



The Baptism of Our Lord

Mass times, intentions + the week ahead

Sat 11th January	6.00pm	Susan Clarke, Martha Sainsbury, Marie Mercer
Sun 12th January Baptism of Our Lord	10.30am	Carmel Wright
Mon 13th January	9.30am	Funeral Mass: John Lawrence
Tues 14th January St Kentigern	9.10am	Geoff + Jason
Wed 15th January	11.30am 12 noon 1.30pm	Confessions Tony Grayston <i>Funeral Service John Daley</i>
Thurs 16th January	9.10am	Holy Rosary Ladies
Fri 17th January St Anthony	9.10am 2.15pm	Kathleen Rogers <i>Funeral Service: Carole McGregor</i>
Sat 18th January	6.00pm	Gerard Conyngham Mary Sutton
Sun 19th January 2nd Sunday	10.30am	Geoff Young + JS Special Intention

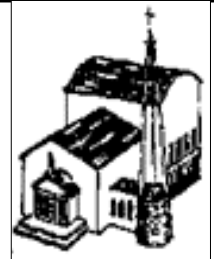
Confessions	Wed 11.30am or by appointment with Fr Philip.
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PRAYING THE PARISH: WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ANXIOUS ABOUT PAYING BILLS AND ALL WHO HELP IN THE FOOD SHARE

Praying the Sunday Missal: The readings are on **Page 100** in the new Sunday Missals - and on page 74 In the blue missals.



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The Baptism of Jesus

12th January 2025

Today marks the formal end of the Church's Christmas season. Jesus' birth has now been sufficiently celebrated. His public life comes next and his baptism makes him ready.

But what about Jesus' public life, and does it begin with Baptism? In the Gospel we hear the voice of God the Father speaking to him. This only happens twice in the Gospels, though on the other hand, Jesus talks and prays to his Abba often. Here, it is the same message from God both times. Who would not want to hear these words over and over?

The beloved of God!

Jesus heard the voice from the cloud and went to the desert to ponder. Maybe by now he saw the implications. The devil was going to give him huge, slick temptations to help win him over. Build up your earthly power and honour, use your now public status as "Beloved." To paraphrase the Father's words at the Jordan: receive my love that never runs away, never lets go, even in the desert, even on the cross.

Wanted: Could you spare some time on Tuesday morning 9.30am - 10.30am to help our church cleaners. It doesn't have to be every week - but please help if you can. Let Fr P or one of the cleaning team know.

Foodshare: The foodbank are short of tinned + packet soup + tinned fruit.

Warm Lunch: You are invited to join us, in the Parish Hall, on Friday 24th Jan from 12 noon for the next warm lunch of 2025.

A Prayer Day: Sat 25th Jan in West Brom. Details are on a leaflet in the porch. There is a coach going from Aintree - if you are interested please telephone: 07990623054. Organised by the Indian Catholic Community.

St Kentigern: The former parish of Melling is now part of Holy Rosary Parish. If any former parishioners of St Kentigern wish to continue ministering in their new parish please let Fr Philip know.

DSC: The Deanery Synodal Council is meeting on Monday 13th January at St Robert's Church. Our rep is Alan Stokes.

The **Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity** begins on Sat 18th January, ending on Sat 25th January.

A Year of Hope: An Introduction to the Jubilee Year with the CAFOD: 2025 is a Jubilee year, but what does that mean? Saturday 18 Jan, 10:30am-midday, online. All welcome. Register here for free: cafod.org.uk/jubilee

Jan 19th is Peace Sunday and the message from Pope Francis is 'Forgive us our trespasses ; Grant us your peace.' At **1.15 p.m, in the Gibberd Room at the Cathedral**, the Peace Sunday lecture will be given by Dr. Gee Walker , who will talk about the murder of her son, Anthony, forgiveness , reconciliation and justice . This is a partnership event by Pax Christi and the Liverpool Justice and Peace Commission . All welcome.

Sunday Missals: We have placed an order for some more missals for people to purchase - but have been told they will not be re-printed until March. Sorry for the delay.

Sacrament of Confirmation: Registration Open - 13 Jan - 17 March
Young people in year 8 and above can **register at** liverpoolcalled.co.uk

AN INVITATION TO A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY: "A Bishop's task is to preside over a local Church as a visible principle of unity within it and a bond of communion with all the Churches." (69)

"This is why the Assembly desires that the People of God have a greater voice in choosing Bishops." (70) SYNOD OF BISHOPS 2024.

The Vatican Synod clearly says that in the appointment of bishops the voice of synodal bodies must be heard. As you know, the process is underway for the appointment of a new Archbishop of Liverpool. You are invited to contribute to this process to have your voice heard. This is an exciting development in the life of the Church!

· Thursday 16th January 2025 at St Mary's Leyland, PR25 1PD (7.00pm – 9.30pm) and

· Saturday 18th Jan 2025 at St Margaret Clitherow Centre, L17 1AA (10.30am - 1.00pm)

Each gathering will be the same – so only come to one of them. There will be two parts to the meeting: Firstly, we will begin by looking at where we are as a diocese and our future development and secondly we will consider the qualities needed in our future Archbishop.

This is open to all members of our community here in the Archdiocese. To reserve a place at one of the meetings please let Fr Philip know and he will sort out a booking for you. If you would like to take part in the Saturday meeting by Zoom, please let Fr Philip know.

Parish Hall: If you are willing to be part of the group working towards seeing if we should/could/can move the parish hall back into the old club lounge in July please let Fr Philip know this week.

Romero Rosary Book launch at Pauline Books on Friday 24th January at 2.30pm - all invited.

Following the announcement in December of the miraculous cure of John (Jack) Traynor, the Archdiocese of Liverpool will be celebrating this historic moment with Mass followed by a drinks reception at the **Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King on Tuesday 18th February at 7pm**. All welcome.

Baptisms: Congratulations to Finlay Hunter, George Reeves – Jones, Archie Connelly, Kane McNabb, Jack Champion. - baptised on 12th Jan.