

## **Ss COLUMBA & JOHN FISHER HUYTON & KNOWSLEY VILLAGE**

23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year C  
Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025

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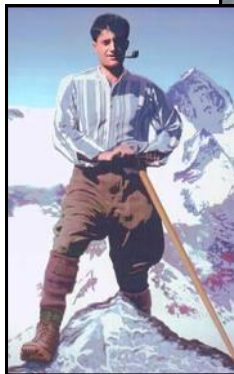
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### **Two New Saints**

This Sunday Pope Leo will declare two new saints for the church. Blessed Carlo Acutis was born in London but spent most of his life in Italy. He died in 2006 aged 15. He had a deep devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and he created a website cataloguing Eucharistic miracles from around the world. Carlo regularly explained church teaching to his friends and led many towards a deeper faith by his enthusiasm and own personal witness and faith.

Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati was another Italian born in 1901. He was born into a wealthy family but was always inspired by Catholic social action and charity. He was a keen mountaineer and adopted his own personal motto of 'To the Heights' reflecting both his sporting and physical activity alongside his great faith. He died young in 1925 after contracting polio while he was caring for the sick himself.

These two new young saints will remind us in this Jubilee year of hope that faith, witness and the call to holiness remains alive in the church and world. We can pray that these new saints may also help our young people to see the value of faith and social action. We hope that these new saints may help our young people and indeed ourselves to be inspired by such witness.



## **Eucharistic Ministers and Our Care Homes**



We will have a short gathering of those Eucharistic Ministers who have expressed a willingness to take Holy Communion to residents in the care homes within our parish. If you are not currently a Eucharistic Minister but feel that you would be interested in this work and role please come along to the meeting. Training can be arranged for anyone wishing to become a Eucharistic Minister.

We will meet at St Columba's on Tuesday 16th September at 7pm



### **Cheese and wine Evening**

Join us for cheese and wine, on Friday 3rd October at 7.00 pm in the meeting room at St John Fisher. Catch up with old friends and new. There may even be pate and soft drinks for those who do not like cheese and

wine! It would be good to have an idea of numbers to help with catering so if you've already made your mind up you are coming please let Dave or Fr Mike know.

Donations on the door welcome. See you there!

## **Parish Coach Trip to Chester and the Christmas Markets - Advance Notice**

After our successful trip to Llandudno we are planning another coach trip, this time to Chester and the Christmas Markets. This is just advance notice as we are still arranging bookings, costings and timings for this. The date for your diary is Wednesday 26th November

## **Parish Visitation**

We will be having a parish visitation by Bishop Tom Williams in October. This is a formal process that takes place from time to time in every parish in the Archdiocese. Bishop Tom has already visited our parish primary schools last term in preparation for his weekend visit. He will celebrate the Mass over the weekend 11th/12th October and will be available after Masses too. More details will be given nearer the time.



# Masses & Services This Week

## **Weekend 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> September**

Saturday 5.30pm Mass at St JF (People of the Parish)

Sunday 11.00am Mass at St C (John James Murphy)

## **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September**

9.15am Eucharistic Service at St C

## **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September**

9.15am Mass at St JF (John Kemp)

## **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September**

9.15am Eucharistic Service at St C

## **Next Weekend 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> September**

Saturday 5.30pm Mass at St JF (People of the Parish)

Sunday 11.00am Mass at St C (Janek - for a successful operation)

**Confession** - available before and after Mass or by appointment

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## **Collections:**

Weeks 7th July - 10th Aug TOTAL £1,756.24

## **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

The next dates for Children's Liturgy at the 11am Mass will be

September 14th

October 12th

November 9th

December 7th



We also hope to hold a family faith and craft event during Advent on Sunday 14th December. More details to follow.





## **Dates for Your Diaries**

After last weeks Parish Committee meeting there are lots of events planned for this next term.

Here are just some dates for your diaries but there may be more coming! Details of the events will be forthcoming nearer the time.

**Tuesday 16th September - Meeting for Eucharistic Ministers** who are willing to visit our local care homes at St C

**Friday 3rd October - Cheese and Wine Evening** at St JF

**Thursday 16th October - Parish Committee Meeting** at St C

**Friday 24th October Quiz Night** at St C

**Wednesday 12th November - Mass for the Dead** at St C

**Wednesday 26th November - Coach Trip to Chester and Christmas Markets**

**Friday 28th November - Film Night** at St JF

**Wednesday 3rd December - Advent Service of Light and Darkness** at St JF

**Sunday 14th December - Christmas Family Craft Day**

**Sat 20th December - Mulled Wine and Mince Pies** after Mass at St JF



### **Please pray for the sick of our parish:**

Joan Haigh, Norma Pritchard, M. Rivi, Loretta McDonnell, Thomas Hopkins, Amy Murphy, Joseph Cameron, Rowan Sanderson, Karen Duffy, James Murphy, Elizabeth Jones, Anne Horsley, John Dempsey, June Courtney, Gillian Kerwin.

## **Parish Safeguarding Representative**

Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is

Jan Box 0151 548 5268

Please make contact if you have any concerns relating to the safeguarding of children or vulnerable adults in our parish.