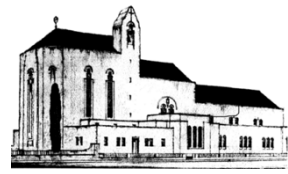


THE PARISH CHURCH OF SAINT COLUMBA, ANFIELD



'MISSIONARY DISCIPLES: POINTING PEOPLE TO JESUS'

Sunday 3rd May 2026

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...

Today's Gospel takes us back in time to an event in Jesus' life before his Passion. Jesus tells his disciples that he is going to prepare a place for them in his Father's house. He promises that where he is going, his disciples will be able to follow. Jesus explains that he himself is the way, the truth, and the life.

In knowing and loving Jesus, the disciples now love God the Father. Philip then makes a request that challenges Jesus' words. Philip wants Jesus to show the Father to the disciples. Recall that Jesus has just told his disciples, "If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him." The connection between Jesus and his Father, between Jesus' work and the work of the Father, is made clear in today's Gospel. Jesus is in the Father, and God the Father is in Jesus. As God spoke his name to Moses, "I am," so too Jesus speaks his name to his disciples: "I am the way and the truth and the life."

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

If you have a safeguarding concern and you wish to talk to somebody, please contact the Vicar or the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

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Food Pantry – Columba’s Kitchen

Setup: Thursday, 11.30 am

Bible Study

10.30 am in the Hall on Wednesday.

St Paul’s Chapel & Aisle

Work is continuing in these locations, please note they are out of bounds.

Electoral Roll

The roll is open for additions/alterations. Cut off today.

Family Mass

Next date: TBC

Used Postage Stamps

The Bible Reading Fellowship are collecting these. Please pass any you have to Adrian, thank you.

Foodbank

Since the opening of our pantry collecting for the Foodbank has more or less stopped. We need to try and get this going again in order to support those in emergencies. Donations can be made in the hall.

PCC

A reminder the PCC meets today. Please head to the upper room for the meeting.

Midweek Masses

It is hoped that we will be back in the Lady Chapel for our midweek celebrations.

Visitor

We are delighted that +Lindsay will be with us today. Thank you for breaking open the word and celebrating the eucharist! And teaching the children!

Parish Bingo

Friday 8th May, 7.30 pm for 8.00 pm start.

APCM

The APCM will take place on 31st May after the Parish Mass. Please make every effort to attend.

Vacancies

There are a number of vacancies for Warden, Deanery Synod & PCC. Please see Fr Daniel if you are interested in standing – it’d be good to avoid an election! Cut off for nomination forms after Parish Mass on 16th May.

Fr Daniel

Is covering the Mass at St Agnes, Toxteth next Sunday (10th) as they are now in interregnum. The early Mass next Sunday will be at 8.45 am.

Services & Activities

This week

Day	Mass	Other Services/Activities
Sunday 3rd May Easter V	Mass, 9.00 am Parish Mass, 10.30 am <i>with +Lindsay Urwin</i>	Children's Confirmation Class, 12.30 pm PCC, 12.30 pm
Tuesday 5 th May <i>of Easter V</i>	Mass, 7.00 pm	
Wednesday 6 th May <i>of Easter V</i>	Mass, 10.00 am	Bible Study, 10.30 am.
Thursday 7 th May <i>of Easter V</i>		Pantry Setup, 11.30 am.
Friday 8 th May <i>of Easter V</i>		Columba's Kitchen, 9.30 am Bingo, 7.30 pm
Sunday 10th May Easter VI	Mass, 8.45 am Parish Mass, 10.30 am	

Please pray for:

The sick: Ellie, Vicky Goldie, Michael Riddick, Jennifer Dowds, Pauline Skinner, Margaret Brooks, Joanne Robinson, Derek Smith, Tom Gregory, Fr Ray Bridson, Charlie Neill, Jean Gibson, Gladys Jump, Joanne Kerr, Stephen Coxhead, Eunice Jones, Libby Humphries, Craig Waters, Nick Walsh, Andrew Kummerfeld, Ann Sweeney, Rev Norma Nelson & Lynda O'Leary.

Recently Departed: Amy Roberts, Linda Campbell, Harry Christian & John Redmond.

Anniversary of Death: Alan Robinson, Audrey Farwell, Pat Woosey, Tony Hoban, Joseph Ardis, William Lashley, Brian Woodbridge, Anne Bridson, George Topping, Monica Hill, Dean Crompton, Francis Amos, Bill Corkish & Lily Keeble.