



Parish of St. Vincent de Paul

Newsletter

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13th Sunday Ordinary Time B

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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 26 : Alan Merrill
Sun 27 : Bridgit Carlyle
Mon 28: Parishioners
Tue 29: Private Intention
Wed 30: Courtney Cole
Thu 01: Private Intention
Fri 02: David Burger
Sat 03: Catherine Bowles
Sun 04: First Holy Communicants

Homily Notes

In today's gospel we listen to two stories: Jesus raises Jairus' daughter to life and he heals the woman who suffered from a haemorrhage for twelve years.

What do the two stories have in common? The importance of faith! The fact that faith works miracles!

The woman with the bleeding had suffered from this ailment for a long time. When she heard about Jesus, she told herself: *"If only I can touch his cloak, I shall be healed"*. She touched his cloak and indeed, she was healed. She was healed because of her faith in Jesus. Jesus tells her: *"my daughter, your faith has restored you to health"*.

Jairus too had faith in Jesus. He believed that Jesus could heal his daughter; But, because of the healing of the woman, Jesus is delayed and the little girl died.

This is the moment Jairus' faith is put to the test. He believed in Jesus' power to heal, but now it is too late, his little girl has died. However Jesus tells him: *"Do not be afraid; only have faith"*. Jairus accepts to go with Jesus to the house where Jesus raises the little girl to life.

We too have to pass at times through truly challenging situations, when our faith is put to the test. We think of the Covid pandemic and of many other situations in our lives. Let us remember the words Jesus spoke to Jairus, *"Do not be afraid; only have faith"*.

The miracle stories in the Gospels have as aim to strengthen our faith in Jesus. We want to be like the woman and like Jairus and imitate them in their faith, so that Jesus continues to work miracles also in our lives!

Ferdinand

Social Justice

When I began primary school in 1955, the family had just moved to Northern Ireland with my father, a member of the RAF.

Because of the higher intake that year, the local primary school commissioned the hall of the Orange Lodge to receive the first-year pupils. When the Lodge leaders read my name, Madden, on the list, they insisted on knowing my church allegiance. Finding out that I was Catholic, they refused me entry into the classroom. From then on, I and my sister had to be bussed to the nearest Catholic School, some 4 or 5 miles away in Limavady.

It was my first experience of prejudice and its ugly actions. I am sure that many of us in our parish remember how prejudice could pervade all corners of our lives and would determine which school we attended, which clubs we would be members of, down which streets we would walk. Remember "No Catholics (or no Protestants) need apply"? Thankfully, this way of life is now just an unpleasant memory and such attitudes are rare these days: as far as Protestantism and Catholicism are concerned, that is.

But what if you belong to a group of people who are different to the mainstream? What if you are gay or lesbian or transgender? What if you are Black or South Asian or East Asian? What if you are a refugee? What if you suffer from mental illness? What if you are Romani? Would you also say that society is free from such prejudices?

Ask a schoolteacher which children are bullied in school and you will soon learn where society's prejudices still rear their ugly heads. And then ask yourself where our innocent children learn such prejudices? Very few of us can say that we are absolutely not prejudiced. Many of us carry prejudice into every aspect of our lives and are hardly aware of it. The first cure for these prejudices which pervade so many of our attitudes and our relationships is **awareness**. Once we are aware of them, we can tackle them. We can ask the Lord to heal us and help us to love and accept all those who appear, at first sight, to be different to us.

Any action that helps us become aware of our prejudice must be for the good, including taking the knee in football. *Terry*

Parish Notice Board

**Solemnity of Saints
Peter and Paul**
June 29th
Mass at 07h30

The FUNERAL of
John Anthony Hegarty
will take place here on Thursday
1st July at 11.00am.
He lived in Chung HOK House
for the past 7 years.
Our sincere condolences to his
Family

BAPTISM OF PAUL ANDREW PEARSON

Son of Elle Birch and
Paul Pearson
On Sunday 27th June at 12 noon
Welcome to the Family, Paul

BAPTISM

COVID CARE *It isn't over yet*

We still need to take care and
practise social distancing and
awareness. *In our area, the rate
of infection is higher than
elsewhere.*

Many thanks to those who have
donated material or cash for the
constant cleaning of the church.
We owe the **Stewards** and the
Cleaners our deep gratitude.
God bless them all.

THANK YOU

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday 11.00 – 13.00

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
36 CHILDREN OF
St. Vincent de Paul Primary School
will make their
First Holy Communion
in our church on Sunday **July 4th**.
They will receive the Sacrament for the
first time at two
special Masses at 10am and 12 noon.
We wish the children and their families
every blessing
and we congratulate the School,
the teachers and the catechists
for their devotion to the preparation of
the children.

“There is neither Jew
nor Greek, there is
neither slave nor
free, there is no
male and female, for
you are all one in
Christ Jesus”.

Galatians 3:28

Pastoral Associate Update:

The soft rain has been a welcome relief
for the verges, gardens and
allotments. Travelling to the SE to
collect for my mother to live close by
has enabled me to appreciate the beauty
of where we are here in Liverpool and
surroundings.

I hope some of you have had a chance to
look at the **results of the Synod** voting
on the Synod2020 website – these have
come from all those original listening
sessions we held, reflecting the voices
of the archdiocese. Synod is not ended
with the voting or even the pastoral
plan, we are journeying and learning to
“be” synod in the way we are church.
It’s not an easy path – sometimes it’s
unclear and messy, sometimes it’s
counter-intuitive or contradictory, but
it’s also filled with the blessings of
listening to one another and building on
foundations set millennia ago at the foot
of the cross.

Confirmation candidates will be
contacted shortly, so if anyone else in
(year 8s +) wishes to join the
programme please register this week at
www.liverpoolcalled.co.uk.

Helen Keller: “*Walking with a friend in
the dark is better than walking alone in
the light*”

Helen

www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk

Let’s keep **Helen Jones** in our prayer at
this time. As she mentions, she is
bringing her Mother up from Sussex to
be in a Care Home close to her. We all
know the difficulties this involves.
We thank Helen for all the support she
has given us during the Synod
Preparation period these last 3 years.

Offerings on 20th June

Envelopes £66.00
Plate £115.40
2nd Collection for Day of Life £59.33
Thank you, All!

Lottery Results

For Draw on 20th June
03 04 09 12 13 14
“It’s all for a good cause”!!!

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, Tony EDWARDS, Jean ENNIS, Mr. FERNANDEZ, Geoffrey FITSIMMONS, Joan FORD, Darren KELLY, Sonny MACKLIN, Maureen MAGUIRE, Molly M^cEVROY, Kathleen M^cGOVERN, Mary MELODY, Alfie MONTGOMERY, 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, Imelda FOSTER, Germaine, Beverly HARPER, Joan HART, Theresa HASTIE, Madeleine M^cCANN & Family, Kristine STABRAWA, Teresa SWIFT, Martha TAGUE, David THOMAS, Terri VALIANT
And for those who have died: John A. HEGARTY, Edie HUMPHREYS (née Mitchard)