

Mass Times, Services and Intentions

Saturday 18th January First week in Ordinary Time

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Peter & Rosemary Walsh
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Sunday 19th January Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Joyce Worden Anniversary
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	John Forde R.I.P.
St Joseph's	12.30pm	Baptisms	Hedi Rose Hindley

Tuesday 21st January St Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

Sacred Heart	12.00pm	Mass	Special Intention
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Wednesday 22nd January Weekday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph's	12.00pm	Mass	Thanksgiving for Successful Operation
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Thursday 23rd January Weekday in Ordinary Time

Sacred Heart	10.00am	Mass	Nora & Jack Pearson
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Friday 24th January St Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Luke Howe
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Saturday 25th January Conversion of St Paul, Apostle

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Kazimir Jabkiewicz Birthday Memorial
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Sunday 26th January Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Successful Cancer Treatment
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Maureen Kilmartin



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Second Sunday in ordinary Time
19th January 2025



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Office Hours:
Mon, Wed & Fri
9.30am—4.00pm

Food for thought

Many people try to give up alcohol after Christmas and decide to do 'Dry January'. But it's not just our glasses of wine that can run dry but maybe our lives. In today's Gospel at the Wedding Feast at Cana we see another example of Mary trusting in the Lord after the wine had run out. She approaches Jesus with confidence knowing that He would solve the problem. Mary is therefore a model Christian for all of us. The words "Do whatever he tells you" that Mary spoke to the servants, are for us in our day too. Whatever has gone wrong in our lives, whatever makes us sad or disappointed, the Lord can take and change it so that it can be used for good. Nothing is wasted if we trust in Him. Christian trust involves us on relying on the Lord especially in times of uncertainty and hardship, so that He can fill us with His peace. Today is Peace Sunday when we pray as a Church together for world peace and forgiveness. We pray both on a personal and global level that peace will fill our hearts and minds so that we can...**act justly** standing against injustice...**love tenderly**...showing kindness, forgiveness even when its difficult.... and **walk humbly** with a spirit of humility and dependence on the Prince of Peace.
Praise Him!!!

Recently Deceased

We pray for those whose have died,

Albert Raymond Collins

Anthony Berry

Ann Sutton

Baby Sebastian

Philip Newton

Thomas Cassidy

Christian Flynn

and those whose anniversary occur at this time, may the peace of our risen Lord Jesus enfold us all.

Sick and Housebound

We hold in prayer all who are sick in body, mind or spirit and those who care for them:

James Allen

Mary Barnes

Sean Fleming,

Bernice Ganley

Carol Greenhalgh,

Mary Griffin

Craig Hardman,

Baby Harper Harrop

Doreen Hayes,

Marian Hindley

Kitty Jones,

Archbishop Patrick Kelly

Joseph Langin

Iris McKiernan

Ramona Mateui

Eileen Midgley

John Mulligan

Tommy Nuttall

Vera Seventi

Mark Tomlinson

Pauline Woods

May the risen Lord embrace them with healing love.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention: For the Right To An Education

Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

From February onwards the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available on the First Saturday of the month at 11.00am followed by Mass at midday at St Joseph's.

Family of Parishes

As part of the Family of Parishes (FOP), next weekend there will be a swop of clergy. We welcome Fr. Gordon, who will celebrate our three Parish Masses. Fr. Kieran will celebrate the Parish Masses at St Catherine and All Saints, Golborne and St Lewis', Croft.

Parish Council

The next meeting for members of the Parish Council will be on Wednesday 7.00pm at Sacred Heart Presbytery

Vocations Weekend for Women (20s and 30s)

Discerning God's Call in your life

21st - 23rd February Location: Liverpool
The weekend is organised by the Sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ).

If you are wondering if God is calling you to religious life and would like to find out more why not come along? You are welcome to stay for the weekend or just come along on Saturday for the day.

For more information contact Sr Lynne fcj at fcjvocationeurope@gmail.com or visit our website www.fcjsisters.org

The Sacrament of Confirmation 2025



Registration for this sacrament is now open and will remain open till 17th March. If you are in Year 8 and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, please register at www.liverpoolcalled.co.uk.

Christian Unity

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2025 will take place on 18th -25 January with the theme..."Do you believe this"?

Today is the 58th World Day of Prayer for Peace.

The theme chosen by Pope Francis this year:

Forgive us our trespasses...grant us your peace

In a world hungry for revenge and where 'sorry' really does seem to be the hardest word, Pope Francis has boldly chosen 'forgiveness' as the central theme for World Peace Day 2025. This is in stark contrast to the calls for 'revenge' and 'an eye for an eye' that are currently played on repeat by our politicians and amplified by the media. Do we really have the faith to believe that when we choose to forgive then God will grant us peace?

St Joseph's Players 2025 Pantomime

Aladdin

Wednesday 22nd January -

Saturday 1st February 2025

Tickets are available on via

www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-josephs-players

Tickets are also on sale at the Parish Office:

on Friday 3rd, 10th, 17th January from 9.30-11.30

For Group Bookings for 10 and over please contact 07907 880308

Jack Traynor

Following the announcement in December of the miraculous cure of John (Jack) Traynor, the Archdiocese of Liverpool will be celebrating this historic moment with Mass followed by a drink's reception at the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King on Tuesday 18th February at 7pm. All are very welcome to attend. More information and a booking form will follow. For more info liverpooltolourdes@rcaol.org.uk by 10th February 2025.



The Pope informs us that it is only from a genuine conversion on all levels - personal, local and international - that true peace will be able to flourish.

Sanctuary Lamps

This week our Sanctuary Lamp will shine at
Sacred Heart Church:
&
St Joseph's Church:
for **Peace in our World**