



**ST FAITH'S**  
GREAT CROSBY

**Eighth Sunday after Trinity**  
Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2025

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### *Hymns*

367 God of grace  
343 Be thou my vision  
209 Through all the changing scenes of life  
184 Jerusalem the golden

### *Notices*

**The Blessed Sacrament lamp** burns week in memory of Fr William Hassall (Vicar of St Faith's from 1948-65), and his much-loved sister, Vera, who greatly supported him in his Ministry here. R.I.P.

**100 Club:** Congratulations to our August winners – 1<sup>st</sup> prize (£85) Bill and Barbara Dagnall; 2<sup>nd</sup> prize (£45) Carolanne Leary; 3<sup>rd</sup> prize (£30) Angela Woodley. The next draw will be on **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September**, so you have time to join if you're not already a member! Please ask David Jones for details, or email him at [david.jones@stfaithsgc.org.uk](mailto:david.jones@stfaithsgc.org.uk)

**Kind Hearts Cafe Volunteers:** Now that Rita is back from her holidays, a big thank you to the Kind Hearts Café volunteers for repainting the hall kitchen and gent's toilet and giving the bathroom facilities a good clean!

**Movement for Good:** Nominate a charity or church to win them £1,000. Please visit <https://movementforgood.com/> to place your vote!

**Contact Details:** If you have joined St Faith's Church within the last 12 months, please check with Corinne Hedgecock that we have your contact details, in case of illness. Details will not be shared and will be held by the wardens and ministry team only.

**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!

**Eco-Friendly Living Tips:** Welcome to your Eco-Friendly living tips for August. Save water – save money:-

- Wash your car with a bucket instead of a hose – this can save approx. 220 litres of water.
- Stop watering your lawn – instead, wait for the rain to water your lawn. It is okay to let your grass go brown during dry spells. It will bounce back again as soon as it rains!
- Use a watering can instead of a hose – garden sprinklers and hosepipes left running can use between 500 and 1,000 litres of water an hour!

**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.

## Events

**Quiz Night:** Quiz Night at St Faith's Parish Hall on **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September** at **7pm** in aid of Sean's Place, supporting men's mental health. Tickets are £5 on the door or call 07510 219 705.

## This Week's Services

<b>This Sunday 11:00am, Eucharist Eighth Sunday after Trinity</b>	Fr. Steve Hall Paula Lampard
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<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> August, 9:30am</b> <b>Morning Prayer</b>	Fr. Louis Johnson
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> August, 10:30am</b> <b>Eucharist at St Mary's</b>	Fr. Louis Johnson
<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August, 12 noon</b> <b>Low Mass</b>	Fr. Dennis Smith
<b>Next Sunday 10:30am, Eucharist</b> <b>St Mary's Patronal Festival</b>	Revd. Alex Peach, Area Dean of Sefton South Deanery <i>Readings: Isaiah 61.10,11, Galatians 4.4-7, Luke 1.46-55</i>

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## Please keep in your prayers

**The Diocese:** Holy Trinity Formby & St Michael and All Angels Altcar, Trinity St Peter School, Redgate School, St Peter Formby, Freshfield School, Formby High School, Trinity St Peter School, St Michael with St Thomas Ditton, Spinney Avenue School, St Basil & All Saints Hough Green, All Saints Upton School, East Widnes Team (St Luke Farnworth, St Ambrose Widnes, Cronton Mission), Cronton School, Farnworth School, Lunts Heath School, South Widnes Team (St Mary Hale, St Mary Widnes), Hale School, Halebank School.

**Parish:** Myers Road East, Myers Road West, Crosby Road North, Belvidere Road, College Avenue, College 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, Holly Keira Barnes, Ken Welsby, Steve Seneviratne.

**Those who are to be remembered at this time:** John Henry Williamson Goodwin, Vashti Jane Fay, Ivy Pertee, Cissie Sayle, Frederick Alsop Dew, Dora Thompson, Jane Fay, James Edwin Lightfoot, Bernie McGovern, Christopher Gray (Priest), Rose Price, Dorothy Carter, Peter Stoddard, Annie Smith, John Miller (Priest), Harry Armstrong, James Holmes, Thomas Manning.

## *The Collect*

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; 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 15.1-6*

After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the Lord came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

## *Psalm 33*

Happy the nation whose God is the Lord and the people he has chosen for his own. The Lord looks down from heaven and beholds all the children of earth. From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze on all who dwell on the earth. He fashions all the hearts of them and understands all their works. No king is saved by the might of his host; no warrior delivered by his great strength. A horse is a vain hope for deliverance; for all its strength it cannot save. Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon those who fear him, on those who wait in hope for his steadfast love, To deliver their soul from death and to feed them in time of famine. Our soul waits longingly for the Lord; he is our help and our shield. Indeed, our heart rejoices in him; in his holy name have we put our trust. Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us, as we have set our hope on you.



## ***Second Reading, Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16***

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old - and Sarah herself was barren - because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, 'as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.' All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

### **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.

You have the words of eternal life.

**Alleluia.**

## ***Gospel, Luke 12.32-40***

'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. 'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. 'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'



## *Post Communion*

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever.