



Parish of Saint Margaret Mary

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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 9:30 - 12:00 noon

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The Parish is part of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Liverpool (Reg Charity 232709)

Fourth Sunday of Easter – Year C

7th – 8th May 2022

Masses, Intentions & Services this week:

Sat	5:30pm	Mass Parishioners
Sun	10:00am	Mass Peter Connolly
	12 noon	<i>Baptisms</i>
Wed	10:00am	Funeral Mass Joseph Collister
Thu	10:00am	Mass Margaret Watkinson
Fri	9:40am	<i>Rosary</i>
	10:00am	Funeral Mass Frances Murray
Sat	4:50pm	<i>Adoration until 5:20</i>
	5:30pm	Mass Ross family
Sun	10:00am	Mass Parishioners



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 4:50pm to 5:20pm



Rosary - Friday at 9:40am

Confessions heard outside on request.

Your prayers are asked for: **The Sick** – Brian Peacock, Colin Langton, Jenni Delea, Ann Mannion; **the recently deceased** – Frances Murray, Anthony Yates, Joseph Collister, Fr Victor Bridges & **the Bereaved**.

This week our lamps burn for:

Blessed Sacrament – Holy Communion children
Our Lady – Woods family

Baptisms To organise your child's baptism, please contact our co-ordinators, Fiona and Laura, by email: smmbaptisms@outlook.com

Church is open Tuesday to Friday 9:30am to 12 noon

Church gates on school days are closed to vehicles: 8:30am – 9:15am & 2:30pm – 3:15pm. Pedestrians can come in and out of the gate at these times.

Rosary in May Each Wednesday in May the Sisters in Swanside Convent will pray the Rosary at 2pm. Parishioners are welcome to join us, Sr Mary.

Biblical and spirituality sessions with Sr Bridget exploring St Paul on Mondays & Tuesdays at 1:45pm & Thursdays at 6:45pm at 55 Swanside Road. Email: srbridget.folkard@googlemail.com or text 07598756557 for more information.

First Holy Communion Season About 100 children mainly from Year 5 and some from Year 6 made their First Holy Communion at Masses this week. Thank you to Mrs Culley, deputy head of the Junior School who has led the preparation programme with help from other members of staff. The children celebrated their First Reconciliation (Confession) in Advent last year. Keep them in your prayers at this important time in their lives. May they grow in their love of Jesus and appreciate the gift of the Eucharist.

Today is Vocations Sunday Sr Lynne Baron and Sr MaryAnne Francalanza of the Faithful Companions of Jesus will speak on the theme of Vocations. Staff and pupils of our Infant School will be with us and will help with our readings. The retiring collection is for the Priests Training Fund. We remember Peter Ross and James Finnegan, parishioners in seminary.

Peter Ross This Tuesday, Peter, along with his classmates, will be made a Candidate for Holy Orders at a special Mass at Oscott College, at which, each of them publicly declares to offer themselves to God and to the Church for sacred ministry. Keep Peter in your prayers. Fr Ian and Fr Joe will go to Oscott for this special occasion.

Fr Mark Moran's 25 years On Friday 1st July, Fr Mark will celebrate his 25 years of priestly ministry at Mass at 7pm in St Michael's Church, Ditton and then at St Basil's Parish Centre in Hough Green. He invites parishioners to join him. Maureen Finnegan will organise a coach (£10 per person). Please sign the list in the church porch. RSVP by 14th June: mrkm2009@aol.co.uk

Summer Moves Fr Ian announced at Mass last weekend that he will be leaving the parish this summer after 5 happy years at St Margaret Mary's. He is going to be Parish Priest of St Mary Magdalen and St Teresa in Penwortham near Preston. It will be a direct swap with Penwortham's present parish priest, Fr Roy Cooper, who will come here in the middle of August. Also, Fr Joe Bibby, at present resident in the parish house, will become Parish Priest of St Mary's in Leyland at the same time.

Annual Mission Appeal next weekend.

The Archbishop has invited the Columbans to preach and take a collection for their mission. Fr John Boles will speak at both Masses. He writes: "Just a wee bit about myself.... I was born, brought up and ordained in Our Lady's parish, Stockport. I formerly served as a Town and Country Planning Officer in British Local Government before doing refugee work as in Nicaragua with the British Volunteer Programme. My priestly career has been spent almost exclusively in South America, including some 27 years in Peru, from whence I returned last April to take up the post of Local Superior here in Britain. The Columbans were founded in 1918 as the Irish (or "Maynooth") Mission to China. After our expulsion from China in 1952 we began working in other countries around the Pacific Rim, including the Philippines, Fiji, Taiwan, Korea, Chile and- of course - Peru. This is when we changed our name, adopting as our patron the 5th Century Irish Missionary.

How do we build a more united world together?

Mariapolis is an annual gathering organised by Focolare, whose inspiration comes from Jesus' prayer 'That all may be one' (*John 17:21*). All are invited! Do join us! Saturday 14th May: 10:30am – 4:30pm at the Old School, Paradise Lane, Formby L37 7EH. Registration is open until 5:00pm on 13th May: uli.yeomans@focolare.org.uk or 482 6674

Parish Centre this week:

Tea & coffee after Sunday 10am Mass

Lunch Club for over 55's on Thursdays at 12 noon. Two-courses for £4, cooked by Lynne & Peter Fidler. To book your place, phone: 481 0032.

Union of Catholic Mothers on Thursdays at 7:30pm.

Parish Centre Quiz Thursdays at 9:30pm.

Opening Hours: Thursday – Sunday from 7pm & Sunday afternoons from 12 noon. Mondays – Wednesdays: functions – bar closes at 10pm. For functions contact Karen, the manager, on 220 6616.

Dovecot Food Club next to Sayers: Mondays 10am to 1pm. Families can receive £15 worth of food for £5. Food can be dropped off during these times.

'Say to those who are broken-hearted, Do not be afraid'. Prayer and reflection for Mental Awareness Week on Wednesday 11th May at the Irenaeus Project Centre 32 Great Georges Road L22 1RD. The evening is from 6.00 pm – 8.00 pm beginning with a light supper. No charge but donations gratefully accepted. To book in: email jenny@irenaeus.co.uk or telephone 0151 949 1199

New musical initiative for children in Knowsley

"From May, we will be starting the Knowsley Catholic Children's Choirs (KCCC), which will rehearse weekly at the Space Centre, adjacent to St Columba's Primary School. It is hoped that this choir will perform in concerts and competitions and sing at liturgies and Masses in Knowsley and beyond. Over the next 12 months we would love to try and bring the choir to lead the music at a Sunday Mass in each Church in Huyton. As the choir develops and we are able to schedule such visits I will get in touch with you directly. I hope that you will support any young people in your parish who wish to join the new KCCC, and that you will pray for the success of this new venture as it seeks to evangelise our young people through music and song."

With best wishes, Chris McElroy, Director of Music

Recruitment for Boy & Girl Choristers 2022

Do you know a child who would like to be a chorister at the Metropolitan Cathedral here in Liverpool? The search is now on for our next generation of Boy and Girl choristers. We are recruiting • BOYS currently in year 2 & 3 • GIRLS currently in year 5. All choristers are educated at Runnymede St Edward's Catholic Primary School (Boys, yr 3-6) & St Edward's College (Boys & Girls, yr 7-10) meaning that a first-class Catholic chorister education for boys and girls in Liverpool is available at no cost. Full details of choristerships can be found at: www.liverpoolmetrocathedral.org.uk/music/joining-the-choirs

Financial Matters

Last Sunday's Collection: £410.61. Many thanks.

Parish Tote: 29/4/22 – 5 & 10 – £50.50 – 2 shares – winners 13 & 400

Weekly Newsletter – to receive this electronically, sign up to our Facebook page: **St Margaret Mary Liverpool** Newsletter items to be emailed by Wednesday evening.