NEWSLETTER FOR THE PARISH OF Our Lady Queen of Martyrs & St Swithin, Croxteth

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In the Pastoral Area of St Raphael and St Paul With Blessed Sacrament 474 2682 Holy Name and Our Lady & St Philomena 476 0289

Parish Priest: Fr Anthony Kelly Deacons: Chris Housbey & Malcolm Fletcher

Sunday 26th September 2021 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Live Streaming System

All services are live streamed via Church Services TV. You can view services via the link on our website, Facebook and Twitter sites or at www.churchservices.tv/croxteth

Your prayers are asked for those who have died recently, especially,

Teresa Graham, Anne Brennan, Deborah James, Paul Ledwich

and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time

James Gallagher (2nd Anniv), James Jennings, Henry Sherry

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. Andreas

Samaras, David & Julie Pearce, J. G., Joan, Paul & Kate, M.P., Angela Adlen,

Angela Gregory, Mick Lawrence, Joan Turner, David Holgate, Margaret

Lace, Irene Kennedy, Brian Threlfall, Eileen Guy, Diane Bell, Pat Hale, Toni

Daly, Billy Fox, Eddie Unsworth, Michelle Roehria, Bernie Boyd,

Vassilis Alamaniotis. Josie Dunne

MASSES TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday 25 th September	6.00pm	Jim Gallagher (Anniv)
Sunday 26 th September	11.30am	Teresa Graham L.D.
Monday 27 th September	9.00am	Sheila Willcox L.D.
Tuesday 28 th September	9.00am	Phillip Gill
Wednesday 29 th September	7.00pm	Bernie Boyd G.W.
Thursday 30 th September	9.00am	Henry Sherry (Anniv)
Friday 1 st October	No Mass	
Saturday 2 nd October	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sunday 3 rd October	11.30am	Deborah James L.D.

SEASON OF CREATION

CAFOD'S Harvest Fast Day

As we enter the last week of the Season of Creation, we are invited to give thanks to God for the gift of creation and the fruits of the earth which sustain us. Many churches and schools do this through Harvest Festivals – bringing the fruits of the earth and the work of human hands and sharing these offerings with those in need.

In the UK, for the last sixty years, the Catholic Church has marked harvest time by observing CAFOD's Harvest Fast Day on the first Friday in October. So, this coming Friday, 1st October, we are invited to give thanks by going without a meal or some form of amusement and giving what we save in this way to CAFOD. CAFOD uses our offerings to help those across the world who don't have access to the fruits of the earth because of extreme poverty, food shortages, conflicts and natural disasters.

. Donate online through the CAFOD website or by using a CAFOD envelope or by texting CAFOD followed by the amount you would like to donate, to 70580. You can find out more about this Friday's Fast Day here:

https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Family-Fast-Day

Archdiocese Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2022 Thursday 21st July – Saturday 30th July

For ages 15 - 22 years old, cost £540. Online applications available from 4^{th} October @liverpoollourdesyouth.co.uk. See posters at the back of church for more details. Young people in our parish who are interested in applying, please make yourself known to Fr Anthony.

Baptisms



Welcome to our parish community

Lennon James McKenzie, Lilia Rosa Robinson, Harlen La who were all recently Baptised into our faith family.



St. Michael, St. Gabriel, and St. Raphael - *September* 29th Each Archangel has a specific mission or an 'essence'. Archangel Michael is the angel of protection. This powerful being of light, whose name means 'Who is like God', has a purpose to protect as the 'defender of the light and goodness'.

Gabriel's name means 'the power of God'. Gabriel is the announcer, the communicator of good news. We can ask him to help us be good communicators as he was. Raphael, whose name means 'God heals', is invoked when we need healing, not only for ourselves but for others too.

British Food Fortnight - 'A Modern Day Harvest Festival' 18th September – 3rd October 2021



British Food Fortnight is all about supporting our national and regional cuisine. By supporting local producers, we are not only helping the local economy but also doing our bit for the planet. Give local produce a try this fortnight ... you might change your shopping habits for good.



Sunday Tea 12.30 – 1.15pm

Thank you to the two people who have volunteered, if anyone else would like to be part of a tea rota please let Lynne, know.

On the first Saturday of the month, starting 2nd October, Catherine has very kindly offered to serve tea and biscuits after mass.

Parish Council Meeting in the Community Room 6.30pm on Thursday 7th October.

Job Opportunity

Office Manager, St Wilfrids Parish, Widnes, ring 522 1102 for more details.

In Whose Name?

We can all be guilty of using the phrase "For God's sake!" when we are annoyed or exasperated. But in reality do we do things for the sake of our belief in God or for our own good? Secondly if what we are doing is ultimately good does it matter in whose name we are doing it? Thirdly do we consider what we are doing to be good or right, they are not necessarily the same thing

A theologian called Immanuel Kant has a theory called Deontology, which is still the basic premise of common law "the right outweighs the good". We may be able to argue what we have done is a good thing, but if it is not right then we could be in trouble. I often use a situation with student nurses about giving blood products to a Jehovah's Witness, they may save their life, but could be struck off as a nurse for breaking the code of conduct

In our readings today, jealousy springs its ugly head again, the followers of Moses report Eldad and Medad for prophesying, the followers of Jesus report a man for casting out devils in his name. What is happening here is both right and good, as Jesus says "whoever is not against us is for us".

If something is right, then it doesn't matter who is doing it, or in whose name, but for us, we should strive to be good and right for God's sake!

Deacon Thris