

Congratulations

Our warmest congratulations go to our Parish Deacon, Daniel Piwowar, who celebrates the first anniversary of his ordination as a deacon tomorrow. I want to thank him (and his family) for his ministry and their support over the past 12 months. We pray he will be continually guided by the Holy Spirit and the Lord whom he serves in the ministry of the diaconate. Ad multos Annos:



Wszystkiego najlepszego Danielu, niech Bóg cię błogosławi cię w twojej posłudze.

Little Church—Health and Safety warning

At the 10.00am Mass we have the little church, where our catechists take the children out to the Youth Club and help them to understand the Gospel that we are listening to. Recently we have noticed that some children are arriving late, and going into little church on their own. **Please parents, do not leave your children unattended.** Take the children into the youth club and rejoin us once they are in the charge of the catechists. The doors between the church and the youth club are heavy and slam easily and could cause a nasty injury if the children are hit by them. Likewise when the children need to use the toilet, please do not leave them to go on their own, for the same reasons. If they are left to go on their own, I might have to consider closing the toilet during services. Thank you for your co-operation.

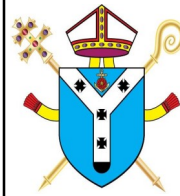
First Reconciliation & Holy Communions 2024

First Reconciliation will be on Tuesday 5th December with all candidates receiving the sacrament together. First Holy Communions will be on Saturday 27th April for St. Brigid's and Saturday 11th May for St. Albert's. Children from Stockbridge Village Primary School or other children will be informed of which day they will make their First Holy Communion. Admittance to the preparation programme will be by application, and the forms will be available after Mass on the Sundays of September with an enrolment Mass being celebrated on Sunday 22nd October. If you are the parent or guardian of a child, going into year 4 and not in the 3 village schools, please let me know and I will you a copy of the letter.



End of year Schools Mass

On Tuesday morning, we will be joined in church, by our two schools, as we celebrate the end of year Mass. It will be a time to thank God for all that has happened over the year and to say farewell to those children leaving us to go to other schools and to look forward to the summer holidays. Everyone is welcome to join us, the Mass begins at 10.00am.



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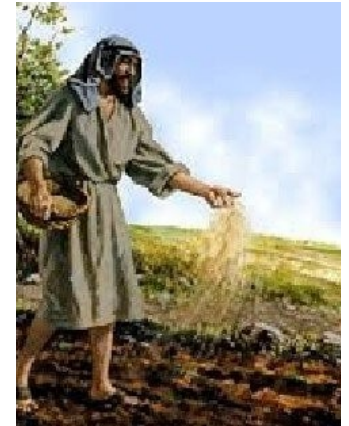


15th Sunday of the Year (A)

16th July 2023

Mass Times & Intentions

Sunday 16 th July	(15 th Sunday of the Year)
10.00am	Deacon Daniel Piwowar (1st anniversary)
5.00pm	Parishioners
Monday 17 th July	No Mass
9.15am	
Tuesday 18 th July	School End of Term Mass
10.00pm	
Wednesday 19 th July	REQUIEM MASS
12.30pm	Marie Callaghan
Thursday 20 th July	Richard Cunningham
9.15am	
Friday 21 st July	Special Intention
9.15am	
Saturday 22 nd July	(Saint Mary Magdalene)
9.15am	Bernard Fleming
Sunday 23 rd July	(16 th Sunday of the Year)
10.00am	Peggy Duffy
5.00pm	Parishioners



A sower went out to sow

Please remember in your prayers:

The Sick in our parish:

Pat Fleming, Sylvia Fleming, Tobin Lee, Katie Westwell, Rose Mary Marston, Ethel Waite, Betty Carroll, Anne Viz, Archbishop Patrick Kelly, Tony Murphy, Carolyn Young, Patricia Louise Jones, Mr & Mrs McDonagh, Christopher McRae, Sister Savio, Dee Kelly, Denise Ball, Br. John Smith MHM,

Those who have died recently Marie Callaghan

*Eternal Rest, grant unto them O Lord,
And let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace, Amen*

Parish Mass Times

Many thanks for coming to talk to me about our Mass times and letting me know what you think about the proposals. One problem about asking for your comments is you get differing views on most everything and I now, after listening to you, have to make the decisions which I feel are the best for the parish after the consultation. I will be making a decision this week and will publish the new Mass timetable next Sunday.



One thing I can say, is that ***I have to cancel the 5.00pm Mass during August.*** As I explained to the congregation last Sunday, I am away for 2 or 3 of the Sundays in August, and it is virtually impossible to find any priest available to cover it for me. So I have had to make the call, and cancel it for August at least. I apologise to those who this will cause inconvenience, but I'd rather cancel now, than let you turn up on the night and find there is no Mass.

Parish Website

I've had a number of people asking where is our parish website? Sadly at the moment we do not have one, but I would like to change that. Is there anyone who can set a website and manage it for our parish please? I can get a page from the diocese and its then a case of setting it up and managing it, keeping it up to date and putting the newsletter on weekly. I wonder if any of our young people might like to take it on as part of their IT in school? If anyone is interested, please let me know.



The Ordination of Deacons

The Ordination of Deacons takes place in the Cathedral today at 3.00pm. There are 3 candidates to be ordained. Please do keep the candidates and all ordinands both for diaconate and priesthood in your prayers.



Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Next Friday, two flights from Speke Airport filled with excited pilgrims, seven coaches of young people and many parish groups will be heading from the Archdiocese, bound for Lourdes on the annual pilgrimage, led by the Archbishop and Bishop Tom Neylon.



Between February and July, back in 1858, Our Blessed Lady made 14 appearances to the young Bernadette Soubirous. During the apparitions Mary told Bernadette that she was the Immaculate Conception, a dogma only promulgated 4 years earlier in 1854, and to tell the parish priest, Abbé Dominique Peyramale, to build a chapel and to bring the people in procession, which he did, and in 1923 the Archdiocese of Liverpool made its first pilgrimage to Lourdes. Therefore, this years pilgrimage is special, as it is the centenary of that first pilgrimage to Lourdes and also the centenary of the miracle healing of Jack Traynor. Please keep all the pilgrims in your prayers, for a safe journey to and from Lourdes.

How do we fancy a parish pilgrimage to Lourdes next year? We could tag on to the main pilgrimage or go at a time that suits us. Let me know what you think?

Loyola Certificate in Pastoral Ministry

We are now accepting applications for the Certificate in Pastoral Ministry run by Loyola University, Chicago. It is for anyone interested in beginning to support their church, as well as those who already are. Whether you're a Parish Secretary, a School Chaplain, a Catechist, a general helper or involved in any other form of Pastoral Ministry, this course could be for you. There are 10 modules and topics include:



- ◆ Theology and Ministry
- ◆ Scripture
- ◆ Catechesis
- ◆ Leadership

The course runs for 2 years (September 2023 – July 2025) and requires a commitment of approximately 3-4 hours a week. The teaching format is flexible and is perfect for those with busy lives as well as for people with a little time on their hands. There is a cost of £2,100 but it is possible to apply for funding, so please let me know if you'd like to discuss this. For more information, please visit: <https://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/departement/pastoral-development/loyola-certificate>

Catholic Pic - Digital

As well as paper copies being available at the back of the Church, the Catholic Pic is also available digitally, Please see the link here <https://tinyurl.com/yczr4dj>

