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Administrator: Mrs. Cheryl McEllin
Parish Office: 9h30 - 12h00

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 25th January 2026 Year A

Dear Parishioners, All Peace & Good! I would like to begin by thanking everyone for your prayers, kindness and help. The evening of my induction your parish priest – from the Holy Mass through to the celebrations afterwards – could not have gone more wonderfully. An enormous amount of selfless work went into making our Church and Hall look so beautiful. A particular and heartfelt ‘thank you’ to everyone who helped with the cleaning, the sacristy, the cake and the celebrations afterwards.

Transparency and good stewardship Christ calls us to be ‘*the light of the world and the salt of the earth*’ (Matt. 5:13-16). Part of being ‘people who walk in the light’ means choosing to live lives that are accountable, transparent and responsible. Those who have been called to shepherd and guide Christ’s faithful must lead by example in this, and must be prepared to render an account of what has been entrusted to them. Since arriving in Liverpool, I have had many meetings at the Archdiocesan finance department. We are now very close to getting online banking for the parish accounts. After I liaise with the Parish Finance committee, it is my hope to be able to present to the parish, on a regular basis, not only the amounts in each of the parish accounts, but also how, exactly, this money is being used. Those who have been kind enough to give of their money to support the parish have a right to know how this money is being used and accounted for. It is my hope that, in the coming months, this will be a regular feature in our parish newsletter (or separate attachment).

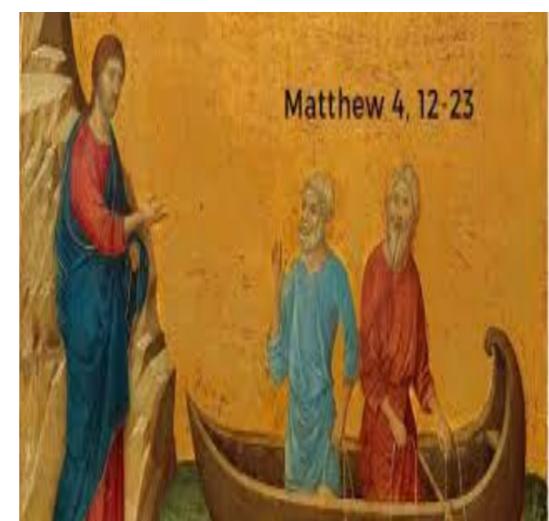
Emails & phone calls to the parish Recently, it has become clear to me that more needs to be done to ensure that those who try to reach the parish (either via email or phone) can get through and can receive a prompt reply. Cheryl, the parish administrator, does an excellent job of staying on top of such communications but, as parish priest, I must make sure that I liaise with her in a manner that ensures that messages aren’t missed. This is a challenge as the parish (which currently has two email addresses) can receive, quite literally, hundreds of messages a week. Further, I only recently discovered that the parish phone doesn’t have an answering-phone facility. Those calling the parish are greeted with the message that ‘the mailbox is full’. However, the phones themselves have a technical error which doesn’t allow the mailbox to be opened. Last week, I changed our internet/phone provider, and next week a completely new phone system is being installed (with voicemail capability). I ask for your patience and prayers as we work to get everything in order.

Warm Space – Tuesday 9.30am -12 noon. All Welcome, join us for friendship and a cuppa!

The Toddler Group meets in the hall on Wednesdays from **10h00 to 12 noon**.

Tea & Coffee in the Hall after 10h00 & 12h00 Mass. Light refreshments and fellowship. Pop in for a quick cuppa and a chat with fellow parishioners after mass.

Sunday Collection 18th January 2026: Collection: £1104.10. Thank you for your kindness to parish and friary.



MASS TIMES

Saturday	9am [Morning Prayer in Church] 9:30am [Holy Mass] 11:00am [Baptisms] 12-1pm [Confessions] 6.00 pm [Vigil Mass]
Sunday	8.00 am. 10.00 am. and 12.00 noon
Weekdays	12.00 noon [Tuesday – Friday]
Holidays	10.00 am.

Confessions
Exposition
St Anthony Devotions.
Baptisms.
Marriage.

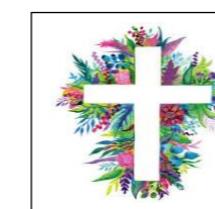
Tues & Fri: 11:15 – 11:45 & Saturday: 12:00 – 1:00 pm
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Tuesday: 12:00 noon (after Holy Mass)
Register for Preparation Programme by e-mail to the Parish Office.
By appointment (6 months’ notice required).

Secular Franciscan Order. Second Sunday of the month at 2.30 pm.

MASSES THIS WEEK:

24. Sunday Vigil	6:00 pm	Sean & Maura Lawlor (RIP)
25. Sunday	8:00 am	Anthony Mills (RIP)
	10:00 am	Fay Family Intentions
	12:00 noon	<i>Missa pro Populo</i> (for all parishioners)
26. Monday	Private Mass	Christopher Philip Aston (RIP)
27. Tuesday	11:15-1145	<i>Exposition & Adoration</i>
	12:00 noon	Paulose George Joseph Parambil (RIP)
28. Wednesday	12:00 noon	Anthony Mill (RIP)
29. Thursday	12:00 noon	Successful Operation
30. Friday	12:00 noon	My Mother in-law- (RIP)
31. Saturday	9:00 am	Morning prayer
	9:30 am	Mass – for vocations
Sunday Vigil	6:00 pm	Frank Cassidy
01. Sunday	8:00 am	Michael Holmes (50 th Birthday)
	10:00 am	Petu Dimambro
	12:00 noon	<i>Missa pro Populo</i> (for all parishioners)

Masses Received: Evelyn Aheain (90th B'day), Bridie Bentley (RIP), Phil Kilshaw (RIP), Chris Scudamore (RIP), Safe Travels, Brenda Togstead (Anniversary), Kathleen Coyle, John & Joan Graham, Edward & Margaret Hearne, Michael & Mary Hearne, Celia Cook, Patricia Felici, Eileen Sullivan (RIP), Pierie Butler (RIP), Paulose Joseph Vinay Parambil (RIP), Annakkutty Pailo Parambil (RIP), Uncle Babumon (RIP), Mariamma (RIP)



We pray for those who have recently died and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Fr. James Scott, Fr. Columba Hannon, Erminia Parisella, Jacqueline Windever, Mary Ferguson, Beryl Colette Messenger, Sean Montgomery, Brian Linford, Sean & Maura Lawlor, David Graham, John O'Shaughnessy, Margaret McGuinness, Mary Hester, Bridget Buckley, Margaret & Daniel Lyons, Bernadette Clarke, Elana

Supporting the Parish Through Standing Orders

If you would like to make regular donations to the parish without using cash, you have the option to set up a standing order. Gift Aid can still be applied to standing order donations, allowing us to make the most of your generosity.

Bank account name: St. Anthony of Padua 140 **Sort code:** 40-29-12 **Account number:** 71544055