



Our Lady of Compassion Formby

Holy Week

Sundays Year B, Weekdays Cycle 2, psalter week 2

School Lane, Formby, L37 3LW

Archdiocese of Liverpool In. Reg. Charity No: 1199714

Sacred Triduum



Information & Events

- **Parish Family Fun Day** – 6th May 12 noon – 4pm at the Gild Hall Activity Centre
- **Confirmation Mass** – Thurs 23rd May, St John Stone, celebrated by Bishop Tom Neylon.

Parish Priest: Rev. Mgr. John M Walsh

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Mass Times

Day	Time	Location	Intentions
HOLY WEEK			
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD			
Saturday 23rd Mar	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Philip & Steve Klymec
Sunday 24th Mar	9.00am	Holy Mass	Parish Community
	11.00am	Holy Mass	Alan Wright
Tuesday 26th Mar	09.15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
	10.00am	Holy Mass	Margaret Klymec
Wednesday 27th Mar	09.15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
	10.00am	Holy Mass	Thomas Brown
THE SACRED TRIDUUM			
HOLY THURSDAY			
Thursday 28th Mar	7.30pm	Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper	
GOOD FRIDAY			
Friday 29th Mar	10.00am	Stations of the Cross	
	11.00am	Walk of Witness – Formby Village	
	3.00pm	Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Death	
HOLY SATURDAY			
Saturday 30th Mar	8.00pm	The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night Celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation	
EASTER SUNDAY			
Sunday 31st Mar	9.00am	Holy Mass	Parish Community
	11.00am	Holy Mass	

Forthcoming Funerals: None.

Prayer Rota: - In our weekly prayers for the other Christian communities of Formby, we pray for Our Lady of Victories, Hightown.

Weekly Collection: £794.33 Thank you!

Mass Intentions Received w/c 18th Mar – Frances Cushing, Tony M'Mahoney, Anthea Wardle.

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

Margaret Klymec, Linda Murray, David Wright, Philip Whiteside, Mary Scannell, Frances Cushing, 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, Hilary Barton, Frank Dunne, Barbara Doyle, Ed Schofield and Ruth Purcell.

Parish Notices

■ **Church Flowers**

We are very blessed to have a team of dedicated and gifted flower arrangers who work hard behind the scenes, to make our church beautiful with their flower arrangements. This was very evident during the recent 'Songs of Praise' recording. The flowers team provided everything required by the BBC, which called for weeks of preparation before the event. On behalf of us all, a big thank you to the ladies for their hard work and dedication.

■ **Sacrament of Confirmation 2024**

Preparation dates have all been confirmed and there will be **4 sessions at St John Stone, which all those wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation must attend - April 18th, April 25th, May 2nd, and May 9th.**

A Confirmation Mass on Thurs 23rd May will be celebrated by Bishop Tom Neylon at St John Stone Church, Ainsdale.

■ **The Chatterery**

The Chatterery will be closed for Holy Week and the two weeks after Easter.

We thank everyone for their loyal support at the various weekly gatherings since Christmas, for the enjoyment and praise for the varied programme of activities arranged, for the community spirit and friendship that abounds, and for all the assistance and support that the teams of helpers give to make the gathering run so smoothly.

We wish everyone a very Happy Easter and look forward to welcoming parishioners and friends back to the Gild Hall on **Wednesday 17th April at 2pm.**

■ **Family Fun Day – Bank Holiday Monday 6th May**

Thank you to all those who have already volunteered to help make the day a success. Additional volunteers are always welcome so if you are able to assist setting-up, during the event or clearing away after, your input is very welcome and will help make this a successful Parish event. There will be a local artisan/craft fair along with a huge inflatable slide and a variety of games and prizes for all the family. We will also have a plant stall so if you are preparing to plant seeds or divide established plants as the gardening season starts, please put a few aside for us for the fun day.

We'll provide further details about the day very soon - but if you wish to be involved on the day or have any questions please do get in touch with us. Steve and Toni Drury Mobile/WhatsApp: 07767 343152:
email: contact@formbyevents.co.uk

■ **April's Family Mass**

April's family Mass will take place on **Sunday 14th at 11am**, as the first Sunday is in the middle of the Easter holidays. **The brunch will also be moved to 14th April.** If your child or grandchild would like to be involved in the family Mass, please contact Andrea on 07342692957.

■ The Justice and Peace Easter Monday Raffle

The Justice and Peace Easter Monday Raffle in aid of Mary's Meals – a wonderful school feeding programme for hungry children. Thank you so much! Over the last few weeks, you have given us chocolates, bottles, biscuits, smellies and lots of other interesting and wonderful things! You have also given us hampers, baskets, gift and bottle bags, to put everything in. We now have a gigantic Raffle, of at least 80 very attractive prizes, waiting to be drawn on Easter Monday. Thank you! Next weekend will be the very last opportunity for you to pick up extra little brown Raffle envelopes for friends and family. Spare envelopes are available on the tables in the porches as you go out today. Help yourself. Don't forget to put a name and phone number on the envelopes and put them back in the basket in Church, no later than Easter Sunday. If you won't be here over Easter, envelopes can be put through the door of 28 Bushbys Lane. After Easter, we will publish the names of all the prize winners and the amount raised, in the Newsletter and also on the notice boards. Good Luck everyone!

Thank you for your gifts, your donations, your prayers and your great generosity to hungry children and may God bless you and your family with his love this Easter.

■ Red Box Research

The 'Red Box' has been around for over 100 years. Whether you still have one at home, or remember having one growing up, we would love to hear from you as we plan for the future. Would you be happy to speak with us? If so, please complete a short form to show your interest and to find out more at: missio.org.uk/research. If you cannot access the form online you can call 020 7821 9755. Thank you, Paddy Kerwin.

■ OLOC 200 Club

The winning number for the **February** draw was number **21**. 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 or if by Standing Order - sort code: 30-17-48. acc. number: 01355280) Good luck!

■ Retreats in North Wales

The Vincentian Divine Retreat Centre, Pantasaph, North Wales, have retreats for the duration of 2024, please see the notice board for details.