

Parish Liturgy and Activities for the Week

Date / Time	Intention	Parish Events
Saturday 15th August 12:00noon Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 5:00pm	Catherine Barton RIP Harry Melia	11:15am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11:30am: Confessions
Sunday 16th August OUTDOOR MASS 10:30am	Thomas Anthony Reid & People of the Parish	11:30am: Marian Procession to follow Mass With Food & Tea/Coffee (Romero Room)
Monday 17th August		Church is open for private prayer.
Tuesday 18th August 12:00noon	Funeral Mass for Warren Glynn Vallance	7:00pm: Practising the Way (Romero Room)
Wednesday 19th August 9:30am	Mary & Paula	7:00pm: One Hope Project Planning Meeting (Romero Room)
Thursday 20th August 9:30am	Maureen McCarthy	7:00pm: Netherley Mass Meeting (Small Meeting Room) 7:30pm: AA Meeting (Romero Room)
Friday 21st August 12:00noon	Alison Chapman RIP	
Saturday 22nd August 12:00noon 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00pm	A Special Intention Sue Eccles: Birthday Blessings Doris Murphy—Get Well	11:15am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11:30am: Confessions
Sunday 23rd August 9:30am 11:00am	Derry Murray RIP People of the Parish	12:00noon: Tea/Coffee (Romero Room)
<i>We pray for all those enrolled in the Mass Guild: Gaynor McGowan, Winifred Gerrard, Richard Gerrard, George Gerrard</i>		
<i>Monday: Crabtree Close Tuesday: Cranleigh Road Wednesday: Cranwell Road, Thursday: Crispin Road Friday: Damerham Mews Saturday: Woodlands Residents</i>		



Newsletter

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sunday 9th August 2026

Sunday Missal Yr A Mass begins on Page 449—Readings on Page 1054— Creed on Page 455/456

Our Lady of the Assumption Feast Day and 15th Birthday of the Parish: Today we celebrate the glorious patronal feast of our parish family. The Assumption reminds us that Mary, having completed her earthly life, was taken body and soul into heavenly glory. Unlike Christ, who ascended into heaven by His own divine power, Mary was "assumed" or taken up into heaven by God's power.

This beautiful mystery offers us profound hope, serving as a preview of the resurrection promised to all who follow Christ. As we look to Our Lady of the Assumption especially on this fifteenth anniversary of the creation of the parish, we ask for her continued prayers and protection over our community. May her deep faith inspire us to say "yes" to God's work in our daily lives. Happy Feast Day to all our parishioners!

Marking this Solemnity:

Masses: There will be a Mass on Saturday 15th August at 5pm and ONE outdoor Mass at 10.30am on Sunday 16th August.

Marian Procession: Following 10.30am Mass.

Hospitality: All are welcome to food and drinks after the procession.

Be invitational: Please be generous in offering an invitation friends, neighbours and anyone connected with the parish to come and join the celebration.



Parish Priest
Fr. Stephen Pritchard
Parish Deacon
Rev Daniel Howarth
Parish Office:
16 Hedgefield Rd,
Gateacre, L25 2RW

0151 487 9372
ola@rcaol.org.uk
Find us on
ourladygateacre.org.uk



Administrator:
Christopher Jennings
Parish Office Open:
Tuesday-Friday 9am-1pm
Archdiocese of Liverpool
1199714

CATHOLIC DEEP DIVE

Ever wanted to go deeper? Have you ever found yourself wondering:

Who is God? Why does the Bible matter? What actually happens at Mass? Who is the Holy Spirit? And what does all this have to do with my life?

Perhaps you've been Catholic all your life. Perhaps you've drifted away. Perhaps you're coming back to faith. Or perhaps you simply want to find out more.

Catholic Deep Dive is five informal evenings exploring the Catholic faith — with great conversation, food, videos, friendship and plenty of opportunity to ask questions. No previous knowledge needed. No pressure. Just come along, be curious and see where the journey takes you.

FIVE EVENINGS. ONE DEEPER JOURNEY. 7-8.30pm-Romero Room

01 Tue 29th Sept — WHO IS GOD?

What if God is closer than you think?

Discover the God who is not silent and who reveals his heart to us.

02 Tue 13th Oct — THE STORY OF STORIES

What story are you living? Explore the Bible — not simply as a book, but as the great story of God's love.

03 Tue 27th Oct — WHERE HEAVEN MEETS EARTH

What actually happens at Mass? Take a fresh look at the Mass and the Sacraments and discover what Catholics believe is really happening when we worship.

04 Tue 10th Nov — THE GOD WHO LIVES IN YOU

Could God be alive and at work in you?

Discover the Holy Spirit — God's presence and power at work in the Church and in our lives.

05 Tue 24th Nov — WHAT ARE YOU HERE FOR?

You were made for more. Finish the journey by exploring what it means to be a Christian today — and how God sends each of us to make a difference.

COME AND TAKE THE DEEP DIVE

Five evenings. An open door. A chance to ask questions, explore faith and perhaps see Catholicism in a whole new way.

You don't need to have all the answers.

Just bring your questions.

Everyone is welcome.

Sign up here.



AUTUMN PREVIEW

Autumn Preview: There are lots of exciting things coming from Sept onwards....

Sat 5th Sept: 12noon Mass for the Holy Souls and those who mourn. Hospitality afterwards in the Romero Room.

Sat 19th Sept: 12noon Mass of Anointing of the Sick and prayers at the shrine of St Peregrine. This will be followed by a MacMillan Coffee Morning in the Romero Room.

Sun 20th Sept: 4pm: Worship Afternoon with One Hope Project. Music, adoration, faith sharing and hospitality to follow.

How to give support to God's Mission through the Parish

On-Line: Scan the QR

Text:

Text OLA to 70450 to donate £3.

Text OLA to 70460 to donate £5.

Text OLA to 70470 to donate £10.

Standing Order:

Forms at the back of church and on website.

Our Account Details are: Account Name: Aol our lady 241

Sort Code 40-29-12 Account Number 8154 3873



Fri 25th Sept 7pm: Netherley Mass:

Mass for those who live in Netherley at Netherley Youth and Community Initiative, (the former St Gregory's Church). If you live in Netherley the church is coming to you!

Sat 26th Sept 12.30pm. International Rosary. We are proud to be a diverse community with people from many nations and cultures. Rosary in different languages followed by International Table.

Tue 29th Sept Catholic Deep Dive: See details in the Newsletter?

Sat 3-4th Oct: Mass in honour of St Francis of Assisi on the 800th anniversary for the culmination of the Season of Creation which starts on 1st Sept.

Fri 9th Oct 6pm: Men's Night: Food, time to be with one another, prayer, an opportunity to get together.

11-18th Oct. Assisi Retreat: Parishioners will be having a silent retreat in Assisi to go deeper into prayer and the Franciscan way.

Sat 24th Oct: 12noon Ordination to the Priesthood: St Oswald's, Warrington. of Rev Dan Howarth.

Weekly Collections

9th August 2026

Envelopes & Cash: £567.99

S/O online: £970.00

TOTAL: £1537.99

Target: £1650.00 THANK YOU!

Retiring Collection:

13th Sept: Catholic Education Service

Bishops Visitation: Bishop Tom Neylon will make a visitation to the parish. More information to follow.

Bereavement: On the 1st Saturday of each month at 12 noon we have a Mass of remembrance when we pray for all our deceased friends and relatives. After Mass we have refreshments and a chance to chat and catch up with each other. Come on your own or with friend. All are welcome every month. Our next mass will be on Saturday September 5th.

Baptism Preparation needs you! If you feel you would like to help parents prepare for the sacrament of Baptism, we are seeking volunteers. We try to run monthly Baptism preparation sessions and without volunteers this is becoming difficult. If you would like to know more or see what happens at these sessions let Deacon Dan know or the office. This sacrament can really make a difference in the faith journey of parents and their children and if you want to be a part of that, please join us.