



Holy Apostles and Martyrs Parish

Part of Wallasey Local Missionary Area (LMA 21)

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Christmas Family Heritage Day is today **Sunday 12th December 3-5pm, (3pm start)**. Come and join us for a fun afternoon in church of children's crafts and activities. Admission is free and festive refreshments will be provided! Please email Rachel at rach.culkin@hotmail.co.uk to book

Holy Communion at home – If anyone you know is unable to come to Church and would like a home visit or receive Holy Communion at home, please contact Fr Phil or Deacon Jim.

Eucharistic Adoration this week – Monday after **9.30 Mass until 10.30am**. Tuesday before **6.45pm Mass from 6.15pm**

Refugees – It is very important that we as a parish help and support our friends living at the Grove as best we can and we are working closely with our local churches and other agencies to do this. Thank you for your donations last week to the collection, if you would like to contribute this weekend please see Fr Phil or Deacon Jim. Still needed are **underwear and socks** (all the refugees are male) and there is a collection box at the back of Church for these items. We will be holding a social afternoon next Sunday to say welcome to them all, thank you to those who have volunteered to help. We will update you further as to what other help and support is needed, many thanks, Fr Phil

Christmas Mass Times are:

Christmas Eve - Friday 24 December

5.30pm - Children's Christmas Mass

7.30pm - Carol Service followed by

8.00pm - Christmas Night Mass

Christmas Day- Saturday 25th December

10.30am - Christmas Morning Mass

Holy Family Sunday Sunday 26th December

9.30am – Mass

11.00am – Mass

**Please note there will be no Mass on Christmas Day at 6pm. Please arrive early to all Christmas Masses as there is no booking system this year*

Please let people know our Christmas Mass times and encourage as many as possible to come and celebrate the birth of Jesus with us this Christmas!

12th December 2021
3rd Sunday of Advent
Year C
Psalter Week III

First Reading
Zephaniah 3: 14-18

Response to Psalm
Sing and shout for joy
for great in your midst
is the Holy One of
Israel.

Second Reading
Phillipians 4: 4-7

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The spirit of the Lord has been given to me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor. Alleluia!

Gospel
Luke 3: 10-18

Please pray for our sick, housebound in our parish. May the Lord in his love & mercy help them through the grace of the Holy Spirit.

Rest in Peace
Please pray for **Victoria Coverdale, Jeffrey Wallace** and all those who have died recently those whose anniversaries occur around this time

Contacts

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Our parish SVP conference

helps anyone in our community who needs some kind of support. Please

email ham.svpconference@gmail.com and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

The UCM Holy Apostles and Martyrs (Evening Group) -

There is no meeting this week.

Finance - The offertory collection last weekend totalled **£429** (plus £498 standing orders). Many thanks for your continued generosity.

Church Garden Progress The benches, made from recycled plastic, have been installed in the Martyrs garden. There may be some alteration to the front garden in readiness for the building work so please be warned. We are taking a break over Christmas and will restart on 10th January.

Fairtrade stall There is new stock of our 'alternative selection boxes', filled with Divine Chocolate and lovingly made by Mary. £3.75 each for 5 bars and also of rice, honey, strawberry jam, Medjoul dates and delicious new flavoured large Divine chocolate bars. All fairtrade!

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Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday **6.00pm** (People of the Parish)

Sunday **9.30am** (Victoria Coverdale)

11.00am (Dot Hargreaves)

Monday **9.30am** (Jeffrey Wallace)

Tuesday **6.45pm** (Roy Ostle)

Wednesday **9.30am** (Carol Read)

Thursday **9.30am** (Colin Tomenson)

Friday **9.30am** (Priest's Private Intention)

Saturday **6.00pm** (Orlando Heeson)

Sunday **9.30am** (People of Parish)

11.00am (Douglas Laverie)

Readers Rota - a new Rota for January to March 2022 will be issued soon. Please let Claire know your planned absences a.s.a.p. We also need volunteers to cover the Readings at our Christmas Celebrations on Friday 24th & Saturday 25th December. Please email: chether32@gmail.com, or call/text 07948 727504. Many Thanks.

Live Simply Award We need your help, please! The assessment will be on Sunday 23rd January, 11am mass and afterwards when Eileen and Vin Brennan will visit the parish. We have been working towards this award for nearly two years and are now writing up our parish actions. Please can you send in your comments and testaments to show how Living Simply has changed your life style or ideas? These are some of our actions: Car Idling Campaign, Missio box collections, recycling information, New Year's pledges, information on the parish website, church garden, Climate Sunday, Laudato Si' celebrations, Cop26 prayers and petitions, fairtrade, food bank. Please contact Anne on 07910960316 or email ham.creation.2020@gmail.com

CAFOD World Gifts As we rejoice in once again celebrating Christmas with our loved ones, let us spread our joy around the world by having a CAFOD World Gift under the tree. From energy saving stoves to weatherproof crops to emergency shelters, CAFOD's virtual charity gifts help transform the lives of families living in poverty. Buy online at cafod.org.uk/worldgifts or [pick up a catalogue in church today.](#)

VCT is holding a Street Nativity in the front car park of St. Mary's College on Friday 17 Dec at 4.30. This is a live crib, with narration, music, and carols. A lot of help and support is needed, details on a poster on the Notice Board. Most important is that you support us on the day, with children where possible, to join in the celebration. Contact Frank: 07711017967

SVP Christmas Hamper Raffle for the Sudan Baby feeding

project. We were not able to hold the annual raffle last year but it will take place again this Advent. Sudan is once again plunged into conflict with repercussions on the civilian population that make our support more urgent than ever. As ever we rely on your generosity towards this once-a-year effort to support this vital project.
