



Parish of St. Vincent de Paul

# Newsletter

11<sup>th</sup> October 2020

## 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday Year A

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### Mass Times

Sunday streamed	09.00
Monday	07:30
Tuesday	07:30
Wednesday	09.00
Thursday	07:30
Friday	09.00
Saturday vigil	18.00



### Mass Intentions

Sat 10: Fr Michael Hughes  
Sun 11: 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion  
Children  
Mon 12: Special Intention  
Tue 13: Private Intention  
Wed 14: Michael Bruder  
Thu 15: Sacred Heart Sisters  
Fri 16: Silker & Davies family  
Sat 17: Richard Mawson  
Sun 18: Marie Norris

### Come to the wedding.

Jesus is telling us today a parable about a king who organised a big party for his son's wedding. Yet, the guests who had been invited refused to come. They were not interested; they were too busy with their own business affairs. So, the king told his servants: go to the marketplace and invite everyone you meet. This they did, they collected everyone they could find, and the wedding hall was filled with guests.

*Come to the wedding:* what does this mean for us? It is an invitation to welcome the friendship of Jesus. Jesus is offering his friendship to us. It is also an invitation to welcome the new life that Jesus is offering; not to remain stuck in pettiness, but to welcome the generosity, the openness to all and the forgiveness of the Kingdom. Finally, it is an invitation to come and celebrate the Mass, the Eucharist.

The last part of today's parable might surprise us: While the king has made a great effort inviting people for the wedding and filling the hall, when he notices a guest who is not wearing a wedding garment, he tells the servants to throw him out. Why? Just as people can see the clothes we are wearing, people should be able to see in our lives that we belong to Jesus. Our belonging, our friendship with Jesus will transform us. Our partaking in the Eucharist can change us. The wedding garment is the new life which Jesus is offering us. In these challenging times, the new life of Jesus will help us to face the Covid pandemic with resilience and patience. It will help us not to grow cold but to keep our hearts warm and open towards each other. *Ferdinand*

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to the seventeen children who will make their First Holy Communion in our church tomorrow!

We congratulate the children, their families, and their teachers on this important day, when the children will receive for the first time the body of Jesus. We pray that they may grow in their friendship with Jesus more and more.

### SUNDAY MASSES

Tomorrow, October 11<sup>th</sup>, there will be two Masses at 10 am and 12 noon. In order not to exceed the safe capacity of the church, in these two Masses we will not be able to welcome other parishioners besides the children, a small number of their relatives, some teachers, and the stewards.

Sunday October 18<sup>th</sup> there will be a Mass at 9 am.

Sunday October 25<sup>th</sup> and thereafter there will be a regular Sunday Mass. We will let you know the time in the coming week.

### FRATELLI TUTTI

*Fratelli tutti* is the third encyclical of Pope Francis. The document was signed last Saturday, on the occasion of Pope Francis' visit to the tomb of his namesake, Saint Francis of Assisi, and was published the following day on the saint's feast day. The encyclical has the subtitle "on fraternity and social friendship". The encyclical calls for more human fraternity and solidarity, and is a plea to reject wars. Watch these clips as 'appetizer'.

[https://youtu.be/YEK0-m\\_Vt90](https://youtu.be/YEK0-m_Vt90) YouTube (3 minutes) introduces the encyclical Fratelli Tutti, and with Anna Rowlands speaking at the press conference.

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/church/news/2020-10/reactions-fratelli-tutti-cafod-irish-new-zealand-bishops.html>

# Parish Notice Board

## Lottery Results

The winning numbers for  
4<sup>th</sup> October are:  
04, 06, 08, 10, 12, 13

## LIVERPOOL BLACK HISTORY MONTH

October is Black History Month. The Black community of Liverpool is Britain's oldest, dating back to 1730's with some Liverpudlians being able to trace their black heritage for as many as ten generations. The month was originally founded to recognise the contributions that people of African and Caribbean backgrounds have made to this country over many generations. It has now expanded to include the history of all black people in general.

There is a wealth of local knowledge and history available on this subject and lots of activities even in lockdown we can all participate in. Look at the following link to learn what our city is doing to celebrate our rich and diverse Black history.

<https://www.cultureliverpool.co.uk/bhm/>

## Beatification of Carlo Acutis



The beatification of Carlo Acutis will take place today 10 October 2020 at 3.00 pm, at the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi. Carlo Acutis, who died of leukaemia at the age of 15, offered his suffering for the Holy Father and for the Church. Born in London on 3 May 1991 to parents of Italian origin, who returned to Milan shortly after his birth, he was a pious child, attending daily Mass, frequently praying the rosary, and making weekly confessions. He was also known for his cheerfulness and computer programming skills - a wonderful example for young people. He is currently buried in Assisi's Church of St. Mary Major.

In his exhortation on young people, "Christus Vivit" ("Christ Lives"), Pope Francis said Acutis was a role model for young people today who are often tempted by the traps of "self-absorption, isolation and empty pleasure."

"Carlo was well-aware that the whole apparatus of communications, advertising and social networking can be used to lull us, to make us addicted to consumerism and buying the latest thing on the market, obsessed with our free time, caught up in negativity," the pope wrote.

"Yet he knew how to use the new communications technology to transmit the Gospel, to communicate values and beauty," he said.

## Offerings for 3/4 October 2020

Envelopes £48.00  
Plate £73.51  
Candles £ 47.35  
Received through the Bank  
in September: £ 290.

Many thanks to you all

## Pastoral Associate Update

As I was driving over the Mersey Gateway bridge to link up with the M56, I was struck by the amazing infrastructure we have here. In his new encyclical *Fratelli Tutti*, the Pope takes his idea from *Laudato Si* of "integral ecology" and reflects this in the connectivity of everything during the pandemic focussing on frontline workers who understand that "no one is saved alone" (#51). We do have opportunities to connect, but many of them do exclude those who do not have access to technology. Perhaps we can phone a parishioner this week to keep our networks active and interconnected. Synod Sunday will be celebrated next week – so watch out for ways to keep connected and shape the future of our church in the Archdiocese. From *Fratelli Tutti* (#215) "Each of us can learn something from others. No one is useless and no one is expendable." Keep safe, God Bless,

Helen

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## Prayer Intentions

**Our Prayers are asked for the following who are sick:** Baby Daisy Marcia DUNN, Tony EDWARDS, Joan FORD, Ronnie & Joan HART, Joyce HIGGINS, Molly McEVOY, May MURRAY, Danny POWER, Carole & Billy RUDKIN, Kelly SHEPHERD, Lisa Healey

**Also for the intentions of:** Anne BAXTER, Catherine BOWLES, Lilly FLANNERY, Beverly HARPER, Joan HART, Charlotte KELLY, Madeleine McCANN & Family, Kathleen McGOVERN, MIDGHALL Family, Joey PERRY, Carole & Billy RUDKIN, SCOTT Family, Teresa SWIFT, Terri VALIANT, Joan WALSH, Margot TEE, Ryan and GARTLAND Family, TARPEY Family, Joey MORGAN, Teresa and Stephen CREWE.

**And for those who have died:**