



Parish of St. Vincent de Paul

Newsletter

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Mass Times this Week

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| Sunday | 10.00 |
| Monday | 07.30 |
| Tuesday | 07:30 |
| Wednesday | 09.00 |
| Thursday | 07.30 |
| Friday | 09.00 |
| Saturday | 18.00 |

Homily Notes

This Sunday the celebration of the First Communion for children from

St Vincent's Primary school beautifully coincides with the Feast of the Holy Trinity. We are aware that parents, teachers, and catechists have supported these children's journey to their First Communion. Their support is an example of sharing with others the life of the Holy Trinity. Considering that the life in the Holy Trinity is characterized by aspects such as love, kindness, forgiveness, and unity, what in the light of today's Gospel (Mt 28:16-28), enables us to share with others that life? We could say;

Personal Encounter with God matters. In the Gospel, the disciples' encounter with Christ and their commissioning takes place on the mountain. We can recall other mountains or hilltops experiences in scripture e.g., Moses on Mt Horeb and Jesus' Sermon on the mount. These sites are portrayed as places of intense spiritual experiences, insights, and instructions. But encounters are not to be restricted to physical places. For they happen also through events and incidences that speak to us deeply about God (infinite mystery) revealed to us by Jesus. In a personal and individual way, one can experience God as real.

Belief that we are not alone Matters. Competition and rivalry in the world around us can evoke a sense of failure, isolation, and loneliness. Today we hear the assurance; "I am with you always; yes, to the end of time." A popular song "Yahweh I know You Are Near" articulates well God's abiding presence in our lives.

Participation in Community Matters. In the rite of Baptism, the celebrant says; *the Christian Community welcomes you with great joy, in its name I claim you for Christ.* Our life as the baptized is strongly linked to the community and we are invited to participate in it. For through the many gifts within the Community, we can share the life of the Trinity with *all the nations.*

26th May 2024
HOLY TRINITY Sunday



Mass Intentions

Sat 25: Betty Calvey
Sun 26: First Holy Communion
Mon 27: Parishioners
Tues 28: Denis & Wendy Rose RIP
Wed 29: Sofia Paedes
Thu 30: No Intention
Fri 31: No Intention
Sat 1/6: Joe Edie
Sun 2/6: First Holy Communion

Sunday Thoughts

Call for action with your parish at the general election

We at CAFOD are working with our friends at the St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) to equip parishes with training and resources to contact candidates on the issues we care most about. The greater the number of parishes contacting local candidates, the stronger the Catholic voice will be in your area. We can do this in three ways in particular:

1. Contact election candidates with your parish
Speak to people in your parish about why it's important to raise our voices when an election is called and organise a group of people who'd be willing to contact candidates standing in your constituency as a parish group.

Discuss in your group what are the main issues you would like to raise with your candidates. These might include the issues that affect people living in poverty in the UK and overseas, such as the climate crisis and our broken food system.

In the run-up to the general election, we'll be sharing a simple tool where you can send an email as a group of parishioners to all the candidates who are standing for election in your parliamentary constituency.

2. Take part in hustings in your local area
Going along to events held locally where candidates are asked questions - known as 'hustings' - is a great way of drawing attention to the issues that matter most to your parish. These events are often held in local churches or community centres, and details are advertised online.

Find out where hustings might be taking place in your constituency. Encourage people from your parish to take part and ask questions about the issues that we as Catholics want to see candidates commit to tackle after the general election.

3. Be ready to speak to candidates on your doorstep
During a general election campaign, candidates and campaigners might knock on your door to ask for your vote - known as 'canvassing'.

This is another great opportunity to draw attention to the issues that matter most to you and your parish. Discuss in your group what issues you could raise with candidates if you get the chance to speak to them on the doorstep. The more people in the area calling for action on the same issues, the stronger the message sent to candidates!

(More to follow next week. TPM)

Charles

Parish Notice Board

There will be a meeting of the **Parish Council** on Tuesday evening, 29th May, at 6pm, in the church.

Saving children's lives in Nepal A wonderful evening of music.

Friday 7 June, 6.30 pm
Tayo Aluko, Liverpooldian-Nigerian singer, Joanne & Alex Singer & Pianist from Hong Kong and the **Asylum Link Choir**, at St. Anthony of Padua Church Hall, Queens Drive, L18 8BD. Entrance £15. Includes meal, teas and coffees (bring your own drinks if you want to) pay at the door.

Saturday, June 1st: PAX CHRISTI AGM at the Friends Meeting House, School Lane, L1 BT. Bring your lunch. You can also attend online: paxchristi.org.uk/agm

VOLUNTEER NEEDED FOR CAFOD

The Catholic Agency for Overseas Development is seeking a parishioner who will volunteer to coordinate the charity's activities in the parish and ensure their communications with the parish people passe well.
If you can help, please contact one of the priests or the local CAFOD coordinator, Colette, at 07779 804242.

OFFERINGS 19th May

Envelopes £20.00
Plate £392.87
Collection for NUGENT £223.78
Many thanks indeed

Bring and Share Lunch Corpus Christi, Sunday 2nd June.

This is the feast of The Body and Blood of Christ, a fitting celebration at which to share food with the community and celebrate the gastronomic delights of our diverse heritages.

All members of the Parish Community are invited to come together on Sunday Morning. It will be a time to meet each other and to deepen our common discipleship.

Please bring a dish of your culinary tradition to share with others.

There will also be a Tombola to lighten up the event.
Bring a friend – or even 2!!

BENEFIT CONCERT
in aid of **MARY'S MEALS**,
at St. Philip Neary Chaplaincy Centre,
30 Catharine St, L8 7NL, on Saturday 8
June at 7pm.

Music by the students:
classical & contemporary.
www.ticketsource.co.uk/philip-neri-house

TUESDAY MORNING CAFÉ

Last Tuesday, more than 150 people received food assistance through the Food Bank of MICAHA. More than 100 people passed through the church and were welcomed with refreshments and sandwiches by the little band of volunteers who have been doing this for 5 years now. **We need more volunteers to help welcome the stranger and to share the load. Please join us on Tuesday at 9am until noon.**

Lottery Results – 19TH May
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First Holy Communion

Our heart-felt congratulations to, *Ava Turner, Evie Zhen, Harley Rice, Jack Stanley, Nicole Smogulecka, Robert Cuddy, Rueben Small, Sage Pearce.* All make their First Holy Communion this weekend. May it be a day to remember for life and may it be a new beginning in the faith-walk for them and for their Families.

May the Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.

The parish community also thanks their catechist Susana Muñoz and the teachers at SVP Primary School for all they have done to prepare the children for this day.

BAPTISM

We welcome into the community **BENJAMIN MICHELL-LONDONO**, son of Maria and Gary, who will be baptised on Sunday at noon.

*Congratulations to his parents..
May they and his godparents be an example to him of a true and living discipleship of Jesus Christ.*

Envelopes can be found at the back of the church if you wish to contribute for the purchase of flowers for the weeks to come. Thank you in advance.



PRAYER INTENTIONS

Our Prayers are asked for the following who are sick: Paul BIRCH, Joe EDIE, Carole & Tony GALVIN, Lin GINLEY, Tony GRACE, Yvonne GRACE, Albert JONES, Edie JONES, Maria JUDGE, Frances KERWIN, Maureen MAGUIRE, Molly M'EVOY, May McGARRY, Joan MOORE, Frankie POWER, Peter O'BRIEN, Ronnie SALTERS, Julie SHIELDS, Frank & Collette SHOVLIN, Alice SILKER, Martina STEWARD, Abbie SWALE, Jean TAYLOR, Mary TUIITE, Pauline WALSH, Joanne WILCOCK, Owen WOODS.

Also, for the intentions of: Anne BAXTER, Rita & Jimmy FLATLEY, Beverley HARPER, Joan HART, Mary HOWARD, Charlotte KELLY, Ann MOORE, Susan MORSELLINO, Skyla REID, Maureen RICE, Ronnie SALTERS, Teresa SWIFT, Martha TAGUE, David THOMAS

Those who have died recently: Therese LYNCH

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