



ST FAITH'S
GREAT CROSBY

Fifth Sunday after Trinity
Sunday 20th July 2025

Hymns (Brown Book)

23 Be still, for the presence of the Lord
245 Sweet sacrament divine
238 Soul of my Saviour
116 I come with joy, a child of God

Notices

The Blessed Sacrament Lamp burns this week in memory of Ada Slater, dearly loved mother of Viv. R.I.P.

St Faith's "Going for Bronze" to become an Eco Church – An A Rocha UK Project. Eco-friendly living does not mean doing everything perfectly, it means making better choices, one step at a time. Start with what feels achievable for you and build momentum. Your small actions inspire others, and together we can create a more sustainable world. Look out for the Eco-friendly living tips – coming soon! In the meantime, why not calculate your carbon footprint? Check out the following websites:- <https://zero.giki.earth/>, <https://footprint.wwf.org.uk>. It's quick, easy and fun to do! You don't have to share your results!

100 Club: Membership is still open for our 100 Club! For membership details, please ask David Jones, or email him at david.jones@stfaithsgc.org.uk.

Crosby Housing Association Hygiene Packs: Crosby Housing Association will be providing hygiene packs at this year's free School Uniform Event in August working alongside Caradoc Mission Church in Seaforth (dates and times to follow). If anybody wishes to donate any of the items listed below, they can be dropped in to Crosby Housing Association charity shop at Lorne Road or alternatively please bring any items to St Faith's and Barbara will be happy to collect and deliver. These packs will be made up and given free to families / carers for their children.

- Soap bars, roll on/cream deodorants, shaving gel, female sanitary products, toothbrushes, toothpaste, sponges/face clothes, body sprays (male and female)

Parish Giving Scheme: If you do not give regularly to St Faith's and wish to join our Parish Giving Scheme (subscribing through your bank on a monthly basis), please ask David Jones for details or use this link - <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/great-crosby-st-faith-liverpool/>. All enquiries are confidential.

Children's Ministry: St. Mary's are keen to reinstate our children's work but in order to do so we need more volunteers to join our team. Our next event is Holiday Club at St. Mary's 2nd August to 4th August with Nature as the theme. You would need to have a DBS certificate or be willing to get one and be enthusiastic with a good sense of humour. If you want to know more, please contact Louis or Jill at St. Mary's.

We are looking to grow and develop our worship and serving teams: If you are interested in leading intercessions (saying prayers), reading a passage from scripture during a service, administering a chalice at communion, becoming an acolyte (carrying a candle), a thurifer (swinging the incense), or crucifer (carrying the cross), or acting as a sidesperson/welcomer, or if you're just interested in finding out about any or all of this, then please contact: Rev. Dr Louis Johnson 07947 752 399 / louis.johnson@stfaithsgc.org.uk, or speak to a church warden or member of the clergy team after the service - everyone is welcome to have a go at anything and to explore whether you feel God is calling you to develop your Christian discipleship and worshipping life in this way!

Events

Rosary Prayers on **Sunday 3rd August** at **9:40am.** in the Chapel of the Cross. Please add any names for prayer to the board at the back of church. Everyone is welcome to join us for this time of quiet contemplation.

St Mary's Holiday Club for 5 to 11 year olds with 'Nature' as the Theme. **Monday 4th to Wednesday 6th August, 10am to 4pm.** For further details please contact Fr. Louis at Louis.johnson@stfaithsgc.org.uk or Jill at St Mary's on 07813 727 757.

This Week's Services

This Sunday 11:00am, Eucharist Fifth Sunday after Trinity	Fr. Louis Johnson
Monday 21st July, 9:30am Morning Prayer	Fr. Louis Johnson
Wednesday 23rd July, 10:30am Eucharist at St Mary's	Fr. Louis Johnson

Thursday 24th July, 12 noon Low Mass	Fr. Louis Johnson
Next Sunday 11:00am Sixth Sunday after Trinity	Fr. Steve Hall Readings: Genesis 18.20-32, Psalm 138, Colossians 2.6-15 (16-19), Luke 11.1-13

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Please keep in your prayers

The Diocese: St John Walton: Fran Myatt, Walton Team (St Mary, St Aiden, St Nathaniel): Fiona Pennie, Michael Freeman, Jean Flood, Emmanuel Fazakerley: Mike Hindley, Joy Gambardella, St Paul Fazakerley: Andy Brown, Ricky Panter, Jane Panter, Litherland Team: Andrew Stott, Ravi Sangra, Alan Finch, Gwen Carter, Sue Green, Norma Manton, Jenny Brady, Judith Ronan, Andrea Gray: St Philip School, Christ Church Bootle: vacancy, Josie Williams: Christ Church School, Bedford School: Christ Church Youth and Community Centre.

Parish: Galloway Road, Molyneux Road, Milton Road, Stuart Road.

The World: For peace in all areas of conflict in the world. For those affected by fires, floods, famines and earthquakes. For emergency workers working in disaster areas. For refugees, asylum seekers and agencies that help them. For good stewardship of the earth and its resources. For all victims of cruelty, injustice and exploitation.

The Church: The unity of all Christians everywhere. Archbishop Stephen, Bishop Ruth, Ven Pete Spiers, our Archdeacon, Area Dean Rev. Alex Peach, Churches in the South Sefton Deanery, and local ecumenical partners.

Those who are sick: Joan McKortel, Sheila Roberts, Alistair Byron, Peter Smith, Fr. Michael Brinkworth, Angie Price, Susie Greenwood, Jill Deeprose, John Hartley, Brenda and David Towler, Holly Keira Barnes, Ken Welsby, Steve Seneviratne.

The recently departed: Fr. Vincent Strudwick, Kevin Lloyd.

Those who are to be remembered at this time: Susan Mary Martin, William Groves, Ivy Newsham, Mike Slemen, Mabel Pickup, May Clegg, Fr Frank Green SSM, Kenneth Clark, Doris Clark, Alan Rowland Jones, John McKortel, Mary Helen Stemberge, Maybell Perks, Sheila Grant, John Woodley, Avis Port, Eric Armstrong, Stanley Joseph Howard, Joyce Morris, Rachel Leather, Philip Palmer, Ada Annie Trapnell, James Edward Dickinson, Muriel Somerville, Peggy Pierce, Michael Harwood.

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading, Genesis 18.1-10a

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, 'My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on - since you have come to your servant.' So they said, 'Do as you have said.' And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, 'Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.' Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, 'Where is your wife Sarah?' And he said, 'There, in the tent.' Then one said, 'I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.' And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him.

Psalm 15

Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? Who may rest upon your holy hill? Whoever leads an uncorrupt life and does the thing that is right; Who speaks the truth from the heart and bears no deceit on the tongue; Who does no evil to a friend and pours no scorn on a neighbour; In whose sight the wicked are not esteemed, but who honours those who fear the Lord. Whoever has sworn to a neighbour and never goes back on that word; Who does not lend money in hope of gain, nor takes a bribe against the innocent; Whoever does these things shall never fall.

Second Reading, Colossians 1.15-28

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers - all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him - provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

We do not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Alleluia.

Gospel, Luke 10.38-end

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.' But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.'

Post Communion

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.