

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 5th	6.00 pm	David Lewis
Sunday 6th	11.00 am	Margaret & Pat Meaney
Monday 7th	12.00 pm	Anthony Scott
Wednesday 9th	12.00 pm	Paul Glennon
Friday 11th	12.00 pm	Christina Dehgaudio
Saturday 12th	11.00 am	<i>Adoration & Confessions</i>
	12.00 pm	Frank and James Ross
	6.00 pm	Fr Leo Stoker
Sunday 13th	11.00 am	Agnes Maloney

Please remember in your prayers the members of our parish who have asked for our help and support:

David Thomas

Baptism: *Nathan Matthew Holden*



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Sunday 6th September 2026

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*'May your Church exult, O Lord, as she rejoices in the
Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
which was the hope and the daybreak of salvation
for all the world'*

Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Tuesday 8th September

The Apostolic Nuncio's visit to Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral

Archbishop John Sherrington invites you to join him for Evening Prayer with the Apostolic Nuncio to Great Britain, His Excellency Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendía, at the Metropolitan Cathedral on Sunday 13 September at 3.00pm.

Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendía will be visiting the Archdiocese of Liverpool as part of a pastoral visit, meeting clergy, religious, Catholic educators, school children, and parish communities across the archdiocese. During his time with us, he will also take part in an encounter with civil and religious leaders at Liverpool Cathedral, reflecting the strong relationships shared between our Christian communities and wider civic society.

The Apostolic Nuncio is the Holy Father's personal representative to the Church in Great Britain and serves as the Holy See's ambassador to the United Kingdom. His visit is a significant occasion for the archdiocese, displaying and further strengthening our communion with Pope Leo XIV and the Church across the world.

The Archbishop invites all parishioners, religious, schools, and clergy to this special celebration of Evening Prayer, which will be followed by a drinks reception in the crypt. We hope you will join us in welcoming the Apostolic Nuncio to the Archdiocese of Liverpool.

Journey In Faith

September is often the month when parishes will begin a Journey in Faith course (or RCIA) for those who are not Catholic and would like to become Catholic. This is a course which not only explains the Catholic faith but gives time for this to begin to be lived out with the aim to receive someone into the Church at Easter. If there is interest for this we will run a course in the parish.

Nativity Sets

The stockist for the church piety stall is advertising Nativity Sets for Christmas. There will be some small sets available in the piety stall nearer to Christmas but if anyone would like a different set the catalogue will be available at the back of church. If you would like a particular nativity set we can order it for you. Orders must be in by the end of September.

Education Sunday - 13 September

Education Sunday is one of the oldest Days of Special Prayer in England and Wales, having been established in 1848. It is an opportunity for us to celebrate and give thanks for all involved in Catholic education and it provides opportunities for the school and parish to join together in recognition and celebration. The theme for 2026 is drawn from its Gospel reading of Matthew 18:21-35: "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven."

Young Adults Mass with Archbishop John Sherrington

Archbishop John Sherrington invites young people aged 18-35 to celebrate Mass with him on Saturday 3 October, 5pm at St Philip Neri Church, Liverpool L8 7NL.

Welcome Vincent and Leah

This Sunday we keep in our prayers Rev Vincent and his wife Leah, who are joining the Sankey Valley Methodist Circuit and will be serving at Prescott & Whiston Methodist Church.

Feast Days

Tuesday 8th - Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Church celebrates the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary on its traditional fixed date of 8th September, nine months after the 8th December celebration of her Immaculate conception as the child of Saints Joachim and Anne. The circumstances of the Virgin Mary's infancy and early life are not directly recorded in the Bible, but other documents and traditions describing the circumstances of her birth are cited by some of the earliest Christian writers from the first centuries of the Church.

Thursday 10th - Memorial of St Ambrose Barlow

St Ambrose was a Benedictine monk. He was born at Barlow Hall, near Manchester and educated at Douai and Valladolid, being ordained a priest in 1617. For 24 years he ministered in secret to Catholics around the Greater Manchester area. In March 1617 King Charles I issued a command that all Catholic priests leave the country or face arrest as a traitor. Fr Ambrose was arrested on Easter Sunday 1617 and sentenced on 8th September, Feast of the Nativity of the blessed Virgin Mary. He was martyred by being hung, drawn and quartered on 10th September.

Little Church returns Sunday 13th September.