



13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

My daughter
is desperately sick.
Do come
and lay your hands on her
to make her better
and save her life.

Mark 5:23

The gospel promises life, life in all the areas of our existence here on earth, and a quality of life after death that makes this life seem like only a glimmer. Our liturgy today invites us to ask Jesus to raise us to life now, to transform whatever parts of our existence have become deadened and lifeless.

ADOREMUS

7-9th September
PARALLEL PROGRAMME

There will be many events all around Liverpool. Here are two local ones:



Living Joyfully

A rolling program of workshops, talks and discussion. Come, meet and pray with consecrated religious. All welcome. Tea and light refreshments available. Full programme available on: www.ukvocation.org and [Vocations Network North West - UK Facebook page](#).

St Patrick's Church, Park Place, Liverpool L8 5RA

Friday & Saturday 12-7pm

Evening sing-along

of famous Liverpool songs. Nugent Care hosts an evening sing-along of songs that made Liverpool famous throughout the world. This includes Beatles tunes, sea shanties and popular songs in an evening event for families, people with disabilities and anyone who enjoys a sing-along! St Anne & St Bernard, Overbury Street, Edge Hill, Liverpool L7 3HJ **Friday evening 7.30-9pm, includes hospitality.**

Messy Church in a Catholic Context

Messy Church is an experience of all-ages creativity, hospitality and celebration that is Christ-centred. Come and experience how Messy Church evangelises in a Catholic parish and involves families around the theme of Eucharist.

St Anne & St Bernard, Overbury Street, Edge Hill, Liverpool L7 3HJ **Saturday 1-4pm**

FAITH IN FOCUS: QUALITY OF LIFE

Did you know that they've invented some food additives that could keep you living until well past a hundred? All your friends will be dead but at least you'll still be around with your memories. And scientists have invented a new drug that means you don't have to eat and drink any more, just three injections a week and two litres of water a day.

There are also some pills available that guarantee you'll die really healthy.
Worth trying?

We all want to live; it's only natural. But what is it that we want to live for? What sort of quality of life do we want? What do we want our days to be filled with?

When Jesus raised people from the dead he added years to their life. But more importantly he added life to their years. For once a person is raised to life in Christ their experience of what life is about and what is on offer can never be the same. To be alive in Christ cannot mean simply living the same life as before, for the life Christ offers is one that is transformed. St Paul was so aware of this that he said, "I live; no, Christ lives in me". Christian living is about being inhabited, taken over, consumed and hurled into an adventure that sometimes disconcerts but always takes us to the edge of our being. It suspends us in eternity.

So if you're not excited by life then you're not living a Christian existence because the life Christ offers is God's very own. If you don't appreciate the beauty of God's world, if you're not energised by the challenges that face you daily or thrilled at the prospect of meeting new people who themselves are reflections of God's human imprint, then you may be alive but you're not living. For life means taking part.

Christian faith takes us off the ventilator and lets us begin breathing with the Spirit's breath. There is a qualitative difference to Christian life, one that's not available to those without it. Ours is a blessed existence, one which summons and challenges us to live life to the full in Christ, not to prolong an existence that has been long dead through its dulled deception and disappointment, through its sin and shallowness.

When Jesus raises people from the dead life takes on a new meaning. If not, then it's probably time for the injections and some more water.

Ordination Next Saturday 7th July at 1pm. Philip Carr, Anthony Kelly and Carl Mugan will be ordained as priests in the Cathedral by Archbishop McMahon. There are still tickets available for anyone who wishes to go.

Fundraising Meeting— this Thursday

Meeting for the fundraising team on Thursday 5th July at 7.30pm after the 7pm service. New members to the team welcome.

Sponsored Walk Bella raised the magnificent sum of £900 from her walk from Southport to OLMC. Many thanks to her and those who supported her and sponsored her.

St Patrick: Summer Programme for Children The Missionaries of Charity are holding the usual Summer event for children from 30th July to 14 August, Monday to Friday 2-5pm. Contact the sisters in Seel St for more information.

National Grandparents' Pilgrimage Sunday 22nd July, with Bishop Alan Hopes, Bishop of East Anglia, Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. Full details on the notice board.

Lourdes Pilgrimage Association The Archdiocesan pilgrimage takes place from 20-27th July this year. Those unable to go to Lourdes can join in spirit and prayer by joining the Lourdes Pilgrimage Association and praying with them during that week. For details see the leaflets at the back of our churches.

World Meeting of Families: Dublin 21-26 August 2018

Pope Francis will be present in Dublin for this event. For more details see the poster on the notice board or www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/Tickets/Tickets-Registration

OLMC Food Bank Any non-perishable foodstuffs will be welcome. Please put in a bag and leave in the sacristy at OLMC.

Extra Collections The Archbishop's Council has been concerned about the number and frequency of special collections in our parishes. The Council has decided that a collection for The Apostleship of the Sea **will not be taken** this July or in future years.

John Southworth

FEAST OF THE WEEK - St Thomas, Apostle

Doubting Thomas is the unfortunate nickname given to the Apostles who refused to believe when the others told him that the risen Jesus had appeared to them. As Pope Gregory wrote:

The disbelief of Thomas has done more for our faith than the faith of the other disciples. As he touches Christ and is won over to belief, every doubt is cast aside and our faith is strengthened. So the disciple who doubted, then felt Christ's wounds, becomes a witness to the reality of the resurrection.



MASSES AND SERVICES

IN CHURCH THIS WEEK

- No Mass on Monday
- Requiem on Wednesday, replacing the 10am Mass
- Funeral Service on Thursday

Sunday 1st July

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Sat 5pm	Joe O'Toole	OLMC
Sun 9.45am	John Huyton	St Patrick
Sun 11.15am	Parishioners	OLMC

Monday 2nd July

9am	NO MASS	OLMC
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Tuesday 3rd July

Feast of St Thomas, Apostle

7pm	Gary Hall	OLMC
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Wednesday 4th July

10am	NO MASS	
12.30pm	Requiem: Joe Helbert	OLMC

Thursday 5th July

10am	Eileen & Gerard Cassidy	St Patrick
12noon	Funeral Service: Ryan Lloyd	OLMC

Friday 6th July

10am	Thomas Hyland	St Patrick
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Sunday 8th July

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 5pm	Molly Burns	OLMC
Sun 9.45am	Mary Pickup	St Patrick
Sun 11.15am	Parishioners	OLMC

Thursday Evening Service

7pm	Short Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
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Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 4-4.30pm	OLMC
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Bonus Ball / Mount Carmel and St Patrick

The bonus ball for Wednesday 27th June was no 26
Winners won £30 each

Collections

Many Thanks

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Envelopes £100.02 Loose £172.91 £272.93
St Patrick Envelopes £0 Loose £113.69
Box £9.00 Brick £35.00

Please Pray For.... Those who have died: Joe Helbert, Ryan Lloyd

The sick: Irene Maloney, Betty Flannery, Tony Robinson, Carol Pickford, Betty Billingsley, Tommy Duffy, Audrey McKenna, Ian McCafferty, Betty Christian, Bernard Duffy, Helen Melarange, Jack Davies, Joan Higgins, Michael McNicholas, Billy Thompson, Freya Matheson, Rene Humphreys, Clifford Browne, Gary Hollinson, Jackie Heath-Anderson, Ted Cunningham, Anne Deuchar, Charlotte Rice, Irene Finneran, Lisa Balshaw, Mary Kewley, Claire Kearney, Lyn Barton, Betty Devine, Kathleen Devine, Joseph Baxendale, Ann Chapman, Nadia Kent, Susan Roberts, Alex Sielski, Lee Foster, Denise King, John Dunning, Emily Rolands, Angela Kent, David Majoury, Donald Smith, Pius Laizer, Maria Jones, Mary O'Toole, Sally Wilkins, Michael Murphy, Margaret Chung, David Stevenson, Thomas & John Paul Conroy, Keith Holden, Kathleen Crown, Joanne Fairbrother, Eileen Edwards, Erin Caulfield, Lisa Ginley, Lillian O'Connor, Owen Hall, Anne Brannigan, Thelma Mainwaring, Cheryl and Lenny Hart, Sheila Chapman, Elaine Gorry, Alexandra Reid, Winifred Williamson, Kathryn Reid, Wally Williams, Chrissy White, Nicholas Maher, John Hodson, Terry Macklin, Muriel Minshull, Maureen Ryan, Mary Ryan, Regna Lewis, David Shea, Steven Binks.