



*Newsletter for the Parishes of
St. Catherine of Siena &
All Saints and St. Lewis*



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SUNDAY 1ST FEBRUARY 2026

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

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Take a look at the front cover of any women's magazine, and you'll find a host of headlines promising to transform readers' lives for the better. Inside you'll find articles about miracle diets, the most flattering make-up, the latest fashions to achieve the perfect look. This trend is particularly noticeable at this time of year when the focus is on new year resolutions – new year, new you!

We live in a culture obsessed with appearances. The ultimate message is that we constantly need to transform our outward image in order to feel fulfilled and happy. If we let this message filter in, we can be left feeling empty, frustrated and dissatisfied with our lot.

But today's Gospel speaks of a different type of happiness. The word 'happy' appears nine times in the Beatitudes – it is sometimes translated as 'blessed'. This happiness Jesus is talking about should not be viewed as a reward for religious achievements, but rather as an act of grace by God. The focus is much deeper than superficial happiness. The Beatitudes call us to a radically new way of being. When we centre our lives on God, we find our true identity and lasting peace.

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Serving the Catholic Community of Golborne, Lowton, Croft & Culcheth*

Fr. Patsy Foley

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Fr. Patsy Foley who is kindly celebrating mass for us this weekend.

Adventurous Accompaniment

Do you work with people in the church, or are you interested in doing so? Have you ever thought about how you can become an Adventurous Accompanier?

Adventurous Accompaniment focuses on walking **alongside** people in their faith journey. It emphasises listening, presence, and empowering individuals to discover their own path, rather than directing them.

Through the journey of a 6-week programme including 3 full-day workshops, you will not only explore the core principles of accompaniment but also going in-depth to embed those principles in practice.

All costs of the programme will be covered by the archdiocese. Please register online if you are interested.

Sign up here <https://archdioceseofliverpool.org/accompaniment>

For enquiries, please contact Moses Mui, Training Coordinator at m.mui@rcaol.org.uk You will choose either one workshop for each weekend when you sign up.

Marriage Preparation Catechists Needed

Would you like to help engaged couples to prepare for marriage? The archdiocese is now recruiting catechists to join the marriage preparation team. The catechist training will be provided at St Monica's Church, Bootle, Liverpool, L20 9GA and consists of 5 sessions:

Monday 23 February 2026 (6.30pm – 8pm)

Monday 2 March 2026 (6.30pm – 8pm)

Monday 9 March 2026 (6.30pm – 8pm)

Monday 16 March 2026 (6.30pm – 8pm)

Saturday 23 March 2026 (10am – 2pm)

Upon completion of training, the catechists will be asked to offer a marriage preparation course for couples twice a year. If this is something you are interested in, please sign up here <https://forms.office.com/e/JGbP8AtZwn?origin=lprLink>

For more information, please contact Moses at m.mui@rcaol.org.uk

Joke of the week:

If a King sleeps on a king size bed and a Queen sleeps on a queen size bed, where does a Prince sleep? ***On an heir mattress!!!!***

St Lewis Church Parish Council: Volunteers Required

Father Gordon is keen to set up a new parish council for St. Lewis'. At the moment, we have a joint parish council with All Saints, Golborne. There are several issues looming which are specific to St. Lewis' (for instance the upcoming Bi-centenary in 2027), which will need careful thought, planning & organising. More autonomy is being encouraged as Father's time is spread around so many other important tasks.

Please would parishioners consider joining this new group to help shape things going forward. It is likely the group will meet once every two months for around two hours. The first meeting will be either Thursday 12th or Thursday 19th February. We will confirm nearer the time.

If you are interested, please contact Kevin Jones, Gill Hamilton or Peter Coon, who will be happy to answer any questions that you may have. **Thank you.**

All Saints Foodbank



If you are able to make food donations this week, could we please ask you to bear in mind that we are in need of the following Tinned Products: **Fruit, Rice Pudding, Meatballs and Hotdogs. Long Life Milk (not oat, soya etc...)**

Donations: If you make a monetary donation to the Foodbank using the envelopes provided, could you please put your envelope in with the offertory collection.

Red Mission Boxes

If anyone from All Saints has a Red Mission box that needs to be emptied would you please bring it into church on any Saturday or Sunday during February and hand it into the ladies on the Piety stall.

It will be counted and the proceeds sent to Missio. If you want to hold on to your box for another few months, we will be doing another Red Box collection in July. If anyone from St. Lewis would like to have their box counted would you please contact the parish office.



SVP Meeting



The next SVP meeting will be held this coming **Wednesday 4th February at 7pm** in the meeting room at St Lewis.

*The Sanctuary Lamp at All Saints will be lit
Week Commencing **1st February for:**
Those killed or hurt through violence.*

Services, Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 31st January 2026 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 4:30pm	All Saints	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Jane Gibbons, Annie & Thomas Sims

Sunday 1st February 2026 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Syl O'Hara, Edward Welsh
Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	Celia Ellis

Tuesday 3rd February 2026 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Tues 10:00am	St. Lewis	Eucharistic Service	
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Wednesday 4th February 2026 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Wed 9:30am	All Saints	Eucharistic Service	
Wed 10-11am	All Saints	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	

Thursday 5th February 2026 Memorial of St. Agnes

Thurs 10:00am	St. Lewis	Eucharistic Service	
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Friday 6th February 2026 Memorial of St. Paul Miki and Companions

Fri 9:30am	All Saints	Eucharistic Service	
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Saturday 7th February 2026 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Olive Johnson
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Sunday 8th February 2026 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	William Burke, Bradley Reid
Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	Fr. Michael Hopkins



Please remember in your prayers: the sick of our community;
all those who have died recently especially
Catherine Dyer, John Rooney
and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.