

Altar Servers

Our Altar Servers are known around the diocese, and I am proud to hear people talking so positively about them. If any young people who are in Year 5 or above and would like to become Altar Servers, please let Father David or Deacon Daniel know, and we will arrange for some training sessions.



St. Albert's Day - Saturday 15th November

Last Sunday there was a fantastic turn out for the preparation meeting for our patronal feast day celebration, and I want to thank all who attended. People volunteered to do take responsibility for different aspects of the day; liturgy, food, the hall, church etc... But we are still looking for volunteers to help on the day. We need people to help with car parking, ushers, setting up the hall and food. We also encourage people to be involved in the music. If you would like to be involved and make the day the success we want it to be, please let Karen O'Connor or Father David know and we will add you to the WhatsApp group that has been set up.



Day For Catechists: Formation & Reflection – Saturday 27 September

Are you a catechist looking for spiritual refreshment? No matter what kind of ministry you are serving, there is a good opportunity for you to refresh your vocation of being a catechist.

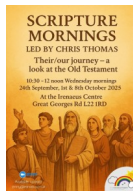
Next Saturday 27 September, the Day for Catechists will be organised from 10.00 – 16.00 at St Margaret Clitherow Centre, Croxeth Drive, Liverpool L17 1AA. With the facilitation of Sr Carino and Sr Hyacinthe from the Dominican Sister of St Joseph, there will be spiritual input and practical discussion on the mission of catechesis. If you're interested, sign up here [Day for Catechists Link](https://www.mui@rcaol.org.uk) For more information, please contact Moses at m.mui@rcaol.org.uk



Their/Our journey: A look at the Old Testament

The latest **Scripture Mornings** from the Irenaeus Project will be taking place on **24 September, 1 October, and 8 October**. They will be led by **Fr Chris Thomas**.

All are welcome to attend. A **Zoom link** is also available if you cannot attend in person. Email jenny@irenaeus.co.uk for more information.



Pause for thought.....

Living synodality in the family requires "walking together," sharing sorrows and joys, engaging in respectful and sincere dialogue among all members, and learning to listen to one another and make important family decisions together.



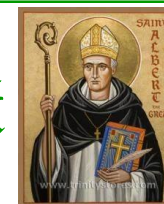
Pope Leo XIV

If you have any events or items you would like included in the newsletter, please do let me have them. I like to put events in for 2-3 weeks to give plenty of notice. The newsletter deadline is



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25th Sunday of the Year (C)

21st September 2025

Mass Times and Intentions

Sunday 21st September 10.00am 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)
Winnie Riley & Parishioners

Monday 22nd September 10.00am **No Service**

Tuesday 23rd September 10.00am **St. Pius Pietrelcina**
James O'Neill

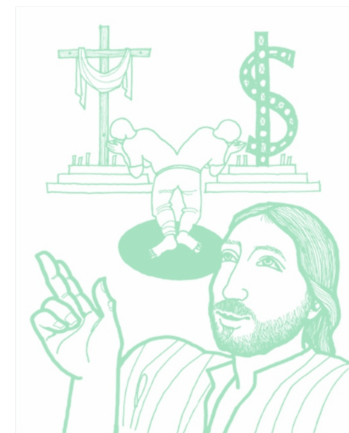
Wednesday 24th September 10.00am **Our Lady of Walsingham**
Mrs. Marnell

Thursday 25th September 10.00am Peter & Betty Costello

Friday 26th September 10.00am Special Intention (IBN)

Saturday 27th September 10.00am **St. Vincent de Paul**
No Service

Sunday 28th September 10.00am 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)
Patricia Purcell & Parishioners



You cannot serve both God and money

Please remember in your prayers:

The Sick in our parish:

Sylvia Fleming, Tobin Lee, Katie Westwell, Rose Mary Marston, Archbishop Patrick Kelly, Patricia Louise Jones, Mr & Mrs McDonagh, Christopher McRae, Sister Savio, Br. John Smith MHM, Matt Ingham, Sr. Eva M^cHale, Vera Henry, Fr. Manus Ferry MSC, Barry Lee, Joan Moran, Charlie Hall, Jean Taylor, Jesse D'Souza, Helen Benson, Jesse Hill, Helen Donnelly, Brian Fagan, Graham Milne

Those who have died recently Patricia Mary Purcell

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

First Holy Communion's 2026

Next week is the last chance to get your application forms, and only parents or guardians, can apply. Please do not send grandparents, big brothers or sisters or ask for one for my mate as refusals can offend. All forms have to be with Father David by close of school on Friday 3rd October,

that no applications will be accepted.

The Mass of Induction to the First Holy Communion programme will be on **Sunday 5th October**, followed after Mass by the first of our monthly meetings for parents and candidates, which everyone will be expected to attend.

Please keep all the families and children in your prayers, that their day will not be about the dress,



Offertory Envelopes

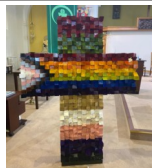
The new Offertory Envelopes are available after Mass today. If you have a set already, please take the same number as last year. If you would like to have a set of envelopes please take a set and sign up on the sheet next to the number of your envelopes.

Have you thought of gift aiding your donations? If you are a taxpayer, the Government will increase your donations by 20%. So for example if you donate £100 over the year (less than £2 a week), the parish can claim £20 off the Government. By using envelopes (or standing order), I can track how much you have donated over the year and claim the gift aid. All you have to do is fill in the form and I will send it to the diocese to process. In previous years, I have been able to claim £3000– £4000 in gift aid, so please do consider helping the parish by signing up for the gift aid scheme.



LGBT+ Catholics

Our next gathering will be today Sunday 21st September 2025 at All Saints, Oakfield, Anfield L4 2QG. Mass will be at 2.00pm. All are welcome to attend.



Secondary School Baptism Certificates

As our Year 6 children start the applications for the move to big school in 2026, Catholic Schools require a baptismal certificate, and I have already started getting phone calls asking for them. If you are a parent or guardian who needs one, there is a list at the back of the church for you to make your request. We will need the child's name, their date of birth and the (approximate) date of the baptism. The certificate will hopefully be ready for you after Mass the following week. Please do give us the approximate date of baptism as the register holds over 1200 registrations, that we would have to go through.



Blessing of Cars and Drivers

Last week I was asked to bless a car, and a number of people asked if there's could be blessed too. So **today, Sunday 21st September**, we will hold a blessing of cars and drivers, in our church car park. After Mass, we will go outside and bless all the vehicles in the car park and pray for the safety of those who drive and travel in our cars. Everyone is welcome to join us.



Stay Safer for Longer – Road Safety Event for Senior Road Users (60+)

Senior road users are invited to a **free road safety event** on **Thursday 23 October 2025, 10.00am–2.30pm** at the **Holiday Inn, Lime Street, Liverpool (L1 1NQ)**.

The event will feature expert speakers from Liverpool's Road Safety Team, Merseyside Police, Arriva Buses, and Merseytravel, with advice tailored for those aged 60+. There will also be information stalls, guidance, and support, plus refreshments and a buffet lunch. Car parking is available at St John's Shopping Centre Car Park (L1 1NQ) with concessionary rates for Holiday Inn guests. Booking & enquiries: E: roadsafety@liverpool.gov.uk T: 0151 351 1365



Mary's Meals—

All are invited to a special Mass of celebration for the work of Mary's Meals, **Archbishop John Sherrington** will preside at the Mass, today **Sunday 21 September at 3.00pm** at **St Teresa's Catholic Church, Church Road, Upholland, Wigan (WN8 0PY)**.

Light refreshments will be served in the church hall after Mass.



Hayes & Finch—Factory Tour

Have you ever wondered how the candles you light and we use in church are made? We here is your chance to find out. I have managed to arrange for a tour of the Hayes and Finch Factory in Hanson Lane, Aintree on **Thursday 16th October**. The tour will start at 11.15am and we will be guided around by the team. We have 12 places only, so if you would like to come along on the tour, please sign up on the list at the back of the Church. First come, first served, and that goes for the tea and refreshments they are putting on.

