



31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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TIME

Listen, Israel:
*The Lord our God is the one Lord.
You shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart,
with all your soul,
with all your strength.*

Deut 6:6

These words of Moses sum up the most important commandment of God given to the people of Israel. Jesus fulfilled them by giving them an added 'spin'. Christianity is not a religion of rules. It's a religion that's founded on one simple principle: if you show that you love God by the way you treat your neighbour then you will not be far from the kingdom of God.



Synod Members

Each parish is asked to provide a representative for the Synod and we are asked to put forward the name by the middle of December.

The representative should be chosen by the parish.

I suggest that parishioners put forward names of those who they think would be good representatives of the parish. Obviously it is important to ask the person before putting their name forward. **There are cards at the back of church for nominations.**

Synod Members are tasked with listening, reflecting and discerning. They are asked to find ways of listening to the concerns, needs and reflections of their communities and to 're-present' these to the Synod where they will be gathered together, in a coherent fashion.

Synod Members are not expected to have any prior theological knowledge or expertise for this important role but personal commitment, preparation, prayer, being open to guidance, and enthusiasm are crucial to it.

An important consideration will be the ability to attend all the preparation meetings during 2019 and 2020. These are detailed in the sheet at the back of our churches **Role of a Synod Member**. Please take one.

SYNOD 2020
Archdiocese of Liverpool

FAITH IN FOCUS:
HEART - SOUL - MIND - STRENGTH

The Jews had 613 laws and regulations which Jesus summarised into one two-part commandment: If you want to be in the kingdom of God then love God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength; and love your neighbour as you love yourself.

Love God with all your heart. The heart is called the seat of emotion. Are you 'emotional' about God or is God just a cosmic idea, a celestial force that controls the universe? Do you feel passionate about God? Do you have 'feelings' for God?

Love God with all your soul. Your soul is the real you. It's the deep down psyche that makes you what and who you are. Is your whole existence oriented towards God or is God simply a facet of your life that you turn to from time to time, on Sundays or in times of trouble?

Love God with your whole mind. Your mind accounts for the intellectual side of your activity. Do you make decisions about life and your future with God in mind? Do you use your brainpower to try to learn as much as you can about your faith or are you content to hobble along with the same understanding that you had when you were still a young child?

Love God with all your strength. Strength refers to the vigour with which we devote ourselves to God. Do you proclaim your faith with all the force and might at your disposal? Or is the practice of your faith heartless, soulless and mindless? Do you use all the faculties that God has endowed you with (heart, soul, and mind)?

Love your neighbour as yourself. Everyone is our neighbour no matter how far away they are. We can only love God if we love our neighbour. Do you give any practical help to the needy? Are you another Christ to the people you live and work with?

If you want to be part of the kingdom of God, says Jesus, then just keep this two-pronged commandment.

Alternatively, you can apply for a copy of the original 613...

Changes in Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St Patrick

Final Arrangement Fr Southworth will take up his new post in St Paul and St Timothy West Derby on the weekend of 1/2nd December.

On that weekend Fr Silviu Climent will be appointed as **Priest in Charge** of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St Patrick which will continue to be organised as one parish. In other words, the current situation will continue; the only change will be the change of priest.

The original plan to implement the final proposal of *Leaving Safe Harbours*, that is to run OLMC, St Patrick and St Charles as one parish **will not take place**. It was thought that it was not necessary to do this at the present time. This will mean less disruption for parishioners.

With You Always - First Holy Communion

Session No 2:

- St Patrick's School: Tuesday 7th Nov 5.30pm St Patrick's School.
- Holy Family: Thursday 8th November, 3.30pm Holy Family School.

None for St Finbar's and children of other schools this week. Their next meeting is 14th November.



GIFT AID This weekend Roland Berndt will give a talk at all Masses explaining the benefits of Gift Aid and how anyone who pays income tax can increase their offering by 25% with no extra cost to themselves. So anyone giving £1 a week (=£52 per year) effectively gives £65 per year.

OLMC Church Renovation As you can see the final part of the work on the outside of the church is coming to an end. Now that most of the scaffolding has been removed work can continue on the lower part of the porch wall.

LAMP Sunday This Sunday, 4th November, is the feast day of St Martin de Porres, the patron saint of South America. and also the Sunday we pray for the work of the Liverpool Archdiocesan Missional—LAMP. Currently there is only one Liverpool priest in South America, Fr Denis Parry. In previous years there has been a collection for LAMP but that is now discontinued. However the Archdiocese will continue to support the work of the Church in the countries in which our LAMP priests ministered for many years to come.

SVP Collection This weekend, the first in November, there will be the **monthly collection** for the St Vincent de Paul Society.

St Patricks—Raffle Prizes welcoming for the forthcoming raffle.

Knights of St Columba charity social This Saturday 10 November 2018 at Our Lady Mount Carmel Club High Park St Liverpool L8 8XD.

Thank you—Message from the McLeod Family: To all Parishioners for your prayers, Mass cards, sympathy cards and support to all the McLeod family following the recent death of Dusty. A Mass will be offered for your intentions.

John Southworth

MASSES AND SERVICES

IN CHURCH THIS WEEK

- No Mass Monday to Thursday
- Requiem Mass on Friday replaces the 10am Mass.

Sunday 4th November

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Sat 5pm	Teresa Campbell	OLMC
Sun 9.45am	Mary Robinson	St Patrick
Sun 11.15am	Parishioners	OLMC

Monday 5th November

9am NO MASS OLMC

Tuesday 6th November

12noon **Funeral Service:** Mary Peet St Patrick
7pm NO MASS OLMC

Wednesday 7th November

10am NO MASS St Patrick

Thursday 8th November

10am NO MASS St Patrick

Friday 9th November

10am NO MASS OLMC
2pm **Requiem:** Ben Dolan St Patrick

Sunday 11th November

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Sat 5pm	Parishioners	OLMC
Sun 9.45am	Karl Lee	St Patrick
Sun 11.15am	John Wilcott	OLMC

Thursday Evening Service 7pm

Short Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament OLMC

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 4-4.30pm OLMC

Bonus Ball / Mount Carmel and St Patrick

The bonus ball for Wednesday 31st October was no 21
Winners won £30 each

Collections _____ *Many Thanks*

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Envelopes £ Loose £

St Patrick Envelopes £ Loose £

Please Pray For.... Those who have died: Ben Dolan, Mary Peet

The sick: Jimmy Tierney, 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 Crownly, 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.