



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

17th May – 7th Sunday of Easter

Sundays Year A, Weekdays Cycle 2, Psalter Week 3
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
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER			
Saturday 16 th May	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Patricia & Albert Bentham
Sunday 17 th May	09.00am	Holy Mass	Parish Community
	11.00am	Holy Mass	Martin Jackson
Tuesday 19 th May	NO MASS OR SERVICE		
Wednesday 20 th May	10.00am	SERVICE OF THE WORD & COMMUNION	
Thursday 21 st May	NO MASS OR SERVICE		
SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST – WHIT SUNDAY			
Saturday 23 rd May	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Freda Anning
Sunday 24 th May	09.00am	Holy Mass	Parish Community
	11.00am	Holy Mass	Bernard Daly

Weekly Collection: £1,339.00 Thank you!

Parish Family Fun Day – total received on the day: £3,407.35 Thank you!

Baptisms: We welcome into our Church, Kalia & Mila Lee, Joshua & Olivia Derbyshire, Charlotte Lee.

Mass Intentions Received w/c 11th May – Nora Kilbane, Special Intention, Claire Ball.

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.

■ **First Holy Communions**

Congratulations to all our children who, having celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time in our Parish Schools, received Our Lord in Holy Communion for the first time at Holy Mass, over the past two Saturdays. Almost 70 of our children approached the Altar in these days, accompanied by their families and loved ones. May these days be blessed by joy and peace for them and for our entire Parish community.

■ **Confirmations**

Congratulations to all our young people who received the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop John Rawsthorne, at the Deanery celebrations over the past two weeks. The Masses were beautiful occasions of joy as our young People received the Sacramental gift of the Holy Spirit and the Seven Gifts of the Spirit. May these days bring light, joy and peace to them, their families and all who form our Parish family.

■ **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.

A big thank you to all who came to support the day and create such a wonderful atmosphere. Thank you to all! **Fr John**

■ **The Chatterry**

The Chatterry will be open as usual this coming **Wednesday, May 20th**, from 2pm to 3.30pm. This week there will be a quiz as well as the usual afternoon refreshments and raffle £2. **Group 2 rota helpers on duty please or their stand ins.**

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE FOLLOWING WEEK MAY 27TH, THE CHATTERRY WILL BE CLOSED FOR MID TERM BREAK.

■ **Lourdes Pilgrimage**

Thank you to all those parishioners who have returned envelopes with petitions to be taken to the Grotto in Lourdes. Everyone will be remembered in Masses and prayers especially our sick and housebound. A parish candle will be lit for all our intentions and our whole parish community. Daily pictures and updates on our pilgrimage will appear on the parish Facebook page.

ALL THOSE TRAVELLING ON MONDAY, ARE ASKED TO BE AT THE GILD HALL BY 08. 45hrs. FOR A PROMPT DEPARTURE TO MANCHESTER AIRPORT. Please contact Mike (879508) or by using the WhatsApp pilgrim group site if anyone still has any questions or experiences any last-minute difficulties.



■ Lourdes Pilgrimage Petitions

Any parishioners wishing to have petitions taken to the Grotto are asked to return their envelopes by this **Sunday 17th May**, 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.

■ 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>

■ 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 our May collections. The amount collected was £793.11. Thank you very much indeed for supporting the work of our Conference.

■ Second Collection

There will be a second collection taken after Communion this weekend for WORLD COMMUNICATIONS.

■ OLOC 200 Club

The winning number for the **April** draw was number **135**. 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*). Good luck.

