



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

10th May – 6th Sunday of Easter

Sundays Year A, Weekdays Cycle 2, Psalter Week 4
School Lane, Formby, L37 3LW

Archdiocese of Liverpool In. Reg. Charity No: 1199714



Information & Events

- Lourdes Pilgrimage 2026 – 18th – 22nd May

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MASS TIMES

Day	Time	Intention
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER		
Saturday 9th May	10.00am	Our Lady's – First Communions
	6.00pm	Holy Mass Lynsey Hankin
Sunday 10th May	09.00am	Holy Mass Parish Community
	11.00am	Holy Mass Sheila Lupton
Tuesday 12th May	NO MASS OR SERVICE	
Wednesday 13th May	10.00am	Service of the Word and Communion – Attended by UCM
	7.00pm	Sacrament of Confirmation – St John Stone
SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD		
Thursday 14th May	10.00am	Ascension Mass William Gibbons
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER		
Saturday 16th May	6.00pm	Holy Mass Patricia & Albert Bentham
Sunday 17th May	09.00am	Holy Mass Parish Community
	11.00am	Holy Mass Martin Jackson

Weekly Collection: £1,056.63 Thank you!

Mass Intentions Received w/c 4th May – Veronica Dunn, Lynsey Hankin, Martin Jackson x 2, William Gibbons, Freda Anning, Patricia & Albert Bentham, Bernard Daly x2, Albie Sherwood x 2, Sheila Lupton.

Please pray for the lately Dead including; Molly West, Hilda Philips-Alexander, Peter Sullivan, Anthony Daley, Anthony Collins, Vera Norris, Winifred Coyne, Winifred Thompson, Patricia Hughes, Irene Delaney, Nora Kilbane and all their families.

And let us pray for those who are sick including; Dominic Tomlinson, Beryl Prescott, Margaret Nuttall, Edward Schofield, Mary Turner, Nell Piggott, , Rachel Jones, Rod Maguire, Irene Forshaw, Bernard Philip, Ellen Hayes, Eileen Boyne, Joyce Blackledge, Patricia (Pat) Williamson, Freda Anning.



Parish Notices

PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR MAY

That everyone might have food.

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

■ Parish Fun Day

Once again, the Parish Fun Day proved to be an outstanding success. People queued to gain admission at the opening, and many came throughout the day. It was striking how many young families arrived, some we recognised from last year. Even the weather co-operated!

All the stalls were a great success, and we were delighted to be joined again by the Make Noise choir. Our Charity visitors were also delighted at the welcome they received. First and foremost, a huge thank you to Steve and Tony Drury who worked incredibly hard over many weeks to pull everything together and to run such an enjoyable day. Then a big thank you to each and every one of our volunteers who staffed the stalls and tables, made tea and coffee and sold refreshments, many of whom were on their feet all day. Sincere thanks also to those who helped to set up and clear away. It was a true community effort and a wonderful outreach by our Parish to the wider community.

We are now collecting receipts for the costs, processing the card machine totals and counting the monies. Once everything has been handed in and checked, the final total will be published, hopefully next weekend. A big thank you to all who came to support the day and create such a wonderful atmosphere. Thank you to all! **Fr John**

■ OLOC First Holy Communion

Children from Our Lady of Compassion making their First Holy Communion on Saturday 9th May are invited to the 11am Mass on Sunday 10th May.

■ The Chatterry

The Chatterry this week, **Wednesday, 13th May**, extends a warm welcome to Pat Murphy who will give a talk on Fr. Francis O' Leary, Mill Hill Missionary, and founder of St Joseph's Hospice (Jospice). For many years Pat was closely involved with the early days of the organisation and its foundation in South America, Thornton and Ormskirk. She was also the main fundraiser for many years and we look forward to hearing her speak about a well-established and much needed local facility, which has been so important to many parishioners over the years. The Chatterry is open as usual from 2pm to 3.30pm. Tea/coffee/biscuits/raffle £2. **Group 1 helpers or substitutes on rota this week.**

Sincere thanks are given to all those parishioners who donated and bought cakes from the stall organised and run by Chatterry volunteers, at the Parish Family Fun Day on Bank Holiday Monday. Both assistance and support were greatly appreciated. Thank You.

■ Lourdes Pilgrimage

Thank you to all pilgrims who have handed in their airport coach money in the past week. Any remaining payments can be made this coming weekend.

■ Lourdes Pilgrimage Petitions

Any parishioners wishing to have petitions taken to the Grotto are asked to return their envelopes by **next Sunday, May 17th**, baskets are on the tables with the Newsletters. Donations in Thanksgiving can be included towards a parish candle and to the shrine itself. Thank You.



■ Women's Faith Group – Reminder

Need a little time to pause and reflect? You are warmly invited to our next Women's Faith Group on **Tuesday 12th May at 7.30pm at Our Lady of Compassion Parish Centre**. Come and explore your faith in a relaxed and welcoming environment, with space to reflect, share, and simply be. Whether you come regularly or it's your first time, you'll be very welcome.

■ UCM News

The UCM monthly Mass will be held on **Wednesday 13th May** at Our Lady's Church at 10.00am. **Following the Mass, we will be meeting in the Parish Centre for tea, coffee and biscuits.** All are welcome.

■ Mary's Meals

This May, our parish is invited to join **Mary's Meals UK** in their annual **Pray in May** campaign, praying for children worldwide who rely on a daily meal at school. Mary's Meals UK has produced a range of **free prayer resources**, including bidding prayers, rosary reflections and a prayer calendar, suitable for use in Masses, services, parish groups, and personal prayer. These resources help us reflect on how prayer can lead to hope and practical action for those most in need: <https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/get-involved/churches-and-prayers/pray-in-may-resources>

■ Our Lady's Fell Walkers – Saturday 9th May

Our Lady's Fell Walkers have two walks on Saturday 9th May 2026, from the market town of Settle in the Yorkshire Dales. Both walks involve a climb but with beautiful views. The A walk is 10 miles with a climb of 1600 ft and the B walk is 7.5 miles and reaches 310 metres at its highest point. The A walk is faster and higher, the B walk, lower and slower.

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. There is always an early stop for coffee/tea/bacon barmes and time after the walk to visit shops, cafes and pubs in the area. Please wear good walking boots or shoes, weather appropriate clothing and bring a packed lunch together with something waterproof to sit on. Sticks can also be helpful particularly at this time of year.

■ Live Music Event – 29th May at St John Stone

You are warmly invited to another (free) live music event at St John Stone parish club (7 Sandbrook Way, Woodvale, Southport, PR8 3RN) on **Friday 29th May from 2pm - 4pm**. Come along, bring a friend, relax, enjoy the music (from across the decades) and join in on the songs that are familiar to you.

■ SVP – Thank You

SVP would like to thank all parishioners for their generosity at last week's 2nd collections. The amount collected was £793.11. Thank you very much indeed for supporting the work of our Conference.

