

Services, Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 18th July 2026 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 4:30pm	All Saints	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Peter Walker, David Angus

Sunday 19th July 2026 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	People of the Parish
Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	People of the Parish

Tuesday 21st July 2026 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Tues 10:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Jamie Pethick, Special Intention
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Wednesday 22nd July 2026 Feast of St. Mary Magdalene

Wed 9.30 am	All Saints	Mass	Breda Kelly, Tony Woods
Wed 10-11am	All Saints	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	

Thursday 23rd July 2026 Feast of St. Bridget

Thurs 10:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	People of the Parish
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Friday 24th July 2026 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Fri 9:30am	All Saints	Mass	Fr. John Birchall
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Saturday 25th July 2026 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 4:30pm	All Saints	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	People of the Parish

Sunday 26th July 2026 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Bernie McMahon, Francis & James O'Brien
Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	Catherine Dyer, Ian Peterson, Barbara Govan



Please remember in your prayers: the sick of our community;
all those who have died recently especially **Kelly Smith, Marie Garside**
and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.



Newsletter for the Parishes of St. Catherine of Siena & All Saints and St. Lewis



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SUNDAY 19TH JULY 2026
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR A
Parish Mass Book Page 105 Order of Mass
P6, The Nicene Creed P11



The mustard seed parable is often explained away by stating how God takes a tiny seed and makes a big tree out of it. There is as usual a lot more going on here. Matthew strategically places the mustard seed parable in the middle of a story about gardening. Jesus surprises his listeners by telling them not to cut the weeds out of the wheat. The mustard seed's growth could also be compared to wild weeds that grow through cracks in footpaths or a vine that vigorously takes over an area.

There is an ancient text which forbade planting mustard seeds in Palestinian gardens because the shrub takes over, in the way that yeast works its way through dough! It is wild, out of control, and attracts unwanted birds.

People of Jesus' time may have preferred the image of the lofty 'cedars of Lebanon' to explain God's kingdom, where the nations could build nests as the eagles do. Now that image may have got a few cheers from the crowd! Mustard plants, however, stand only a few feet tall. Jesus is turning the ideals of power and triumph on their head again. The image we have here is of the unwanted, detestable birds who find a home in this little shrub which cannot be curtailed. It will grow even where it is not wanted.

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2nd Collection This Weekend: Provision for Priests in Retirement

There will be a second collection **this weekend** for the Provision for Priests in Retirement. Please keep all serving and retired priests in your prayers.

Parish Closure Monday 27th to Friday 31st July

In the past few years we have closed both of our churches and office for a week in August. However, due to work being carried out on the Fire Exits at All Saints, this year we will bring the closure of both All Saints & St. Lewis' forward to the last week in July. This means that no services will be conducted in church and the office will not be open either (so please, do not leave any messages.) All that will be open is the Foodbank on Friday. Normal service will be resumed at the weekend. Thank you.

Liverpool Archdiocese Lourdes Pilgrimage

Ellie Leatherbarrow who is a parishioner at All Saints will be going to Lourdes again this year to support the pilgrims from the Archdiocese. Ellie will be joining coach 9 and along with the staff team from Lowe House in St. Helens will be doing a sponsored walk from Lowe House to the Metropolitan Cathedral, Liverpool this Sunday 19th July. If you would like to sponsor Ellie and the team the sponsor form is in the porch.

If you would like to send your petitions with Ellie she is more than happy to take them with her to Lourdes. If you do have a petition, please complete the form in the porch and put them into the envelope provided no later than **This Weekend**. As always your petitions will be treated in the strictest of confidence.

*O ever-Immaculate Virgin, Mother of Mercy,
health of the sick, refuge of sinners, comforter of the afflicted,
you know my wants, my troubles, my sufferings; look with mercy on me.
By appearing in the Grotto of Lourdes,
you were pleased to make it a privileged sanctuary,
whence you dispense your favours;
and already many sufferers have obtained the cure of their infirmities,
both spiritual and corporal.
I come, therefore, with complete confidence to implore
your maternal intercession.
Obtain, O loving Mother, the grant of my requests.
(mention your petition)
Through gratitude for your favours,
I will endeavour to imitate your virtues,
that I may one day share your glory, and bless you in eternity. Amen.*

**Please keep in your prayers all those travelling to Lourdes
with our Archdiocese**



All Saints Church: Fire Exit Modifications

After something of a delay we are now ready to go ahead with the work required for our existing fire door to be extended so that we are compliant with health and safety regulations for the numbers we have at mass. Work will begin Monday 20th July and could take up to three weeks. Mid-week Mass will be held in the Francis room whilst the work is carried out; the weekend masses will remain unaffected.

Missio Red Boxes: Last 2 weekends in July, All Saints

If you have a Red Box, could you please bring it in on either the weekend of the **18th/19th July** or **25th/26th July** and hand them to the ladies on the piety stall.

We will give you a new box to take away with you and we'll count each returned box and send the proceeds off the Missio.



Date for your Diary 27th July

Macmillan Coffee Morning Meeting



Last year All Saints & St. Lewis held our first Macmillan coffee morning and everyone who came along seemed to enjoy the company... and the cake of course and so we've decided to do it again this year. The date for our coffee morning is **Saturday 26th September 11am-1pm**.

There will be a meeting in the Benedict room at All Saints on **Monday 27th July at 7pm** to discuss ideas. If you would like to be involved in the organisation (*maybe you've held a coffee morning before*) you are more than welcome. If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like to volunteer to help on the day, could you please write your name on the list available in the porch.

All Saints Foodbank

If you are able to make food donations this week, could we please ask you to bear in mind that we are in need of the following Tinned Products: Hot Dogs, Meatballs. Dried Pasta.

Donations: If you make a monetary donation to the Foodbank using the envelopes provided, could you please put your envelope in with the offertory collection. **Thank You.**



Children's Liturgy



Our children's liturgy has now finished for the summer. We will be back in September and will confirm the date nearer the time.

We wish all our children and their families safe and happy summer holidays.

This Weeks Conundrum...

I'm trying to figure out why when I say '**haaa**' I blow out hot air...
But when I say '**who**' I blow out cold air??