



Our Lady of Compassion Formby

'We need at this time to search for the green shoots brought forth by Christ's Resurrection, and to help people to fall in love with Jesus Christ'
(Archbishop John's Homily at his Installation Mass)

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

10th August – 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sundays Year C, Weekdays Cycle 1, Psalter week 2
School Lane, Formby, L37 3LW

Archdiocese of Liverpool In. Reg. Charity No: 1199714

Information & Events

- **Ordination of Andy Dell** – 6th September, 12 Noon at the Cathedral (see *Parish Notices* for further details)
- **Lourdes Pilgrimage 2026** – 18th – 22nd May
(booking forms available from the end of Aug)



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Mass Times

Day	Time		Intentions
Saturday 9th Aug	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Vera Sainsbury
Sunday 10th Aug	09.00am	Holy Mass	Parish Community
	11.00am	Holy Mass	Cath Shields
Tuesday 12th Aug	10.00am	Holy Mass	Edward Rawlinson
Wednesday 13th Aug	10.00am	Requiem Mass – Patrick Francis Naughton	
Thursday 14th Aug	10.00am	Holy Mass	Elizabeth Kowalski
Friday 15th Aug	10.00am	Holy Mass – SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BVM	
Saturday 16th Aug	6.00pm	Holy Mass	J.S. Duddy
Sunday 17th Aug	09.00am	Holy Mass	Parish Community
	11.00am	Holy Mass	John Chatterley

Weekly Collection: £1,140.74 Thank you!

Forthcoming Funerals: Patrick Francis Naughton 13th Aug at 10am, Anthony Garner 9th Sept at 10am.

Mass Intentions Received w/c 4th Aug – Ted Lewis, Theresa Lester x2, Mary Johnson & Family, John Hall x2, Edward Ratnasingham x2.

Please pray for the lately Dead including; Joan Godsall, David Owens, Catherine (Cathy) Higgins, Sheila Whiteside, Derek Bevan, Tony Greenan, Pauline Roberts, Margaret Crountear, Joan Gettins, Pat Hawkins, Lesley Murphy, Patrick Francis Naughton, John Hall, Anthony Garner and all their families.

And let us pray for those who are sick including; Dominic Tomlinson, Beryl Prescott, Margaret Nuttall, Edward Schofield, Kathleen Cuffe, Chris Monckton.



Parish Notices

■ Important Updates: Live Streaming & New YouTube Channel

We know many of you have appreciated our live streams of Mass and other events. To continue offering this valuable service, especially for those who are unable to attend in person, or exploring our faith, we've made some important updates in line with new guidelines.

1. Changes to Live Streaming

We've made a few adjustments to ensure your comfort and privacy during our live streams:

- **What We're Streaming:** We'll continue to **live stream every 11:00 AM Sunday Mass**, along with special feast days or occasions when an operator is available.
- **Where to Watch:** All streams will be publicly available for replay for up to **three months** after the live event.
- **Privacy & Seating:** Members of the congregation are not focused on during the streaming but may be visible at the times as the cameras follow the Mass. If you prefer not to be visible on camera, you'll notice **new signs** at the church entrances. These will identify designated "off-camera" seating areas. Separate arrangements are being made for Ministries of the Eucharist, Liturgy and Music.
- **Communion Privacy:** During Holy Communion, to respect personal privacy, the stream will display only church settings and the Archdiocese of Liverpool Spiritual Communion Prayer.
- **Children's Consent:** Children under 16 will only be shown on camera if we have **parental consent**. If consent isn't given, parents are responsible for ensuring their children remain off-camera.

2. Our New YouTube Channel

We've launched a **brand-new YouTube channel**! Please update your bookmarks:

- **New Channel Address:** You can find us at <https://www.youtube.com/@ourladyofcompassionchurch>
- **New Channel Name:** Our new page name is 'Our Lady of Compassion Church Formby'
- **New Handle:** You can also find us by searching for **@ourladyofcompassionchurch**

You can start watching all our streams on this new channel from **August 3rd**. While we couldn't replicate the old account details (which were <https://www.youtube.com/@ourladyofcompassionformby> and 'Our Lady of Compassion Formby'), this new channel should be just as easy to find and follow once it's been active for a few weeks.

Please visit our new YouTube channel and click "Follow" to stay connected!

We'll keep these new details on our existing page until mid-September, after which the old channel will be removed.

■ Mass Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Collectors and Sacristans – Live Stream Consent

We've now made the changes to our video streaming processes, including a new YouTube channel – which will come into effect on **Sunday 3rd August**. The updates will help us align with new guidance from the Archdiocese of Liverpool, which acts as the Data Controller for our streaming services. This includes footage of identifiable individuals captured during the streams.

To simplify compliance, we're adopting an **"opt-out" approach** for appearing on the live stream. This means that **by default, consent is assumed**. Going forward only the 11:00 Sunday Mass will be streamed; other Masses will be streamed by exception only and announced in advance in the newsletter and Facebook.

If you prefer not to be prominently featured during a live stream, please request a reschedule in the rota to avoid the 11:00 am Sunday Mass or any other announced streamed events. We understand that being present and engaged with the congregation is an important part of your ministry. Our aim is to ensure everyone feels comfortable and informed about our streaming practices. For more details, you can review the Archdiocese of Liverpool Privacy Policy :<https://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/privacy>

■ Parish Calendar 2026: Capturing our Faith Through our Children

We are inviting the children and young people in the Parish to submit a photograph or picture showing what God's love means to them, or their favourite Bible story or hymn. These will be used to provide the images for our Parish 2026 Calendar. We may also use some of the images to produce cards for sale, but all will be displayed in the church. As adults it is very easy to over think and get caught up in the complexities and routine of life, this is an opportunity to learn from the young people in our Parish and remember the simplicity of our faith.



Digital photographs (not photos of the drawings) can be emailed to steve.drury@web-aviso.com. To arrange collection of physical hard copy drawings (for scanning), please contact Toni Drury on 07814 614144 or Andrea Dell on 07342 692957. Please provide name and age of the artist and a brief description of what the picture makes them think about.

All pictures used will be annotated with name, age and description. By submitting an image, it will be taken as permission for this to be used. **Submissions should be made by 30th September 2025 and must be in landscape orientation.**

■ Ordination of Andy Dell to the Diaconate

This will take place in the Cathedral on **SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 6th AT 12 NOON**. We have booked a 53-seater coach in the hope that a good number of parishioners will take the opportunity to attend this very special event in the life of our parish and among our community.

Leaving at 10.30am prompt from The Gild Hall and returning at approx 3pm or shortly after from the Cathedral, the cost will be £8.50 per person. Costs will be adjusted if numbers or the size of the coach need to be changed.

A LIST FOR NAMES AND CONTACT DETAILS IS AVAILABLE NOW, ON THE TABLE BY THE MAIN SCHOOL LANE ENTRANCE DOORS. PLEASE SIGN UP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Payments will be collected at the end of all Masses on Saturday 30th & Sunday 31st August. Anyone requiring further details is asked to contact Mike Halford on 879508.

■ Lourdes Pilgrimage 2026

We are in the process of organising another parish pilgrimage to Lourdes next year. It will take place from **18th to 22nd May**. Full details, a list of interest and booking forms will be available from the end of August. Watch the Newsletter for further announcements.

■ SVP Collection

SVP Would like to remind parishioners that the second collection during the weekend of 16th/17th August will be for the SVP. Thank you.

■ Justice and Peace Summer Holiday Treasure Hunt for Children

On the last Saturday before school starts, the Justice and Peace Group have been invited to run an interesting, relaxed event, especially for our primary age children. Have you ever explored The Quirky Garden? It belongs to Paddy and Liz Kennedy who live near the Freshfield pub. They have a lovely, interesting garden, full of knick-knacks which they have collected over the years. They thought it would be great place to invite the children to come and have a Treasure Hunt. There are little fairy houses to find, and lots of animal statues hiding in the flowers. As there are two small ponds, they ask that each child is accompanied by an adult for safety and to help with the Treasure Hunt questions, and that everyone keeps to the paths and the grass. When you have been down the garden path, and seen all the treasures, there will refreshments. For children, it's "Ice your own fairy cake" and a carton of juice, and for adults, a cup of tea or coffee and a biscuit. There is no charge for this event but a small donation to our summer charity would be very welcome. We are supporting Barretstown Holiday Camp for children living with a serious illness. (See pictures online barretstown.org). So, we would like to invite parents, grandparents, carers and of course, primary age children, to come on **Saturday 30th August to 20, Stanley Road, Formby L37 7AW. The garden will be open at 10.30-12.00 and again at 2.00-4.00pm**. Dress up in fancy dress or wear a fancy hat for the occasion. If the weather looks doubtful, just bring an umbrella. Thank you so much Paddy and Liz for sharing your garden. What a great idea!

