Our Lady Queen of Martyrs & St Swithin.

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Week 18 31st July 2022.

Reflection on Readings

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23; Psalm 89; Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11; Luke 12:13-21

Our first reading from the Book of Ecclesiastes is a stark reminder to us that all that we work for in life will go to someone else when our time on this earth is over. No matter how much we amass in this life it will not go with us beyond the grave. The Psalm reminds us of how short life is. This theme is also found in the gospel where we see Jesus teaching people about the futility of amassing worldly wealth. The only wealth that is of real use to us is in the Spirit. This is not to say that we shouldn't work in this life but rather that we should have our goal fixed firmly on eternal life rather than on our bank balance. The second reading too tells us that our thoughts should be on heavenly things rather than on the things of this earth. Only then can we inherit the kingdom and really reach out to our fellow men and women and lead them towards our true homeland in heaven.

Memorial of St Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor. 1st August



Born near Naples in 1696, Alphonsus became a lawyer before becoming a priest, being ordained in 1726. He created the Redemptoristines in 1730 and founded the Redemptorists (Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer – C.Ss.R) in 1732 to work among the country peasants. By the time of his death in 1787 however, the Redemptorists were in a terrible state though he was no longer at its helm to help heal the rifts.

God Calling - Gratitude, by Two Listeners. 31st July

Give Me the gift of a brave and thankful heart. Man proves his greatness by his power to see causes of thankfulness in his life. When life seems hard, and troubles crowd, then very definitely look for causes of thankfulness. The sacrifice, the offering of thanksgiving, is indeed a sweet incense going up to Me through the busy day. Seek diligently for the something to be glad and thankful about in every happening, and soon no search will be required. The causes for joy and gratitude will spring to greet your loving hearts.

Transfiguration of the Lord 6 August First Lecture of The Mass



As I watched:

out from where he sat;

Thrones were set up and the Ancient One took his throne. His clothing was bright as snow, and the hair on his head as white as wool; his throne was flames of fire, with wheels of burning fire. A surging stream of fire flowed

Thousands upon thousands were ministering to him, and myriads upon myriads attended him. The court was convened and the books were opened.

As the visions during the night continued, I saw: One like a Son of man coming, on the clouds of heaven; When he

reached the Ancient One and was presented before him, The one like a Son of man received dominion, glory, and kingship; all peoples, nations, and languages serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not be taken away, his kingship shall not be destroyed.



Papal Prayer Intention for August 2022 For Small Businesses

Barely twelve weeks since COVID-19 restrictions were lifted, small businesses found themselves grappling with a new nemesis: the impact of surging inflation rates. The consumer price inflation soared to its highest

level for more than 40 years. The rising cost of gas and electricity pushed household energy bills to record levels, and the financial experts say the situation will worsen before it gets better. This is bad news for us all, particularly those on the lowest incomes. However it's also bad news for small businesses who are grappling with the difficulties of not passing on price rises to loyal customers. For many businesses there may be no way back from this. This month we are asked to pray for those businesses that are struggling. We all have less money in our pockets than usual, but we are asked to try and stay loyal to our local businesses. Pope Francis asks us to join in his monthly prayer intention "...We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to

continue operating, and serving their communities."

Mother of Mercy

The Mother of Mercy will not be meeting here on Tuesday, 2nd
August, but will be back for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on 9th August.

BIBLE ALIVE

Find out about The TIKTOK Priest, 4 peaks challenge and Daily reflections for August, £3. Available from the Piety Room

#Liverpool4Ukraine

This week six volunteer drivers from the Liverpool Archdiocese Margaret Clitherow centre arrived at the Ukraine border to deliver essential aid to Bishop Gregory. The link below will take you to a video of COO Martin Miller interviewing Bishop Gregory Komar:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UQd5XrNT5a8&t=3s

This trip would not have happened without the generous donations from our parishioners, we are still welcoming donations. More details can be found here: www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/ukraine-support

On Saturday 30th July we welcome Bishop Tom Neylon who will celebrate our Mass

On Sunday 31st July we welcome Fr. Steve Cooper who will celebrate our Mass

Relics of St Bernadette

At the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King
The relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to England, Scotland, and
Wales for the year first time. This year special area in a lifetime event will provi

Wales for the very first time. This very special once in a lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes, in a church or cathedral near them.

Saturday, 17th September 2022

3.30pm Arrival of St Bernadette Reliquary, 10pm Cathedral closes.

Sunday, 18th September 2022

Cathedral open 8am—9pm

Monday, 19th September 2022

7.am Cathedral opens until 7.pm Closing Mass in the Cathedral

10pm Cathedral closes

For more information about the tour, visit the dedicated website: stbernadette.org.uk.

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

Lituray for the Week Our Lady Queen of Martyrs & St Swithin

Saturday 6.00pm 30th Mary Duckworth Sunday 31st 11.30am Patricia Keating **Monday** 1st Aug 9.00am No Mass **Tuesday** 2nd 9.00am No Mass Wednesday 3rd 7.00pm No Mass 4th **Thursday** 9.00am No Mass 5th **Friday** No Mass

6th 6.00pm Sheila Rimmer Saturday 7th 11.30am Sunday Ron Pringle L.D.



Your prayers are asked for those who have

Died recently **Roy Handley**

Anniversaries and Birthdays Patrick Magee, Ann Bird

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

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	Angela Adlen	Eileen Guy	Dave McLoughlin	Christine & David
	Angela Gregory	Ellen Cooke	Paul & Kate	<u>Fitzsimmons</u>
	Baby Bella	Janet Clark	Peter Fraser	Joan,
	Bernie Boyde	John Murphy	Robbie Ross	Andreas <u>Samaras</u>
	Brian Threlfall	Josie Dunne	Toni Dal	Margaret &
	David Holgate	Kenny Morley	Joan Turner	Joseph <u>Maloney</u>
	Diane Bell	Margaret Bradley	Canon Brendan Alger	Vassilis
	Eddie Unsworth	Margaret Lace	David & Julie Pearce	<u>Alamaniotis</u>
	G., + MP., + TC.,	Sr Edith Culliton	Eleanor Mawdsley	Ann Shreeve
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