



Our Lady of Compassion Formby

23rd July 2023 – 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sundays Year A, Weekdays Cycle 1, psalter week 4

School Lane, Formby, L37 3LW

Served by the Churches of Our Lady of Compassion and
St. Jerome

Archdiocese of Liverpool In. Reg. Charity No: 1199714

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday Morning Movies -24th July – Gild Hall
Activity Centre

Christmas Fayre – 25th Nov



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Newsletter

Mass Times

Day	Time	Location	Intentions
Saturday 22 nd July	12.00 noon	Nuptial Mass – Murphy/Burns	
	6.00pm	St Jerome	Albert Faulkner
Sunday 23 rd July	9.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	Parish Community
	11.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	Colin Faulkner
Monday 24 th July	11.30am	Funeral Service – Michael Gilfoyle	
Tuesday 25 th July	10.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	Maisie Harris
Wednesday 26 th July	10.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	Florrie O'Donoghue
Thursday 27 th July	10.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	Ian Wilcock
Saturday 29 th July	6.00pm	St Jerome	Mark Scarisbrick
Sunday 30 th July	9.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	Parish Community
	11.00am	Our Lady of Compassion	John Patrick Brennan

The Church of St Jerome is open every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 09.00am to 11.00am for Quiet Prayer. Tea/coffee is available in St Jerome's Parish Centre on Monday and Thursday 09.00am – 10.00am. **CLOSED UNTIL SEPTEMBER**

Prayer Rota - In our weekly prayers for the other Christian communities of Formby, we pray for OLOC.

Weekly Collection £1,154.38 Thank you!

Marriages: Congratulations to Danny Murphy and Grace Burns, who were married in Our Lady's church on Saturday. May the Lord bless their married life together.

Mass Intentions Received w/c 17th July – Susanne Adams, Colm Gill, Tony Langley, Betty Gill, Felix O'Hagan, David Blackledge, Margaret Carthy, Maureen & Michael Higgins.

Please pray for the lately Dead including;

Fr John Harris, Michael Gilfoyle, Rachel Culshaw, Meave O'Meara, Ernest Bowyer and all their families.

And let us pray for those who are sick including;

Teresa Campbell, Stephanie Harrison, Ann Long, Ged Cunningham, Margaret Nutall, Mary Pinkman, Terry Otty, Anita Sattar and Eddie Evans.

Parish Notices

A Thank You from Father John

I am overwhelmed by the kindness, generosity and goodness you have shown to me for the celebration of my Priestly Jubilee. In particular, I am deeply touched by the incredible generosity of the presentation that was made of all your individual donations. I am still wading through the cards, gifts and letters you have all sent, as well as countless emails! Thank you all so much.

The celebration of Mass with Bishop Tom will remain in my memory for a long time. I was delighted to see so many of you there, as well as a large number of my brother priests, despite the fact that Monday is traditionally the day off for priests! The Mass itself was prayerful and joyful, and the singing was wonderful. It was a joy to see the children there and to hear their beautiful singing. The church looked magnificent and beautiful. All the priests commented on the church. The celebration in the Gild Hall was beautiful and the food was plentiful. I was glad to see so many of you there, and to be able to thank many of you in person.

Once again, I want to thank all those who worked so hard to make this celebration possible. Thank you all so much! We all have so much to look forward to in our community, and with such wonderful and generous people, we have every reason to expect that the Lord will bless us greatly.

A huge and sincere 'thank you' to you all! May God bless you! **Father John**

Fr John Harris

Please remember in your prayers, Fr John Harris, one of our retired Priests, living in the Rectory, who died suddenly on Wednesday.

Parish Website – Light a Candle

We have now added a page to the Parish Website where you can light a virtual candle and leave a message for a loved one. Please visit the Parish website: ourladyofcompassionformby.org.uk scroll to the bottom of the Home Page and click on the **Light a Candle** icon. You will then be taken to the "light a candle" page. Here you just need to click on the link to the form, complete the details of who the candle is for and your message. If you also include your email address on the form, we will notify you when your message has been added and it will remain on the website for one month. There is also a link on the page should you wish to make a donation for lighting your candle.

Monday Morning Movie – 24th July 11am

Our film this month is a favourite of mine which we first showed back in 2017!! I am showing it again in case you missed it or would like to see it again. If you are in need of a good laugh, then I highly recommend it to you! "Waking Ned", (Cert PG), starring David Kelly and Ian Bannen, is a gentle comedy, set in Ireland, which tells the story of how when Ned Devine dies from shock after winning the lottery, his two long-time friends decide he would have wanted them to have the money and devise an ambitious plan to claim the winnings. The only trouble is, in order to pull it off, they need the whole village to agree to it.

Free entry and refreshments (tea, coffee & cake). Open to all adults. Start time 11am. Gild Hall Activity Centre.

Liverpool Archdiocese Centenary Pilgrimage to Lourdes

This weekend one thousand five hundred pilgrims are in Lourdes on the one hundredth anniversary of the very first official pilgrimage in 1923.

The Archdiocese of Liverpool is the first diocese in England to reach this historic milestone. Under the leadership of Archbishop Malcolm, they have travelled by air and jumbulance, with 300 youth also travelling by coach including one from Sefton. They are in Lourdes from July 21st to 27th.

The assisted or sick pilgrims are, as always, at the heart of the pilgrimage. So let those of us at home in our parish join with them and all those in Lourdes during this special anniversary year, by keeping everyone in our thoughts and prayers throughout the coming days.

Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Bernadette pray for all pilgrims, our Archdiocese and our parish.

Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

A meeting will be held for all Eucharistic Ministers this Wednesday, 26th July 2023, 7pm at Our Lady of Compassion Church. Please make every effort to attend.

OLOC 200 Club

The winning number for the June draw was number 84. Have you joined yet? For just £2 per month, a number will be allocated to you and if your number is drawn out in the monthly draw, you could win up to £200. Application forms can be found on the noticeboard at Our Lady's and St. Jerome's. (N.B. if paying by cheque, please make your cheque payable to: OLOC 200 Club). Good luck!