



ST FAITH'S
GREAT CROSBY



The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 2nd August 2026

Hymns

262 Alleluia, sing to Jesus
290 We plough the fields
115 Dear Lord and Father
214 Guide me O thou

Notices

The Blessed Sacrament Lamp burns this week in ever-loving memory of **Sarah Ann** and **Ernest James Mayberry**, perfect grandparents of Judy. Ann Berry from Altcar met Ernest Mayberry from Monmouthshire, in Formby, when he was invalided from Gallipoli to the military hospital at Hightown. They created a family home rich in memories in Caithness Drive. **R.I.P.**

The Blessed Sacrament Lamp is a beautiful way to honour and remember special birthdays and anniversaries in the lives of your loved ones. The diaries are now fully updated and ready for dates up to the end of the year. Please talk to Judy if there are people you would like to remember. Donations from £5, for Church Funds.

Donations and Giving: We rely on generous individual giving for much of our income at St Faith's. If you are a UK taxpayer, donations can be Gift Aided to provide additional benefit to the church and your donation can be inflation linked. If you worship here regularly then please consider joining the Parish Giving Scheme by using this link - <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/great-crosby-st-faith-liverpool/>. There is a contactless donation point at the back of church for phone or card use.

100 Club: The 100 Club prize draw for August will take place after the morning service today. There will be an additional £45 second prize as one was not claimed last month. Membership is still open for our 100 Club. For membership details, please ask David Jones, or email him at david.jones@stfaithsgc.org.uk

Monthly Rosary and Our Lady of Walsingham Group Meetings: These will resume in September – further details to follow.

Events

Armed Forces Prayer Group: Meeting at St Faith's on **Wednesday 5th August** at **7:30pm** There is much to pray for as UK troops are deployed to challenging and dangerous assignments, worldwide. Please join us if you are able. The prayer time is an opportunity to pray with others who are concerned about our armed forces personnel, their families and all those affected by their work.

Light refreshments will be available after the prayer time and chance to meet some of those who support this monthly event. Meeting ends by 9:00pm.

This Week's Services

This Sunday 11:00am, Eucharist The Ninth Sunday after Trinity	Fr. Steve Hall
This Sunday, 1:15pm Baptism: Paislee Grace Garrity and Orla Rose Garrity	Fr. Steve Hall
Monday – Thursday, 9:30am Morning Prayer	
Thursday 6th August, 12:00pm Eucharist	Fr. Steve Hall Mthr. Iona Morphet
Next Sunday, 11:00am, Eucharist The Tenth Sunday after Trinity	Fr. Louis Johnson <i>Readings: 1 Kings 19.9-18, Psalm 85.8-13, Romans 10.5-15, Matthew 14.22-33</i>

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Please keep in your prayers

The Diocese: St Gabriel Huyton Quarry, St Gabriel's CE Primary School, St Mary Prescott, St Paul Prescott, St Mary & St Paul CE Primary School, St Michael Huyton, Huyton with Roby Primary School, St Nicholas Whiston, 4 Saints Team (St Jude Stockbridge Village, St George Huyton, St Luke West Derby, St Mary Knowsley), Hope RC/CE Primary School, Kirkby Team (St Chad Kirkby, St Martin Southdene, St Andrew Tower Hill), Kirkby CE Primary School.

Parish: Allenby Avenue, Rutherglen Avenue, Parkway, Glenby Avenue, Dorbett Drive, Derwent 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. And, at this time of heightened tension, we pray for Jewish communities around the UK, particularly our friends and neighbours in the Southport Hebrew Congregation and Southport Reform Synagogue, and for peaceful, respectful, positive relationships between communities and individuals of all faiths and none.

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

Those who are sick: Joan McKortel, Alistair Byron, Angie Price, Susie Greenwood, Jill Deeprose, Martin Goodwin, Jan Huyton, Di Jackson, Gill Welsby, Peggy Mattison, David Bateson, Paula Millen.

The recently departed: Edward Stourton.

Those who are to be remembered at this time: Richard Roberts, John Dilworth Cormode, Vorley Spencer-Ellis (Priest), Barbara Ronson, Josie Lowton, Beatrice Eleanor Rollerson, James William Curran, Rick Davies, Frank Sharples, Eliza Jane Smith, George Victor Conalty, Marjorie Jones, Mark Edwards, Edna McGovern, Barbara Wragg, Elizabeth Battersby, Pope Paul VI, Hilda Georgiadis, Mary Elizabeth Hewitson, Jim Smith, Constance Byron, Alan Hilton, Sue Green.

The Collect

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading, Isaiah 55.1-5

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

Psalm 145 v 14-end

Response (congregation):-

I will bless you and praise you forever, O God my king.

The Lord is sure in all his words and faithful in all his deeds.

The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up all those who are bowed down.

I will bless you and praise you forever, O God my king.

The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

You open wide your hand and fill all things living with plenty.

The Lord is righteous in all his ways and loving in all his works.

I will bless you and praise you forever, O God my king.

The Lord is near to those who call upon him, to all who call upon him faithfully.

He fulfils the desire of those who fear him; he hears their cry and saves them.

I will bless you and praise you forever, O God my king.

The Lord watches over those who love him, but all the wicked shall he destroy.

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord,

and let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever.

I will bless you and praise you forever, O God my king.

Second Reading, Romans 9.1-5

I am speaking the truth in Christ - I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit - I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I

myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.

Alleluia, Alleluia.

We do not live by bread alone,

But by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Alleluia.

Gospel, Matthew 14.13-21

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' Jesus said to them, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' They replied, 'We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.' And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Post Communion

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.