# NEWSLETTER FOR THE PARISHES OF

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# Sunday 1st November 2020 Solemnity of All Saints

# **Live Streaming System**

All services from both churches are now live streamed via Church Services TV. You can view services via the links on our websites. Facebook and Twitter sites or for Our Lady's at www.churchservices.tv/croxteth and for St Teresa's at www.churchservices.tv/teresanorrisgreen.

Your prayers are asked for those who have died recently, especially Kathleen Flanaghan, Thomas Reynolds, Ann Carberry, Paula Edgar, Rose Keating, Christopher Brennan, Kenneth Hoyte, Ellen Doyle, Shirley Charley, Eileen Sullivan, Anne Clarke, Peter Moore, Kathleen Flanagan, Martha Rogers, Louise Corcoran, Rosemary Ohara, Joan Sloan, Teresa Owens

> and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time Cecil Dunne (53yrs), Imelda Hannon, Alan Bean, Charlie ONeill

## Please pray too for all those who are lonely or housebound and for those who are sick, at home or in hospital, especially

Janet Clark, Margaret Bradley, Peter Fraser, John Murphy, T. C. Sheila Willcox, Andreas Samaras, John Walker, David & Julie Pearce, J. G., Mary Mousley, Paul & Kate, Angela Adlen, Giles Rowe, Angela Gregory, Anna Gawlik, Jon, Mick Lawrence, Joan Turner, Brian McEvoy, Elizabeth O'Grady, David Holgate, Eleanor March, Lily Walsh, Raymond Doran, Joan, Daria McCusker

#### ONLY THE MASSES IN BOLD TYPE ARE OPEN FOR PEOPLE TO ATTEND

SATURDAY 31<sup>st</sup> October 6.00pm Mass: St Teresa's

6.00pm Mass: Queen of Martyrs

SUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup> November 10.00am Mass: St Teresa's

11.30am Mass: Queen of Martyrs

MONDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> November 9.00am Mass: St Teresa's

12.00pm Funeral Service: OLQM

TUESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> November 9.00am Mass: St Teresa's 10.00am Requiem: OLQM

WEDNESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> November 10.30am Requiem: St Teresa's 7.00pm Mass: Queen of Martyrs THURSDAY 5<sup>th</sup> November 10.15am Requiem: St Teresa's 2.45pm Funeral Service: OLQM

FRIDAY 6<sup>th</sup> November 7.00pm Mass: St Teresa's

SATURDAY 7<sup>th</sup> November 6.00pm Mass: St Teresa's

6.00pm Mass: Queen of Martyrs

SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> November 10.00am Mass: St Teresa's

11.30am Mass: Queen of Martyrs

All Masses are live streamed via the parish websites.

#### International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church 1st November

On the first Sunday of November we are asked to pray for those who want the right to share the same religious freedom we enjoy. We remember to be thankful for a freedom that sometimes we take for granted.



### Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

During the month of November, but particularly on this day we remember all those who have died. We remember them in a meaningful way rather than a mournful way. We remember the lessons we have learnt from them and the talents we have inherited

from them. We remember how we loved them and how they loved us and made us what we are today. We remember their good deeds and determine to be more like them. Most importantly we remember that they have found rest, just as Jesus promised.

**Fr Chris thanks everyone** for thoughts, prayers and good wishes during his illness. He's being very well looked after and asks you to please keep him in your prayers as he continues making slow but steady progress.

**WELCOME** We are delighted to welcome the following children who were baptised into our faith community last weekend, Emilia Lily Penny & Sadie Melissa Devine at St Teresa's and Neveyah Grace Whinnett, Antoni Marek Borowinski, Mark Thomas & Rosie Cecilia Colfar at Queen of Martyrs.



# Pope Francis's Prayer Intention for November 2020 Artificial Intelligence

Artificial intelligence systems are usually different from other computer software in their ability to learn. A machine learning system observes information about the past and makes judgments or predictions when it is shown new information.

Because AI systems learn from what they see in the world, they are likely to continue those patterns rather than adapt to changing conditions or values. Just as Christians are called to weigh the things we think and say (Phil 4:8–9), we must also be aware of our influence on AI systems, machines that echo and reinforce our personal and societal behaviours. Just as parenting includes moral responsibilities for the behaviour of our children, we may need to take similar responsibilities toward AIs. This month we are asked to join in Pope Francis's prayer intention "....that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind."

#### **World Mission Sunday**

Thank you for your donations, we collected £32 at OLQM

#### **IRENAEUS** Christ Is Alive Zoom Retreat

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 7.00pm – 8.30pm No charge but donations gratefully received. To book please contact jenny@irenaeus.co.uk

#### **Operation Christmas Child 2020**

- Since 1990, more than 113 million boys and girls in over 130 countries have experienced God's love through the power of simple shoebox gifts from Operation Christmas Child.
- Drop-Off points can accept gift-filled shoeboxes from 9 16<sup>th</sup> November 2020.
- See more at: www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operationchristmas-child

#### **Happy Are The Saints**

I was born in the parish of All Saints in Anfield, our schools song was "For All the Saints" and each child could sing it without the Hymn Book. The whole school looked forward to this feast, not because we looked forward to going mass, but because we had the day off. I still remember the parish celebrations and we had a buffet in the parish centre. This reminiscence led me to try and remember the school motto after a couple of hours and with help from Google I found it was "Sanctus Sanctus Sanctus" (Holy Holy Holy), the perfect description of the saints in heaven who have gone before.

That was the easy part of my reflection as our Gospel from Matthew is the account of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount which we know as the Beatitudes. Jesus starts each line with "Happy" or "Blessed are those". All the people who he declares Happy have gone through some hardship, trial or suffering because of their testament to the Faith.

This Gospel is probably the favourite of many people and is also probably the most written about Gospel by scholars, so whatever I say or think has either already been said or discounted.

The Beatitudes shouldn't be seen as something inflicted on us because of our Faith, but something that our Faith gifts to us so we can be more like the person giving the Sermon, Jesus. Every single person listening to Jesus speak that day could relate to at least one of those statements. Every single person listening to the Gospel this weekend should be able to do the same.

No matter where we are on our journey, no matter where we are in our lives, Jesus is there to offer hope and comfort. As a Diocese we are still on our Synodal journey, please have a look at the proposals for theme 2 and comment on them. A new Beatitude could be "Happy are The Synod, they will be the Church they are called to be"

Deacon Chris