#### Rest in Peace



Please pray for

Bogumila 'Busia' Wozniak Mary Rita Martin James 'Jim' Holmes

We extend our sympathy and prayers to their families

### <u>Baptismal Programme</u>

The next Baptismal Programme will take place on:-

Sunday 11th May Sunday 18th May Sunday 25th May

Please contact Antonia on 0151 526 1071 should you wish to be included in this.

## **Hymn Books**

If anybody has any Hymn Books from Church at home, can you please return them as soon as possible as we are running low on Hymn books in Church.

Thank you.

## Food Bank

In addition to food donations, a total of £230.94 in cash donations was received last weekend.

Due to your continued generosity and support, both the Irenaeus Project in Waterloo and St Leonard's in Bootle each received £115.47 last week.

# Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday <u>11 am</u> to <u>12.15 pm</u>

# Please pray for those Parishioners who are sick



Tia Berry Kay Chadwick Rosaleen (Ros) Clark Jeremy Conlon Patricia Cuddihy Bill Cunningham Catherine Delbridae Annie Donoghue Mary Dyer Tony Dyer Teresa Feury Madeleine Fitzpatrick Mary Grethe Anne Inman David Jones Joan Jones Baby Logan Jones Raffie Keatina Terry Kinsella Iris Liptrot Miriam Lucy Patricia (Pat) Madden Sr. Marie Josephine O'Neill Joseph Orr Helen Owens Cathy Sina John Smith Meaan Sauire Helen Stewart James (Jimmy) Sutton Marie Tobin John Urbanka Patricia Vogel

Robina Walker

Andrew Whitmore

#### NEWSLETTER



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# SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (C)

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Sunday 16 February 2025 (Psalter Week 2)

#### **Masses and Other Services**

Sunday 16th February SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

**Racial Justice Day** 

6.30 pm (Sat) Nat & Marie Givens
11.30 am People of the Parish

Monday 17th February

9.30 am Rita Martin (L.D)

Tuesday 18th February

9.30 am Matthew Wadkin (Anniv)

Wednesday 19th February

10.00 am Funeral Mass - Susan Keal

Thursday 20th February

9.30 am Ursula Ventre (Birthday Remembrance)

Friday 21st February

9.30 am Maisie Symes (Anniv)

Sunday 23rd February

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

6.30 pm (Sat) People of the Parish 11.30 am Anne Bradley (L.D)

Please note, there will be no 9.30 am Mass on Wednesday

### **Parish Website**

**News Page** - Minutes of the parish Meeting 8th February, Confirmation - Registration details for candidates and resources available to help prepare for Confirmation. Jubilee 2025 - Liverpool and Metropolitan Cathedral - Places of Pilgrimage in the Archdiocese

If any parishioners would like to contribute a story to the website, please contact Paul by email at <a href="mailto:style="style-st

#### **Mass Times**

The results of the consultation about Mass times showed exactly the same number of people supporting Option A (Saturday 6.30pm and Sunday 11:30am) and Option B (Sunday 9.00am and 11.30am), so, after a full discussion at the parish meeting last Saturday, Fr Chris proposed that, after seven weeks of Option A, we should have a trial period with Option B, beginning on the First Sunday of Lent, and that we should take the time to discern prayerfully what will be the best way forward for us a parish community, listening to the voices of all concerned and especially of the young families we want to welcome at our Masses. So the last weekend with the current Option A arrangement (Saturday 6.30pm and Sunday 11:30am) will be the 1st and 2nd of March and the trial period with Option B (Sunday 9.00am and 11.30am) will begin on Sunday 9th March. A full account of the discussion at the parish meeting last Saturday is available on the parish website. Please read it carefully and, over the next few weeks, please pray for the grace and generosity to discern what will be best for the future of our parish, rather than for your own convenience.

### <u>Readers</u>

23/2 6.30 pm Brenda Smith 11.30 am Anne Woods

# **Eucharistic Ministers**

23/2 6.30 pm Carol Cahill
11.30 am Jean MacDonald

## **Ministry of Welcome**

16/2 6.30 pm Joan Goodfellow Joanne Harris Pauline McNeil
23/2 6.30 pm Noren Ford Maria Caton

Gill Muflahi

#### Cleaning

17/2 Team 5 Douglas, Green, O'Brien, Edwards, Goodfellow24/2 Team 2 Ford, Gardner, Burke

#### Countina

16/2 Team 1 Jo Pearson, Jan & Tony Short23/2 Team 2 John Carlin, Marie Woods

# We shall not be moved

This African-American protest song, so popular in my youth, has a long history. Originally 'I shall not be moved', it helped the slaves to express and strengthen their trust in the Lord even in the midst of the injustice and cruelty they were suffering. It was inspired by the biblical image in both the first reading and the psalm in our Mass this weekend: a tree planted by the waterside, sending out deep roots into the stream, drawing strength and life so it does not fear heat or drought but remains green and fruitful.

It's easy to trust God when everything is going well, but this image encourages us to sink our roots deep into the lifegiving water of God's love, so that our faith and hope will not waver when troubles come, but we will still have trust even in the hardest times.

That doesn't mean becoming tough, unfeeling or hard-hearted: a healthy tree bends and sways in the wind while a dried up, rigid trunk will break in a storm. Often we see courage and serenity in those facing illness and death, or in those Jesus promises will be blessed: the poor, the hungry, those who mourn, those who are hated and excluded.

I was reminded recently of Pope John Paul's visit in 1982 and his beautiful homily at the Mass for the Anointing of the Sick in Southwark Cathedral. These lines have always stayed with me.

Today I make an urgent plea to this nation. Do not neglect your sick and elderly. Do not turn away from the handicapped and the dying. Do not push them to the margins of society. For if you do, you will fail to understand that they represent an important truth. The sick, the elderly, the handicapped and the dying teach us that weakness is a creative part of human living, and that suffering can be embraced with no loss of dignity... May God bless and comfort all who suffer. And may Jesus Christ, the Saviour of the world and healer of the sick, make his light shine through human weakness as a beacon for us and for all mankind.

Fr Chris

## Rota for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

During the trial period of having two Masses on Sunday morning, we will need a new rota to allow all our ministers to volunteer their services at whichever Mass they choose to attend, so would all Readers and Eucharistic Ministers please let Antonia know when you will be available to carry out your ministry.