

# Newsletter Extra

**MARCH & APRIL 2026**

## Centring Prayer Day

Led by Fr Richard Sloan, this day will focus on teaching and practice of this beautiful way of silent, simple, meditation prayer in the presence of God, lovingly active within you. Saturday 21 March, 10.00 am – 4.00 pm, at St Teresa's Church, Norris Green, L11 3BW including simple lunch. No charge. Places must be booked by contacting: [st.teresasng@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:st.teresasng@rcaol.org.uk)

**Missionaries of Charity**

- Seel Street, Liverpool -

*Carrying  
of the Cross*



INVITATION

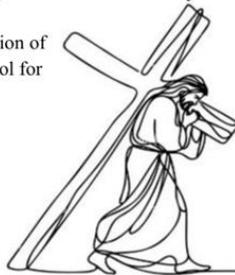
The annual Carrying of the Cross will take place on  
**Saturday 28 March 2026 at 2PM**

This year, the carrying of the cross will be led by Fr Peter Ross of St Bede's Parish, Widnes  
We will begin from Church Street, passing through Bold Street and finishing at St Luke's Church (bombed out church), and will be followed by a short service

Please join us from 1:45pm at the junction of Church Street and Lord Street, Liverpool for a 2pm prompt start

**\*\*Stewards Required\*\***

please contact Jim Ross on  
email: [jimmy.ross7@gmail.com](mailto:jimmy.ross7@gmail.com)



Saturday 28 March 2026

**Starting at:**  
Church St/Lord

Starts  
2 PM

**Finishing at:**  
St Luke's Church

**SAVE THE DATE**



**Saint Gerard Majella**

Our Brother! 300 years since his birth

**25 April 2026 at Bishop Eton, Liverpool**

A day celebrating the Redemptorist Saint, Gerard Majella, including a Mass with the Archbishop at 12.00 noon. There will be activities throughout the day. More information to follow.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

CAFOD and SVP are working together to offer **residential** work experience for **20 young adults**.

Candidates must be in their **first** or **second** year at **university**.



**21st- 26th June 2026**



All accommodation costs, meals and travel to the Office throughout the week are covered.



**CAFOD National Office, Romero House, Waterloo, SE1 7JB**



For more information, please contact  
• [KeziaH@svp.org.uk](mailto:KeziaH@svp.org.uk)

**Closing date for applications: 6th April**



## Marriage Preparation Course

FOR YOUR  
MARRIAGE

*Are you planning to get married in a Catholic church? Are you looking for some time out from the busy wedding planning, providing you and your partner with an opportunity to focus on your relationship and to learn more about each other?*

The Archdiocese is now offering a marriage preparation course for engaged couples. The course will involve four sessions, meeting in group with other couples. Led by trained lay facilitators, the course will help couples develop skills which could facilitate good communication within their relationship and an understanding of unconditional love set within a Catholic faith.

The next course will be available in June 2026:

**Dates:** Thursdays 11, 18, 25 June and 2 July

**Time:** 6.30 – 8.30 pm

**Venue:** St Monica's Parish Centre, Bootle, Liverpool L20 9JD

There is a fee of £50 per couple to help towards materials and other expenses. Please book online here: <https://forms.office.com/e/rXqwenub4P?origin=lprLink>

For enquiries, please contact Moses Mui, Training Coordinator, at [m.mui@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:m.mui@rcaol.org.uk)

## Free Children's Choirs

### Open to All Children in Years 2–8!

Exciting opportunities for young singers to join a Catholic children's choir in your area! Open to all children in school years 2 to 8, our choirs offer free musical training led by DBS-certified musicians from the Archdiocese of Liverpool.

### Rehearsal Information

Widnes Catholic Children's Choir  
Mondays, 4.00 – 5.00 pm  
St John Fisher Parish Centre,  
55 Moorfield Rd, Widnes, WA8 3JA

Choir members will have the chance to perform locally and further afield, developing their musical skills while enjoying a fun, supportive environment.

Sign up here: <https://liverpoolmetrocathedral.us8.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=7578a4f8bc41ae198517aea33&id=34918afeaf>



Liverpool Archdiocesan Council of the Guild of St. Stephen

### Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2026

25<sup>th</sup> October – 31<sup>st</sup> October

#### Price

£600 Sharing Per Person

£750 Single Person

#### Includes

Travel by Air-Conditioned Luxury Coach  
4 Nights Full Board 3 Star Hotel  
Excursion Programme  
Pick Up Points Arranged

#### Excludes

ETIAS Visa for Europe 18-70 years Old  
Travel Insurance

Spiritual Leader: TBC

For More Information, Please Contact Rose Curry 07932 729896



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## The Mystery of Suffering & Vulnerability

### A Guide Through Holy Week

Join the Irenaeus Centre for a reflective Holy Week retreat exploring the themes of suffering and vulnerability from 6.00 pm on Wednesday 1 April to 10.00 pm on Saturday 4 April. For more information please email: [centreirenaeus@gmail.com](mailto:centreirenaeus@gmail.com) or call 0151 949 1199.

## Blessed Dominic Pilgrimage

### Easter Monday, 6 April 2026

Leaving St Mary's Shrine, Warrington, at 9.30 am after Mass, reaching the Shrine of St Anne and Blessed Dominic Barberi in Sutton at approximately 4.00 pm. Pilgrims need to wear supportive footwear and suitable clothing and carry necessary water and food for a full day outside, whatever the weather. If you would like to join in the walk, please complete the application form (*available at the back of churches*) and post it in at St Mary's Priory on Smith Street. For further details, or if you would be willing to help as a support driver, first aider, road marshal or managing refreshments at the end, then please contact Alison Kahn on 07840 072641 or email [penketh.kahns@gmail.com](mailto:penketh.kahns@gmail.com)

## Lectio for Young Adults

Every Friday at St Vincent de Paul's Church, Liverpool L1 5JN, there is a "Lectio" prayer group for young adults. There is Mass at 6.00 pm, followed by a short time of sharing the Sunday readings at 6.30 pm. It's a friendly group and sometimes they also organise trips and retreats.

Follow this link to join my WhatsApp community: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/H7vBavJ4Jlm2spPNI9d2DT>

If you want more information, please contact James: [djmoroney@cantab.net](mailto:djmoroney@cantab.net) or 07546 667394.



Check out what's going on in the Archdiocese:

[www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/events](http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/events)

Pastoral Development Newsletter:

[www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/department/pastoral-development](http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/department/pastoral-development)

Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral:

<https://liverpoolmetrocathedral.org.uk>

Irenaeus Centre for Spirituality:

[www.irenaeus.co.uk](http://www.irenaeus.co.uk)

Animate Youth Ministries:

[www.animateyouth.org](http://www.animateyouth.org)