

Parish of St. Vincent de Paul

Newsletter

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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

Crossing to the other side amidst waves!

Mark is brief in his gospel narratives. He leaves space for the disciple to encounter

Jesus Christ in a more intimate way by responding to the unanswered questions. After Jesus rebuked the storm, the disciples are left with a question:

Who is this?

Shall we attempt to answer?

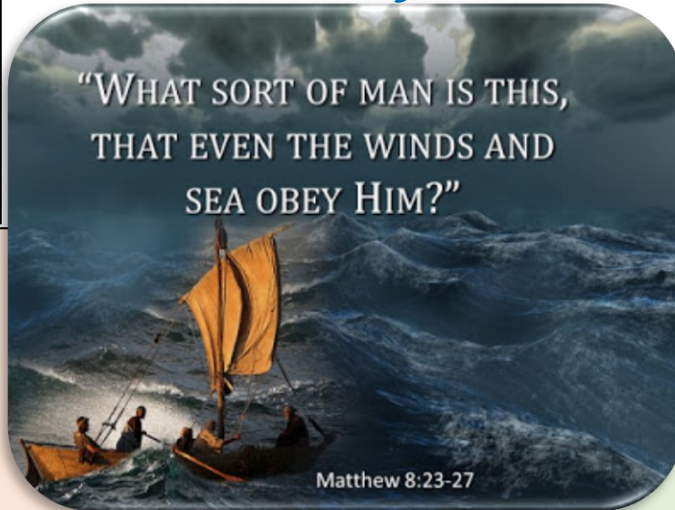
Mark opens his gospel account with the response: **Jesus Christ, the Son of God.** The one inviting “to go the other side”. The host who has the solution when the guests on board are terrified. The prince of peace who calms the storms. One who verifies the faith of his followers as they cross waves: have you still no faith? He leaves his guests in awe!

Following Christ to the other side implies a turning point: if anyone is in Christ, **there** is a new creation: everything old has passed away; everything has become new! No matter the waves of resistance, social injustices, persecution, fear, doubts; Christ’s love compels us. It yields new attitudes, facing life with courage rather than fear, love rather than hatred, faith rather than doubt while trusting that He is the Son of God. In Jesus Christ, we hear the voice of the omnipotent God reassuring the suffering “Jobs” of our time: refugees crossing to other sides, the migrants, the abandoned, etc.

Lord God, grant us the faith to overcome our fears with courage and to calm the waves that hinder us from following your way.

Moses

23rd June 2024
12th Sunday Year B



Mass Intentions

Sat 22: Frank Hastie (RIP)
Sun 23: Martin Crane (RIP)
Mon 24: Vincent Hughes (sick)
Tues 25: Angela Everett
Wed 26: William Cartledge RIP
Thu 27: Joan Wilcock RIP
Fri 28: Frances Kerwin (sick)
Sat 29: Mary Day
Sun 30: Alice Silker (sick)

Sunday Thoughts

(from the Pastoral Development Bulletin, AOL)

As we approach the general election this second reflection is a piece of scripture that enables us to think about decision makers. This is the Parable of the

Widow who persistently asks a judge for justice:

‘Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, ‘In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, “Grant me justice against my opponent.” For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, “Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.”’ And the Lord said, ‘Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?’” *Luke 18: 1-8*

We are bearers of that faith and in the coming weeks we can help our fellow parishioners to do likewise in defence of the poorest and most vulnerable! As Pope Francis says:

“With our faith, we must create a culture of encounter in which we find brothers and sisters, in which we can also speak with those who think differently.”

The Gospel and Catholic Social Teaching guide us in our choice. “All of the principles of Catholic Social Teaching are inspired by the Gospel, the good news of our salvation in Jesus Christ. At the heart of the Gospel is **love**, since “God is love” (1 Jn 4:8) and love is the new commandment given to us by Jesus (Jn 15:12). The will of God for human beings is that we live in unity and love. Our Father, who has a tender concern for everyone, “has willed that all people should constitute one family and treat one another in a spirit of brotherhood” (Gaudium et Spes, 25). The Church’s guiding vision of a “civilization of love” (Pope Paul VI) is based on the will of God for his children. (CSAN 2024)

TPM

Parish Notice Board

Meeting of the
PARISH COUNCIL
6PM
THURSDAY 27TH June

WHERE CAN I CONTRIBUTE TO THE LIFE OF THE PARISH COMMUNITY?

Maybe you are asking yourself this question, thinking it is difficult if you are only in the parish for a few months or a year or so.

We need **Eucharistic ministers** both for Mass and to visit the sick at home; **cleaners, altar servers, helpers** at the **Tuesday Morning Café, singers and musicians, child minders** at Sunday Mass, experts to advise and **maintain the property, welcomers, refreshments servers, offertory collectors and counters**... And more! Don't be shy, share your faith!!!

CATHOLIC SOCIAL ACTION NETWORK CONFERENCE:

Archdiocese of Liverpool, 10-3:30, 4th July 2024, Liverpool. This partnership event between Housing Justice, Together Liverpool and the Archdiocese of Liverpool will bring together parishioners in a space to reflect on social action – through the lens of housing, homelessness and land.

Book here.

<https://archdioceseofliverpool.churchsuite.com/events/1yerqfks>

OFFERINGS 16th June
Envelopes : £25.00
Plate : £203.65

Daily Election Prayer

God of peace, these times demand a change of heart: to be, think, and act differently.

Pour out your Spirit on your people as we prepare to vote in 2024 in unprecedented numbers across the globe.

May we strive to make peace a reality by becoming agents of reconciliation, transforming and transcending polarization, misinformation, and division during this election year.

Help us to recognize the reality of our interconnection and interdependence and to make decisions for the common good. Amen.

Sisters of St Joseph of Peace

*Many thanks to the **anonymous donor** of £900 for the parish. May your generosity be rewarded.*

Lottery Results – 16th June
02 03 05 09 10 13
Jackpot £800

Adult Baptism

Beginning this week: Preparation for the gift of baptism for adult candidates.

7.30pm, Wednesday 26th June in the church.

Come along, if you wish to meet and get to know better Jesus Christ.

Catechists: Elenor and Hans Broekman

The funeral of
JOAN IRENE WILCOCK,
a long-standing member of the parish community,
of Prince Albert Mews, L1,
who died on 3rd June 2024,
aged 88 years,
will take place in this church on
FRIDAY 28th June
at 10.30am
We extend our sympathy to her family and friends.
May she rest in peace.

Merseyside Pax Christi Retreat Saturday 29th June.

'Nonviolence: the Way Forward for Christians'. A day of reflection and sharing.

Venue: The Irenaeus Project, 22, Great George's Rd, Waterloo, Liverpool L22 1RD.

10am to 4pm

Suggested donation £10. Simple lunch provided.

Contact: sheilacogley@yahoo.co.uk
[0151 345 8137](tel:01513458137).

Anyone from the parish wish to participate with Terry Madden?

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Our Prayers are asked for the following who are sick: Paul BIRCH, Joe EDIE, Teresa HASTIE, Carole & Tony GALVIN, Lin GINLEY, Tony GRACE, Yvonne GRACE, Albert JONES, Edie JONES, Maria JUDGE, Frances KERWIN, Maureen MAGUIRE, Molly M^cEVOY, May McGARRY, Joan MOORE, Frankie POWER, Peter O'BRIEN, Ronnie SALTERS, Frank & Collette SHOVLIN, Martina STEWARD, Abbie SWALE, Jean TAYLOR, Mary TUIITE, Pauline WALSH, Liam WOODS.

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

Those who have died recently: Billy CARTLEDGE, Joan WILCOCK.

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