



Parish of St. Vincent de Paul

Newsletter

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6th Sunday Year

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Racial Justice Sunday

Regular Mass Times

Sunday	10.00
Monday	07:30
Tuesday	07:30
Wednesday	09.00
Thursday	07:30
Friday	09:00
Saturday (vigil)	18.00



Mass Intentions

- Sat 12: Kit & George Everett
- Sun 13 Sarah Benjamin & Family
- Mon 14: Kenny Kelbrick
- Tue 15: Holy Souls
- Wed 16: Maria Osbaldeston
- Thu 17: Cecilia Flatley
- Fri 18: Catherine Bowles
- Sat 19: Mary & James Sharkey
- Sun 20: Frank Benjamin

Homily Notes

Today's words of Jesus must have come to his listeners as a bolt out of the blue. While we usually consider the rich and the famous as blessed, Jesus names them unfortunate. And while we consider the poor, hungry and sorrowful as unfortunate, Jesus calls them blessed.

How Happy are you who are poor. How do we understand these words?

Is Jesus saying that poverty is something good? No. The Word of God always considers poverty and human suffering as evil. In the book of Exodus we read how God rescued the people from oppression, and in the Gospels how Jesus went round healing and alleviating people's sufferings.

Poverty is evil. That is why it is a shame that in this country there are now people who have to choose between heating the house or having food on the table. As Christians we must work to pull people out of poverty.

How happy are you who are poor; yours is the Kingdom of God. Jesus wants to say: Though the world looks down on you, God is at your side. You are blessed, the Good News is for you and you are open to receive it.

Yet to the rich, Jesus says: *Alas for you who are rich, you are having your consolation now.* Alas for you, the message of the Kingdom has difficulty in reaching you, because you are not interested. The rich are often full of themselves, so that there is no place left for God. They place their trust in their own strengths and capacities, their possessions, their armies and position in society.

We pray that we may share in some of the qualities of the poor: a deep trust in God, a great openness to welcome the Good News, and an awareness that we need community and each other.

Ferdinand

Racial Justice Sunday

PRAYER FOR JUSTICE

Mighty, and everlasting God.

As Your people come into your presence,

We are thankful for your graciousness, your mercy, and your love.

We continue to remember all those adversely affected by the COVID pandemic,

We pray that your Holy Spirit will be present with them, To comfort and to heal; to sustain and be reconciled, one with another.

We remember all those who are hurting, disadvantaged, and impacted by racial prejudice.

We also remember all those who have suffered at the hands of injustice,

May your Holy Spirit be present with them, To comfort and to heal; to bring justice and reconciliation, one with another.

Faithful God, we commit this service into your hands, We pray for every participant and every listener, That you will empower them with your strength, That they might be courageous to say and do what is right and just,

and that your good and glorious, magnificent, and righteous name might be praised,

We pray in the name of your selfless Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen! Amen! And Amen!

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Parish Notice Board

Sacrament of the Sick

Sunday 13th February at 3pm.

The sacrament of the anointing of the sick is offered to all those who are unwell or who feel the weight of old age.

SVP CONVERSATIONS

In the Guild Room
Tuesday 22nd February at 6pm

Conversation with
Pastor David Seiboth and
members of the **Liverpool
Chinese Gospel Church**
*Come and meet our
Neighbours*

Could you be a deacon?

Having received our Synod Pastoral Plan, which sets out concrete actions to change our ways of working, so that our Church becomes more inclusive, more welcoming and more engaged with those on the margins, the ministry of deacons will continue to evolve alongside the presbyteral ministry in the service of the priesthood of all the baptised.

If you feel a calling to a deeper service of the Church Community, please consider attending the following meeting:

Tuesday 22 February 2022
7.30-9pm (refreshments from 7pm)
St Gregory's Parish House
Weldbank Lane, Chorley
PR7 3NW

If you are interested in the diaconate but unable to attend this evening, please email diaconate@rcaol.org.uk for more information.

Lottery Results 06/02/22

02 07 08 09 10 13

Jackpot £450

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

NO ADORATION THIS FRIDAY



Photo of Participants at the Vigil of Prayer for Peace between Russia and Ukraine
(by Rev. Miranda Threlfall-Holmes)

“That was good. We should do it more often” is what the Imam said to me at the end of prayer. Others said the same, reiterating the same feeling I had, despite the cold, biting wind and rain, last Friday, 4th February, as we prayed for peace on the steps of the Cathedral.

Hindu, Anglican, Muslim, Roman Catholic, Ukrainian Catholic Church: we all prayed to our God of Peace. Pax Christi were there, as were Archbishop Malcom and Bishop Tom Williams, the Sisters of Seel Street, the Sacred Heart Sisters, the FCJ, and our own Cardinal. And who have I missed out?

It was proof that religion is not always divisive but can unite, can come together for the good of all. This is, indeed, something we should do, together and more often. In this age of secularism and individualism, it was good to see Faith in God bringing people together to build a world of Peace and Justice. This is surely the Kingdom of God that we all seek. And it begins here on earth!

Terry

The funeral of GEORGE FRANK BENJAMIN,

of Kingfield Rd.,
who died on 29th January 2022,
aged 73 years,
will take place in this church on
Friday 18th February
at 10.30am

We extend our sympathy to Eve
Lynch and Frank's Family
May he rest in peace.

Singing in the Liturgy

Our small choir will meet this
Tuesday, 15th February at 7pm,
to begin their preparations
for Lent and Holy Week.
They seek new members to give
them more voice
or musical accompaniment.
Can you join them, please?

Human Fraternity

*A Proposal and a project for
relations between Christians
and Muslims.*

A lecture by
Cardinal Michael L Fitzgerald
at Hope University, in the Senate
Room (HCA Building),
at Hope Park Campus L16 9JD
5.30 pm Thursday 17th February
All are very welcome

*“If one member suffers, all
suffer together with it; if one
member is honoured, all rejoice
together with it.” 1 Cor 12:26*

Offerings on 29th January

Envelopes £42.00
Plate £132.00
STO & Gifts January £260.00
☘ Thank you ☺

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Our Prayers are asked for the following who are sick: Natasha BAKER, Kitty BAXTER, Betty CARDEN, Vera CARTLEDGE, Lloyd CHUNG, Baby Daisy Marcia DUNN, Joe EDIE, Jean ENNIS, Mary HARRIS, Mary HOWARD, Raymond JOYCE, Mary MELODY, Cathy MURRAY, Jean PERRY, John PHILLIPS, Ava RUDZINSKI, Jean TAYLOR, David THOMAS, Camila WILD

Also, for the intentions of: Anne & Joan BAXTER, Denise BELL, Rita & Jimmy FLATLEY, Germaine, Beverley HARPER, Joan HART, Theresa HASTIE, Madeleine M'CANN & Family, Teresa SWIFT, Martha TAGUE, Cath WILSON

And for those who have died: Frank BENJAMIN, Fionnt'An McGARVEY, Charlie METCALF died 4.2.22, Caroline SLOCOMBE