

# NEWSLETTER FOR THE PARISH 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 Anthony Kelly  
Deacons: Chris Housbey & Malcolm Fletcher*

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2021  
25<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.churchservices.tv/croxteth)

**Your prayers are asked for those who have died recently, especially,**  
Ann Jones

**and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time**

Marie & the late John Francis Speers (60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary),

James Gallagher (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv), Patrick Magee

**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, Pat Hale, Toni Daly, Billy Fox, Eddie Unsworth, Michelle Roehrig, Bernie Boyd, Vassilis Alamaniotis, Josie Dunne*

## ALL MASSES ARE OPEN FOR PEOPLE TO ATTEND

<b>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>11.30am</b>
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>9.00am</b>
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September</b>	<b>9.00am</b>
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	<b>7.00pm</b>
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September</b>	<b>9.00am</b>
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>
<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>11.30am</b>

### SEASON OF CREATION

#### **World Day for Migrants and Refugees**

Next Sunday is the annual World Day of Migrants and Refugees – a day the Church has kept since 1914. It is appropriate that this day falls during the Season of Creation because, in addition to war and persecution, the climate emergency is a direct cause of migration.

**Towards an ever wider “we”** is the theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year’s World Day of Migrants and Refugees. It’s an appeal to build a universal “we” rather than a national “we”. Instead of repeating mantra’s we’ve heard, such as “our country is full”, or “they come over here and take our jobs”, Pope Francis invites us to look at the reality of why people leave their homes and countries, often risking their lives. He asks us to enter into the experience of these vulnerable people who are running from situations we can barely imagine, and to pray for them as they face so many challenges, including hostility, rejection and closed doors. Pope Francis also asks us to become aware of the opportunities migration offers of countries and communities.

The Vatican has an extensive website directed personally by Pope Francis which aims to help the Church, and others, to accompany those forced to flee and make sure they are not shut out or left behind:

<https://migrants-refugees.va>

#### **Second Collection for HOME MISSIONS SUNDAY – 19<sup>th</sup> September**

#### **Baptisms**



#### **Welcome to our parish community**

Jude Stephen Collins, Daisy May Southern, Gabriella Eve Foy who were all recently Baptised into our faith family.

# Altar Flowers in Loving Memory of

John Francis Speers on the occasion of 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

## **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS -**

Do you know anyone who would like to become a Catholic, or perhaps someone who was Baptised but has never been Confirmed or received First Holy Communion? If so, why not encourage them to "come and see?" We are about to begin our meetings for enquirers, starting on Tuesday 21st September. We will begin with a friendly, informal chat and hope to welcome our enquirers onto a journey in faith.

Please contact Veronica on 07515286564

## **International Day of Peace - 21st September**



The International Day of Peace provides an opportunity for individuals, organisations and nations to create practical acts of peace on a shared date. A Peace Day event can be as simple as lighting a candle or meditating on Peace.

## **Saint Vincent de Paul Society - September:- Awareness Month**

*Raise Awareness, Donate, Volunteer, Fundraise, ....*

The purpose of SVP Awareness Month is simple: to tell people about the SVP so that more people can benefit from the charity's work, and more people can get involved. To find out how you can get involved visit the SVP website.

[www.svp.org.uk](http://www.svp.org.uk) (England and Wales)

## **Archdiocese Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2022 –**

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> July**

For ages 15 – 22 years old, cost £540, Online applications available from 4<sup>th</sup> October @[liverpoolourdesyouth.co.uk](http://liverpoolourdesyouth.co.uk). See posters at the back of church.



## **Sunday Tea 12.30 – 1.15pm**

If you have spare time on Sunday and would like to be part of a tea rota please let Lynne, know. It involves; setting up before mass, and after people have left, hoovering/mopping and wiping tables.

**Readers Rota** - A reader's rota can be found at the back of church. If you'd like to become a reader please speak to Chris or Malcolm.

## The Cost of Jealousy

Today's readings give us a warning about how jealousy can affect not only our relationship with our friends and neighbours, but also with God. Jealousy can destroy friendships and relationships and can cause mistrust, and as some people point out, trust is very hard to rebuild once it is broken. It can be easy to appear happy for someone who has just had good news or good fortune, but often that can come with a question we ask ourselves, namely "why isn't this happening to me?"

It can take a lot of effort to be happy for someone else if things aren't going our way, but this is what Jesus asks us to do, to be selfless in our love for each other, not like the godless in our first reading, lying in wait for the virtuous

A lot of wars start because some world leaders are jealous and want what others have, this causes all kinds of turmoil and tragedy. We should be happy for one another, no matter how hard it is.

I wonder if the Apostles would be arguing who was the greatest if they knew the sacrifice Jesus expected them to share with him, that is one queue they would not wish to be first in. Do we want to be the first to take up our cross and follow him?

*Deacon Chris*