

NEWSLETTER FOR THE PARISHES OF

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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 8th August 2021

19th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Live Streaming System

All services from both churches are 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, Kathleen Brannon, Margaret Lynch, Kathleen Moore, Moira Robertson, Robert Earl, Jimmy Heard, Kathleen Moor, Ronnie Winstanley, Sammy Walsh, Hayley Jane Walker, Ann Fitzpatrick, Jimmy Heard, Moira Robinson, Veronica Sweeney, Kathleen Brannon, Margaret Lynch, Mary Slein, Marie Friery, Anthony Salmon

and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time

Bernie Conway, James Usher, Frances Johnston (Bday), Ernest Walton (Bday) Katie Heron Margaret (Special Int.)

Please pray too for all those who are lonely or housebound and for those who are sick, at home or in hospital, especially Sheila Willcox, Janet Clark, Margaret Bradley, Peter Fraser, John Murphy, T. C. Andreas Samaras, David & Julie Pearce, J. G., Joan, Paul & Kate, Angela Adlen, Giles Rowe, Angela Gregory, Anna Gawlik, Mick Lawrence, Joan Turner, David Holgate, Daria McCusker, Robert Gibson, Deb Joyce, Margaret Lace, Irene Kennedy, Brian Threlfall, Eileen Guy, Diane Bell, Pat Hale, Mark Alfred Isherwood, Terry Vellely, Toni Daly, Billy Fox, Eddie Unsworth, Patricia Broadfoot, Michelle Roehrig, Bernie Boyd, Pauline & John Morgan, Nellie Daley, Vassilis Alamaniotis

ALL MASSES ARE OPEN FOR PEOPLE TO ATTEND

SATURDAY 7th August

6.00pm Mass: Queen of Martyrs

6.00pm Mass: St Teresa's

SUNDAY 8th August

10.00am Mass: St Teresa's

11.30am Mass: Queen of Martyrs

6.00pm Mass: St Teresa's

MONDAY 9th August

No Mass

TUESDAY 10th August

9.00am Mass: St Teresa's

WEDNESDAY 11th August

7.00pm Mass: Queen of Martyrs

THURSDAY 12th August

9.00am Mass: St Teresa's

FRIDAY 13th August

9.00am Mass: Queen of Martyrs

SATURDAY 14th August

6.00pm Mass: Queen of Martyrs

6.00pm Mass: St Teresa's

SUNDAY 15th August

10.00am Mass: St Teresa's

11.30am Mass: Queen of Martyrs

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Pope Francis's Prayer Intention for August 2021

Reform in the Light of the Gospel



Pope Francis's monthly prayer intention for August is directly for the Church, and that it might reform herself in the light of the Gospel. When we hear that something is directed at 'the Church' are we inclined to feel some distance? Of course each and every one of us is the Church and therefore Pope Francis's monthly intention is for each and every one of us to live by the gospels. The first thing to do is read the gospels. The shortest gospel is by Mark and can be easily read in two hours. This month Pope Francis asks us to join in his monthly prayer intention "... **for the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.**"

Baptisms

Welcome to our parish community James Thomas Regan, Sonny Reuben Hoare, Ellis Shane Knowles, Ruben Vinnie Yau, Narla-Rose Yau, Charlie John Carter, Savannah Lea Wells, Heidi Lea Wells, Roman Lee Wells who were Baptised into our faith family recently.

Maximilian Kolbe, Priest & Martyr, August 14th

Maximilian Kolbe was a Polish priest who died as a prisoner in Auschwitz on August 14th 1941. When a prisoner escaped from the camp, the Nazis, in reprisal, selected ten others to be killed. One of those selected, Franciszek Gajowniczek cried out, "My wife! My children! I will never see them again." Moved by pity St. Maximilian stepped forward and asked to die in his place. The request was granted. He was canonized a martyr by Pope John Paul II in 1981. The cell where he died is now a shrine.

10th Anniversary of the Syrian conflict – how your donations have helped the Syrian people

Thanks to your donations, CAFOD has been helping people in Syria since the crisis began 10 years ago. Over 12 million people have left their homes, 5.6 million are refugees in neighbouring countries and within Syria, 13 million people need help. At the beginning, our focus was on delivering food and blankets through our local church partners. Then we started providing education, health and legal services, and helping people earn a living. Our latest projects are supporting children, lonely elderly people, helping women learn to read, and helping people restart their small businesses. None of this work would have been possible without your support of CAFOD. Thank you.

Exam Results

Remember to pray for the youth or our parish who are expecting exam results imminently. We pray that whatever the results bring, our children will be able to see the bigger picture, and know that whatever they are destined to do next is part of God's plan.

The latest edition of the Catholic Pic is available to download here: <https://bit.ly/37eU5jE>

Volunteer your teaching talent – A message from the Cathedral for newsletters
Are you a retired or part time qualified teacher? You could be part of the cathedral's Education Service team! Come and help hundreds of school children and young people to learn about this wonderful cathedral. 'It's a joy to watch children be amazed by the sheer beauty of John Piper's lantern of light and colour and be able to bring the cathedral to life for the generations of the future'. Contact us at education@metcathedral.org.uk

Gospel Reflection for the Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Feeding Faith

We are half a century on from the first moon landing; yet as time goes by, the murmurings that it might never have happened gather momentum. “How could the flag be fluttering on an atmosphere free moon?” “How did the astronauts take such stunning photographs with apparent multiple light sources when their only light source was the sun?” It seems that when anyone makes an incredible claim, there will be those who seek to discredit it. It’s far easier to pick holes in an amazing claim than to support it. It’s good that we have questioning minds, but what if our questions lead us up a blind alley where we are suddenly incapable of belief.

Put yourself in Jesus’ shoes. You’ve worked inexplicable miracles, not least the feeding of five thousand with just five loaves and two fishes. Now you try to explain to the crowds that your miracle wasn’t just about feeding a bunch of hungry people, your miracle was a sign of your divinity. “I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever, and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.” The people have a hard time believing your claim. Even though they’ve witnessed your great miracle, they mutter to each other. “Who’s he trying to kid ... we knew his parents and we know where he’s from ... how can he have come down from heaven?” Maybe the crowds were looking for more signs ... more miracles! If we were in Jesus’ shoes we might have obliged with a few more miracles, but Jesus knows that this is not the answer. Instead, he makes us a promise. “I am the bread of life, anyone who eats this bread will live forever.” If we share in Christ’s Eucharist, our faith will be nourished and we will inherit everlasting life.