



## Our Lady of Compassion Formby

School Lane, Formby, L37 3LW

**Served by the church of Our Lady of Compassion and  
St. Jerome Chapel of Ease**

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**10<sup>th</sup> April 2022 - Palm Sunday**

Sundays Year C, Weekdays Cycle 2, psalter week

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Day	Time	<u>Mass Times</u> Location	Intentions
<b><u>Palm Sunday</u></b>			
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> April	6:00pm	St Jerome, Greenloons Drive	<b>Sarah Ferguson</b>
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	9:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	<b>Dorothy Fraser</b>
	11:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	<b>Parish Community</b>
<b><u>Holy Week</u></b>			
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> April	09:15am	<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>	
	09:30am	Morning Prayer	
	10:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	<b>Florence Higenbottom</b>
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	09:15am	<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>	
	09:30am	Morning Prayer	
	10:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	<b>Philip Cunningham</b>
		Attended by the UCM	
<b><u>Holy Thursday</u></b>			
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>7:30pm</b>	<b>Mass of The Lord's Supper</b> – Our Lady of Compassion followed by prayer before the Altar of Repose until 9.30pm. (Please note there will be no washing of feet this year)	
<b><u>Good Friday</u></b>			
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	10:00am	Stations of the Cross – Our Lady of Compassion	
	11:00am	Walk of Witness and Passion play	
	3:00pm	Celebration of the Lord's Passion – Our Lady of Compassion (There will be no individual kissing of the Cross this year)	
<b><u>Holy Saturday</u></b>			
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	8:30pm	Easter Vigil - Our Lady of Compassion	
<b><u>Easter Sunday</u></b>			
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	9:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	
	11:00am	Our Lady of Compassion, School Lane	
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	09:30am	Morning Prayer	
	10:00am	<b>Requiem Mass – Edna Callaghan</b>	OLOC
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	09:30am	Morning Prayer	
	10:00am	<b>Requiem Mass – Charlotte Dawson</b>	OLOC
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	09:30am	Morning Prayer	
	10:00am	<b>Requiem Mass – Maureen Pritchard</b>	OLOC

**The Archdiocese strongly recommends that face masks are worn -  
Please respect your fellow parishioners and allow space.**

**Please pray for the lately Dead**, including Charlotte DAWSON, Maureen PRITCHARD and Edna CALLAGHAN and for all of their families. **And let us pray for those who are sick** including Peter WEBSTER, Catherine LAMB, Charles MILLS, Teresa CAMPBELL, Mike THOMPSON, Eddy CONNOLLY, Alison BOTTERILL, Stephanie HARRISON, Ellen I'ANSON, Jim McAULEY, Ann LONG and Ged CUNNINGHAM

**Baptism:** Jasper Eli PAGE became one with Christ and Christ one with him on 25<sup>th</sup> March. We welcome him to our church, and I ask that you pray for him and his family.

If any parishioner needs Father John for any reason whatsoever, particularly if someone is **sick or dying** and needs **Sacraments**, please call **07783354250**. If the phone is not answered, please leave a **clear message** indicating your **name, the reason** for your call and a **contact number**. If no message is left, then Father John does not know that you have called. You can also call the **parish office on 01704873230** again leaving name, contact number and reason for call. The answering machine is checked every day. Also, you can use the parish email:- [ourladyofcompassionformby@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:ourladyofcompassionformby@rcaol.org.uk)

**Thoughts of Pope Francis:-** Let us allow ourselves to be loved, so that we can give love in return. Let us allow ourselves to stand up and walk towards Easter. Then we will experience the joy of discovering how God raises us up from our ashes.

## **Parish Notices**

**Offertory Envelopes:** Please remember to collect your box of offertory envelopes that are available in the Greenloons Drive porch of St. Jerome's church and outside of the meeting room at Our Lady of Compassion church.

**Confirmations 2022:-** The celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation will take place later this year across all the deaneries of the Archdiocese. The dates and times are still to be confirmed. All those in Year 9 and above are eligible to receive the Sacrament. At this stage, we are asking for the names of all those who would like to receive the Sacrament. Please send the information by email to the parish email address as soon as possible, so that we can compile a list of those interested.

**First Holy Communions 2022:-** Our congratulations go to the 70 children from Our Lady's School, and other schools, who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time in Our Lady's church this past week. Arrangements are being made for all the children at St. Jerome's school who have not already done so, to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the next few weeks.

The First Holy Communion dates for the children of our two schools this year, are as follows;

**Our Lady's School** on Saturday, **7th May at 10.00am** in Our Lady's church.

**St. Jerome's School** on Saturday, **14th May at 10.00am** in St. Jerome's church.

If there are any parents in the parish whose children attend other schools and who wish their children to receive their first reconciliation and holy communion, will they please contact Father John as soon as possible. The children must be in Year 4 or above.

**Justice and Peace Gigantic Easter Monday Raffle for Ukraine:** Don't forget to put a name and phone number on your raffle envelope and get it back to the basket in church **no later than Easter Sunday**. If you won't be here over Easter, envelopes can be put through the door of 28 Bushbys Lane. The weekend after Easter, we will publish a final total of how much was raised, and also the names of the prizewinners. In the meantime, all our donations will go immediately to Cafod specifically for Ukraine, where they will help to support very many desperate, bombed-out families. Thank you for your prayers and your great generosity to these suffering people, and may God bless you and your family with his love this Easter.

**Divine Mercy Service 2022:** Sunday 24th April 2022 is the Feast of the Divine Mercy and we are delighted that we are once again able to hold a Divine Mercy Service on this day at Our Lady of Compassion Church. The service itself will start at **3pm** and is expected to last just under an hour. It will also be live streamed. (Please note that this is a service, not a Mass. Masses will be said at the usual times on this day.) The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available during the service. The institution of this feast was requested by Jesus in 1931 via **Sister Faustina Kowalska**, a Polish nun who was canonised by **Pope John Paul II** on this feast day in the year 2000. Jesus himself attached an **extraordinary promise** to this feast telling Saint Faustina, **"The soul that will go to confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment."** In effect, on **Divine Mercy Sunday** He is offering us the chance to **wipe the slate clean and begin our spiritual lives afresh**. We would love to invite you to **share in this amazing grace**. The Feast of Divine Mercy is preceded by a special **Novena** (beginning on **Good Friday**) in which you are invited to participate (**at home**). **You can find the Divine Mercy Novena online. If you don't have access to the internet you can pick up a prayer leaflet from church on Palm Sunday.** If you would like to find out more about **St Faustina** and the **Feast of Divine Mercy**, why not read her diary which is entitled, **"Divine Mercy in My Soul"** by **Blessed Sister M. Faustina Kowalska?**

For further information, please contact Jen Foster on 834712

**UCM Meeting:** The UCM monthly meeting will be held on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April**. Mass will be celebrated by Fr John at 10am in our Lady's Church and all UCM members are invited, along with anyone else interested in joining. Following the Mass, refreshments will be served in the Gild Hall. **Afternoon tea on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May** has been arranged for 12noon, directly after Mass, for the members' outing to **Dobbies Garden Centre**. Names and payment of £13.50 for those wishing to attend should be given to the Treasurer at the next meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> April.

**The Newman Society:** We invite you to our next talk on **Thursday April 21<sup>st</sup>**. Our talk follows on appropriately from our recent talk on Gerard Manley Hopkins, which covered his Lydiat connections. **Our subject on April 21<sup>st</sup> is The Catholic Country House**, and our speaker is **Roger Mitchell**. Roger has an MA in country house studies, and has lectured internationally on this subject for The Arts Society. **Venue is St. Helen's Parish Centre at 7.30p.m.**

**Biscuit sale for Sudan** "For I was hungry and you gave me food" A big thank you to all who bought the biscuits on 27th March. Thanks to your immense generosity, £420 was raised. I have sent a cheque for this amount to Fr. Tim Galvin spms, to help him with his work with those who have nothing, in Sudan. I am sure that in time, he will write and let us know how he has been able to use your gift. May God bless you all. **Janet**