**(Week 139 of Covid-19 UK guidance)**

**Prayer to the Holy Spirit**

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Spirit

we may be always truly wise

and rejoice in His consolations,

Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

*Each of our local parish schools, All Saints Catholic High, St Joseph the Worker and St Laurence’s Primary schools are now full speed to their December break. I would like to again thank our three Head Teachers and Governors, children and families for all their efforts to build on the work & support that our partnerships continue to see as our children flourish.*

***Year 4 children and their families are especially invited to weekend Masses beginning Friday 25th Nov. as part of their family preparation for sacraments.***

*All Saints Catholic High are organising* ***Lourdes Fundraiser: Grand Race Night St Joseph & St Laurence Parish Centre Saturday 26th November 7pm ‘til late. £5 per ticket available for the parish office***

*Our* ***HOME-CHURCH-SCHOOL*** *links, each support and build up the parish family, as we recognise and celebrate being part of something bigger; the visible Body of Christ; the gathered community; this is what CHURCH is really all about- we are the People of God- mainly lay people, with religious, the deacons, priests, bishops, altogether across our archdiocese of Liverpool- making up part of the world-wide family of the Church, gathered by God the Father, under His Son, the Word of God and with the Holy Spirit joined with the Pope, in prayer.*

 The Parish Newsletters can be found on the school websites each week:

St Joseph the Worker Primary School, or St Laurence’s Primary School,

under ‘Our Catholic Life’ or ‘Our Faith’ sections

**More information about the Catholic faith is available on-line.**

Archdiocese website [liverpoolcatholic.org.uk](http://liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/)

Pope Francis Website Vatican-Holy See **Pope Francis’ Year of Prayer for the ‘Care of Creation’**

 cafod.org.uk (including Children’s Liturgy materials) **or** Catholic Pictorial

[***www.cafod.org.uk/Pray/Laudato-Si-encyclical***](http://www.cafod.org.uk/Pray/Laudato-Si-encyclical)

**Please join in prayer with the Holy Spirit, for the success of the Archdiocesan Pastoral Plan**

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**12th /13th November 2022 33rd Week in Ordinary time Yr C**

Sat 12th **6.00 pm Parishioners**  Vigil & 1st Mass of Sunday

Sun 13th **11.00 am** Roy Williams -  **Remembrance Sunday**

Mon 14th 1.30 pm **Funeral**  Veronica McDonald

 7.00 pm Michael Mooney

**Memorial of St. Albert the Great , OP**

Tue 15th 10.00 am Ken Hitchcock

**Memorial of St Edmund of Canterbury, Bishop**

Wed 16th  **2.30pm MASS @ The Convent**

 **Memorial of St Hugh of Lincoln, Bishop**

Thur17th  1.30 pm **Funeral** Magdalen Evans

 7.00 pm November Dead Lists

**Memorial of Dedication of the Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul**

Fri 18th 10.00 am Patsy Kennedy

 12.00 pm **Funeral** Albert Baines

Sat 19th  **6.00 pm Parishioners** Vigil & 1st Mass of Sunday

**SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING**

Sun 20th **11.00 am** Stephen Monaghan

*Mass Intentions received: Charlie Ryan, Cathy Mc, Grace McCauley, Ann Cooper, Veronica McDonald, Magdalen Evans, Albert Baines Maria Stewart, Kathleen Jockins, ,Jimmy Moran, Maria Kennelly, Navy Winter Kirwin, Fr Kevin Ashton, Fr Bernard Jackson, Parishioners’ Intentions, and remembrances for all those who have died, anniversaries, birthdays, sick, lonely, unemployed, depressed*

**Bring + Buy Sale Sunday 13th November 10am till 2.pm**

**At St Joseph + St Laurence’s Club Peatwood Ave No Table Charge come along to sell unwanted items or buy .**

**Sellers wanted. hope to see you all there**

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**Altar Servers**

**Any boys or girls in Yr5 or above can now volunteer to be trained to serve at the altar, and to join any existing servers who are welcome to return to duty now. Parents, please send email of names and family contact details to parish email address or push a note into the presbytery letterbox.**

Across England the average Covid infection rate is high, with 1in 40 now carrying the virus to others. **On-going booster injections seem to protect most people from severe illness, including from the now multiple Omicron variants. However, a number of those who do get infected are re-infections, and Omicrons seem to be able to infect vaccinated people, but still affecting those people who are fully vaccinated less severely; all still then need to isolate if infected and all potentially have long covid symptoms and health consequences.** Numbers are still affecting hospitals, although the vaccination is working to reduce the severity of the cases for most people. Other variants will still develop. Fourth, boosters are now offered to the over 50s and those most vulnerable. For some, the demands for A&E and beds will delay ambulances, clinics & operations and worsen the speed & level of treatment available. Larger crowds in-doors are still riskier, as is mixing with the elderly whilst infected. Public venue owners still legally need to operate safely. In these still unusual times, the Church building is still open: Masses, lighting of candles, silent prayer in benches before the Blessed Sacrament. ***Some may still wish to continue to wear face masks in Church.***

NOW it is still the time to continue to be **cautious**,

with people you don’t normally mix with,

especially with those who are elderly and those more vulnerable.

Good ventilation if meeting inside & Face-coverings,

are both still advised with the elderly& most vulnerable.

Staying alert, ISOLATING if have symptoms, to break the chains to other people and protect the NHS from the additional pressures and save lives.

**St Joseph & St Laurence’s Parish Centre** –

Elaine and staff would like to welcome back all customers, old and new.

All welcome! & Lounge open every week. Thur/Sat 8.00 pm & Sun12.30pm **07377341977** to book future functions

for all days of the week & any enquiries

2022 Weekly Saturday Entertainment nights, plus game of Bingo.

**PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR PARISH CLUB**

*The Bishops’ Independent Review of Safeguarding in England & Wales & the ICSA reports: The published national inquiry ICSA report into the crimes and sins of abuse across many organisations, including the Catholic Church, has highlighted historic cases over the last fifty years and recent examples. It and a separate report have recommended further reforms to the Church’s safeguarding processes and to address the victims & survivors needs. All our bishops have accepted the recommendations and committed to constantly further improve safeguarding & support throughout Church & society and this continues to be something that has to be continuously prioritised.*

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[**https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/st-joseph-st-laurence-kirkby**](https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/st-joseph-st-laurence-kirkby)

**‘All Hallows’ Evening’ marked the start of this month when we particularly pray for all the dead- all the Saints, ‘All Hallows’; the ‘Holy Souls’, the faithful departed awaiting being ready to meet the Lord face-to-face; the November Dead /‘Pious Lists’, the War dead, REMEMBRANCE, with all that significance; the parish dead whose funerals have been celebrated here this last twelve months and indeed, all the dead who we remember and pray for and with. Masses are celebrated this week to give parishioners opportunity to gather to pray during the days or evenings. Please come along to these special occasions that flow from the real Christian meaning of Hallow-e’en. FR SEAN**

**Application forms to attend Catholic Schools~:**

It is that time of year again when Primary Schools and High Schools application forms start to become available. Each school has its own admissions forms that must be completed and returned to each school. Parents ALSO need to complete Knowsley Council’s on-line application form for schools. The school admissions criteria, the geographical parish boundary families live within and whether a child is a baptised Catholic at the time of the Council deadline dates, are all important facts that families need to be aware of and ensure they comply with, to be considered by each schools’ Governing Body, for a place for their child at any Catholic School.

 **THURSDAY NIGHT CHURCH CLEANING THIS WEEK.: Thursday 17th Nov 7.30-8.30pm**