



Our Lady of Compassion Formby

Part of a Family of Parishes with
Our Lady of Victories Hightown, Holy Family Ince Blundell,
St John Stone and Sacred Heart Ainsdale & Woodvale

1st Sept 2024 – 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sundays Year B, Weekdays Cycle 2, psalter week 2

School Lane, Formby, L37 3LW

Archdiocese of Liverpool In. Reg. Charity No: 1199714

Information & Events

- Family Mass – Sun 6th Oct, 11am
- Parish Family Lunch – Sun 13th Oct,
12.30pm at the Gild Hall
- Bereavement Mass – Sun 17th Nov, 11am
- Christmas Fayre – Sat 30th Nov, 11am –
4pm



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Newsletter

Mass Times

Day	Time	Location	Intentions
Saturday 31 st Aug	6.00pm	Holy Mass	James Samuel Duddy
Sunday 1 st Sept	9.00am	Holy Mass	Parish Community
	11.00am	Holy Mass	Dee Kelly
Tuesday 3 rd Sept	No Mass or Service		
Wednesday 4 th Sept	10.00am	Service of the Word and Holy Communion	
Thursday 5 th Sept	No Mass or Service		
Saturday 7 th Sept	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Eamonn McAteer
Sunday 8 th Sept	9.00am	Holy Mass	Parish Community
	11.00am	Holy Mass	Ruth Jenkins

Weekly Collection: £1,022.44 (18th Aug) & £1,105.56 (25th Aug) Thank you!

Forthcoming Funerals: Peter Galbraith 24th September at 10am.

Mass Intentions Received w/c 26th Aug – Nilde Borraces

■ **Please pray for the lately Dead including;**

Anne Mawdsley, Jack Dickinson, Carol Williams, Brenda Kelly, Barbara Doyle, Barbara Shaw, Olive Taylor, Joe Bryan, Peter Galbraith and all their families.

■ **And let us pray for those who are sick including;**

Stephanie Harrison, Ann Long, Ged Cunningham, Margaret Nutall, Terry Otty, Anita Sattar, Eddie Evans, Maria Murray, Les Forest, Beryl Prescott, Kathleen O’Gorman, John Holland, Nell Piggott, Bill Evans, Ed Schofield, Rachel Jones, Ruth Purcell, Claire Charlton, Dominic Tomlinson, Tim Chrimes, Eileen Byrne.

Parish Notices

■ Eucharistic Ministers

Eucharistic Ministers who visit the sick either at home or in care homes during the week, are asked to arrange their visits on a **WEDNESDAY MORNING FOR THE NEXT THREE WEEKS**, whilst Fr John is away on holiday. The Blessed Sacrament can be Received during the 10am Service of the Word with Communion each Wednesday. The Church will be closed on all other weekdays. Thank you for your ministry and co-operation.

■ The Chatterery

The Chatterery will re-open after the Summer break on **Wednesday 11th September** in its new regular location in the Activity Centre at the rear of the Gild Hall car park. Further details on next week's newsletter.

■ Parish Family Lunch

On **Sunday 13th October at 12.30pm** we will be holding a Parish Family lunch at the Gild Hall.

■ Special Bereavement Mass – 17th Nov at 11am

A special Bereavement Mass will be held at Our Lady's on Sunday 17th November at 11am, to pray for members of the community who died in the last 12 months. All are welcome.

■ The Ministries Mass – Tuesday 17th Sept at 7pm

The Ministries Mass for the Archdiocese will be held at SS Peter and Paul, Crosby at 7.00pm on Tuesday 17th September. Andy Dell from our parish, will be receiving the ministry of Acolyte at this Mass as part of his formation for the Permanent Diaconate. All are welcome.

■ Adult Faith Formation Events

You are warmly invited by the members of Sefton North Coast Deanery Synodal Council to the following three events in support of adult faith formation:

Why Real Friends are Good for the Soul Saturday 28th September from 2.00 – 3.30pm at Our Lady of Compassion's Activity Centre – a talk by John Sullivan, followed by discussion

An exploration of the connections between friendship, spiritual learning and synodality

Christians and Contemporary Culture - Saturday 19th October from 2.00 – 3.30pm at St John Stone hall, Sandbrook Way, Woodvale, Southport, PR8 3RN –led by John Sullivan

- How should Christians relate to the culture of our time and place?
- How have they done so in the past?
- The challenges and opportunities of either fitting in or being different

Deanery Question Time - Saturday 23rd November from 2.00 – 3.30pm at St John Stone hall

A panel of four chaired by the Dean, Mgr John Walsh – will face questions on topics and issues related to Christian faith and life in the Church.

■ OLOC Fell Walkers

OLOC Fell Walkers have two linear walks on **Saturday 14th September 2024**, from Windermere to Ambleside in the Lake District. The A walk is 9.5 miles with 2400 ft of ascent and the B walk is 7 miles with a total climb of 1200 ft. Both walks have beautiful views over the surrounding countryside. The coach will stop to let walkers off at Windermere by the station and will collect from Ambleside. Buses to Ambleside are frequent, so it should prove a good day out whether or not you choose to walk.

We are a friendly group and everyone is welcome. The coach leaves from the corner of School Lane and Church Road, Formby, at 8am on the day and you can book your place by ringing 01704 878548. There is always an early stop for coffee/tea/bacon barmes and time after the walk to visit shops, cafes and pubs in the area. Please wear weather appropriate clothing and bring a packed lunch together with something waterproof to sit on. Sticks can also be helpful.

■ Brownie Notice

St. Jerome Brownie Pack is currently run by the Formby District Commissioner, who stepped in 4 years ago when the then Pack Leader retired and no new qualified leader could be found. A volunteer (who is retiring at the end of this term) and a young leader (who is going off to university in September) also make up the Team.

Due to personal circumstances, the District Commissioner is no longer able to continue with this additional role and, as no other qualified leader is available to take on this role, it has been decided to merge St. Jerome and Our Lady of Compassion Brownie Packs, with effect from September 2024. The merged Pack will meet on Wednesdays at 6.00pm - 7.30pm in The Activity Centre behind the Gild Hall and will be known as the 20th OLOC Formby Brownie Pack. Going forward, this arrangement aligns with the new one Parish vision and ensures the continuation of Girl Guiding within our Parish community.

If you have any queries regarding joining Brownies, volunteering as a helper or becoming a qualified leader, then please contact:- olocbrownies@gmail.com

■ 160th Anniversary of Our Lady's Church

Thank you to everyone who has come forward offering a statue and general support for the new anniversary garden. The response has been quite overwhelming. It is essential that the selected statue is suitable for an outside setting and is properly erected for stability, so we are working with an appropriate memorial mason to ensure that the statue and garden will be suitable and safe.

There are further plans to install a small bench for parishioners' private contemplation and prayer before and after Mass. This and the current landscaping, including the borders along the alleyway with Waitrose, have been undertaken by volunteers at no cost to the Parish. The comments received show that this work is appreciated. If you wish to support the endeavours and ambitions of this small group, donations can be handed into the sacristy or office, please put in an envelope addressed 'Anniversary Garden'. Thank you.