Parish Liturgy and Activities for the Wee

Date / Time	Intention	Parish Events
Saturday 27th April 12:00noon 5th Week of Easter Family Mass 5:00pm	Sr Giuaitta Tassinari & Sr Teresa Nalesso FSP Mary Barton	11:30am-11:55am: Confessions & Exposition
Sunday 28th April Family Mass 9:30am 11:00am	People of the Parish Billy Walsh	9:30am: First Holy Communion: Jacob Field 11:00am: First Holy Communion: Lia Byrne 12:00noon: Tea/Coffee after Mass (Romero Room)
Monday 29th April		12:00noon: Mass at Bishop Eton 12:00noon: Over 50's Club (OLA Club) 2:30pm: Legion of Mary (Romero Room)
Tuesday 30th April 12:00noon	Funeral Mass for Teresa Grue	6:00pm: Life & Soul (Parish Centre) 6:00pm: Baptism Preparation Session (Romero Room)
Wednesday 1st May 9:30am St Gregory's School Mass	Lynn Ray	4:30pm: SVP Meeting (Romero Room)
Thursday 2nd May 9:30am	Mary Scott	7:00pm: Baptism Catechist Meeting (small meeting room) 7:30pm: AA Meeting (Romero Room)
Friday 3rd May 8:30am	Mary Parkins	2:00pm: Friday Club (Romero Room)
Saturday 4th May 12:00noon 6th Week of Easter	Frederick Parkins	11:30am-11:55am: Confessions & Exposition 12:30pm: Tea/Coffee after Mass (Romero Room)
5:00pm	Teresa Grue	
Sunday 5th May 9:30am 11:00am	Paul Carlile RIP People of the Parish	12:00noon: Tea/Coffee after Mass (Romero Room)
We pray for all those enrolle	ed in the Mass Guild: Norman Bird	thday

Monday: Beechurst Close Tuesday: Beechurst Road Wednesday: Belle Vale Road Thursday: Belle Vue Road Friday: Besford Road Saturday: Pierhead Housing



Newsletter

5th Sunday of Easter—28th April 2024

Mass Books YEAR b V1: Mass begins on Page 7, Readings: Page 268-270, Creed: Page 11/12

Ascension Thursday: Thursday 9th May:

The problem is with Ascension Thursday is that it can be forgotten or ignored. Ascension Thursday is the 40th day of Easter. This is an awesome event when Jesus gives us the great commission before he returned to Heaven. Every Sunday in the Nicene Creed we say, "He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father." J.G. Davies, theology professor from the University of Birmingham, says, "Of all the articles in the Creed there is none that has been so neglected in the present century as that which affirms our Lord's Ascension into heaven." However, Ascension reminds us of God's glory and also our need to wait for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Ascension to Pentecost is the original Novena. So, what if, unlike Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Indonesia, Luxembourg and many other countries where it is a Public Holiday, I do not get a day off? That is where we need to be intentional about our faith and even set aside time on a workday and do something different to

plan into our busy schedule how I can celebrate this awesome feast. Get planning. Happy feast when it comes.

Ascension Thursday: Holy Day of Obligation

- Wednesday 8th May Vigil 7pm Mass.
- Thursday 9th May 9.30am Mass.
- Thursday 9th May 11am Mass at St Gregory's School.

If you live in Netherley Mrs Roney has said that you are welcome to join the school community for Mass at St Gregory's School.

Gifts to God: Thanks to everyone who have pledged an increase in your weekly offering. It will take until the end of May to see what the total increase is due to Standing Order coming in at different times. If you pledged to change your Standing Order but have not got round to do it this is a good time for a gentle reminder. If you are giving through envelopes or cash, thank you for your contribution to support the mission of Gd in this area.

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Your tax-free Personal Allowance-New

Tax Year: The standard Personal Allowance is £12,570, which is the amount of income you do not have to pay tax on. Regrettably this has not changed so many more people are finding that they are paying 20% tax if your income is above this threshold. However, there is an upside if you are a new taxpayer the parish can claim back the tax that you pay of your offering of 25%. If you give £4 a week, we can claim an additional £1. All you need do is to fill in a Gift Aid form at the back of church and pass it into the Parish Office.

Baptism Catechist Meeting: Thursday 2nd May at 7pm in the small meeting room.

Eucharist Ministers Meeting: Tuesday 14th May at 7pm in the Romero Room

Parish Choral Offering: On Friday 26th April the choir of Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral will visit the Church of St Ambrose RC Church, Speke, Liverpool to present a Parish Choral Offering. The choir will sing a wide variety of choral classics including Mass in G - Schubert and Seek Him That Maketh the Seven Stars - Dove. All are welcome to come and enjoy an hour of beautiful music. The offering begins at 6.30pm and admission is free (with a retiring collection.)

Love the Stranger: Asylum, Refugee and Trafficking workshop on Friday 10th May 10.30pm to 4.00pm at St Margaret Clitherow Delivered by Santa Marta Group and Archdiocese of Liverpool. Following the Catholic Bishops'
Conference publication of "Love the
Stranger", Bishop Tom is inviting us to
learn more about asylum seekers,
refugees and trafficked people. The
Archdiocese of Liverpool and Santa Marta
have devised a training aimed at Priests,
Religious and Deacons that will: explore
the reality behind the myth; give you a
confidence of understanding; and action
plans for your parish.
Register here https://
archdioceseofliverpool.churchsuite.com/
events/rck6jbaq

'Rededication of the Grand Organ' of the Metropolitan Cathedral - Sunday 12th May, 3.00pm. Admission free, retiring collection. The Cathedral Choir leads the singing of Choral Evening Prayer at which the grand organ will be rededicated following its recent once-in-a-generation restoration. Following the service, international concert artist Martin Baker will give the opening organ recital. Details of this event, alongside other events in our Music at the Met 2024 series can be found at https://bit.ly/3x8KLxV

Defibrillator: We applied for funding for a defibrillator and were successful. This has now been installed on the exterior of the church. Many of us will witness a cardiac arrest in our lifetime. Be ready for that day. Learn lifesaving CPR in 15 minutes for free by visiting bhf.org.uk to start the training. All you will need is a cushion. It is great to have the defibrillator, but we do not need one to save a life.

How to give support to God's Mission through the Parish

On-Line: Scan the QR

Text:

Text OLA to 70450 to donate £3. Text OLA to 70460 to donate £5. Text OLA to 70470 to donate £10.

Standing Order:

Forms at the back of church and on website.



Envelopes & Cash: £864.54 S/O online: £846.00 TOTAL: £1710.54 WEEKLY TARGET £1358 THANK YOU!

Weekly Collections

21st April 2024

Priest Training Fund: £334.01
World Missions: £498.21
12th May: World Communications

New Parish Register: If you have not been at Our Lady's the last few weeks we have deleted the old parish database and started a new one. Please fill in a Parish Registration card at the back of church to be on the parish roll.

Subscribe to calendars: Did you know that you can subscribe to different parts of the Parish Calendar? If you want to choir practices or Legion of Mary or Baptism Preparation meeting etc you can simply subscribe and any changes will automatically be updated to your calendar. Just go the parish website, click on parish calendar and you will find instructions for Outlook, Google calendar, Apple calendars.

Pray in May/ Ethiopia Crisis Appeal:

Mary's Meals, who provide school meals to over 2.4 million children every day, invite you to join their Pray in May campaign. We pray particularly for families facing extreme food insecurity and hunger in Ethiopia. They are hosting an online session on Tuesday the 16th of May at 7pm, find out more at Charity events Mary's Meals UK (marysmeals.org.uk) Please visit https://

www.marysmeals.org.uk/campaigns/crisisin-ethiopia Irenaeus Charismatic Day of Renewal: A day of pray, praise and fellowship.
Saturday 11th May 10am to 4pm at the Irenaeus Centre, Great Georges Road L22 1RD. Organised by CHARIS Liverpool, For more info email moira@irenaeus.co.uk.
Guest speaker Michelle Moran. Bring a packed lunch!

Cursillo 3-days: Friday 3rd May 2024 - Monday 6th May 2024: St Joseph's Prayer Centre, Freshfields, Formby, L37 1PH.
Cursillo is a Catholic residential short course in Christianity. Cursillo is for everyone. It is an inspiring experience, offering renewal and a deepening of Christian commitment and faith within our own lives. For further details email national@cursillouk.org or call 07947271037 or www.cursillouk.org

Communion at home: If you or anyone in your family is unable to come to Mass, we do not want to lose contact. Let us know if they would like us to come for a visit or ask Mike Murphy so that Holy Communion can be taken to the home.