, Mary Egan, James Gill, Kathleen Foran, Anne Valentine, Anne Graham, Paul Eugene Chesters, Stephen Paul McDonough, Catherine Parker.

SICK: Elizabeth Reid, Russell Grindley, Paula Williams

LATELY DEAD: William Finnegan, Kevin Fay, Winifred Myles

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.

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.



to any visitors and new parishioners.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit this week for **Nora Mary Toohey** and the **Marian Candle** is lit for **Susan Turner**



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.

Choir to celebrate Easter

Calling all choristers! Following on from the carol service we'd like to get you all together again, and of course new members, to prepare music for our Easter services. Please see Jeremy Mitchinson or James Finnegan for further details.



MUSIC ON 11 February

9.30am MUSIC GROUP

11.00am ORGAN



OFFERTORY 27/28 January

Plate: £588.83 Envelopes: £623.53 S/O: £426.25

Total: £1638.61

Boiler Donation £20.00

Lourdes Tea Money £17.21

Thank you for your generosity.

MASS ATTENDANCE 27/28 January

5.00pm: 169 9.30am: 180 11.00am: 183

Total: 532

Thought for the Week:

Speak with a gentle wisdom.

Divorced and Separated Catholics

The next series of support meetings for Divorced and Separated Catholics starts in February 2018.

This course is for those who are separated, those who are currently, going through a divorce, or those who are already divorced, whether recently or at any time in the past.

The small groups are informative, affirming, free & confidential.

To book a place on the course held in Aintree:
Contact Maureen O'Brien 07967753371.

To book a place on the course held in South Liverpool:
contact Frances Trotman 0151 727 2195

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.



Justice and Peace Group



Pax Christi Ash Wednesday Witness Walk event: Meet at the bombed out church at 11.45 on Wednesday 14th February.

Dr Anne Merriman will speak at Masses on the weekend 10/11 February about **Hospice Africa**. The retiring collection will be for Hospice Africa.

SAFEGUARDING

Just to remind all volunteers who were DBS checked in 2015, or before, they will need to renew their certificates during 2018. Thanks in anticipation for your co-operation.

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.



CASTLERIGG MANOR—Youth Retreat

The Pizza and Prayers Youth Group will be going on retreat to Castlerigg Manor youth retreat centre in Keswick 23-25 February. Please return the paperwork, permission forms and your payment for this weekend which is £45 per person and £80 for two children from one family.

If you are interested in going but do not attend the youth group, please contact Fr James.

Pizza and Prayers Youth Group

Presents

Lourdes Family Fundraiser

2nd March 2018 7pm

St Anthony of Padua Parish Hall

Queens Drive L18

£5 entry

Quiz, Bingo, Raffle, Face Painting, Open Mic and
Disco

Tickets available after all masses from the Youth
Group.

Any donations for raffle prizes would be much appreciated, bottles of wine, boxes of chocolates, sweets etc. These can be handed into the parish office.

Friends of Assin Foso

Parish and School

Lucky Number Winners

1st prize Moira Hughes

2nd prize Maureen Mason

3rd prize Susan Murray

Well done! You have to be in it to win it!
Forms at the back of church if you would like to join
up! £2.50 a month!

Thank you for your support.

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



Prayer in preparation for the Eucharistic Congress 2018 and for Synod 2020.

We thank you Father
for the love you have shown us
in the gift of Jesus, your Son.
Keep us grateful each day
for the blessings that surround us.

As we are fed by you,
so now send us out
to share what we have received
with our hungry brothers and sisters.

We humbly ask your help to become the Church
that you are calling us to be:
a community that listens, that trusts,
that lives with courage
and that puts out its nets into new waters.

May the gentle presence of Christ in our hearts
be a source of healing, of new life
and of a deeper trust in you.

We ask this in faith
through Jesus Christ, Our Lord.

Amen.

Afternoon Tea

All are welcome – Thursdays 1.30-3pm in the
Parish Meeting Room

This terms topics and activities are:



8th February

Fun Quiz

15th February

HALF TERM BREAK

22nd February

Tai Chi

1st March

South Africa PowerPoint

8th March

My favourite poem

15th March

Moscow PowerPoint

22nd March

Children's Voices of the Second
World War

29th March

EASTER BREAK

LENT

Ash Wednesday 14th February.

Mass will be at 12noon and 7.00pm.

Mass times during Lent are as follows.

Monday	7.00pm
Tuesday	7.30am
Wednesday	8.15am in St Charles School Hall
Thursday	12.00noon
Friday	7.00pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

are at 7.30pm on Friday Evenings

LENTEN HOUSE MASSES

During the Season of Lent, I would like to offer the opportunity for families and individuals to host house Masses in their homes. On Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, we could gather in a different home and celebrate Mass with hymns followed by a time of fellowship. These Masses prove a great opportunity for you to invite friends and neighbours, especially the lapsed. It is a great way of sanctifying the season and hopefully help build a community in different neighbourhoods across the parish. Please ring the office if you wish to host a Mass in your home.

Jesus is Truly in the Blessed Sacrament. Alive and Present.

The most exciting DVD of our time.

This will be shown on
Thursday 15th February
at 7pm

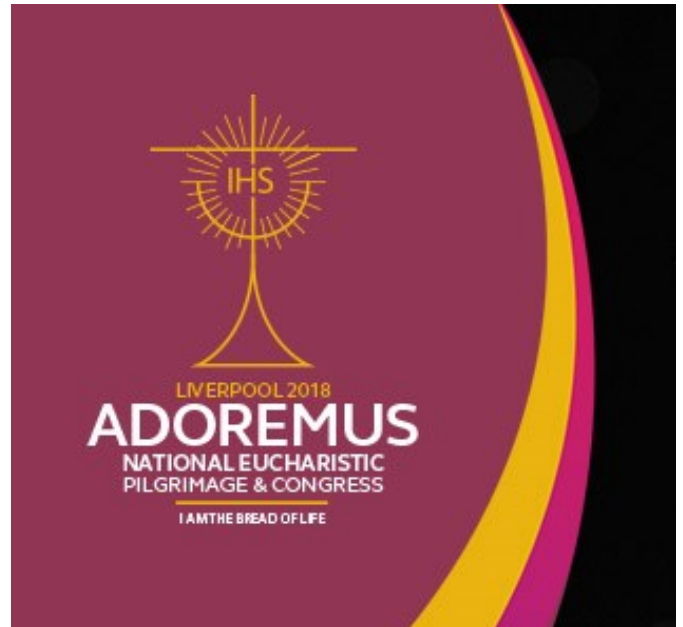
in the Parish Hall.
Everyone welcome

THE REAL PRESENCE



"Keep close to Me,
and in Me you will find peace."

~ Jesus Christ



HOLY HOUR

In prayerful preparation for "Adoremus" the National Eucharistic Congress which is being held 7th – 9th September 2018 there will a Holy Hour here on Thursday 8th February at 7.30pm.

PARISH PRAYER GROUP.

The next meeting will be on
Monday 5th February 8-9 pm, usual venue. All welcome. Further details from Frances, 727 2195 .



WANTED: USED STAMPS

Please cut out stamps, leaving a wide border, before throwing the envelope away. There is a box at the back of church to collect them for the Marie Curie Centre in Woolton.



Film Night

HIDDEN FIGURES

Monday 5th February at 7.30pm.



Hidden figures tells the incredible untold story of Katherine Johnson, Dorothy Vaughan and Mary Jackson – brilliant African-American women working at NASA who served as the brains behind the launch into orbit of astronaut John Glenn, a stunning achievement that turned around the Space Race. This visionary trio crossed all gender and racial lines and inspired generations.

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.