



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



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SUNDAY 25TH JANUARY 2026

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

Parish Mass Book Page 127, Order of Mass P6, The Nicene Creed P11

Galilee was situated at the extremes of the Holy Land and Matthew stresses Jesus' decision to start there, almost at the ends of the earth. Jesus is entering into God's work and we might recall at some time having the sense that we are part of a greater movement, that we are God's instruments. Matthew sums up Jesus' message here as 'Repent, the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand'. He is calling people to a change of heart, to a new way of seeing and doing things.



The Kingdom of Heaven is a vision of what the world would look like if God were in charge instead of human beings. The story which follows is that of the calling of the fishermen. They responded to Jesus immediately, leaving their boats and nets. Not everyone can drop everything and walk away like they did for a greater cause, but we can certainly learn from their actions. Saint Francis of Assisi said: 'Preach the Gospel always. If necessary, use words.' We might focus on the fishermen's actions today, stepping out of their boats and following Jesus.

'If we could only see each other as we really are all the time, there would be no more war, no more hatred, no more cruelty, no more greed. I suppose the big problem would be that we would fall down and worship each other... the gate of heaven is everywhere.'

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



Care For Creation

The next meeting of the Care for Creation team will be this **Sunday 25th January after 10:30am mass** in the Francis Room at All Saints .
All are welcome.

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:

I think I've been made upside down...
My feet smell and my nose runs!!!

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 Mid February. 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.**

Meet Your Archbishop – Wednesday 28th January 5:00pm

The Friends of the Metropolitan Cathedral are delighted to start the New Year with an evening with Archbishop John Sherrington. It will commence with Mass at 5.00pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Then we will adjourn to the Gibberd Room where we will enjoy a hot pot supper and a glass of wine. There will be an opportunity to meet Archbishop John and share with him his ambitions and plans for our Archdiocese. The cost is £30.00 per person which will include a hot pot supper, wine and a donation to the Friends. Anyone wishing to sign up should email Claire at c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk in the first instance and details of how to pay will be shared. Numbers are limited so sign up fast!

Family Tea & Coffee

The next family tea & coffee morning will be on Sunday 22nd February 2025 in the Francis room after 10:30 Mass until 12pm. **All are Welcome.**



Tuesday Afternoon Club

The Tuesday Afternoon club will be meeting at All Saints on **Tuesday 27th January between 1:30-3:30pm. All are Welcome.**

Prayer for the Sick & Housebound of our Parishes

God of all goodness, look with mercy on all who suffer any kind of infirmity, sickness or injury, that they may be comforted. Let your hand of healing and protection be upon them.

When they are fearful, ease their fear and anxieties. When they are in pain, ease their suffering and when they despair, give them hope. Amen.

Services, Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 24th January 2026 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 4:30pm	All Saints	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Kath & Terry Swift

Sunday 25th January 2026 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Jack Tatlock, Parker Family, Ann Gibbons, John Calderbank,
Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	Deceased Members of the Tully Family

Tuesday 27th January 2026 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Tues 10:00am	St. Lewis	Eucharistic Service	
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Wednesday 28th January 2026 Memorial of St. Thomas Aquinas

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

Thursday 29th January 2026 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Thurs 10:00am	St. Lewis	Eucharistic Service	
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Friday 30th January 2026 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Fri 9:30am	All Saints	Eucharistic Service	
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Saturday 31st January 2026 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Jane Gibbons, Annie & Thomas Sims
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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



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.