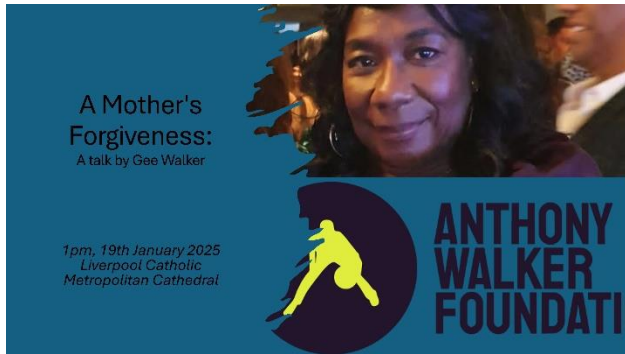


Newsletter Extra

JANUARY 2025



A Mother's Forgiveness

Sunday 19 January is Peace Sunday. After the 11.00 am Mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral, Gee Walker – in partnership with Pax Christi and the Liverpool Justice & Peace Commission – will talk about the murder of her son, Anthony, forgiveness, reconciliation and justice. Her talk will begin at approximately 1.15 pm. All are welcome.



Would you like to help engaged couples to prepare for Marriage?

The Archdiocese is now recruiting and training volunteer facilitators to join the marriage preparation team. The facilitator training will be held at St Helen's Church, Alexandra Road, Crosby L23 7TQ and consists of 5 sessions:

- Monday 27 January (7.00 – 8.30 pm)
- Monday 3 February (7.00 – 8.30 pm)
- Monday 10 February (7.00 – 8.30 pm)
- Monday 17 February (7.00 – 8.30 pm)
- Saturday 1 March (10.00 am – 2.00 pm)

This new team will be asked to offer marriage preparation course for couples twice in 2025. If this is something you are interested in, please contact Moses at m.mui@rcaol.org.uk or sign up on the online enrolment form:

<https://forms.office.com/e/M4jmd139PV?origin=lprLink>

Live Simply Groups – Network Event

How to influence decision makers: Advocacy Training.

Saturday 25 January, 10.00 am – 1.00 pm, at St Anne's Parish Centre, Ormskirk. This is an in-person training event being run by Hope for the Future and CAFOD about how to make systemic change by influencing political decision makers. It is also a chance for Live Simply groups to come together and share their experiences and plans for the new year. Please contact p.guidi@rcaol.org.uk to register.

Could you be a Deacon?



Archbishop Malcolm will host a Diaconate Information Evenings on **Thursday 30 January** at St John's in Wigan. The evening will begin at 7.30 pm and will end by 9.00 pm. Refreshments will be available from 7.00 pm.

The evening is open to anyone who would like to find out more about the Diaconate, especially men who are wondering if they may be called to this ministry. Wives and supporting priests and deacons are also very welcome. For more information, please email Deacon Paul Rooney: p.rooney@rcaol.org.uk

Marriage & Family Life Mass

Archbishop Malcolm McMahon will celebrate the annual Marriage and Family Life Mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral on Sunday 9 February at 11.00 am. For more information, please contact Moses at m.mui@rcaol.org.uk

Word on Fire: Evangelisation Culture Conference – The Bible

21-22 February 2025

This conference is for those who are seeking to gain a deeper appreciation of the Sacred Scriptures and the beauty of the Catholic faith while growing in your evangelisation efforts. It will be held at Excel London, right in the heart of London's historic Royal Docks and led by Bishop Robert Barron. Please follow this link for more details and to book your place:

<https://events.wordonfire.org/the-bible-event>



Jubilee Year of Hope 2025



Keep up to date with all that's going on for the Jubilee Year at these websites:

Archdiocese of Liverpool

<https://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/departments/pastoral-development/jubilee>

Bishops' Conference of England & Wales

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/jubilee-2025>

Vatican Website for the Jubilee

<https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en/giubileo-2025.html>



Check out what's going on in the Archdiocese:

www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/events

Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral:

<https://liverpoolmetrocathedral.org.uk>

Irenaeus, the Archdiocese of Liverpool's Centre for Spirituality and Outreach:

www.irenaeus.co.uk

Animate Youth Ministries:

www.animateyouth.org

Churches Together in Merseyside:

<https://ctmr.org.uk>

PILGRIMAGES

Pilgrimage to Walsingham 2025

As part of the Jubilee Year 2025, there will be a Pilgrimage of Hope to Walsingham – Monday 26 May to Thursday 29 May. Half-board including travel: Adults from £310 - £370, Children from £220 - £250. If you're interested, please contact Chris at St Benedict's on 07587 046985.

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2025

In association with the Liverpool Archdiocesan Pilgrimage, St Peter & St Michael, Woolston, will be going on Pilgrimage to Lourdes, 24 – 31 July 2025. If you are interested in joining the pilgrimage, please contact Gerry on 07703 183386.

Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Rome

As part of the Jubilee Year, the Archdiocese is organising a trip to Rome on 7-13 November 2025. Places will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis. For more information, please contact Pat Murphy at mpmmurphy@aol.com

Pilgrim's Progress to Rome 2025

Pilgrim's Progress to Rome, an eight-day trek in Autumn 2025, is a charity fundraising challenge organised by the charity Life. Life supports women in unexpected and crisis pregnancies and those experiencing pregnancy loss. For more information, email emilytraynor@lifecharity.org.uk