



Our Lady of Compassion Formby

2nd April 2023 – Holy Week

Sundays Year A, Weekdays Cycle 1, psalter week 2

School Lane, Formby, L37 3LW

Served by the Churches of Our Lady of Compassion and
St. Jerome

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Upcoming Events

Coronation Weekend – see Parish Notices for
latest information.

Fr John's Ruby Jubilee of Ordination – 10th July

Easter Triduum



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Newsletter



Mass Times

Day	Time	Location	Intentions
HOLY WEEK			
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD			
Saturday 1 st Apr	6.00pm	St Jerome	Leonard McKay
Sunday 2 nd Apr	9.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	Parish Community
	11.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	Salwek Gawlik & Family
Tuesday 4 th Apr	10.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	Betty Nelson
	11.00am	Funeral Service – Isabella (Belle) Clegg	
Wednesday 5 th Apr	10.00am	Requiem Mass – Martha Blackham	
THE EASTER TRIDUUM			
HOLY THURSDAY			
Thursday 6 th Apr	7.30pm	Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper – Our Lady of Compassion	
GOOD FRIDAY			
Friday 7 th Apr	10.00am	Stations of the Cross – Our Lady of Compassion	
	11.00am	Walk of Witness – Formby Village	
	3.00pm	Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Death Our Lady of Compassion	
HOLY SATURDAY			
Saturday 8 th Apr	8.00pm	Mass of the Easter Vigil – Our Lady of Compassion	
EASTER SUNDAY			
Sunday 9 th Apr	9.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	Parish Community
	11.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	

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.

Weekly Collection £1,039.35 Thank you!

Please pray for the lately Dead including;

Tor Gillespie, John Page, Elizabeth Hawkshaw, Isabella (Belle) Clegg, Martha Blackham, Peter Dunne, Annette Hancock, Cathy Doyle, Theresa Hanlon, and all their families.

And let us pray for those who are sick including;

Teresa Campbell, Eddy Connolly, Stephanie Harrison, Ellen l'Anson, Ann Long, Ged Cunningham, Margaret Nutall, and Mary Pinkman.

Parish Notices

Stations of the Cross

Will take place this week on Good Friday at 10.00am at Our Lady's.

Fr John's Ruby Jubilee of Ordination

This Summer Fr. John will celebrate the 40th anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood, his Ruby Jubilee. On the actual date, **Monday 10th July, there will be a concelebrated Mass at 7.30 pm in Our Lady's Church.** His Grace the Archbishop will attend and preside, with Bishop Tom Neylon, and afterwards there will be a celebration in the Gild Hall. Mike Halford has been appointed to co-ordinate the event and in due course he will be asking various people and parish groups to become involved with the arrangements. Meanwhile, please mark the event in your diary and on your calendar for another happy celebration to look forward to following on from the Coronation of King Charles.

Schools Update

Thank you to both Head Teachers of our Primary Schools for bringing their year 4 children to Our Lady's last week, for a joint celebration of Mass, in preparation for their first Holy Communion.

Sacrament of Confirmation

We have now received the names of all those who have registered on-line to be confirmed. If there is anyone who has not yet registered but would like to be included, please let the Parish office know as soon as possible.

Sunday Brunch Together

This week **2nd April**, we have Sunday brunch together. All are welcome at the activities centre from 12 noon for tea, coffee and bacon buns.

The Chatterry

The Chatterry will be closed for Holy Week and Easter week and will re-open on **Wednesday 19th April at 2pm.**

Donation Envelopes

You may have seen that the donation envelopes are now available for collection at the back of Our Lady's Church. If your name isn't there but you would like an envelope, please contact the Parish office.

Divine Mercy Service 2023

Sunday 16th April 2023 is the Feast of the Divine Mercy and we are delighted that we are once again able to hold a Divine Mercy Service on this day at Our Lady of Compassion Church. The service itself will start at 3pm and is expected to last just under an hour. *(Please note that this is a service, not a Mass. Masses will be said at the usual times on this day.)* The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available during the service.

OLOC Fell Walkers

Our walks on 15.4.23, both are circular and in Derbyshire and the Peak District. **Walk A** is 8 miles with ascent of 394 metres starting from Grindleford walking uphill to Hay Wood just north of Froggat. It follows a route crossing Burbage Brook and footpaths towards Hathersage. The walk then ascends to the natural plateau that is Carl Wark, an iron age hill fort and a further climb takes a footpath up to Higger Tor with amazing views over the surrounding area. The walk then descends taking a path north called Fiddlers Elbow, crossing Burbage Brook, following the rim of Burbage Rocks. The walk now goes over Burbage Moor and eventually reaches the rocky moorland Longshaw Estate, finishing in Grindleford.

Walk B is 7.5 miles with an ascent of 270 metres and also starts from Hay Wood, across the moor to Curbar and Baslow Edges with spectacular views of the granite escarpments over the moors. The route then takes us past Wellingtons Monument to Froggat Village and along the River Derwent returning to our starting point. These are both wonderful walks but in an isolated locality and post walk we will all be gathering in The Grouse Inn to relax, the only place for liquid refreshment in the area. 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. Walk A is a higher, faster walk and B a lower, slower walk. There is always a stop for coffee/tea/bacon barmes etc., Please wear weather appropriate clothing and boots and bring a packed lunch. Sticks are also handy if you have them.

Coronation Weekend

With the Coronation Weekend in May only a month away now, we wanted to pick up the pace with our plans, and further inform all parishioners of our progress. We will be holding three days of events:

Saturday 6th May – Coronation Day: There will be a live screening of the occasion in the Gild Hall Activity Centre, with teas, coffees and cakes. All are very welcome. This will be free, but ticketed to ensure capacity is monitored. Further details will follow over the next few weeks, once the event times are officially announced.

Sunday 7th May – Coronation Social: This will be an evening of social and live entertainment running from 7:00pm – 11:00 pm at the Gild Hall. There will be a quiz, a raffle, live music, singing and magic! The Event will be ticketed at £10 per person, which includes nibbles too. The cost is to help towards the three days. More details regarding ticket purchase also to follow soon.

Monday 8th May – Coronation Family Funday at the Gild Hall Activity Centre. Outside - aside of a special village treasure hunt and prize, there will be a (huge) bouncy slide, traditional outdoor games, children's craft stalls, a plant stall, tombola's and hot dogs. We are also currently firming up some live entertainment. Inside the activity hall will be craft and artisan stalls, teas, coffees, refreshments and freshly baked cakes and biscuits etc.

So now we are starting to look for people to put their names down to help, in many ways and combinations, with for example:

- Muscle power to help with lifting and moving.
- Time before the events setting up.
- Time during the events on stalls etc.
- Time clearing-up on the evening and day after.

Plus, we are ready to accept donations:

- For the tombola stalls (for the Bank Holiday Monday) – we are hoping for chocolates and bottles. Being as the church is pending closure sometime following Easter for heating repairs, we would kindly like to request that any chocolates or bottle donations be dropped off at our home, at 4 Andrews Close.
- For the plant stall (for Bank Holiday Monday) any cuttings, flowers and small plants of any variety - could these please be dropped off at the Gild Hall Activity Centre in advance of the Bank Holiday event, during the daytime on either Saturday 6th or Sunday 7th May.

Finally - Please note there has been a change to our next planning meeting: This will now be at the Gild Hall Activity Centre on Wednesday 5th April - 10:30 am – 11:30 am. As always we will post meeting updates on the dedicated website : www.formbyevents.co.uk To be involved with any of the events, do please email Steve with a contact telephone number: steve@stevedrury.com (All details will be securely held, then deleted following the events). Thank you! Steve & Toni Drury.