



Our Lady of Compassion Formby

School Lane, Formby, L37 3LW

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23rd January 2021 - Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

Parish Priest: Rev. Mgr. John M Walsh.
Deacons: Rev. J P Moreland and Rev. J A McCarthy

Mass Times

(There are no public masses at this time)

LIVE STREAMED MASSES ONLY

Day	Time	Location
Sunday 23rd January 2021	10am	St Jerome's, Greenloons Drive
Wednesday 26th January 2021	12noon	St Jerome's, Greenloons Drive
Tuesday 26th January 2021	11am	Requiem Mass for Pam Drummond
Friday 12th February 2021	11am	Requiem Mass for Peter Coyle

(Please remember COVID rules limit numbers at funeral services, please contact the families do not just turn up as you will not be allowed entry)

Please pray for the lately Dead including; Mark CUNNINGHAM, Anne JENKINS, Peter COYLE, Pam DRUMMOND, Dominic TYRER and John TEASDALE and pray for all of their families.
And let us pay for those who are sick including Liz PAGE

PARISH NOTICES

Our Lady of Compassion Prayer Group:- Did you know that our new parish has a prayer group that meets on Friday mornings online over 'Zoom'. The meeting has closed briefly for Christmas but returned Friday 8th January 2021, If you would like to join the group, please contact Andrea Dell on 07342692957

Justice & Peace Group: The J & P Group would like to thank all parishioners for their generous donations to Clumber Lodge. The total amounted to **£935** which will give the youngsters a lovely outing when restrictions are lifted

Foodbank:- Collections have recommenced at Alice Joyce's home, 35 Freshfield Road, all donations need to be there before 12:30pm on a Friday. Items currently in short supply are - Coffee, Crisps, Savoury snacks, Pot noodles, Tomato ketchup Brown sauce, Mayonnaise, Rice Pudding, Jam. Also, suggested are - Toiletries especially toothpaste, toothbrushes in an effort to keep teeth healthy.

If you can't get out to the shop, cash donations or cheques made out to '**Compassion Acts**' are more than acceptable. Also donations can be made direct via a one off payment or standing order, just authorise your bank to make regular monthly payments to: Compassion Acts(registered charity 1172948) at HSBC Bank, Lord Street, Southport, Sort Code 40-42-30. Account number: 52071665

As we approach the end of this week of Christian Unity let us reflect on some of the words of **Pope Francis** :—

During this time of serious hardship, prayer is even more necessary so that unity might prevail over conflicts. Our good example is fundamental: it is essential that Christians pursue the path toward full visible unity.

Christian Unity can be achieved only as a fruit of prayer. Jesus opened the way for us by praying. Our prayer for unity is thus a participation in the Lord's prayer, who promised that any prayer said in His name would be heard by the Father.

Each one of us Christians is a branch of the one vine which is Jesus; and all of us together are called to bear the fruits of this common membership in Christ.

The world's faith depends on Christian Unity; in fact, the Lord asked that we be one "so the world might believe" (Jn 17:21). The world will not believe because of our convincing arguments, but because we have borne witness to that love that unites us and draws us near.

Jesus invites us to abide in Him so as to bear much fruit (see Jn 15:5-9). Abiding in the Lord means finding the courage to step outside of ourselves to take care of others' needs and give a Christian witness in the world.

If any parishioner needs Father John for any reason whatsoever, particularly if someone is **sick or dying** and needs **Sacraments**, please call **07783354250**. If the phone is not answered, please leave a **clear message** indicating your **name, the reason** for your call and a **contact number**. If no message is left, then Father John does not know that you have called. You can also call the **parish office on 01704873230** again leaving name, contact number and reason for call. The answering machine is checked every day. Also, you can use the parish email:- **ourladyofcompassionformby@rcaol.org.uk**