



Parish of St. Vincent de Paul

Newsletter

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Regular 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 06: Victims of Covid
- Sun 07: Sarah Benjamin
- Mon 08: Parishioners
- Tue 09: Holy Souls
- Wed 10: Sr. Mary Dominico
- Thu 11: Thanksgiving
- Fri 12: Beryl Barnes
- Sat 13: Terri Valiant
- Sun 14: Remembrance Sun.

Homily Notes

I think each one of us here has been affected deeply by the sufferings of those who died in Intensive Care wards, in the nursing homes or at home during the past 20 months or so. Many of us have attended at least one funeral during this time and we were all struck by the loneliness, the solitude, of those members of the grieving family who were able to gather for prayer and for the farewell Mass. It was so noticeable when most people had to stand around outside and only the very closest of relatives were allowed in. They were painful moments and lonely. Now, that is in the past, even if our grief is still very raw to this day.

In this Eucharist, our memorial of Jesus' own suffering, we join our pain to that of God's Son at the time of his death, in the hope that God will somehow bring some good out of it, as God accomplished our salvation out of the crucifixion. We hope that, struck by all this suffering, the national and regional health authorities and councils will apply themselves to improvements in the management of our amazing NHS and make the necessary reforms in the care of our elderly. We offer this suffering to God and unite ourselves to the suffering of others across the world who do not even have the most basic care, or the most basic support, to face up to this pandemic and who have still not been vaccinated.

Terry

Vatican sends greeting for Hindu feast of Deepavali

In a message addressed to Hindus for the feast of Deepavali, the Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue (PCID) "extends its most cordial greetings" and expresses its wish that this feast may "light up" their lives, even in the midst of the anxiety and uncertainty arising from the pandemic.

The feast, which falls on 4 November this year, is a celebration that marks the triumph of good over evil.

On this day, also called Diwali, or the Festival of Lights, Hindu families across the world transform their homes into beacons of light, exchange gifts, share feasts and perform *pooja* (prayers) to deities.

Along with "the scars that are fresh in our minds from the pandemic", reads the message, there is "a sense of resignation, despair and despondency whenever devastating things happen across the globe". In this regard, the message goes on to share some thoughts on how "we, both Christians and Hindus, can bring the light of hope in people's lives in such challenging times".

Through the "dark clouds of the current pandemic", there have been "silver linings of solidarity and fraternity". The power of solidarity through assisting the needy, more so with an interreligious character and responsibility, gives visibility to the light of hope, reads the statement. "Bringing light together in people's lives through interreligious solidarity also validates the usefulness and resourcefulness of religious traditions in society".

For this reason, it is incumbent upon religious and community leaders to nurture the spirit of fraternity among their followers with a view to helping them walk and work together with the people of other religious traditions, most especially during crises and calamities of every kind.

Bringing its message to a close, the PCD writes that "as believers grounded in our own respective religious traditions and as persons with a shared vision for and shared responsibility towards humanity may we Christians and Hindus, individually and collectively, and joining hands with people of other religious traditions and of good will, reach out to people who are in despair, to bring light into their lives!" Finally, they add, "Happy Deepavali!"

From: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/church/news/2021-10/pontifical-council-interreligious-dialogue-deepavali-message.html>

Parish Notice Board

From the Pastoral Development Office Who are we?

Travelling around the diocese, we have encountered puzzled faces when we tell them that we work in the Pastoral Development Department. Perhaps, then, now is a good time to say something more about it.

The Archdiocesan Office (former LACE) underwent a large-scale reorganization during the Covid pandemic. The old *Pastoral Formation* Department ceased to exist in the process, and a new *Pastoral Development* Department was erected to oversee some of the old functions as well as to actively support the fruits of the Synod 2020. (This restructuring was, understandably, a very painful reality, so we want to acknowledge everything good and creative that has gone before us with gratitude.)

When the Pastoral Development (PD) is fully staffed, we will aim to provide comprehensive resources and support for the mission of our parishes and deaneries. While carrying forward some existing provision of pastoral training and support, we will aim to respond to the evolving needs in the light of the new Pastoral Plan. We will certainly tell you more after the Plan is out on the first Sunday of Advent! In the meantime, do get in touch...

Tuesday Coffee Morning

Why not join us for a coffee or tea and a delicious cake on **Tuesday** mornings from **10.30am to 01pm** in the church?



All parishioners welcome to partake.

Offerings on 31st October

Envelopes £75.00
Plate £116.20
Candles £208.60
Poor Box £38.08
Thank you

Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament:

Friday 11.00 – 13.00

Sacrament of Reconciliation available

Elections for Parish Council

NAME	VOTES
Margaret Hastie	31
Andrea Glanville	27
Marie Crane	26
Susanna Amaros	20
Frank Shovlin	19
Martin Carr	18
Pat Glanville	18
Angela Everett	16
Georgia Birch	11
Frances Kerwin	9
Karen Hughes	8
Total =	203

The full results of the voting for the Parish Council can be seen on the Notice Board. We owe much gratitude to the out-going council for all they have done in the past 3 years.

Now, we wish Margaret Hastie, Andrea Glanville, Marie Crane and Susanna Amaros, every good wish for their new term of office and we can assure them of our support and cooperation in the 2 years to come.

May God bless them and accompany them in their new mission.

Christmas Raffle

Once again, we are grateful to the faithful disciples who organise this regular raffle, at Easter and Christmas, in support of parish activities.

Tickets can be bought at the entrance door.
Draw: 26th November

We remember our Dead

During Mass on Saturday evening, we will remember those who have died during the Covid Pandemic. Names will be on the screen.

Those who wish, are invited to light a candle of remembrance which will stay lit during the Mass.

The names of those who have died will be read out at the "Memento" prayer, during the Mass.

It is still not too late to add a name; see the Welcomers at the church door!

INCLUSIVITY SECTION

(Pastoral Development Dept)

The next LGBTQ+ Mass will be at **All Saints Anfield** on Sunday **5th December at 12.30pm**, followed by a social gathering. This is an open invitation to our LGBTQ+ Catholics, their families and friends, but also to anyone who would like to come along and support fellow Catholics. It would be helpful to know who might attend for catering purposes. If you are attending, please contact **0151 287 8787**, or email Fr Steve: frsmaloney@aol.com.

Toiletries Needed

Donate for Christmas to the **FOOD BANK**

Toothpaste & brushes, soaps, shampoo, deodorant (women & men), nail clipper/files, make-up, etc. Please place in box at church entrance. Thank you. 🌸🙏

Lottery Results 31/10/21

01 02 04 08 10 11

No Winners

Jackpot £550

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Our Prayers are asked for the following who are sick: Kitty BAXTER, Catherine BOWLES, Betty CARDEN, Vera CARTLEDGE, Sean CONNEELY, Baby Daisy DUNN, Joe EDIE, Jean ENNIS, Mary HAINS, Maureen MAGUIRE, Cathy MURRAY, Jean PERRY, Ava RUDZINSKI, Jean TAYLOR.

Also, for the intentions of: Anne & Joan BAXTER, Angela EVERETT, Rita & Jimmy FLATLEY, Germaine, Beverly HARPER, Joan HART, Theresa HASTIE, Madeleine M^cCANN & Family, Teresa SWIFT, Martha TAGUE, David THOMAS

And for those who have died: Tommy BAXTER, Celia FLATLEY, Linda Rice, Mgr Peter Cookson (anniversary)