

The Parishes of St Mary's, Little Crosby and St William of York, Thornton

Sefton Coast South Deanery Deanery Patron: Blessed Lawrence Johnson In a family of parishes with St. Helen's, Crosby and St Joseph's, Blundellsands

Fr. Derek Lloyd, Parish Priest

16th November, 2025 - Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Week Ahead		
Sun 16th Nov	Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	Holy Mass St. William of York 9.30am - <i>Pious Lists</i> Holy Mass St. Mary's 11.15am - <i>Pious Lists</i>
Mon 17th Nov	Week 33 in Ordinary Time	Holy Mass at St William of York 7.00 pm
Tue 18th Nov	Week 33 in Ordinary Time	Holy Mass St. Peter & St Paul's 7.00pm
Wed 19th Nov	▲ Week 33 in Ordinary Time	Holy Mass St. Helens 10.00.am Followed by Exposition
Thurs 20th Nov	Week 33 in Ordinary Time	Holy Mass St. Mary's 10.00.am - Cheryl Claridge, RIP (B'day)
Fri 21st Nov	Week 33 in Ordinary Time	Holy Mass St. William of York 10.00.am
Sat 22nd Nov	Week 33 in Ordinary Time	Confessions St. Helens: 11.20.am - 12 noon Holy Mass St. Helens - 12 noon
Sun 23rd Nov	Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King (World Youth day)	Holy Mass St. William of York 9.30am - <i>Pious Lists</i> Holy Mass St. Mary's 11.15am - <i>Pious Lists</i>

Please pray for all those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, may the good Lord grant them health, strength, comfort and perseverance.

For the lately dead:

For all those whose Anniversaries occur about this time: Eternal rest...

LIVESTREAMED MASS WITH FR. PAT AT 12 NOON ON WEDNESDAYS

https://churchmedia.tv/camera/st-monicas-church

THE 2025 JUBILEE YEAR, There are many exciting plans being made in advance of the Jubilee. Please continue to look out for further updates on our Jubilee page as we continue our preparations: www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/department/pastoral-development/jubilee

'GREAT NEWS! - We now have a 'Families of Parishes' Website, incorporating St. Helen's, St. Joseph's, St. Mary's and St. William of York. Please access via the following: www.seftoncoastsouthdeanerynorthfamily.org

SWOY SCOUT GROUP: Places available, **and we need Adult volunteers** to help run the activities. **Squirrels**: age 4-6, Tuesdays 4.45-5.30.pm. **Beavers**: age 6-8, Tuesdays 6.00-7.00.pm. **Cubs**: age 8-10, Thursdays 6.00-7.15.pm. **Scouts**: age 10-14, Tuesdays 6.30-8.00.pm. If you're interested, please ring Catherine on: 07780 544 227.

THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH meet on Tuesday evenings in St Helen's church for prayer at 7.00.pm, followed by discussion over a cuppa in the parish centre. All welcome.

APPLICATIONS FOR THE LOURDES YOUTH PILGRIMAGE with Sefton Coach 7 are LIVE now at liver-poollourdesyouth.co.uk. Young people aged from Year 10-age of 22 are invited to be part of Sefton Coach 7 this year (22nd-31st July 2026). The cost of the pilgrimage is £720 but fundraising will reduce this cost. For more information email coach7@rcaol.org.uk

SAVE THE DATE! LOURDES MUSIC GROUP QUIZ NIGHT this **Friday, 7th November at St Helens parish centre**. Doors open 7.15 to start at 7.45. £5 entry, £3 for under 18s. BYOB. Raffle prize donations gratefully received.

NOVEMBER PIOUS LIST ENVELOPES are available at the back of Church for you to complete with the name of those deceased family/friends for whom you wish to pray throughout November. (Please enclose your donation).

PLEASE NOTE: The only Masses that will appear on the Newsletter during November, will be for DEATH ANNIVERSARIES, BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES (OF THE DECEASED) AND THOSE WHO ARE SICK. Those for any other Mass intentions will be celebrated as soon as possible, at a later date.

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

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY – TODAY, 16th November 2025 we join Archdioceses and Churches throughout the UK for **Safeguarding Sunday** - a National Day of prayer and action, led by the Christian safeguarding charity **Thirtyone:eight**. The theme this year is "**Action Speaks Louder**". We are invited not only to talk about safeguarding, but to take meaningful steps to help create a parish where everyone feels safe, valued and supported. We give thanks for all who quietly work to protect children, young people and adults at risk. Please keep them and those they help in your prayers.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2025 A JUBILEE CELEBRATION! Next Sunday 23rd November An international initiative celebrating The place of young people in the life and mission of the Church. Marking the Jubilee Year, this year's celebration will be more meaningful than ever — uniting young Catholics in faith and hope. Follow the link below to have a look at the resources and see how you can get involved: Jubilee World Youth Sunday 2025 — CYMFED

PHASE TWO OF THE PARISH DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY LAUNCHES IN SEFTON

On 4th November, the second phase of the Parish Development Strategy was officially launched as steering groups from the three Sefton Deaneries came together for a creative and forward-looking workshop. Their task: to imagine what the church of the future could look like.

Using data from a fictional deanery - Hope Deanery - participants were invited to apply the vision of the Archdiocesan Pastoral Plan to the future development of parishes. The data was realistic, but the fictional setting gave space for bold and imaginative thinking, free from local constraints. The impact of the exercise was summed up by participants:

"This has helped us realise what a huge task we have."

"It is exciting to be invited to be part of creating the way the church will be in the future in the Diocese."

"This process is NOT about diminishing or closing, it's about developing – it is life-giving"

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT? In the coming weeks, each Deanery will receive its own realistic data and future projections. They will be invited to engage deeply with the Pastoral Plan and develop up to three proposals for their Deanery that are both missionary in focus and sustainable in practice. This strategy is being rolled out across the Archdiocese, with South Liverpool and Warrington & Widnes the next Deaneries to begin the process. The hope is that within two years, every Deanery will have embarked on this journey—helping us all become the Church God is calling us to be, both now and in the near future.

<u>Until further notice</u>: All Parish enquires Telephone: <u>0151 525 3483 (St. Francis de Sales</u>)

** Office hours: Tuesday-Friday, 7.30-10.30.am.

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