



Our Lady of Compassion Formby



17th Dec 2023 – Advent Week 3

Sundays Year B, Weekdays Cycle 2, psalter week 3

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Mass Times

Day	Time	Location	Intentions
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT			
Saturday 16 th Dec	6.00pm	Our Lady of Compassion	Edward Connolly
Sunday 17 th Dec	9.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	Parish Community
	11.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	William Birch
Tuesday 19 th Dec	10.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	Sister Paulinus
Wednesday 20 th Dec	10.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	Thomas Smith
	2.00pm	Christmas Service – St Jerome’s School Hall	
Thursday 21 st Dec	11.00am	Requiem Mass – Marian Seddon	
Friday 22 nd Dec	10.00am	Requiem Mass – Alan Wright	

Christmas Mass Times

Saturday 23 rd Dec	6.00pm	Our Lady of Compassion	Eamon, Michael & Bridie Touhey
Sunday 24 th Dec (Christmas Eve)	10.00am	Our Lady of Compassion (please note change of Mass time)	Parish Community
	5.00pm	Vigil Mass of Christmas - Our Lady of Compassion	
	8.00pm	First Mass of Christmas – Our Lady of Compassion	
Monday 25 th Dec (Christmas Day)	10.00am	Christmas Morning Mass – Our Lady of Compassion	

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Exposition will resume in the new Year.

Weekly Collection £948.36. Thank you!

Baptisms: We welcome into our Church Ruby and Luca Vercell-Bland.

Christmas Fayre – The final profit to the Parish from the Christmas Fayre is **£2,817.91**. Our deeply grateful thanks go to Steve and Toni Drury, the UCM and all those who worked on the stalls, to achieve the amounts raised for the Parish.

Mass Intentions Received w/c 12th – Moira Brooke x 2, Michael McKenna, Peter Turner, Kerry O’Brien, James Lucas, Marian Seddon x 3, Cynthia Hardin.

■ Please pray for the lately Dead including;

Robert (Bobby) Jenkins, Thomas Williams, Teresa Campbell, Patricia Wynne, David Robinson, Sheila Elliott, Charlie Mills, John Chalcraft, Sister Paulinus, Maureen Simmons, Marian Seddon, Alan Wright, Eddie Parisi and all their families.

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

Stephanie Harrison, Ann Long, Ged Cunningham, Margaret Nutall, Mary Pinkman, Terry Otty, Anita Sattar, Eddie Evans, Maria Murray, Les Forest, Beryl Prescott, Kathleen O’Gorman, Deacon Joe Moreland, John Holland, Nell Piggott, Bill Evans, Fr Joe Whelan MHM and Linda Murray.

Parish Notices

■ Parish Mass for Sister Paulinus

A memorial Mass for Sister Paulinus will be celebrated this **Tuesday morning, 19th December, at 10am** in thanksgiving for her long life and service to the Church and her Poor Clare Community.

Fr. John will be joined in concelebration by Fr. Bradley and Fr. Higham. Fr. Bradley will speak in tribute to her work and especially for the years spent here locally with himself and Fr. Leahy. The organist and some choir members will be present and hymns used at her recent funeral will be used at the Mass. It is hoped that many former parishioners of St. Anne's will be able to attend and all those who remember her from her work among us here in Formby. All are welcome to join this parish tribute.

■ OLOC Fell Walkers

OLOC Fell Walkers have a local walk on **Saturday 30th December 2023**, leaving from Formby Station, Liverpool Platform side, at 10.00am and walking along the Sefton Coastal Path to South Road, Waterloo. Should any walker feel the need to cut their walk short, there is the option to return to Formby from any of the stations we pass on the Northern Line. All members are welcome together with friends and family and also anyone interested in joining the walking group. There is no need to book, just turn up wearing weather appropriate clothing and boots and remember to bring travel passes if appropriate, as the return journey can be either by train from Waterloo Station or bus from outside the Plaza Cinema. There are lots of lunch spots in South Road, Waterloo for those wanting to eat after the walk, so come along and work up an appetite!

■ The Chatterly

Thanks to the great generosity of those who attend the gathering at the Gild Hall each Wednesday afternoon, £780 has recently been presented to Fr. John for use within the Parish or for projects connected with it. This amount has been raised during the Autumn and represents all the hard work and enjoyment that the organisers and attendees put into the various activities arranged. Thank you most sincerely for all your support. **The Chatterly re-opens on Wednesday 10th January.**

■ Special Bereavement Mass

Thanks to those families who came to the special Mass for the bereaved, it was great to see you there. If anybody wants the photo of their loved one returning, you can either pick it up after Mass or email the parish with your postal address and we will endeavour to return it to you. The Bereavement Team would like to thank the UCM for their invaluable help after the Bereavement Mass, it was very much appreciated by us all.

■ Inner Wheel Coffee Morning – Thank you.

Many thanks indeed to all who supported the Inner Wheel coffee morning at my house on Wednesday to raise funds for Mary’s Meals, Water Aid etc. We made the absolutely fantastic sum of £560. It was so good of everyone to venture out on such a cold icy day and to give so generously, we are all most grateful. Andrea Burton.

■ OLOC 200 Club

The winning number for the **November** draw was number **84**. Have you joined yet? For just £2 per month, a number will be allocated to you and if your number is drawn out in the monthly draw, you could win up to £200. Application forms can be found on the noticeboard at Our Lady's. (N.B. if paying by cheque, please make your cheque payable to: OLOC 200 Club). Good luck!

■ Feeding Liverpool

"This Christmas, we are asking people to join together to support Feeding Liverpool's Christmas Appeal to help us and the 70 member charities we support that provide emergency and community food support in the region as we work towards #GoodFoodForAll. Your support will help us continue to put good food on tables this winter and beyond, at a time when Government Statistics indicate that 132,000 people in the Liverpool City Region – or 9% of the population – are having to turn to emergency food charities to feed themselves or their family."

Launch Day: Tuesday 28th November 2023 · Feeding Liverpool's donation page: [Help Feed Liverpool this Christmas - JustGiving](#)