

Sick and Housebound LET US HOLD IN PRAYER

Those who are sick or
housebound, especially:

Angela Capper
Teresa Crosby
William Donohoe
Oliver Gazda
Vera Green
Carol Heath
Mary Jones
Douglas Lace
Kay McCann
Mary Powell
Kate and Terry Rigby
Hughie Slavell
Rita Smith
Kath Swales
Nell Taylor
Aoife White

May the Lord embrace them
with His healing love.

Lately Dead PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY:

Oonagh Armitage
Ann Campbell
Ann Dingsdale
Mary Pat Fielding
Sr Teresa Frost
Nora Halliday
Chris Hollinghurst
Robert Humphreys
Joan McCauley
Frank O'Hanlon
Sarah Pitt

Eternal rest grant unto them
O Lord, and let perpetual light
shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.

Anniversaries PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Bryan Rackham
Fr Anthony Reynolds
Val Yates

whose anniversaries occur
at this time.

Collection Amounts

Week beginning 31st May/1st June:

The offertory collection for St Leo's was
£110.10. For St Luke's it was £381.30.



The second collection on Sunday 1st
for World Communications raised £145.68.

The second collection on Sunday 15th will be for
Day for Life.

Thank you for all your contributions.

GARDEN PARTY

This year's Garden Party will be taking place but a date
and venue will be decided at the next planning
meeting, which will take place on Wednesday 11th
June at 7pm, at St Leo's. Please come along if you feel
you can lend a hand.

We would be grateful for more volunteers to join the
organising team and to help out on the day, so that
this lovely annual event can go ahead.



Sanctuary Lamps



During the week beginning
the 8th June,

the two sanctuary lamps will be lit for

Brenda Roberts.



Holy Rosary after weekday Masses.
Baptisms on Saturdays at 11.00am
Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturdays from
10.30am—10.50am, and after 9am Mass on Tuesdays.

Please leave Mass intention envelopes in the sacristy at
least three weeks in advance of your preferred date.

Sanctuary lamps cost £10 per lamp per week.

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Judith Aveling (Parish Administrator)

SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST, YEAR C - MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday 7th June		VIGIL OF PENTECOST—WHIT SUNDAY
St Leo's	5pm	Bryan Rackham (A); Nora Halliday (LD)
Sunday 8th June		SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST—WHIT SUNDAY
St Luke's	9am	Sr Teresa Frost (LD)
Hospital	11am	NHS STAFF & FAMILIES
Tuesday 10th June		TUESDAY IN WEEK 10 IN ORDINARY TIME
St Luke's	9am	Joan McCauley (LD)
St Leo's	12.15pm	Funeral Service for Oonagh Armitage RIP
Wednesday 11th June		MEMORIAL OF ST BARNABAS
St Luke's	9am	Christine Hollinghurst (LD)
	12.15pm	Funeral Service for Robert Humphreys RIP
Thursday 12th June		FEAST OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST
St Leo's	9.30am	Ann Dingsdale (LD)
Friday 13th June		MEMORIAL OF ST ANTHONY OF PADUA
St Luke's	9.15am	Thanksgiving Celebration Mass for the Children, Families and Staff of St Luke's School—Fr Anthony Reynolds (A)
Saturday 14th June		SATURDAY IN WEEK 10 IN ORDINARY TIME
St Luke's	10am	Angela Smith (B)
		VIGIL OF THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
St Leo's	5pm	Sarah Pitt (LD)
Sunday 15th June		SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
St Luke's	9am	Frank O'Hanlon (LD)
Hospital	11am	NHS STAFF & FAMILIES

PENTECOST CELEBRATIONS

Two Cathedrals Walk

Join us for a powerful celebration of Pentecost as we walk together in unity and hope!



8 JUNE 2025 | 3:00 PM

Start at Liverpool Cathedral



Scan me for more information!



One Heart Concert - Thursday 19th June 2025, 6.30pm - 8.30pm at The Metropolitan Cathedral

Join us for an uplifting evening of music and solidarity at the One Heart Concert, featuring powerful performances from the Asylum Link Choir and the Choir with No Name, supported by students from St Edward's College and other Edmund Rice schools.

The evening will be hosted by Frank Cottrell-Boyce, current Children's Laureate and best-selling author.

All are welcome – [get your tickets here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/one-heart-a-concert-for-community-tickets-1301980210859](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/one-heart-a-concert-for-community-tickets-1301980210859)

Become a Pilgrim of Hope!

URGENT CALL FROM THE CHRISTIANS OF PALESTINE

"Return to the Holy Land as Pilgrims of Hope and show solidarity with the Christian community. Come back! We're waiting for you, and we need you!"

"Come back to Jerusalem and bring joy to the Christian families who wait anxiously for the pilgrims to return!"
"Peace begins with encounter - when we meet each other as human beings, as children of God. This is the vocation of the Church in the land of the Resurrection."

Cardinal Pizzaballa, Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem, 2025



In the darkness that has covered the Holy Land for the last 18 months, occasional lights of Hope still flicker. One source of light has always been the Christians of Palestine. But as the conflict continues, their presence is growing weaker. Without urgent support, even this source of light may vanish from the land of Christ's birth. Their future is insecure and without them the region will only grow darker as one more voice for peace and reconciliation is lost.

Our brothers and sisters - the Living stones of the Holy Land - call out to the Church for a radical act of love and solidarity. How we respond will shape the future.

In January of this year, before the ceasefire, I visited Jerusalem and Bethlehem. Despite travelling alone through a country in conflict, I felt safe.

It was a life-changing experience.

I didn't realise, however, just how precarious life is for Palestinian Christians, or how desperately they need pilgrims to return. How pilgrimage is an act of love and solidarity as well as a deeply personal experience. The past eighteen months have devastated the Christian community financially - but emotionally, too. Many feel the rest of Christendom has abandoned them.

They've lived in the land for 2,000 years and resisted displacement for 80. Now, many are leaving - never to return. Their loss would be a tragedy for the region and for any hope of a just peace.

As a community they reject violence and work for reconciliation, while recognising that without justice, there can be no peace. Their schools, hospitals and universities serve all, and their very existence challenges those who wish to portray the conflict as one of Islamism vs. the Judeo-Christian West.

They are the Body of Christ in the land of His birth - and we are one Body with them. The Holy Land needs the Christians and the Christians need us.

Please visit the website below and consider joining a Pilgrimage of Hope.

[Pilgrimsofhopeco.uk](https://pilgrimsofhopeco.uk)

Let us get up, therefore, and set out as pilgrims of hope because, just as Mary did with Saint Elizabeth, we too can bring news of joy, generate new life and be artisans of brotherhood and peace." - Pope Francis



As the suffering in Gaza continues, many Palestinian Christian communities in East Jerusalem and the West Bank are struggling silently. These are the oldest Christian communities in the world, yet their future has never been more uncertain.

Michael O'Brien, a parishioner at Bishop Eton, Liverpool, recently travelled to the Holy Land to witness the reality firsthand. Deeply moved by what he saw, he is now inviting others to join him in responding to a heartfelt plea from the local Church:

"Return to the Holy Land as Pilgrims of Hope and show solidarity with the Christian community. Come back! We're waiting for you, and we need you!"

— *Cardinal Pizzaballa, Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem*

The "Liverpool Pilgrims of Hope" initiative offers a way for local Christians to make a difference — not through politics or protest, but through pilgrimage: an act of faith, love, and visible solidarity.

To learn more or express interest, please visit:

www.pilgrimsofhopeco.uk