

**NEWSLETTER FOR THE PARISH OF
Our Lady Queen of Martyrs & St Swithun, Croxteth**

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Sunday 17th October 2021
29th 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

**Your prayers are asked for those who have died recently, especially
Patrick Kelly, Peter Bebbington
and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time
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, Brian Threlfall, Eileen Guy, Diane Bell, Toni Daly,
Billy Fox, Eddie Unsworth, Bernie Boyd, Vassilis Alamaniotis,
Josie Dunne, L.G.*

MASSES TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday 16th October	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sunday 17th October	11.30am	Thomas Reynolds (1 st Anniv)
Monday 18th October	9.00am	Nelly Finnigan L.D.
Tuesday 19th October	9.00am	Mary Anderson L.D.
Wednesday 20th October	7.00pm	Lilian Walsh (90 th B'day)
Thursday 21st October	9.00am	Holy Souls
Friday 22nd October	No Mass	
Saturday 23rd October	6.00pm	Tony & Christine Hemson S.I.
Sunday 24th October	11.30am	Parishioners

COP26: Be Fair With Your Climate Promise

Campaigning for Fairtrade

Farming communities are on the front line of the climate crisis. In an open letter, 1.8 million Fairtrade farmers and workers are calling for urgent action, asking governments at COP26 to be fair with their \$100 billion climate promise. Their letter outlines four key actions that will help protect global food supplies and limit further damage. Farmers and workers are asking politicians at COP26 to listen to their expertise and invest in smallholder farming communities as they face the climate crisis head on. Sign up for the Fairtrade newsletter and sign the online petition at www.fairtrade.org.uk/cop26-be-fair-with-your-climate-promise



UNIVERSAL SYNOD

For a Synodal Church: On **Sunday 17 October**, the Archdiocese of Liverpool is going to mark the opening of the local phase of the universal Synod 2021-23 with a [choral evening prayer in the Metropolitan Cathedral](#) (3pm-4pm). This will be also an opportunity to pray for the forthcoming pastoral plan, the fruit of our own archdiocesan Synod 2020. **All are welcome to attend.**

“A synodal church is a listening church, aware that listening is more than hearing. It is a reciprocal listening in which each one has something to learn.”

Pope Francis

Baptisms



Welcome to our parish community Hendrix James Roks, Megan Louise Shearon, Daisey Faith Davies & Grace Cecilia Ellen Collins who were Baptised into our faith family last weekend.

CAFOD Thank you to all who have returned envelopes. We collected £269.

The Newman Association, North Merseyside Circle Talks Hospitality or Hostility – The Asylum Question

Speaker: **Fr. Peter Morgan**

Thursday 21st October at 7.30pm

St. Helen's Parish Centre, Alexandra Road, Crosby L23 7TQ

All welcome

World Mission Sunday, when the entire global Church comes together in support of mission, is happening on 24th October. Co-ordinated by Missio, this special day is celebrated in every Catholic community in the world. Last year, here in the Archdiocese of Liverpool, we raised £18,772 for World Mission Sunday.

After 18 months, the Metropolitan Cathedral is reopening the doors to its Lutyens Crypt to showcase a new exhibition, co-curated by the local community and developed through lockdown. *The Secrets of the Crypt* exhibition takes visitors back through hundreds of years of history to discover the people and stories behind this astonishing space.

On Friday 12 November at 7pm at the Cathedral, Archbishop Malcolm will be celebrating a Mass for all those priests who have died, from Covid or other causes, since the beginning of the pandemic, including Bishop Vincent Malone who died in May 2020.

The Piety Room has a lovely selection of confirmation gifts and cards.

There is a new rota for readers and tea makers at the back of church.

Universal Synod 2021-23

Extracts from a homily by **Pope Francis**

A certain rich man came up to Jesus “as he was setting out on his journey” (Mark 10.17). The Gospels frequently show us Jesus “on a journey”, he walks alongside people and listens to the questions and concerns lurking in their hearts. He shows us that God is not found in neat and orderly places, distant from reality, but walks ever at our side. He meets us where we are, on the often rocky roads of life. Today, as we begin this synodal process, let us begin by asking ourselves – all of us, Pope, bishops, priests, religious and laity – whether we, the Christian community, embody this “style” of God, who travels the paths of history and shares in the life of humanity. Are we prepared for the adventure of this journey? Or are we fearful of the unknown, preferring to take refuge in the usual excuses: “It’s useless” or “We’ve always done it this way”?

Celebrating a Synod means walking on the same road, walking together. Let us look at Jesus. First, he encounters the rich man on the road; he then listens to his questions, finally he helps him discern what he must do to inherit eternal life. Encounter, listen and discern ... these three verbs characterize the Synod.

Dear brothers and sisters, let us have a good journey together! May we be pilgrims in love with the Gospel and open to the surprises of the Holy Spirit. Let us not miss out on the grace-filled opportunities born of encounter, listening and discernment. In the joyful conviction that, even as we seek the Lord, he always comes with his love to meet us first.

