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

Tel: 0151 546 3574

Email: <u>olqom@rcaol.org.uk</u> Web: queenofmartyrs.org.uk

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

Safeguarding Representatives: Catherine Housbey, Chris Housbey and Malcolm Fletcher Email: olgom@rcaol.org.uk

Sunday 10th October 2021 28th 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 John Moran, Pauline Campbell, Peter Connolly

and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time
Thomas Reynolds (1st Anniv), Michael Harrop

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, Toni Daly, Billy Fox, Eddie Unsworth, Bernie Boyd, Vassilis Alamaniotis, Josie Dunne

MASSES TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday 9 th October	6.00pm	Josie Dunne G.W.
Sunday 10 th October	11.30am	Parishioners
Monday 11th October	9.00am	John Moran L.D.
Tuesday 12th October	9.00am	Pauline Campbell L.D.
Wednesday 13th October	7.00pm	Christopher Goughin
Thursday 14th October	9.00am	Peter Connolly L.D.
Friday 15 th October	No Mass	
Saturday 16 th October	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sunday 17 th October	11.30am	Thomas Reynolds (1st Anniv)

COP26: Be Fair With Your Climate Promise

Campaigning for Fairtrade

Farming communities are on the front line of the climate crisis. In an open letter, 1.8 million Fairtrade farmers and workers are calling for urgent action, asking governments at COP26 to be fair with their \$100 billion climate promise. Their letter outlines four key actions that will help protect global food supplies and limit further damage. Farmers and workers are asking politicians at COP26 to listen to their expertise and invest in smallholder farming communities as they face the climate crisis head on. Sign up for the Fairtrade newsletter and sign the online petition at www.fairtrade.org.uk/cop26-be-fair-with-your-climate-promise



UNIVERSAL SYNOD

For a Synodal Church: On Sunday 17 October, the Archdiocese of Liverpool is going to mark the opening of the local phase of the universal Synod 2021-23 with a choral evening prayer in the Metropolitan Cathedral (3pm-4pm). This will be also an opportunity to pray for the forthcoming pastoral plan, the fruit of our own archdiocesan Synod 2020. All are welcome to attend.

"A synodal church is a listening church, aware that listening is more than hearing. It is a reciprocal listening in which each one has something to learn."

Pope Francis

Baptisms



Welcome to our parish community Elijah Thomas Jones, Mollie O'Neill-Watson & Olivia Rose Tonnessen who were Baptised into our faith family last weekend.

Week of Prayer for World Peace - 10th-17th October 2021



Each year, an anthology of prayers from various faith traditions is compiled, for shared inter-faith worship during a designated 'Week of Prayer for World Peace'.

This year, people from all faith traditions are asked to pray that world leaders, agencies and individuals will never give up hoping and caring for each other. It is the hope that our prayers will spill over into our day to day living.

Sunday 10th October - Prisoners Sunday

For more than forty years Prisons Week has prepared prayer literature to enable the Christian community, through individuals and churches, to pray for the needs of all those affected by prisons: prisoners and their families, victims of crime and their communities, those working in the criminal justice system and the many people who are involved in caring for those affected by crime on the inside and outside of our prisons. Prisons Week raises awareness and generates prayer. It motivates volunteers to step forward and give their time and gifts, in prisons and in their own communities. It provides an annual focus and reason for Christians to work together, building capacity and motivation to make a difference for people who are out of sight and often out of mind.

St. Teresa of Avila (1515-1582) - 15th October

Teresa entered the Carmelite monastery despite strong opposition from her father. She founded over a half-dozen new monasteries and travelled, wrote, fought—always to renew or to reform. She was a woman for others, a woman who inspired and gave life. Her writings, especially the Way of Perfection and The Interior Castle, have helped generations of believers.

CAFOD Thank you to all who have returned envelopes, any others can be placed in the collection bucket.

The October issue of the Catholic Pic is now available in print and online. Download here: https://bit.ly/3DprINZ

Do we know how to get there?

Before Sat Nav's were available, before mobile phones had google maps, before cars became fitted with on board navigation systems we had maps. Every car seemed to have one stored behind a seat to be used when going anywhere new, and an A to Z if you had one. Even then it seemed almost obligatory to pull over, startle a passer by and ask "excuse me, do you know where such and such is". And you would be usually given directions by shops and pubs. The young man in the Gospel is doing exactly the same thing, he stops Jesus and asks him for directions, not for anywhere local, but directions of how to get to heaven. He can follow the first set of directions by saying that he has obeyed the Ten Commandments, so he is half way there. However, he finds the final part of the journey too hard to complete, he finds it impossible to give up his wealth. This seems understandable as he has worked hard for the things he owns and enjoys the trappings of his success which he is entitled to do. But this is what Jesus asks of him.

Jesus often asks things of us that aren't easy, being a follower of His wasn't meant to be easy. The mission the Church is tasked with isn't easy but we must be ready to do it. We are to go out into the world and proclaim the Good News, baptizing in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and when the time comes we need to be ready to take up our cross and follow Him

Deacon Chris