



Our Lady of Compassion Formby

School Lane, Formby, L37 3LW

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St. Jerome Chapel of Ease

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1st May 2022 – Third Sunday of Easter

Sundays Year C, Weekdays Cycle 2, psalter week 3

Parish Priest: Rev. Mgr. John M Walsh.

Deacons: Rev. J P Moreland and Rev. J A McCarthy

Gild Hall: Manager - Eileen Sheridan - 01704 872279, 07970 720967

Day	Time	Mass Times Location	Intentions
Saturday 30 th April	6:00pm	St Jerome, Greenloons Drive	Martin Jackson
Sunday 1 st May	9:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	Tricia Pinkman
	11:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	Parish Community
Tuesday 3 rd May	09:30am	Morning Prayer	
	10:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	Loretta Tennyson
Wednesday 4 th May	09:30am	Morning Prayer	
	10:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	Eileen Readman
Thursday 5 th May	09:30am	Morning Prayer	
	10:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	Barry McLachlan
	10:00am	Southport Crematorium – Patricia Heyworth	
Fourth Sunday of Easter			
Saturday 7 th May	6:00pm	St Jerome, Greenloons Drive	Liz & Gerard Dolan
Sunday 8 th May	9:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	Beatrice Gibb
	11:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	Parish Community

**The Archdiocese strongly recommends that face masks are worn -
Please respect your fellow parishioners and allow space.**

Please pray for the lately Dead, including Bridget RYAN, Francis MERCER, Patricia HEYWORTH and Stephen NOLAN and for all of their families.

And let us pray for those who are sick including Peter WEBSTER, Catherine LAMB, Charles MILLS, Teresa CAMPBELL, Mike THOMPSON, Eddy CONNOLLY, Alison BOTTERILL, Stephanie HARRISON, Ellen I'ANSON, Jim McAULEY, Ann LONG and Ged CUNNINGHAM

Thoughts of Pope Francis:- When we bring peace to someone who is suffering physically or spiritually, when we spend some time listening, being present, or consoling someone, we encounter Jesus who repeats to us through the eyes of all those who are weighed down by the trials of life: Peace be with you!.

Summer Sacramental Celebrations: The Archbishop will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for the young people of our Deanery who are in **Year 9** and above. The Mass will take place at St John Stone Church on **Wednesday, 20th July at 7.30pm.**

First Holy Communion celebrations will take place as follows;

Our Lady's School on Saturday, **7th May at 10.00am** in Our Lady's church.

St. Jerome's School on Saturday, **14th May at 10.00am** in St. Jerome's church.

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

Parish Notices

UCM Meeting: Afternoon tea on Wednesday 11th May has been arranged for 12noon, directly after Mass, for the members' outing to **Dobbies Garden Centre**. Names and payment of £13.50 for those wishing to attend should be given to the Treasurer at the next meeting on 13th April.

Our Lady of Compassion baby group: with Ruth, Anamchara Doula. The group is free and will run **1.00-2.30pm on Thursdays** during term time at **The Gild Hall** in Formby. Suitable for newborns to pre-crawling babies. Come and have a cuppa and a chat with other local parents. No need to book, just turn up!

"THE CHATTERY" at The Gild Hall is a new initiative being organised by a group of parishioners whereby the two lounges in the hall will be open every Wednesday from 2pm to 3.30pm to welcome all parishioners (both ladies and gentlemen, couples and singles) to meet with fellow parishioners and friends for a chat and company over tea, coffee and biscuits. The idea is that people will drop in for all or part of the time and use the facility to have the opportunity to meet others just as we would arrange to do so in any of the village coffee shops, and as we did in our former three parishes after Sunday Mass. It is hoped that each week this will be a perfect occasion to get together to renew acquaintances from before the pandemic and to meet other parishioners from our newly formed community.

Please do come along to support this great chance to join together on an informal basis. I am grateful to all those who have worked hard on planning this venture over recent weeks. As time progresses we hope to arrange small activities like book exchanges, raffles, short talks of interest and at special times of the year "Afternoon Teas."

How often do we say to people, "We must have a catch-up over coffee!" Now we have the chance to do something about it in friendly familiar surroundings and help support the parish at the same time. Funds from purchases will go direct to the parish. **The Chatterery will be open for the first time on Wednesday 4th May.** We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on that afternoon.

St. Joseph's Prayer Centre:- Housekeeping post – 'Bank work' . St Joseph's Prayer Centre is a 15-bedroom retreat centre situated in Freshfield, Formby. We are looking for a self-motivated person to join our small team of cleaning staff. The role is for bank work as a Housekeeper, which may include occasional weekend work. The hours will be flexible but will be based around check-in check-out days. Also, the hours will fluctuate throughout the season due to usage. Please email Sr. Patricia at theprayercentre.stj@psmgs.org.uk for a job description and application form.

Coffee Morning & Bring & Buy:- In aid of **Mary's Meals & Water Aid on Wednesday 4th May at 2 Firs Crescent**, Formby from **10.30am** onwards please do come and support this worthy cause. **Andrea Burton 876454**

Our Lady's Fell Walkers:- Our destination this month is the North Yorkshire market town of Settle and as usual, we have a faster, higher A walk and a slower, lower B walk, both of which are circular. The B walk is approximately **8 miles** long and reaches about 310 metres at it's highest point. The first half of the walk is a riverside walk along the Ribble Way, including 5 well renovated, solid, flat stepped, stiles, from Settle to Stainforth Force (waterfall). We then cross river Ribble and start a climb to and through Stainforth, this continues to pass Catrigger Force. We continue across country to Upper Winskill, where we turn to follow a bridle path to a road leading to a footpath across country and downhill back to Settle. There are some fantastic views on the second half of the walk over the limestone landscape. The A walk is approximately **10.5 miles** with an ascent of 335 metres. Leaving Settle we follow the river to Stainforth Force where we head west along the Dales High Way up to Feizor. Here we complete an additional loop around Feizor woods and Wharfe woods before returning back along the Pennine Bridleway to Feizor Thwaite. Then South to Giggleswick Scar and Buck How, past Nevison's Nick caves and back down to Settle. There are only a couple of steep climbs but many, many stiles! Post walk, there are lots of friendly independent shops to browse in the town and also plenty of places for refreshment. We are a friendly group, and everyone is welcome, including non-walking partners who would like to visit our destination whilst their other half enjoys the walk. The coach leaves from the corner of School Lane and Church Road, Formby, at 8 a.m. and you can book your place by ringing 01704 878548. There is always a stop for coffee/tea/bacon barmes etc., on the way out and time after the walk to visit local cafes, shops and pubs. Please wear weather appropriate clothing and boots and bring a packed lunch. Sticks are also handy if you have them.