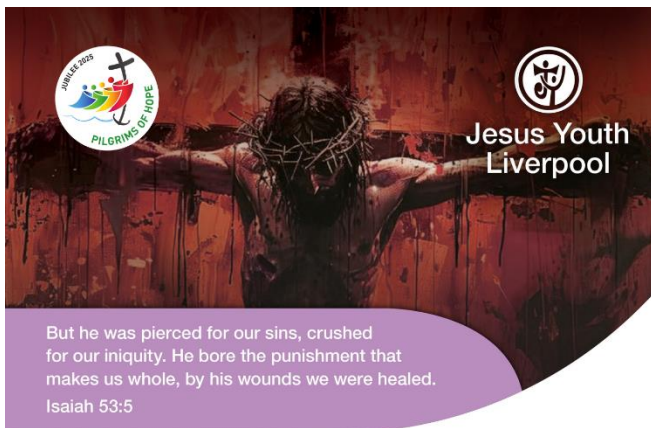


Newsletter Extra

MARCH 2025

Appeal for Volunteers

HMP Risley is asking for volunteers to be official Prison Visitors. Volunteers will be assigned days to visit prisoners who have no one to visit them. They are also asking for volunteers who can lead Rosary prayer sessions and probably teach Catechism. If you are interested, please email Fr James Fasakin on james.fasakin@justice.gov.uk with the following details: your full name, email address, telephone number and parish. Many thanks.



WAY OF THE CROSS Procession THROUGH LIVERPOOL CITY CENTRE



12.04.2025



TIME: 1 PM

Join us for the procession starting at the Blessed Sacrament Shrine in Liverpool City Centre (L1 1LE).

The journey will conclude at Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral with a blessing from Archbishop Malcolm McMahon.



Teena: 07471189236

Justin: 07823397458

 [jy_liverpool](https://www.instagram.com/jy_liverpool)

Chrism Mass

This year's Chrism Mass will take place in the Cathedral on Wednesday 16 April at 7.30 pm. At the Mass, the oils used in the sacraments will be blessed by the Archbishop and the priests of the diocese will renew their commitment. It's the biggest Archdiocesan celebration of the year. As usual, I'm organising a coach for the parishes in East Warrington. If you would like a place on the coach, please sign the sheet at the back of church. The coach will depart from St Oswald's at 6.10 pm and St Benedict's at 6.20 pm. The Mass usually finishes by 9.15 pm so we should be back by 10.00 pm. If you are able to contribute towards the cost of the coach, I suggest £5 per adult.

Pilgrim Cross

An Easter Walking Pilgrimage

Pilgrim Cross is an annual Easter pilgrimage to Walsingham, open to all ages and backgrounds. Walk for one, three, or seven days in community before celebrating Easter in the historic ruins of Walsingham Abbey. With routes ranging from 5 to 20 miles a day, there's a challenge for everyone – from families with young children to those ready for the full 100-mile journey. Luggage is transported, and support is available along the way. To register and join a group, visit www.pilgrimcross.org.uk

Work Experience Opportunity for Young Adults

The St Vincent de Paul Society and CAFOD are working together to offer a week of free residential work experience for 20 young adults in England and Wales. The experience will run from 22 - 27 June in London. Candidates must have completed their first or second year at university and have a passion for social justice. Applications close on the 20 April. For any queries, please contact KeziaH@svp.org.uk

CATECHIST COURSE



General Catechist Course

Beginning in March, a catechist training course will be provided by the Archdiocese. The course will cover 3 modules over 14 weeks, and it is for those who are considering being catechists or for existing catechists looking to refresh their knowledge.

The first module will explore the key principles of catechesis to build confidence. The second module will explore key elements of the Catholic Faith and how they can be explored through catechesis. The third module will help identify key principles to develop a culture of ongoing catechesis, formation and discipleship.

Venue: St Mary's Church, Broadfield Walk, Leyland PR25 1PD. **Time:** 7.00 – 8.30 pm.

For full details, see Pastoral Development Bulletin on the Parish website: www.blessedjamesbell.co.uk
If you are interested, please sign up here: <https://forms.office.com/e/efjAZbJUrZ?origin=lprLink>
For more information, please contact Moses at: m.mui@rcaol.org.uk

JUBILEE OF HOPE PILGRIMAGES



St Mary's Shrine, Warrington

St Mary's Shrine invite you to join them for a Jubilee Pilgrimage on Easter Monday, 21 April. Leaving St Mary's at 9.30 am, the pilgrimage will follow an 11-mile route to the Shrine of St Anne and Blessed Dominic Barberi in Sutton arriving at approximately 4.00 pm. For full details, see flyer on noticeboard. If you would like to take part, please complete the application form on <https://forms.gle/y1bPgD59szzLfPRz8> or a paper version available at the back of church.

Archdiocesan Pilgrimage Walk 1:

St Anne & Blessed Dominic, St Helens

The first of three Archdiocesan Jubilee Pilgrimage Walks will take place on Saturday 17 May. This will be a circular walk of 5 miles based around the Jubilee Church of St Anne and Blessed Dominic in St Helens. The walk will begin 10.00 am from the church car park (WA9 3ZD) and will end with a short procession through the grounds at 11.50 am. Those who do not feel able to complete the 5-mile walk may join us for the procession. Mass will be celebrated at 12.00 noon and there will be an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and visit to the Shrine of Blessed Dominic Barberi. Refreshments will also be available after Mass in the Parish Centre. For more information, please contact Chris at: c.higgins@rcaol.org.uk To allow us to plan accordingly please sign up for the walk using the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/11DnmnWWC5>

Warrington & Widnes Deanery Jubilee Pilgrimage

On Sunday 18 May at 3.30 pm, Warrington & Widnes Deanery will be marking the Jubilee Year with a May Procession led by Archbishop Malcolm at St Mary's Shrine which is one of the Archdiocesan Jubilee Churches. Please let people know about the event. Let's make it a great event of Christian hope and witness in a world where so many are struggling.

Pilgrimage to Walsingham 2025

As part of the Jubilee Year, 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.

Archdiocesan Jubilee Pilgrimage to Rome

More places have become available for the Pilgrimage to Rome: 7 - 13 November 2025. Please email Mpmurphy@aol.com for further details and booking forms.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGES

Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The annual Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place from 24 – 31 July 2025. All the information you need can be found in brochures at the back of church and on the Parish website.

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.

Guild of St Stephen

Jubilee Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Liverpool Archdiocesan Guild of St Stephen's Pilgrimage to Lourdes is currently accepting bookings. The pilgrimage will take place from Sunday 26 October – Saturday 1 November 2025 and further information, including booking costs, is included on the flyer at the back of church. For more information, please contact Rose Curry on 07932 729896.



Check out what's going on in the Archdiocese:

www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/events

Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral:

<https://liverpoolmetrocathedral.org.uk>

Irenaeus Centre for Spirituality:

www.irenaeus.co.uk

Animate Youth Ministries:

www.animateyouth.org

Churches Together in Merseyside:

<https://ctmr.org.uk>