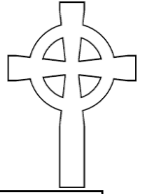


ST MARIE'S & ST PATRICK'S

Good Newsletter

Walking in His Light -together

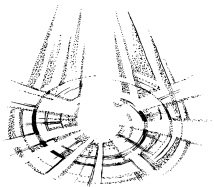
22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time 1<sup>st</sup> Sept 2024



## **FOOD AND DRINK FOR THE JOURNEY**

Jesus had an uncanny knack of seeing through people. He seemed to know exactly what was going on inside a person and that's what happened in today's Gospel. It was very important that the Pharisees washed before they ate or prayed, as they felt that this brought them closer to God. But the Lord challenged them to get their hearts clean first – to think about what they were doing in worship, and not just pay lip-service by following traditions and customs. They were in need of “spiritual cleansing”.

There's an old saying we often use “You can't judge a book by its cover”. A book may look rather old and grubby on the outside, but the story written inside could still be brilliant. It's a bit like that with people. Sometimes what appears on the outside doesn't always reflect what they are like inside. All of us need to be “cleansed” from time to time and to bathe in the forgiveness of God . We need to look if our hearts are filled with envy, greed, lack of forgiveness etc. If that's what's going on inside - then our words and actions will reflect that. But if we follow the Law of Love – if our hearts are filled with goodness, our words and actions will reflect that and then others will see what the Lord sees - the greatness and beauty that lies within each one of us.



Céad Míle Fáilte - 100,000 Welcomes!

## LITURGICAL WEEK

Today – 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (World Day of Prayer for Creation)

Tuesday – St Gregory the Great

Next Sunday – 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (Education Day)



*We hold in prayer all who are sick in body, mind or spirit also those who have died recently... Anne Nevin... Mgr Michael McKenna.....Shaun Dean.... Mick McCleary*

*We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about now.....May those who grieve their passing come to experience the peace of the Risen Christ.*

### **Catholic Chaplaincy Southport Hospital and Queenscourt Hospice**

It is advisable for anyone going into hospital as a routine admission, that they request the Sacrament of the Sick from their parish priest, prior to being admitted. In an emergency, please ask the ward staff to call the priest on call. Should a priest not be available, at that time, our Lay Chaplain, Maria Parker, will respond. Tel: 07467 374830 (during normal office hours).

### **POPE FRANCIS SEPTEMBER PRAYER INTENTION**

#### **For the cry of the Earth**

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.



## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CREATION

*Pope Francis has established 1<sup>st</sup> September as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, encouraging the Catholic community around the world to pray for our common home. This World Day of Prayer also falls at the beginning of the Season of Creation, which runs until 4<sup>th</sup> October, the feast of St Francis of Assisi. The theme for 2024 is "Hope and Act with Creation"*

There are lots of ideas available on CAFOD'S website, especially for children. [www.cafod.org.uk](http://www.cafod.org.uk)

- pray the joyful mysteries of the rosary for the care of creation.
- A novena to Saint Francis of Assisi, which you could begin today, or you could pray it in the nine days leading up to Saint Francis' feast at the end of the Season of Creation.
- If you have a garden, surprise someone with a bunch of flowers
- Making Sundays in Creation Season 'walk to church' days, leaving your car at home.
- Make some time this week to spend time in nature and give thanks for this beautiful world God created.
- Commit to one thing for one year e.g. not to buy any new clothes, or accessories for twelve months.
- Every night unplug unused electrical appliances, saving electrical energy
- Appreciate clean water - Don't waste it at home. Turn off the tap when not in use (e.g., brushing teeth, washing hands, cooking),





## FORGET ME NOT

The Forget Me Not Care Group are holding a coffee afternoon on Thursday September 5th from 2pm-4pm in St. Patrick's Hall. Light refreshments will be available. All are welcome.

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## ST PATRICK'S READERS ROTA

The new Rota is available for collection. Please pick up your copy from the Narthex.

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**Agape Mass**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each Month at 10.a.m.**

**Celebrating God's Gifts**  
**Faith, and Community**

**All Welcome.**

**Followed by Cake Coffee & Chat**

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## CHURCH CHUCKLES

Some delegates were at a church conference in Scotland, when they set off between sessions to explore the countryside. Presently they came to a stream spanned by a rickety bridge and started to cross, ignoring the warnings to keep off. A local man ran after them in protest. Misunderstanding his concern, one of the visitors called, "It's alright, we are Catholics from the Conference." "I'm no' caring about that," was the reply, "but if ye dinna get off the bridge ye'll all be Baptists"!



## POPE FRANCIS

Pope Francis is nearly 88 years old. In humility and serving the Mission of the Church, Pope Francis travels from Rome on September 2nd on his longest and most demanding Apostolic visit to Asia and Oceania:- Indonesia, Papua New Guinea, East Timor and Singapore.

Journey with him in prayer!

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## BAPTISMS

On Saturday Arabella Louise Knowles will receive this gift from Heaven at St Marie's, and on Sunday Teddy William Dickinson will be baptised at St Patrick's ...alleluia! We hold these little ones and their families in our love and prayer.

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## NEXUS

### **CHURCHES TOGETHER IN SOUTHPORT**

The next meeting is on Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> September 7.30 p.m. at Cornerstone Methodist Church  
Speaker from Cornerstone. All welcome.

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*Can you imagine a family in which the family hardly speak to each other? Mum and Dad hardly speak to the children, and the children hardly speak to them. Everyone would believe that something is very wrong in that home. But are they as ready to believe that something is wrong when God's children never or hardly ever speak to their heavenly Father?*



## R.C.I.A. – Journey in Faith



This is the time of the year when we throw out the nets in a special way to invite people to become full members of our One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. Why not ask someone you know who isn't a Catholic to consider this life-enriching move?

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### WITH YOU ALWAYS

Parents of Children who will be in year 4 from September are invited to apply to join the W.Y.A process of preparation for first reconciliation and first Holy Communion. If you want to register your child, we ask you to please contact...



[celienesmythrenshaw@yahoo.com](mailto:celienesmythrenshaw@yahoo.com)

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### THANK YOU

August offertory including S.O.

£8,250.29

Last week's Retiring collection

**S.V.P £1,686.56**

Thank you for your generosity!

Further Retiring collections

8<sup>th</sup> Sept Catholic Education

15<sup>th</sup> Sept Evangelii Gaudium

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## ST MARIE'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Week commencing 1<sup>st</sup> September

Sunday	8.30am 10.00am	James Carbery People of the Parish
<b>Monday NO PUBLIC MASS</b>		
Tuesday	12 Noon	St Campio
Wednesday	12 Noon	Mary Lyons
Thursday	12 Noon	Ann (R.I.P)
Friday	12 Noon	Patrick Curtin
Saturday	12 Noon	For Healing (D)
Sunday	8.30am 10.00am	Theresa & Matthew O' Neill People of the Parish

## ST PATRICK'S MASS TIMES

Saturday	6pm	Terry Andrews
Sunday	11.30am	Keith Wadsworth
Thursday	10am	Bernie Coyle
Saturday	6pm	In Thanksgiving (MA)
Sunday	11.30am	Dr Seamus Smyth

## SANCTUARY LAMPS

<b>ST MARIE'S</b>	<b>ST PATRICK'S</b>
Sat <i>Leeann Lucas</i>	<i>Respect for Police and first responders</i>
Sun <i>World day of prayer for creation Rebecca Collins</i>	<i>The Moretti Family</i>
Mon <i>Pope Francis Apostolic Visit</i>	<i>Our Teachers and support staff</i>
Tues <i>Jamie</i>	<i>Mark &amp; Brenda Jones</i>
Wed <i>Our Governors</i>	<i>Bernard Heneghan</i>
Thurs <i>Margaret A (Operation)</i>	<i>Alexandra &amp; Sergio</i>
Fri <i>Our school of St Patrick</i>	<i>Our School of Christ the King</i>
Sat <i>The Lucas Family</i>	<i>Indonesia &amp; East Timor</i>
Sun <i>That all children have a right to an Education</i>	<i>Papa New Guinea &amp; Singapore</i>

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

St Marie's 11.30am Tuesday -Saturday

St Patrick's 9.30-10am Thursday

**AGAPE MASS IS ON THE FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH  
10am at ST PATRICK'S**

The Deanery of Sefton Coast North  
Blessed Carlo Acutis – Pray for us.

St Marie's & St Patrick's	Fr John Heneghan	Tel: 531229
Holy Family	Canon Kevin McLoughlin	Tel: 532613
St Joseph's Our Lady of Lourdes St Teresa's	Fr Atli Jonsson	Tel: 568313
Sacred Heart & St John Stone	Fr Paul Seddon	Tel: 577722
Our Lady of Compassion Formby	Mgr. John Walsh (Dean)	Tel: 873230
Our Lady of Victories, Hightown & Holy Family, Ince Blundell	Fr Sergio Haro	Tel: 0151 929 2149

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St Patrick's School:	<a href="http://www.stpatrickschurchtown.com">www.stpatrickschurchtown.com</a>
Christ the King School	<a href="http://www.christtheking-school.com">www.christtheking-school.com</a>
Archdiocesan Website:	<a href="http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk">www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk</a>

**RECONCILIATION** - Fr John is available before each of the weekday at St Marie's and before all the Mass' at St Patrick's to celebrate the Word of God makes things grow, it gives this liberating Sacrament!

**BAPTISM** - If you would like to arrange a Baptism at St Patrick's or St Marie's, please speak to Fr John Tel 531229

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