



# Our Lady of Compassion Formby

28<sup>th</sup> May 2023 – 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sundays Year A, Weekdays Cycle 1, psalter week 4

School Lane, Formby, L37 3LW

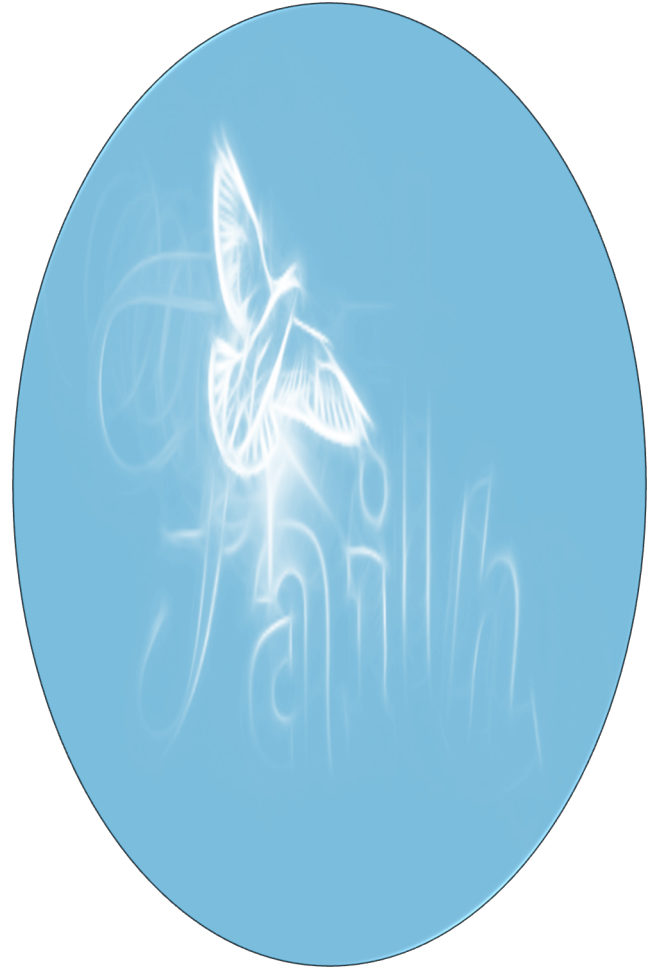
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St. Jerome

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## Upcoming Events

Parish Funday – 1<sup>st</sup> July Gild Hall Activity Centre

Fr John's Ruby Jubilee of Ordination – 10<sup>th</sup> July



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# Newsletter

## Mass Times

Day	Time	Location	Intentions
<b>PENTECOST SUNDAY</b>			
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	6.00pm	St Jerome	Judith Jenkins
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	Parish Community
	11.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	Tor Gillespie
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	No Service		
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> May	10.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	Martha Blackham
	11.30am	Funeral Service – Phillip Pennington	
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	No Service		
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	6.00pm	St Jerome	Peter Campbell
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	9.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	Parish Community
	11.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	Dympna Walker

The Church of St Jerome is open every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 09.00am to 11.00am for Quiet Prayer. Tea/coffee is available in St Jerome's Parish Centre on Monday and Thursday 09.00am – 10.00am.

**Prayer Rota** - In our weekly prayers for the other Christian communities of Formby, we pray for St Luke's, Formby.

**Weekly Collection £1,433 Thank you!**

**Mass Intentions Received w/c 22<sup>nd</sup> May – None.**

### Please pray for the lately Dead including;

Tor Gillespie, Pat Formby, Peter Lovelady, Margaret Baxter, Phillip Pennington, Marcella O'Hagan and all their families.

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

Teresa Campbell, Eddy Connolly, Stephanie Harrison, Ellen I'Anson, Ann Long, Ged Cunningham, Margaret Nutall, Mary Pinkman, Terry Otty and Anita Sattar.

# Parish Notices

## Schools Update

Congratulations to our young people who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Wednesday evening.

## Fr. John's Ruby Jubilee

This week we are launching a parish presentation to mark Fr. John's Ruby Jubilee, 40 years of service to the Priesthood. Ten of those years have been devoted to the Catholic community here in Formby. Originally to the parish of St. Jerome, then taking on the responsibility of St. Anne's and now with the new combined parish of Our Lady of Compassion, as the only priest serving the whole of our Catholic community.

If you wish to show your appreciation to Fr. John on this special jubilee, envelopes are available with this week's newsletter and on the tables in the entrances to our two churches.

Please return the envelopes containing either cash or cheques (made payable to J.M Walsh) to the baskets provided at both churches, **BY SUNDAY 24TH JUNE.**

The presentation will be made on **Monday July 10<sup>th</sup>**, when a Mass of Thanksgiving will be concelebrated by His Grace The Archbishop at 7.30pm in Our Lady's Church followed by a reception in the Gild Hall.

## Access to the Church during work on the Heating System

**WHILST THE WORK TO THE HEATING SYSTEM IS BEING UNDERTAKEN, PLEASE NOTE THAT FOR ANY WEEKDAY SERVICES, ACCESS TO THE CHURCH WILL BE THROUGH THE MAIN DOORS ON SCHOOL LANE. THE REAR GATE AND DOOR WILL ONLY BE OPEN FOR MASS ON A SUNDAY.**

## The Chatterry

**The Chatterry will be closed this coming Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**, for the Mid Term Holiday and will re-open the following week, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2pm to 3.30pm in the lounges of the Gild Hall. On that date Peter Connor will be the guest speaker on the topic of "My working life in Emotional and Behavioural Difficulties and how I survived!" All welcome as always.

## The Justice and Peace Group – Tea and Chat in the Garden, Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June

The Justice and Peace group warmly invite you to come to 9, St. Luke's Drive and enjoy Tea and Chat in the Garden. There is no charge: donations for Fr. John's Jubilee gratefully received. Many thanks to Brenda and Ray Doldon for opening their beautiful garden for us.

## Irenaeus Centre

Are you a good listener? Have you got a couple of hours each week to spare? At the Irenaeus Centre, 32 Great Georges Road, Waterloo L22 1RD, as we get busier, we are looking for more volunteers to help. Do you think you could help? If so, contact Jenny on 0151 949 1199 or email [siobhan@irenaeus.co.uk](mailto:siobhan@irenaeus.co.uk) Thank you.

Have you got any toiletries going spare? Shampoo, shower gel, female sanitary products, nappies etc. If so, we at the Irenaeus Centre are asking for donations in order to help people in need. If you have, contact the Irenaeus Centre 32 Great Georges Road, Waterloo L222 1RD or phone us on 0151 949 1199 or email [siobhan@irenaeus.co.uk](mailto:siobhan@irenaeus.co.uk) Thanks.

## UCM News

A reminder to all UCM members that the Annual UCM Mass is to be held in the Cathedral on Saturday, 3rd June at 2.00pm. It is hoped that as many members as possible will be able to attend.

## OLOC Fell Walkers

OLOC Fell Walkers will be walking on **Saturday 10th June 2023** from the old market town of Sedbergh in Cumbria, in the Yorkshire Dales National Park. There are two walks available, the A walk of between 10 or 11 miles with an ascent of 450 ft and the B walk of 7 miles with the same ascent. Both walks offer a good days' walking in beautiful countryside with lovely views. We are a friendly group and everyone is welcome. The coach leaves from the corner of School Lane and Church Road, Formby, at 8am on the day and you can book your place by ringing 01704 878548.

The A walk is a higher, faster walk and the B a lower, slower walk. 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.

## SVP

The SVP would like to thank all parishioners for their magnificent contribution to last weeks' appeal. The sum collected was £754.56. This money will be used for help towards much needed causes.

## OLOC 200 Club

The winning number for the April draw was number **149**. 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 and St. Jerome's. (N.B. if paying by cheque, please make your cheque payable to: OLOC 200 Club). Good luck!

## The Coronation Weekend... and our next event

Firstly, we would like to thank all those who helped, attended and supported our 3 days of Coronation events. Even the inclement weather did not stop more coming. Overall, each event was a success, bringing members of our parish and beyond together, as real community events. So what are we doing next, we hear you ask - well another event of course! **SATURDAY FUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup> JULY**. - Gild Hall Activity Centre. 1:00 – 5:00 pm

We have secured the bouncy mega slide (that we were unable to put up on the Monday Fun Day event) as well as an inflatable assault course. Plus, we will have similar games, challenges and light refreshments. Our aim is to have a fun family event before the schools break up. As with the previous event, use of the attractions will be via ticket only, and sold in strips on the day. This not only reduces the amount of cash on site but makes stall holder/ attraction management far easier. We are **NOT** asking for any tombola donations or raffle gifts - but would really like to request anyone who is able to help set-up and/or run a stall or attraction to email us: [us@steve@formbyevents.co.uk](mailto:us@steve@formbyevents.co.uk)

We will organise a planning meeting closer to the date. Look out for our promotional fliers soon! We look forward to hearing from you - and seeing you on the day. Steve & Toni Drury. Email: [steve@formbyevents.co.uk](mailto:steve@formbyevents.co.uk)  
Mobile: 07767 343152

## Churches Together in Formby and Hightown (CTiFAH)

This summer we are embarking on a new venture. June 3<sup>rd</sup> will see the opening of Café@StLuke's. The café will open every other Saturday from 2-4pm, selling tea, coffee and cakes. There will be music groups performing occasionally too, so please keep an eye on our website, [stlukesformby.org.uk](http://stlukesformby.org.uk) and our Facebook page for the latest information. The café will be open on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, June 17<sup>th</sup>, July 1<sup>st</sup>, July 15<sup>th</sup>, July 29<sup>th</sup>, August 12<sup>th</sup> and August 26<sup>th</sup>. Please come and join us for refreshments and a chat with friends. There will be a warm welcome waiting for you.