



Our Lady of Compassion Formby

Part of a Family of Parishes with
Our Lady of Victories Hightown, Holy Family Ince Blundell,
St John Stone and Sacred Heart Ainsdale & Woodvale

9th Feb 2025 – 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sundays Year C, Weekdays Cycle 1, Psalter week 1

School Lane, Formby, L37 3LW

Archdiocese of Liverpool In. Reg. Charity No: 1199714

Information & Events

- **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2025 – Registration Opens on 13th Jan – 17th March** - If you are in year 8 and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, please register at www.liverpoolcalled.co.uk. There is also more information on our website ourladyofcompassionformby.org.uk including online preparation sessions.
- **Cathedral Choir** – Fri 7th Feb 2025 6.30pm
- **Family Mass** – Sun 16th Feb, 11am



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Newsletter

Mass Times

Day	Time		Intentions
Saturday 8 th Feb	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Philip, Steve & Margaret Klymec
Sunday 9 th Feb	9.00am	Holy Mass	Parish Community
	11.00am	Holy Mass	Rose Barns
Tuesday 11 th Feb	10.00am	Holy Mass	Gerard Gallagher
Wednesday 12 th Feb	10.00am	Requiem Mass – William Bell	
Thursday 13 th Feb	10.00am	Holy Mass	David Fraser
Saturday 15 th Feb	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Marg Norton
Sunday 16 th Feb	9.00am	Holy Mass	Parish Community
	11.00am	Holy Mass – Family Mass	John Harris & Family

Weekly Collection: £1,118.29 Thank you!

Baptisms: We welcome into our Church, Scarlett Davidson, Joey Burton, Fraser Macdonald.

February Family Mass Update

Due to unforeseen circumstances, February's Family Mass will now take place on **Sunday, February 16th, at 11:00 AM**. Everyone is warmly invited to attend. If your children would like to participate by reading at the Mass, please contact **Andrea Dell at 07342 692957**.

After the Mass, join us at the **Activities Centre** for **Sunday brunch** and the launch of our **new Children's Craft Corner!** This will be a wonderful, family-focused monthly event—we hope to see you there!

Forthcoming Funerals: William Bell 12th Feb at 10am, Mary Josephine Farrell 18th Feb at 10am, Jim Murray 26th Feb at 10am, Tony Driscoll 27th Feb at 10am, Peter Swift 4th March at 10am.

Mass Intentions Received w/c 3rd Feb – Philip Locke, Philip Molyneux, Margaret Klymec, Steve Klymec, David Scragg.

Please pray for the lately Dead including;

Joanna Desforges, Rosemarie Evans, Brenda Forrest, Eileen Camidge, David Kirk, William Bell, Stephen Roberts, Margaret Liddiard, Mary Josephine Farrell, Jim Murray, Philip Locke, Tony Driscoll, Peter Swift and all their families.

And let us pray for those who are sick including;

Stephanie Harrison, Ann Long, Ged Cunningham, Margaret Nutall, Terry Otty, Anita Sattar, Eddie Evans, Maria Murray, Les Forest, Beryl Prescott, Kathleen O'Gorman, Nell Piggott, Bill Evans, Ed Schofield, Rachel Jones, Ruth Purcell, Claire Charlton, Dominic Tomlinson, Tim Chrimes, Joe Murphy, David Lewin.

Parish Notices

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■ The Chatterry

This Coming **Wednesday, 12th February**, parishioner Mike Halford will deliver a talk about the life of Jack Traynor, his miracle cure in Lourdes in 1923 and its recognition by the medical bureau one hundred and one years later. The talk coincides with the celebration of this event in the Metropolitan Cathedral the following evening at 7pm when a special Mass will mark the recognition of the first official English cure to have taken place in the French shrine. The Chatterry opens from 2pm to 3.30pm Tea/coffee/ biscuits/raffle £1.50. All welcome. **Group 1 helpers on duty this week.**

■ Eucharistic Ministers & Ministers of the Word

There are some parishioners who are on the lists for both distributing Holy Communion and reading at weekend Masses. It is liturgically correct that only ONE duty be undertaken at any ONE Mass. Occasionally this may be unavoidable but under normal circumstances if the duty dates coincide, ministers are asked to arrange a swap for one of the duties.

■ SVP Collections

SVP: Would like to remind parishioners that they will be taking the first of their 2025 collections at all Masses this Saturday and Sunday. Many thanks.

■ UCM News

Please note there will not be a UCM Mass on Wednesday 12th February as a funeral is taking place however, the UCM Annual General Meeting will still be taking place in the Bay Horse at 10.30am and arrangements have been made for bacon barmes to be served afterwards. This is an important meeting and it would be appreciated if as many members as possible could attend.

■ Formby Family Space

Formby Family Space is a new free after-school club for primary school aged children and their families on Thursdays at the Lighthouse Church. With fun, friendship, games, crafts and a hot meal it is run by volunteers from local Churches in conjunction with Compassion Acts and everyone is welcome. Please pray for this mission to our families and, if you are able, consider volunteering for this uplifting and rewarding outreach. Contact Dymrna on 07722 014530.

■ Crafting the Word of God – Holy Family Parish Hall

An exhibition of more than 30 knitted scenes from the Bible created by Francesca Vause. Free Entry on all days:
Saturday 15th March 11am-8pm – Open to All
Sunday 16th March – 10.30am-4pm Open to All
Monday 17th March – 10am-12pm (Schools), 12pm-1pm (Open to all), 1pm-3pm (Schools), 3pm-4pm (Open to all)
Holy Family Parish Hall, 1 Brompton Rd, Southport, PR8 6AS. Donations gratefully received. Refreshments available. For more information call the Parish Office: 01704532613

■ The Justice & Peace Group

The Justice & Peace Group would like to say a very sincere 'thank you' for your great generosity in 2024. You have enabled us to support the following charities, both local and international, during the year: Médecins Sans Frontières (Doctors Without Borders) £1304.60; Friends of St Joseph's £655.78; Foodbank £3550.00; Mary's Meals £1590.70; Shoebox Express (Formby) £1536.00; CAFOD £1265.00; Railway Children (India, Tanzania & UK) £200; Hospice Africa £200; Medical Aid for Palestinians (MAP) £200; Fence Fund for St Joseph's Missionary Outreach and Farm in Tanzania £1148.14; Liverpool Whitechapel Centre for the Homeless £470.00; St Joseph's Hospice £236; Queenscourt Hospice £236. Thank you so much and God bless you and your families.