

## Mass Times, Services and Intentions

### Saturday 3rd May *Feast of Ss. Philip & James*

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Eric Pendlebury Anniversary
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### Sunday 4th May *Third Sunday of Easter*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Paul Unsworth Anniversary
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Dominick Noon Anniversary
Sacred Heart	12.30pm	Baptism	Noah James Mcerlean Collier

### Tuesday 6th May *week 3 of Easter*

Sacred Heart	12.00pm	Mass	Special Intention (P & M)
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### Wednesday 7th May *week 3 of Easter*

St Joseph's	12.00pm	Mass	Mary O'Rourke Anniversary
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### Thursday 8th May *week 3 of Easter*

St Joseph's	10.00am	Funeral Service	James Birchall
Sacred Heart	10.00am	Mass	Complete Healing Priya

### Friday 9th May *week 3 of Easter*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Joseph O'Rourke Anniversary
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### Saturday 10th May *week 3 of Easter*

St Joseph's	10.00am	10.50am	The Sacrament of Reconciliation
St Joseph's	11.00pm	Mass	Lynn Collins R.I.P.
St Joseph's	1.30pm	Wedding	Suzanne Collier & Ryan Holden
St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Keith May Anniversary

### Sunday 11th May *Fourth Sunday of Easter*

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	David Nicholson Anniversary
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Former Parishioners of Twelve Apostles Church

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**3rd Sunday of Easter**  
**4th May 2025**

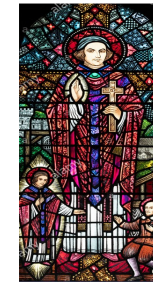
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## *Food for thought!*

*In today's Gospel we hear how the apostles didn't recognize the risen Jesus in their midst. Can't that be said of many people in our world today? In our hurried lives and crowded hearts, we often fail to recognise the Risen Jesus walking beside us often disguised as the stranger, the suffering, the overlooked. When the apostles did eventually recognise Jesus, He did a very simple thing – he cooked them some fish. He showed His love for them by sharing a meal as a sign of His continuing love and friendship. Isn't it true that it's in the simple things that we can find connection with each other? Isn't it the ordinary everyday acts of kindness with each other that help us to face difficult situations, such as - when we face chronic pain and illness... when we face bereavement...unemployment...family difficulties? It's the simple caring actions that strengthen the bonds between us, and through those acts of kindness we can find connection with each other. This is how the Lord works through us...faith in action! Alleluia!*

*Praise Him!*

### Recently Deceased

We pray for those whose have died,

**James Birchall**

**William Gerard Robinson**

**Suzanne Rigby**

**Sister Teresa Frost**

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**

**Pat Case**

**Sean Fleming,**

**Bernice Ganley**

**Carol Greenhalgh,**

**Mary Griffin**

**Craig Hardman,**

**Baby Harper Harrop**

**Doreen Hayes,**

**Marian Hindley**

**Lucy Hurst**

**Kitty Jones,**

**Archbishop Patrick Kelly**

**Iris McKiernan**

**Ramona Mateui**

**Eileen Midgley**

**John Mulligan**

**Tommy Nuttall**

**Dennis O'Halloran**

**Kathleen Starbuck**

**Vera Seventi**

**Mark Tomlinson**

**Pauline Woods**

**Keith Worrall**

May the risen Lord embrace them with healing love.

### First Holy Communion

**Sacramental Programme for children who attend non-Catholic Primary Schools**

All Sessions will be held at Sacred Heart Church after the 11.00am Mass

**Session 1 Sunday 11th May**

**Session 2 Sunday 18th May**

**Session 3 Sunday 25th May**

**Session 4 Sunday 1st June**

**Celebration of First Reconciliation  
Thursday 5th June at 4.00pm**

**Celebration of First Holy Communion at  
Sacred Heart Church:  
Saturday 7th June at 10.30am**

### The Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated next Saturday (10th May). It will begin at 10.00am and conclude at 10.50am. Mass will be celebrated at 11.00am..

### Baptisms

We hold in prayer

**Noah James Mcerlean Collier**

and his family as he receives the Sacrament of Baptism at Sacred Heart Church this weekend.

May he grow in the love of the Lord.

### First Holy Communions

Congratulations to Year 4 children from Twelve Apostles School, who made their First Holy Communion this weekend. Please keep their families in your prayers.



### Parish Summer Fair

This year we are organising a Summer Fair which will take place on **Sunday 8th June at 2.00pm—4.00pm** in the Sodality Hall (Mather Room) and outside (weather permitting).

We are now collecting good quality unwanted gifts. We are also collecting bottles of any type, chocolates, sweets. Please leave the items in the church porch.

We also need volunteers to help on the day.

Tickets will be soon on sale for the Summer Fair Raffle.

Pope Francis' May Intention:

### For working conditions

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

### Easter Walk

Our Family of Parishes are organising an Easter Walk at Pennington Flash on Sunday 18th May at 2.30pm. We will meet on the Car Park. Everyone welcome.

Next Sunday's Second Collection will be for the **Priest's Training Fund**

### Parish Administrator at St Edmund Arrowsmith Parish, Leigh

Just a reminder that the closing date for Parish Administrator (Admin & Finance) will close on Monday 5th May.

For more information please contact: [www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/careers](http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/careers)

### ST JOSEPH'S PLAYERS

St Joseph's Players would like to thank members of the parish for supporting our Comedy Night. This, in conjunction with support from Liverpool Archdiocese, has enabled the front of the hall to be made safe.

The Comedy Night raised £3,900.00. We look forward to seeing you all again in July for our production of The Odd Couple.

### Marking the 80th Anniversary of VE Day – Together We Chime

Plans are underway for Liverpool's commemorations of the 80th Anniversary of VE Day on Thursday, 8th May .

As part of the national initiative "Together We Chime – Let the Nation's Bells Ring Loud!", cathedral and church bells across the country will ring out in celebration at 6:30pm. We're pleased to confirm that the Cathedral will take part by ringing its bells for 20 minutes as a mark of remembrance and unity.

### Sanctuary Lamps

This week our Sanctuary Lamp will shine for

**Catherine Bailey**

at St Joseph's Church  
and

**Pope Francis R.I.P.**

at  
Sacred Heart Church