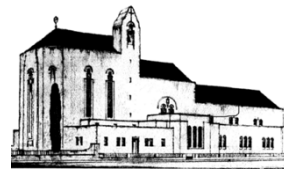


THE PARISH CHURCH OF SAINT COLUMBA, ANFIELD



'MISSIONARY DISCIPLES: POINTING PEOPLE TO JESUS'

Sunday 14th September 2025

We extend a warm welcome to all who are joining us for worship today and especially to those who may be worshipping with us for the first time. St Columba's is an Anglican parish firmly rooted in the Catholic tradition. We strive to be Missionary Disciples who point others to Jesus Christ. Our worship is focussed on the presence and beauty of God – it is our prayer that you encounter Him here, today.

After Mass

We hope that you will be able to stay for some refreshments and a chance to meet new friends.

We try to be a child-friendly Church.

Please don't worry if your baby cries during the service, that's natural and it's what babies do. We run a Sunday School, 'Columba's Crew' on most Sundays, and your child is most welcome to participate. All our leaders are DBS checked. Should you wish to take your baby or a restless child out during the service, please feel free. At the back of church we have a selection of colouring/activity sheets and books for babies and small children.

About our Readings...

In John's Gospel, Jesus' death on the cross as well as his resurrection and return to the Father are one event. For him, the cross is a sign of exaltation. The serpent that Moses lifted up in the desert to offer healing to those injured by snake bites prefigures Jesus' being lifted up on the cross, bringing salvation. The eternal life God offers through Jesus is not life without end but life lived in the unending presence of God. That is why it can begin now in this life. The world to which God sends the Son is not a place but those people who are at odds with Jesus and God. Jesus is sent to this world as a gift. Only believers accept the gift. Finally, God's judgment on the world is not a future cosmic event but a present reality. God sent the Son out of love for the world. However, the world has to decide to accept him. Those who accept him have eternal life at the moment of the decision. Those who reject him don't.

Who's who

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Please inform one of the clergy at any time of those who require the Last Rites of the Church.

Food Pantry – Columba’s Kitchen

Setup: 18th September, 11.30 am

Columba’s Kids – Toddler Group

Our new toddler group will begin on 23rd September at 9.30 am. Do you have children/grandchildren you can bring along? This is a really easy way to make some first links with Church for them. If you don’t bring them, perhaps you can encourage your family to do so!

Family Mass

Next Mass – 5th October at 4.00 pm

St Paul’s Chapel/outside Lady Chapel

Following a collapse in the ceiling, the architect has advised that, until the plasterwork is completely removed, people do not use this area for prayer. Please avoid it, and when returning to your seat after Communion, please do so quickly as more plaster may fall. Thank you for your understanding.

Midweek Masses

Take place in Church at present.

Welcome

To those who are joining us today from parishes across the diocese.

Mission Events

Sunday 14th September, ‘Finding Glory near the Cross’ – St Agnes, 6pm this is a service in which you can invite those along who you would like to see come to faith. Be thinking who you can bring...

Tuesday 16th September, An evening with Bishop Lindsay on sharing the faith today: ‘Renewing the Old Fashioned Church’. St Columba’s, 7.00 pm.

Please sign up to all events.

Fr Daniel

Is away on a course this week from Wed – Fri. Please do contact Fr Tom or the wardens if you need a priest.

Young Adults

The group meets on 15th September at St John’s Tuebrook for short time of prayer and talk with Bp Lindsay before heading off for a meal. Please do sign up so we can book at table.

Bingo

The next bingo takes place on Friday 26th September at 7.30 pm.

Services & Activities

This week

Day	Mass	Other Services/Activities
Sunday 14th September Holy Cross Day	Parish Mass & Confirmation, 10.30 am	
Tuesday 16 th September <i>Feria</i>	Votive Mass for the Church, 6.30 pm	Renewing the Old Fashioned Church, 7 pm
Wednesday 17 th September <i>Feria</i>	Mass, 9.30 am	Bible Study, 10.15 am
Thursday 18 th September <i>Feria</i>		Columba's Kitchen Setup, 11.30 am.
Friday 19 th September <i>Feria</i>		Columba's Kitchen, 9.30 am.
Sunday 21st September XXV in Ordinary Time	Mass, 9.00 am Parish Mass, 10.30 am	

Please pray for:

The sick: Ellie, Sophie Leavesley, Jo Todd, Margaret Brooks, Derek Smith, Fr Ray Bridson, Robert Louie Jones, Joanne Robinson, Angela Manning, Baby Azriel, Roger Johnson, Eileen Robertson, Mark Wilson, Cath Robinson, Jean Gibson, Jacqui Russell, Tony McFadden, Barbara Lightfoot, Jennifer Dowds, Pam Smith, John James Smith, Vicky Goldie, Brian Tarte, HM The King and HRH The Princess of Wales.

Recently Departed: Nancy Hayes.

Anniversary of Death: John Jenkins, Geoff Connor, Debbie Bingham, Bill Coxhead, Jane Wall, Angela Robinson, James Crabb, Syd Bradley, Sue Newton, Jean Riley, Basil Ugochukwu & Brenda Scraton.