

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

Homíly Notes

The first people we meet in today's Gospel are "the apostles", the special friends of Jesus. Jesus had sent them out to preach the Kingdom of God. On their return they told Jesus all they had done,

hiding nothing from him. We should have the same confidence in Jesus, sharing with him in our prayer our joys and sorrows.

We can see too the care that Jesus has for his friends. He notices that they are tired, and proposes that they all go off to a quiet place to rest, but people are there before them. Jesus sees the crowd and responds to their needs, teaching them at length.

The Evangelist says that Jesus "took pity on them (the people) because they were like sheep without a shepherd". The image of the Shepherd is traditional in the Bible. The prophet Jeremiah (see the first reading) blamed the leaders of Israel for neglecting the real needs of the people. Another prophet, Ezechiel, proclaimed the following word of God: "I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view". We have an echo of this in today's psalm: "The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want".

Jesus applied this title to himself: "I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep" (John 10:11). Jesus is generous with his time and his energy. For us and for the whole of humanity he has given his life on the Cross, and in the Eucharist he gives himself to us as food.

Jesus is giving us an example. He wants us to share his concern for those in need, whether this need be material or spiritual. He wants us too to be generous with our time and energy, and with our resources if we have them. He assures us that he is always with us. As we walk along the road together, trying to be true disciples of Jesus, he is with us. In this Mass he gives us the strength to keep walking.

Parish of St. Vincent de Paul

Rewsletter

18th July 2021 16th Sunday Ordínary Tíme B



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Mass Intentions

Sat 17: Joe Savage Sun 18: 1st Holy Communion Mon 19: Gary Fitzsimmons Tue 20: Arnez Col-King Wed 21: Frances Kerwin Thu 22: Parishioners Fri 23: David Cowley Sat 24: Grandparents Sun 25: Ann Cartledge

Holíday Tíme

It's not an easy time for folk who want to travel in search of a lazy time on a sun-drenched beach. Covid restrictions are multifarious and precarious, seemingly designed to catch us out! We feel the justified

pressure of the persuasions of the Ecologists to stay at home and avoid further pollution of our suffering planet. What can we do, we wonder?

One echo of an answer came to me this week from the Independent Catholic News, an excellent on-line journal, free for all. It carried an article promoting the "Cowal Pilgrimage". Now, despite the general apathy of our friends and relations towards religion, there has been a phenomenal growth in walking pilgrimages, not only in the UK but also across Europe, in the past few years. People are picking up their boots and sticks and they are walking; so much so that in many areas of our nations councils and charitable bodies have been re-establishing ancient pilgrim routes. And people are walking.

Fr. Ferdinand, who in 2017 walked 1,600km from the middle of France to Compostella, tells me that modern people walk "to learn and to leave daily life and its worries behind, to seek a challenge, to meet the unknown, to discover nature, other people and, maybe, God. Some, more the elderly perhaps, have special intentions, of thanksgiving or regret."

The ancient pilgrim routes put us in communication with the pilgrims of yore, over thousands of years. And they put us in touch with the transcendent God, so easily found in creation.

Why not try it this summer?

For further info, try: <u>https://britishpilgrimage.org/routes/</u> or <u>https://www.cicerone.co.uk/the-pilgrims-way</u>.

And <u>https://www.indcatholicnews.com/news/42632</u>

+ Michael

Parish Notice Board

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Despite all the difficulties, 3 children make their 1st Holy Communion on Sunday at 10am. Congratulations to Lily Bersantie Phoebe Kettle Savannah O'Brien

Welcome to Thiago Alfonso His Mother, Lorraine Delavego brings him for baptism on Sunday at 12 Noon. "For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves

with Christ". Gal 3:27

COVID GUIDELINES

From the 19th July we will still need to wear a mask and wash our hands as we come into church.

Singing is now allowed – with gusto!!! Holy Communion goes back to normal. Social distancing is no longer obligatory. We hope and pray that this may last!!

Saturday Evening Mass This week it is the 80th Birthday of Joe SAVAGE. He will come to Mass on Saturday Evening to celebrate. Ever thankful for his life-long dedication to our Community, we wish him HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Offerings on 11th July

Envelopes £57.00 Plate £195.80 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday 11.00 – 13.00 Sacrament of Reconciliation available

YOU TUBE CHANNEL

The Parish Council decided to continue broadcasting our Sunday morning Eucharist, to allow people confined at home to participate. Consequently, we have invested in a Web Cam and a You Tube channel. This is: **St Vincent de Paul Parish Liverpool L1** You can now watch the Mass, live or

recorded, on your TV, computer or phone, by tuning into You Tube and looking for the SVP channel.

Wonders of the Modern World 📺

Eid al-Adha (Feast of the Sacrifice)

Eid al-Adha commemorates the obedience of Abraham who, out of obedience to God, was ready to sacrifice his son. It falls on the 10th day of the Pilgrimage Month, at the conclusion of the rites of pilgrimage to Mecca. It is celebrated with the sacrifice of an animal; a portion of the meat is consumed by the family offering the sacrifice, the rest being given to the poor. There is a special prayer on this

day, and greetings and gifts are exchanged. Though it is considered the most important feast of the year (*al-'id al-kabir*, the great feast), it is in fact less popular than Eid al-Fitr (*al-'id al-saghir*, the lesser feast) which is celebrated at the end of Ramadan. Michael

> Lottery Results For Draw on 3rd July 03 04 07 08 10 13 🚱 No winner

EPISCOPAL ORDINATION OF CANON THOMAS NEYLAN

The Archbishop of Liverpool announced on Tuesday 6 July 2021 that His Holiness Pope Francis has appointed **Canon Thomas Neylon** an auxiliary bishop of Liverpool.

The Archbishop has confirmed that he will ordain Canon Neylon as bishop on **Friday 3 September at 12noon** in the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King.

There will be unreserved seats in the Cathedral for people who wish to attend, and whilst tickets are not being issued, it would be helpful if anyone intending to celebrate this special occasion and will be attending the Mass should be advised to **register** their interest by emailing <u>c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk</u>

We would ask that you are in your seats by 11.30am.

We look forward to this great occasion in the history of our Archdiocese.

The Archdiocesan Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes cannot take place this year. Instead, a LOURDES AT HOME PILGRIMAGE has been organised, beginning with Mass at the Cathedral on the 25th July at 3.00pm, concluding with a Torchlight Procession in Our Lady's Garden, Southport on Friday 30 July at 6pm

More information available on Notice Board and on line <u>here</u>.

Many thanks for your contributions to the Apostleship of the Sea Appeal: £115.80. You are very kind!

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Our Prayers are asked for the following who are sick: Loretta ASHCROFT, Tommy & Kitty BAXTER, Patricia BIRCH, Catherine BOWLES, Dawn BRANAGAN, Patrick BUCKLAND, Pat BURKE, Josie CALVEY, Billy CARTLEDGE Jr., Vera CARTLEDGE, Baby Daisy Marcia DUNN, June DUNN, Jean ENNIS, Mr. FERNANDEZ, Geoffrey FITZSIMMONS, Joan FORD, Imelda FOSTER, Darren KELLY, Frances KERWIN, Sonny MACKLIN, Maureen MAGUIRE, Molly M°EVOY, Kathleen M°GOVERN, Mary MELODY, Pauline MILLER, Alfie MONTGOMERY, Katherine MORLEY, Bernadette MURPHY, May MURRAY, Teresa NALL, Sarah PAUL, Mary PEERS, Mary RICE, Mike RICHARDS, Ava RUDZINSKI, Philip SCOTT, Elizabeth STABRAWA

Also, for the intentions of: Anne & Joan BAXTER, Sean CONNEELY, Rita & Jimmy FLATLEY, Germaine, Beverly HARPER, Joan HART, Theresa HASTIE, Madeleine M°CANN & Family, Kristine STABRAWA, Teresa SWIFT, Martha TAGUE, David THOMAS, Terri VALIANT

And for those who have died: Bobby CROSBIE, Denise King, Tony EDWARDS, Tony MOGAN - 1year anniversary.