



Parish of St. Vincent de Paul

# Newsletter

30<sup>th</sup> May 2021

## TRINITY SUNDAY

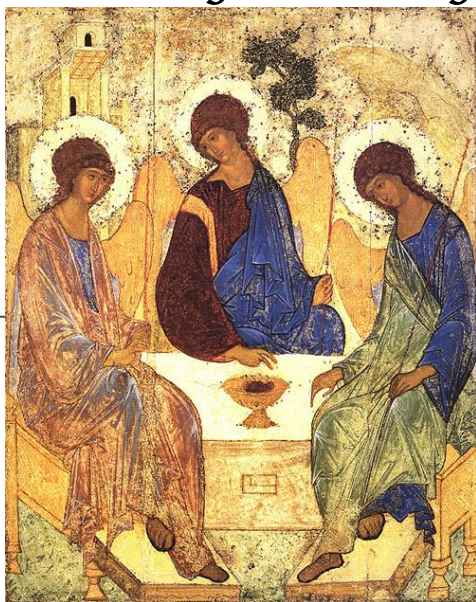
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### Mass Times

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 29: Sophie Armstrong  
 Sun 30: Parishioners  
 Mon 31: Rosemary Hughes  
 Tue 01: May McGee  
 Wed 02: Ite Morrissey  
 Thu 03: Parishioners  
 Fri 04: Alan Merrill  
 Sat 05: Margaret O’Gorman  
 Sun 06: Joyce Dunn



### Homily Notes

This Sunday is Trinity Sunday. We are celebrating our faith in one God, who is revealed in three Persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The Trinity cannot be explained. The Bible does not give algorithms to solve the mystery of God, but gives us stories of events in which the people of God discovered something of God.

What do today's readings reveal about the Trinity, about God? They reveal that God reaches out to his people in love. God reaches out in the events of our lives, God reaches out by visiting us in Jesus, The Father and Jesus reach out by sending us the Holy Spirit.

The Trinity does not withdraw cozily into the heavens. God comes to us in love, through the people we meet and live with, through his Word, through the Eucharist we celebrate. God comes to us in love and will never abandon us. At the end of today's Gospel, Jesus promises: I am with you always, yes to the end of time.

It is 'proper' to God to reach out. Saint John writes: God is love. Love is not self-centred, but reaches out and crosses barriers.

God continues to reach out in love. We can become the channels through which God reaches out. That is why in today's reading, Jesus is sending his disciples: Go, make disciples of all the nations, baptise them and teach them. Today we are called to reach out, in love and respect, to our brothers and sisters, whoever they may be.

God does not withdraw cozily into the heavens. So we, as church and as parish community, should not withdraw cozily and focus on ourselves. Rather, we are sent by Jesus to reach out and be a sign of his love and friendship to those around us.

*Ferdinand*

### Covid Thoughts

**Colombia** is not known as the godliest country in Latin America. It has had its own share of internal wars and violence at the end of the last century and the beginning of this. However, thanks to a new determination and better government,

political stability and economic recovery are having positive effects. Unfortunately, this cannot be said for its neighbour, Venezuela. Violence and poverty there have caused millions of its citizens to flee over the border to Colombia, putting great strain on its resources.

Despite its own problems, however, this April the government of President Ivan Duque granted 1,000,000 refugees from Venezuela legal status. This means that they now have the rights to legal employment, health care, education and Colombian banking services for 10 years. As President Duarte is reported to have said, *“They’ll likely stay for more than a decade, so it’s better to...open them the opportunity to contribute also to the Colombian economy.”* *“This bold humanitarian gesture serves as an example for the region and the rest of the world. It is a life-changing gesture for the 1.7 million displaced Venezuelans who will now benefit from added protection, security and stability while they are away from home,”* said UN High Commissioner for Refugees Filippo Grandi.

Pope Francis said of the generosity of the Colombian people: *“Thank you, Colombia, I thank all of you for what you do for migrants.”* He added that the move would foster *“welcoming, protecting, and integrating”* of Venezuelan migrants in Colombia.

Across the world, many countries are showing great compassion and concern for refugees who flee across their borders. It seems that the poorest countries are the most generous. The country with the highest number of refugees is Turkey (3.6 million) Colombia is second, then Pakistan and Uganda with 1.4 million each. How does that compare with our paltry 126,720 at the end of 2019? Aren’t we one of the six richest countries in the world?

We Christians in the UK cannot let our government continue to repel refugees and asylum seekers in their inhumane manner and in our name. It is time to take action.

*Terry*

# Parish Notice Board

## BAPTISM

Welcome to  
**MAYA MARIE WILLIAMS**,  
who will be baptised Sunday at  
12 noon.  
Congratulations to her parents,  
Carly and Anthony Williams of  
Formby

## Offerings on 23<sup>rd</sup> May

Envelopes £54.00

Plate £100

*Many thanks*



The **Guild Room** has at last been used for the first time since its refurbishment. It is a pleasant, warm, light room ready to be used for meetings and activities. How fitting that its first use was by the School to interview for a new teacher's position; indicating the engagement of the school in the parish Family. We now have to procure some tables and chairs for people to sit on... 😊

## Adoration of the Blessed

### Sacrament:

Friday 11.00 – 13.00

## Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

On the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity we celebrate all that God has revealed to us of God's beauty and love.

We thank God for the gift of faith, and we pray that our faith in God may be deepened and lived out more fully in our daily lives.

We pray again for the work of our Synod which will take place on Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup> of June.

May the Synod help us all to live more fully the call we received when we were baptised in the name of the Holy Trinity.

## SYNOD PRAYER

*Merciful God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
may you be faithfully loved,  
honoured and served  
by all the members of the Church.  
Guide the members of our Synod  
in the holy task you have entrusted to  
them.  
Help us all to proclaim your mercy  
and love  
to the ends of the earth.  
We ask this Father  
through our Lord Jesus Christ, your  
Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.  
Amen.*

## Lottery Results

For Draw on 23<sup>rd</sup> May

**02 06 09 10 11 12**

## Pastoral Associate Update:

Happy Trinity! Sadly, my shamrocks didn't make it to Trinity Sunday... there's always next year.

As we approach June, **the Synod** is ever in our sights. Although many of you may have "synod fatigue" the centrality of the process in listening to one another and finding a way forward together is an opportunity and a challenge for us in "being Church". The thought of collective decision-making may seem arduous, but the strength of those decisions fuelled by the Holy Spirit produce a very different sense of outcome. My prayer is that these conversations that have started will continue to flourish in some form and incorporate more of us as we continue on our journey.

If you haven't seen it yet, the **Laudato Si** quiz is online at

[www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk](http://www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk)

No Echoes of Isaiah on Monday 31 May (next session on 7 June) – and it looks like good weather for the bank holiday, just in time for end of year exams: prayers for all our young people as they prepare.

"... holiness is made of daily-ness, of living life as it comes to me, not as I insist it be." Joan D. Chittister OSB.

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*God Bless, Helen*

We are happy to welcome  
**MARK MORAN and JADE HAIGH**,  
of Fincham Rd, L14, for the celebration  
of their **marriage** next  
Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 1pm.  
We wish them a happy and fruitful life  
together,



## PRAYER INTENTIONS

**Our Prayers are asked for the following who are sick:** Tommy & Kitty BAXTER, Patricia BIRCH, Catherine BOWLES, Dawn BRANIGAN, Pat BURKE, Josie CALVEY, Billy CARTLEDGE Jr., Vera CARTLEDGE, Baby Daisy Marcia DUNN, June DUNN, Tony EDWARDS, Jean ENNIS, Joan FORD, Darren KELLY, Sonny MACKLIN, Molly M<sup>c</sup>EVoy, Kathleen M<sup>c</sup>GOVERN, Mary MELODY, Alfie MONTGOMERY, May MURRAY, Teresa NALL, Sarah PAUL, Mary PEERS, Mary RICE, Mike RICHARDS, Ava RUDZINSKI, 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<sup>c</sup>CANN & Family, Anthony M<sup>c</sup>CARTY, Kristine STABRAWA, Teresa SWIFT, David THOMAS, Terri VALIANT

**And for those who have died:** Alex LAMPKIN, Rose McCafferty, Margaret CARNEY 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary.