



ST MARIE'S & ST PATRICK'S

Good News Letter

Walking in His Light -together

Fourth Sunday of Lent 10th March 2024



FOOD AND DRINK FOR THE JOURNEY

When we see suffering in our world, we can feel really sad, and some people question why God allows suffering. One thing is for certain, God doesn't allow suffering for the sake of hurting us and certainly doesn't want to punish us! In fact the opposite - today's Gospel tells us that God loves us so much that He gave his beloved Son to save the world. This

act of love reminds us that God's motivation was never condemnation - but the desire to heal and save his people from living in darkness. So often we think of God looking at the world and seeing the sin and condemning it. God never condemns. Condemnation is crushing and destructive –

God's not like that – God saves – He's encouraging - redeeming – life-giving – with a passionate desire to save us. He proved his love for us by giving us the best he had to offer - Jesus. He invites each one of us to look at the Cross

- the Cross of Hope... the Cross of Love.. the Cross of Forgiveness.... the Cross that saves.... the Cross of Christ...As St Paul tells us today '*we are God's work of Art*'. He never gives up on us! That's how much He loves us. That's how precious we are! Praise Him!

God is Love

Céad Míle Fáilte – 100,000 Welcomes!

LITURGICAL WEEK

Today – Fourth Sunday of Lent
Sunday – Fifth Sunday of Lent



*We hold in prayer all who are sick in body,
mind or spirit also those who have died
recently..... Cath Stanworth (Funeral
Service Tuesday 12th St Pat's 10a.m.)... .. Canon*

*Vin Burrowes (Requiem Mass St Matthews's, Queen's Drive,
Liverpool, L135DL 12 noon), Mary Aldred (Tuesday 26th March
2024 at 12noon at St Marie's)*

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

Through the Cross of Christ, death is defeated, life is
given to us, hope is restored. This is important: through
the Cross of Christ hope is restored to us.

Pope Francis

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 MARCH PRAYER INTENTION For the New Martyrs

“For those around the world who risk their lives for the
Gospel, to inspire the Church with their courage and
missionary zeal.”





MASS INTENTIONS

We have 35 Mass Intentions outstanding for St Patrick's. As there are 3 Masses per week this will take over 11 weeks to clear.

If you don't mind having the Mass at St Marie's please state on the envelope. Also, Fr John can say a Mass Intention on his day off. Please put on the envelope if you want this. (the Mass stipend still goes in the Parish Funds)



FAST FROM – FEAST ON

Fast from judging others -

Feast on the Christ dwelling in them.

Fast from emphasis on differences-

Feast on the unity of life.

Fast from discouragements –

Feast on hope.

Fast from lethargy –

Feast on enthusiasm.

Fast from thoughts that weaken –

Feast on promises that inspire.

Fast from shadows of sorrow –

Feast on the sunlight of serenity.

Fast from idle gossip -

Feast on purposeful silence.

Fast from problems that overwhelm –

Feast on prayer that strengthens.



CLASSICAL MUSIC CONCERT

Thursday 21st March 4.30pm

St Patrick's Toxteth

2 Concerts from the University of
Liverpool performing a range of classical
music in a wide variety of styles. All Welcome.

WALKING FOR FUN

MONTHLY WALKS

March Walk

Cartmel in Cumbria - 6.2 miles Time 3hours

Sat 23rd March 9am

Meet at St John Stones Car Park

Car share available

Eating at local pub

For more info contact Kevin O' Callaghan Tel

07450983213 email kocsen@aol.com

CHURCH CLEANERS

Can you help to keep St Marie's Church clean? Mondays
every 4 weeks 2-3pm Male or female. If you can help
please contact Margaret Velarde on Mobile Number
07732978772

CONFIRMATION 2024

Calling on Students in Year 8 (or older) The website for registration
for the Sacrament of Confirmation stays active until 15th March.
Registration: Any young person in year 8 or older can register for
Confirmation preparation at www.liverpoolcalled.co.uk

CHRISM MASS



If there are enough people interested in going to the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral on the 27th March, by coach, Holy Family are organising this. Please let Holy Family know if you are interested in going Tel: 532613

We would aim to leave HF at approx. 5.45pm. Additional pick up at Sacred Heart.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2024

As we continue to hold in prayer the people of Palestine and other war-torn places, we thank all who prepared, and took part in, the Service on Friday 1st March and all who attended. A big thank you to Father John, Linda and the wonderful team of helpers who gave up their time so generously and in the true spirit of the theme of the Service.

R.C.I.A

Molly, Toni, Rachel, Jack and Chris continue their preparation this week to be fully initiated/received into the Church during the Easter Vigil at St Patrick's on March 30th 8p.m.....please accompany them in prayer on their journey.

NUGENT CARE

There will be a retiring collection for Nugent Care. For more than a century Nugent has been helping to fight poverty and make people's lives easier and better across Merseyside.



RECONCILIATION SERVICES

Deanery Reconciliation Services:

Tues March 12th, St. John Stone Church,
Ainsdale at 7pm;

Tues March 19th, Our Lady's Church, Formby
at 7pm; Thurs March 21st, Holy Family Church, Southport
at 7pm. (especially for the people of St Marie's & St
Patrick's)



HOLY WEEK

EASTER TRIDUUM

Maundy Thursday - Mass of the Lords Supper - 7p.m. at St
Marie's, followed by 'Watching' until Night Prayer at 9p.m.

Good Friday - Celebration of the Lord's Passion - 3 p.m. at St
Marie's (with an Evening Reflection 7p.m. at St Patrick's)

Holy Saturday - The Easter Vigil - 8p.m. at St Patrick's

Easter Sunday - 9.30a.m. Mass at St Marie's and 11a.m.
Mass at St Patrick's

LENTEN ALMS

This year's Lenten Alms will be given to Asylum Link
Merseyside - offers practical help and support to refugees
and asylum seekers. Based in the former Catholic
Presbytery of St Anne's, Overbury St. Please Put your
almsgiving in the baskets by the Paschal Candles.

ST MARIE'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Week commencing 10th March

Sunday	8.30am 10.00am	Marlene Brown The Baker Family
Monday NO PUBLIC MASS		
Tuesday	12 Noon	Marie Goss
Wednesday	12 Noon	Mary Cookson
Thursday	12 Noon	Len Balaam
Friday	12 Noon	Sr Mae
Saturday	12 Noon	Bernadette Gargan
Sunday	8.30am 10.00am	Vicky Mc Guire Kevin Clarke

St Patrick's Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday	6pm	Patrick & Eleanor Cronin
Sunday	11.30am	Pam Murphy
Thursday	10am	Nora Spencer
Saturday	6pm	David & Mary Halliwell Diamond Wedding Anniversary
Sunday	11.30am	Seamus Mc Cabe

SANCTUARY LAMPS

ST MARIE'S	ST PATRICK'S
Sat Diplomats working for peace	Suzanne Mc Coombe
Sun Mary Aldred	Mollie, Toni, Rachel, Jack, Chris
Mon Haiti	Congo
Tues Canon Vin Burrowes	Cherishing the Gospel of Life
Wed Archbishop Emeritus Patrick Kelly	St Patrick's School
Thurs Our Stewards	Our Altar Servers
Fri Ashley Langley	Our N.H.S
Sat Christ the King School	Terry Mustin
Sun Patricia Moss	St Patrick's Parish Anniversary 112 th

AGAPE MASS IS ON THE FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH
10AM 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:	www.stpatrickschurchtown.com
Christ the King School	www.christtheking-school.com
Archdiocesan Website:	www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk

RECONCILIATION - Fr John is available before each of the weekday Mass' at St Marie's and before all the Mass' at St Patrick's to celebrate 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