

Parish of St. Vincent de Paul

# Newsletter

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# 14<sup>th</sup> Apríl 2024 Easter Tíme 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday

# "What sort of man is this, That even the winds and SEA OBEY HIM?" Matthew 8:23-27

# **Mass Times this Week**

 Sunday
 10.00

 Monday
 07.30

 Tuesday
 07:30

 Wednesday
 09.00

 Thursday
 07.30

 Friday
 09.00

 Saturday
 18.00

# Homily Notes

We humans are both body and spirit. To be fully human, we need the body God gave us and the spirit within us.

When we die, we are at first separated from our bodies, but when the day of the resurrection arrives, we will be reunited with our bodies because we need them to be fully who we are. We say in the creed, "I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come". At our resurrection our bodies may not be exactly as they are today, as we know them here on earth. Indeed, by all accounts, Jesus' body, after the resurrection was not the same as it was before his death. The disciples only recognised him when he spoke or made some gesture that was characteristic of him. This would suggest that, even if his body was different, Jesus himself was still the same person. Is that what will happen to us when we share in the resurrection of Christ on the last day?

Our bodies are an essential part of who we are, so we must care for them and love them as Jesus loves them. We respect not only our own body, but the bodies of each other. How can we show respect for someone, if we do not respect their body too? It is this respect for each other's body, and the person who is to be found in the body, which leads us Christians to insist that we cannot harm the body; neither our own nor another's. When we say that we value life from conception to the tomb, we also mean that we value the body from conception to the tomb. And so, all forms of violence against the body are violence against the person. And that person is the person God has made in his image and likeness, in their body. We cannot contemplate putting someone to death at any point in their life, neither before birth not after. Neither in health nor in sickness. Neither in good form nor in a form that appears or seems to some to be, defective. That's why war is an abomination, abortion a terrible sin. Respect for the body should guide us when we talk about putting an end early to someone's life because of their suffering, or when we consider the issues of human sexuality.

We can never forget that to be human is to be made in the image of God and that we are only complete when in our bodies.

Terry

## **Mass Intentions**

Sat 13: Val Warren

Sun 14: Frank Silker RIP

Mon 15: Parishioners

Tues 16: No intention

Wed 17: No intention

Thu 18: No intention

Friday 19: No intention

Sat 20: Mary, Tommy, Paddy Fraser

Sun 21: Girlie & Frank Gunning

# Sunday Ramblings

The world of humanity has forgotten the joys of silence, the peace of solitude which

is necessary, to some extent, for the fullness of human living. Not all people are called to be hermits, but all need enough silence and solitude in their lives to enable the deep inner voice of their own true self to be heard at least occasionally.

When their inner voice is not heard, when humans cannot attain to the spiritual peace that comes from being perfectly at one with their own true self, their life is always miserable and exhausting. For they cannot go on happily for long unless they are in contact with the springs of spiritual life which are hidden in the depths of their own soul.

If someone is constantly exiled from their own home, locked out of their own spiritual solitude, they cease to be a true person. They no longer live as a human being.

They become a kind of automation, living without joy because they have lost their spontaneity. They are no longer moved from within, but only from outside themselves.

# Thomas Merton

From "The Silent life", quoted in the Tablet.

# Parish Notice Board

### **FAMILY OF PARISHES**

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel** 

- Adoration: Thursday 1pm-4pm St. Patrick's
- adoration Friday 7.30pm 9pm **Spring Concert:** a varied programme of classical music by the students of the University of Liverpool. Entrance free.
- Sat. 20 april, 4.30pm 5.30pm 2<sup>nd</sup> (see notice board)

# Parish Justice, Peace & Care for Creation Group

Our group is essential to the life of the Christian Community. Our main function is to raise the Community's awareness of issues of injustice and , where they destroy the harmony of People or Nature. We meet monthly. Why not join us? See Moira, Frank, Barbara or Terry for further information.

## The Gift of Easter

For three Wednesday evenings (17,24 April, 1 May), there are a group of sessions at St Teresa's, Norris Green, on The Gift of Easter. These sessions take inspiration from Scriptures, and Fr Chris Thomas of the Irenaeus Spirituality Centre. See the poster, with more information. Bookings made to, stteresang@rcoal.org.uk

Lottery Results – 7<sup>th</sup> April 01 03 05 06 08 11

OFFERINGS 7th April

Envelopes £19.00 Plate £172.31

# PREPARATION OF INFANT BAPTISMS

The next set of preparatory meetings for parents and godparents who desire baptism for their children will be on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April and 4<sup>th</sup> May at 10am – 11.30am.

In the church.

# EUCHARISTIC MINISTRY TRAINING DAY, 27 April 2024 9.15am – 4.15pm

At Irenaeus Centre, 32 Great Georges Rd, Waterloo, Liverpool L22 1RD You can book your place by emailing jenny@irenaeus.co.uk or call 01519491199 and please let Terry know.

Next Sunday is **Vocations Sunday**. As the baptised People of God, we know that God calls us and has a plan for each of us. God calls each of us by name to holiness. He continues to call and cry out to us each day to be his disciples, some in the married life, some in the priesthood, some in religious life or as single people. Everybody is called! What is God calling you to?

# **MUSIC MINISTRY**

All members of the music ministry, singers and musicians, are invited to meet on Sunday 21st April, 3pm – 5pm, to discuss their essential place in the prayer of the community. We really need a stronger group of singers and musicians to help the community raise their voices in joyful homage.

If you wish to be part of

a revamped music ministry, please join the group. *Thank you in advance*.

# Sr. Maureen of the Franciscan Missionaries of St. Joseph

will be with us at both Masses to make an **appeal** for the works of her congregation. This is our annual contribution to the works of missionary congregations.

Let's welcome Sr. Maureen with our usual generosity.

# FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS

at SVP Primary School at 5.30pm Wednesday this week.

Thank you to the school and our catechist, Susana Munos, for preparing the children for their special day, 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> May. Parents are invited to consider how important their role is in enabling their children to meet Jesus in the Eucharist and to live their faith. If the family does not pray or join the parish community at prayer, at least on Sunday, the school and the catechist's endeavours will come to little or no fruition.

# WEDDING

# Martín Crane and Nícola Víncent

will celebrate their marriage in our church on

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April at 1pm. We wish them both a life full of blessings and happiness, as they found their Family Life on the Love of the Lord.



## PRAYER INTENTIONS

Our Prayers are asked for the following who are sick:, Joe EDIE, Carole & Tony GALVIN, Lin GINLEY, Tony GRACE, Yvonne GRACE, Albert JONES, Edie JONES, Maria JUDGE, Frances KERWIN, Jane MANN, Maureen MAGUIRE, Molly M°EVOY, May McGARRY, Joan MOORE, Frankie POWER, Peter O'BRIEN, Ronnie SALTERS, Martina STEWARD, Jean TAYLOR, Mary TUITE, Pauline WALSH, Joanne WILCOCK, Philip WONG.

Also, for the intentions of: Anne BAXTER, Rita & Jimmy FLATLEY, Carol GALVIN, Beverley HARPER, Joan HART, Mary HOWARD, Charlotte KELLY, Ann MOORE, Susan MORSELLINO, Skyla REID, Maureen RICE, Sreya Rose, Ronnie SALTERS, Teresa SWIFT, Martha TAGUE, David THOMAS,

Those who have died recently:

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