



# The Parish of St Monica and St Francis de Sales

Sefton Coast South Deanery Deanery Patron: *Blessed Lawrence Johnson*

In a family of parishes with St James Bootle

Fr. Ged Callacher EV VF, Parish Priest, Area Dean

Parochial Administrator of St Mary's Little Crosby and St William of York Thornton.

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Becoming the Church God is calling us to be...

## 8th June - Solemnity of Pentecost - 'Whit Sunday'

### The week ahead...

Sat 7th June	<b>Vigil of Pentecost - 'Whit Sunday'</b>	<b>SM Holy Mass 4.30.pm</b> - Joe Cunningham, RIP (A); Jacqueline Moore, RIP (A)  <b>SFDS Holy Mass 6.00.pm</b> - Betty Smith, RIP (A) / Margaret Richards USA (For Healing) / Katrina Craig (Special Intention)
Sun 8th June	<b>Solemnity of Pentecost - 'Whit Sunday'</b>	<b>SM Holy Mass 9.30.am</b> - Thomas McDowell, RIP (A) / James Magee, RIP (A)  <b>SFDS Holy Mass 11.00.am</b> - Patricia McKeivitt, RIP / Special Intention to St. Joseph
<b>SM</b> Mon 9th June	<b>Memorial of The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church</b>	<b>SM Holy Mass 12 noon</b> - Patricia Rankin, RIP / Irene Sonne, RIP
<b>SFDS</b> Tues 10th June	<b>Week 10 in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>SFDS Holy Mass 12 noon</b> - Fr. John Thompson, RIP (90th B'day) / Kenneth (Kenny) Nolan, RIP (B'day)
<b>SM</b> Wed 11th June	<b>Memorial of St. Barnabas</b>	<b>NO LIVESTREAMED ONLINE MASS WITH FR. PAT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE</b>  <a href="https://churchmedia.tv/camera/st-monicas-church">https://churchmedia.tv/camera/st-monicas-church</a>
<b>SM</b> Thurs 12th June	<b>Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the eternal High Priest</b>	<b>SM 12 noon - Requiem Mass</b> for Patricia Grundy.
<b>SFDS</b> Fri 13th June	<b>Memorial of St. Anthony of Padua</b>	<b>SFDS Holy Mass 12 noon</b> - John Griffin, RIP (B'day) / William (Bill) Reynolds, RIP / Katrina Craig (Special Intention)
Sat 14th June	<b>Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity</b>	<b>SM Holy Mass 4.30.pm</b> - Michael Hobson, RIP (A) / Terry Burns, RIP (B'day) <b>SFDS Holy Mass 6.00.pm</b> - Katrina Craig (Special Intention) /
Sun 15th June	<b>Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity</b>	<b>SM Holy Mass 9.30.am</b> - Kathleen Holmes, RIP / Maria Spring, RIP  <b>SFDS Holy Mass - 11.00.am</b> - Billy King, RIP (Father's Day) / Harry McKenna, RIP (Father's Day) / All Fathers, living and dead

**For the lately dead:** *Patricia Grundy, John Hastings, Sheila Gallagher and John Conway.*

**For those whose anniversaries occur about this time:** *Ann Bailey, Joe Cunningham, Jacqueline Moore, Betty Smith, Thomas McDowell, James Magee and Michael Hobson. Eternal rest...*

**CONFESSIONS - St Monica**, Saturday: 3.45-4.15; Monday & Thursday: 11.30-11.50am.

**St. Francis de Sales**, Saturday: 6.50; Tuesday & Friday: 11.30-11.50am.

**DEVOTIONS - St. Monica**, Rosary, Monday & Thursday: 11.30.am.

**St. Francis**, Rosary, Tuesday & Friday: 11.30.am.

*Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament: 11.00-11.50.am.*

**Candles before the Blessed Sacrament:** *Darren (Spec. Int.); Spec. Ints. Lewis & Edie; For Good Results (Anon.); Spec. Int. (Anon.)*

#### **COLLECTIONS FOR 31st May/1st June, 2025**

**St. Mon:** Gift Aid: £309.00. L/Plate: £513.88. **Total: £872.88. World Comm. £342.12.** **(PLEASE NOTE: DAY FOR LIFE SFdS: Gift Aid: £260.00. L/Plate: £519.02. Total: £779.02. World Comm. £220.98. SECOND COLLECTION NEXT W/E.)**

#### **PARISH DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY - PART TWO**

Our Deans have identified three things to bear in mind which they believe are crucial to the success of this process:

##### **CALL, VISION and MISSION.**

**Call – who is called?** As Pope Francis said ‘Everybody, Everybody, Everybody!’ all baptised Catholics who feel connected to our parish and care about the future of our Church, have a part to play in this process.

**Vision - what is the Vision?** We will decide what it will look like in our parish, but we must keep in mind the idea of ‘the Church God wants us to be’ which came out of our local Synod.

We imagined a Church in which everybody feels welcome and safe, especially young people. A Church in which everybody has a part to play, a job to do, and is helped and encouraged to do that special job God has in mind for them.

A Church which is there for all of its people at every stage of their life from birth to death, that celebrates the good times together and cares for each other in times of pain and sadness.

A Church that puts its people and mission before buildings and things but looks after and values the things handed down to us and makes sure that they are put to best possible use of the parish and its mission.

A Church in which leaders make decisions, especially difficult decisions, only after listening in prayer to the whole church guided by the Holy Spirit (that’s all of the interested baptised Catholics) so that everybody understands why the decision made was necessary.

Last, but definitely not least, a Church which takes care of its Priests.

**Mission – what is our mission?** Jesus’s last command to his followers was, ‘go and make disciples of all nations, Baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit’ and this is our mission, to be Jesus present in the this place and time, so that the people in our community have the chance to find out about Him, get to know Him and learn to love Him as we do.

**What can I do now?** As we prepare to get going with this process, the first thing to do is to pray.

**Most importantly, please pray for its success.**

#### **‘PILGRIMS OF HOPE’ PENTECOST WALK – Today, Sunday 8 June - Lots of exciting things planned for the day!**

This year’s walk will start at the Anglican Cathedral at **3.00.pm.** and move to the Metropolitan Cathedral along Hope Street. The theme this year is our Jubilee theme: ‘Pilgrims of Hope’. Parishes and groups are invited to come along with banners which can be carried in the procession.

#### **FAMILY OF PARISHES’ LOURDES PILGRIMAGE - IMPORTANT NOTICE**

We are having a final meeting on **MONDAY, 7TH JULY AT 7.00.pm. IN ST. MONICA’S PARISH CENTRE, AND ALL OUT-STANDING BALANCE PAYMENTS MUST BE PAID AT THIS MEETING - THIS IS THE CUT-OFF DATE FOR YOUR BALANCE TO BE PAID.** For those in a Single Room, the balance owing is £595.00. For those in a twin-shared room, the balance is £475.00. Please note, **PAYMENT IN CASH**, in an envelope with your name, address & contact number clearly written on it, and brought to this meeting on 7th July. Any questions you have regarding the Pilgrimage will be addressed on the night. *(If for any reason you are unable to attend, please ensure that **FULL PAYMENT OF YOUR BALANCE IS PAID** to either Mike Langan **BEFORE THE DATE OF THE MEETING**).*

**AND FINALLY.....Congratulations, love & best wishes to Fr. Ged who will be celebrating his 50th Birthday on 19th June!**

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