

THIS WEEKEND	Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time		Year C
Sat 5th February <i>St Agatha</i>	10.00am	ST MM	Yr 5 First Holy Communion Mass
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	12.00pm	St MM	Yr 5 First Holy Communion Mass
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	5.00pm	St O	Mary Terry, Bernadette & Maurice Wilson B'Day Remembrances
	6.30pm	St T	Parishioners
Sun 6th February	8.30am	St O	Violet & Harry Singleton & Family
	9.30am	St T	Parishioners
	11.00am	St MM	Donald McManaman (LD)
<b>Divine Office Week 1</b>			
Mon 7th February	9.30am	St O	Holy Souls
Tues 8th February	9.15am	St T	Bernard Hothersall (A)
	9.30am	St O	Priest's Intention
Wed 9th February	9.30am	St MM	John Connolly B'day Remembrance Veronica Schultz (Deceased)
Thu 10th February	9.30am	St O	Priest's Intention
	7.00pm	St T	Barbara Hope (A), Malcolm Beale (A)
Fri 11th February	9.15am	St T	Priest's Intention
	9.30am	St O	Priest's Intention
	11.00am	St T	<i>Funeral Service:</i> Roy Hatsell
NEXT WEEKEND	Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time		Year C
Sat 12th February	5.00pm	St O	David & Teresa Muir (A) Claire Armstrong (Ill) Jack Grant B'Day Remembrance
	6.30pm	St T	Jason Nickford (A)
Sun 13th February	8.30am	St O	Parishioners
	9.30am	St T	Parishioners
	11.00am	St MM	Donald McManamon (LD) Paddy Killeen B'day Remembrance



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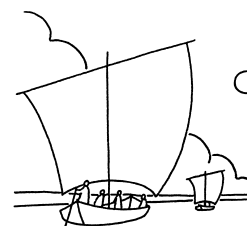
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## 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time 6th February 2022

*'Put out into deep water!'*

The readings for this Sunday speak of Christ's call to us, and the mission given to each of us to follow him and to proclaim the Lord's message. The prophet Isaiah describes a vision of the Lord of Hosts (**First Reading**). Although overwhelmed by his own sinfulness, the prophet experiences the gift of forgiveness and answers the call to be the Lord's messenger. The **Psalmist** is full of praise and thanks for all the gifts that the Lord brings; he is overcome with gratitude that the Lord has answered his call. In the **Second Reading**, St Paul tells the Corinthians that however unworthy his previous life has been, he has been given the grace to teach others. What he teaches has been handed down from the apostles and others who knew Jesus and witnessed his resurrection, and is the source of our belief.

In the **Gospel** we read of Jesus's calling of Simon, James and John. Having fished all night without success, the disciples respond to Jesus's invitation to 'put out into deep water', and are rewarded with an enormous catch of fish. Assuring them they have nothing to fear, Jesus gives them their mission as fishers of people.

This week, we pray that as we hear Christ calling us to our own unique mission, we will have the courage to put aside our fears of unworthiness. We ask the Lord for the grace to place all our faith and trust in him, and for the generosity to play our part in building his kingdom here on earth.

Please adhere to guidelines when entering and leaving the church.  
Face coverings will remain in place for all those coming to a church service. (Exemptions for medical reasons excluded.) Hand sanitising will remain in place as people arrive.

**Foodbank request:** During the months of January and February, the foodbank would welcome donations of Weetabix, or shops' own brand of same. (No other cereals are needed at the moment) along with tinned meats e.g. curries, stews and Fray Bentos pies. Many thanks as always for your generosity.

**St Teresa Ladies Association:** Coffee meeting after Mass (10.00am) on Tuesday 8th Feb. All welcome for a chat.

**The SVP Rosary Group-** next dates to say the Rosary are Thursday 10th Feb and Thursday 24th Feb at 11am, St Mary Magdalen's Church, all parishioners are welcome.

#### First Holy Communion

Please remember in your prayers the children who will be making their First Holy Communion over the next couple of weeks. They have been involved in the sacramental programme over many months deepening their knowledge of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist. We know however that this is a journey of faith that sustains us throughout our life.

Thank you for the help and guidance of our catechists and schools that have been fully involved in supporting our parish children and their families.

**Y4 Sacramental Programme:** Preparation for the children who are currently in Y4 at St Oswald's, St Mary Magdalen's and St Teresa's will be starting their preparation after half term leading to the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent. Parents of Catholic Y4 children attending our Catholic schools will be contacted directly through school. Any other Catholic children living in our parishes and not attending our schools should make direct contact with Fr. Roy or Fr. Michael for further information.

Clare McManamon and family would like to thank everyone for their prayers, masses, letters and beautiful cards which have brought so much warmth and comfort to our home in the last few weeks. God bless and keep smiling—as Mac always did— *Clare*

**Sacrament of Confirmation:** Any young person currently in year 8 (or above) is welcome to register to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. To register they should visit [liverpoolcalled.co.uk](http://liverpoolcalled.co.uk) and click 'Register for Confirmation' at the top right-hand side of the page. Information about the preparation scheme that young people will follow can also be found on the Liverpool Called website. **Registration will close on 21<sup>st</sup> March.**



**St Teresa's Webcam:** <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-teresas-penwortham>

Or by scanning the QR code left. If the picture 'freezes' then please refresh the screen to resume watching.

### Prayer App of the Week

**Laudate:** The prayers and features offered include:

Access to multiple Catholic media which include daily mass, radio stations, audio bible etc. Daily prayers and readings

\*Bible verses \*Access to Vatican documents \*Stations of the Cross

\*Detailed calendar providing all holy and feast days, daily gospel and reading listings etc.

\*Possibility to save and also favourite prayers

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**Apple:** <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/laudate-1-catholic-app/id499428207>



**Universal Synod 2023:** Archbishop Malcolm is calling us to take part in the listening phase of the Universal Synod on synodality 2023, which Pope Francis has invited the whole Church to join. To download discussion questions and submit your responses online at [www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/synod2023](http://www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/synod2023). **The deadline for submissions is 10 March 2022.** For queries: [vaticansynod@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:vaticansynod@rcaol.org.uk)

#### Donation box for local rough sleepers and people in need

Responding to suggestions made by parishioners during the Synod, the Synod Support Group will put boxes at the back of the churches to collect items requested by St Wilfrid's Metanoia Project and Tuesday Drop-in for local rough sleepers and people in need. The items of greatest need are:

\*Deodorants \*Shampoo \*Men and ladies' shower gel

\*Men's boxer shorts (brand new) preferably large \*Ladies' briefs (brand new)

\*Men's medium and large tracksuit bottoms \*Ladies' leggings small and medium

**Pastoral Department Administrator:** St Margaret Clitherow Centre, Croxteth Dr, L17 1AA. Permanent, full-time appointment, £21,000 per annum. Annual leave 38 days including bank holidays and a pension scheme is available. Other benefits include a salary sacrifice scheme, childcare vouchers and a death-in-service scheme. Application form can be downloaded from [www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/jobs](http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/jobs). The closing date for applications is 5pm on 30th January 2022.

#### Prayer of the Week—Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes 11 February 2022

O ever Immaculate Virgin,  
Mother of Mercy, you are  
the refuge of sinners and the  
comfort of the afflicted. Look with mercy  
on us. By appearing in the Grotto of Lourdes you  
gave the world hope. Your Son has healed many,  
thanks to your compassionate intercession.  
Therefore, we come humbly before you to ask  
for your motherly intercession for all who  
are sick in body, mind and spirit. Holy Mary,  
pray for us now and at the hour of death. Amen.

