

NEWSLETTER FOR THE PARISHES 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 Chris Fallon Assistant Priest: Fr Anthony Kelly

Deacons: Chris Housbey, Malcolm Fletcher, Donagh McKillop

Sunday 18th October 2020
29th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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

Stephen Carroll, Anthony Field, Kathleen Ireland

Margaret Heneghan, Pat Fisher, Ella Harrison, Alan Bilby, Annie Shea & Adri Spek

and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time

Jimmy Welsh, Bradley Williams

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, Joan Morley, Eleanor March

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

SATURDAY 17th October

6.00pm Mass: St Teresa's

6.00pm Mass: Queen of Martyrs

SUNDAY 18th October

10.00am Mass: St Teresa's

11.30am Mass: Queen of Martyrs

MONDAY 19th October

9.00am Mass: St Teresa's

TUESDAY 20th October

9.00am Mass: Queen of Martyrs

10.30am Requiem: St Teresa's

WEDNESDAY 21st October

9.00am Mass: St Teresa's

7.00pm Mass: Queen of Martyrs

THURSDAY 22nd October

9.00am Mass: St Teresa's

9.00am Mass: Queen of Martyrs

FRIDAY 23rd October

9.00am Mass: Queen of Martyrs

SATURDAY 24th October

6.00pm Mass: St Teresa's

6.00pm Mass: Queen of Martyrs

SUNDAY 25th October

10.00am Mass: St Teresa's

11.30am Mass: Queen of Martyrs

*All Masses are live streamed via
the parish websites.*

SYNOD 2020

Today we celebrate the third Synod Sunday in the Archdiocese. Originally this was to be the weekend of our Synod 2020 event but the COVID-19 pandemic means this will now take place in June 2021.

Today the summary proposals on our four Synod Themes will be published which you will find on the Synod Website. Over the coming weeks our local Synod Members will be inviting your responses to these proposals as we continue to discern the Church God is calling us to be. Please visit the website, read the summary proposals, and prayerfully reflect on them. www.synod2020.co.uk

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS

Congratulations to all those children who received their First Holy Communion at Queen of Martyrs & St Teresa's last Saturday, and to those will be receiving the Eucharist for the first time in both parishes on 17th October. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers as they take this important step in their journey of faith.

Welcome to Nova Isabella Tasker who was Baptised into our Faith Community last weekend in St Teresa's.



World Mission Sunday

Next Sunday the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for MISSO, his charity for world mission. This day unites Catholics all over the world in prayer and celebration of our Church's mission to share God's love with all people. **website** www.missio.org.uk where you will find an uplifting video about the inspiring work of missionaries around the world: ['We Are Still Here'](#)

Retrouvaille: A Programme for Couples Struggling in their Marriages

RETRouvaille is for couples with marriages that are struggling, maybe not communicating well, and for those who are considering marriage separation or divorce. It is also for those who have already separated or divorced who want marriage help. Some couples come to Retrouvaille during the initial signs of a marriage problem. Other couples are in a state of despair and hopelessness when they attend the programme. Some couples have been married for many years, while others have been married only a short time. For confidential information about Retrouvaille, or to register for the next programme, a Virtual weekend commencing on **12th -15th Nov 2020**. Call or text 0788 7296983 or 0797 3380443. Email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com

Irenaeus

CHRIST IS ALIVE ZOOM RETREAT

Tuesday 20th, 27th October and 3rd November
7.00pm – 8.30pm

No charge but donations gratefully received
To book please contact jenny@irenaeus.co.uk

Please join Nugent's Virtual Coffee Morning, with a chance to meet Nugent Patron and LFC legend Phil Thompson! Thursday 5th November 2020 at 11:00-12:00 on Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/3459591026?pwd=Qlg0Uk5UQ2prbTJsT3BERmd1OFN4QT09> Meeting ID: 345 959 1026 Passcode: rkn7V6

A message from Mary's Meals .

May we ask you to remember Mary's Meals and the children we feed in your prayers. Here is a link to a video message we have made for churches and includes a message from Sister Medhin, working in Ethiopia.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D3sM_UQvkiQ&t=13s

Together on the road

This week we have seen the Government place our city in the highest level of alert in terms of Coronavirus. We can see from listening to the many people interviewed on the news and in newspapers how difficult it is to be faced with these further limitations on our lives.

As clergy it has been a very fine balancing act over these weeks and months in trying to get this balance right - the balance between what we are allowed to do and what is pastorally the right way forward. We have seen, and been partakers in, the see-sawing of following the Government advice and listening to the voice of God through the Holy Spirit.

Our Gospel today is centred on a similar balancing act between the power and authority of the Emperor and the power and authority of God. Jesus expertly rides the tricky situation that the Pharisees have set for him by declaring, “give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.” Jesus recognises the temporal authority of Caesar while at the same time recognising the supreme authority of God.

Our Government today has similar temporal authority in governing the people of our country as Caesar did in his day, and we ourselves are trying to fulfil a similar balancing act between following Government rules regarding Coronavirus, and being pastorally sensitive to those around us. No mean feat!

Today, in ordinary times, would have been Synod Sunday. The meaning of the word ‘Synod’ is, of course, “together on our way”. It was intended to be a discernment process of where the Holy Spirit was leading us as an Archdiocese.

That phrase, “Together on our way”, is quite poignant as, going forward, we hope for; the helpful influence and good example of Government, illumined scientific advice, good citizenship and the over-arching power of God. Then, perhaps, we can come to a time when Covid-19 is dormant or under control and the power of the Spirit, ever-alive, takes us to where we are intended to be once more.

Fr Anthony