

The Catholic Parish of St Richard, Skelmersdale

The Churches of St Mary Queen of Apostles, St Richard and St Francis of Assisi, Skelmersdale.

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Pastoral Area 13 Under the patronage of St John Rigby

St Richard, St Mary & St Francis Skelmersdale; St. Teresa Upholland;

St Marie of the Annunciation; Standish & St Bernadette Shevington;

St Joseph Wrightington; St James Orrell; Our Lady & All Saints Parbold.

PARISH PRIEST

Fr. Kenny Hyde P P

Deacon

Rev. Anthony Callaghan

1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C)

Saturday	27th November	
St Mary	5:00pm	Pious List
Sunday	28th November	1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C)
St Richard	9:00am	Pious List
St Francis	11:00am	Pious List
Monday	29th November	
NO MASS		
Tuesday	30th November	St Andrew the Apostle
St Francis	9:30am	Tom Moore
Wednesday	1st December	
St Francis	9:45am	Funeral Service for Timothy (Tim) Paul Cook
Thursday	2nd December	
NO MASS		
Friday	3rd December	St Francis Xavier, Priest Migrant's Day
St Richard	9:30am	Moiria Holmes
Saturday	4th December	St John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church
St Mary	5:00pm	Damian Aindow Bernard Joseph Walsh Mary Brennan
Sunday	5th December	2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C) Bible Sunday
St Richard	9:00am	John Vinn
St Francis	11:00am	Joan Coxon

It is still mandatory to wear your masks when attending Mass. The Covid virus has not gone away in fact the numbers of cases are still very high. Your masks should cover both nose and mouth area otherwise it is pointless wearing the mask. Also please sanitize your hands when entering the Church.

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Christmas Masses

Friday 24th December 2021 Vigil Mass
@ St Mary's @ 7:00pm

Friday 24th December 2021 Midnight
Mass @ St Richard's

Christmas Day Mass 10:00am @ St
Francis of Assisi

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**Nugent charity has a number of festive
initiatives including:**

Light up a Life Services 2021 at The
Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King
Liverpool and St Teresa's Church,
Upholland

Christmas Cards, Liverpool Santa Dash,
Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Appeal

For more details, please visit: [Christmas
with Nugent \(wearenugent.org\)](http://ChristmaswithNugent(wearenugent.org))

Remember Those Who Need Our Prayers

Sick Teenager, Siobhan Miller, Maureen Walsh,
Sabuba Agumanu, Bill Ware, Sr. Eva McHale, Brenda
Lockhart, George Johnston, Brenda Martin, Ellen
Murphy, Adaliene Houghton, Pauline Perry, Nick
Sales, Brian Carr, Charlie Byrne, Catherine Turner,
Mary Whalley, Jennifer Walker, John Vinn, Geraldine
Ferris, Tony Spencer, Debbie Martin, Mary Reid,
Cath Curtin, Dawn Haines, Paul Gray, Agnes
Henwood

Lately Dead

Veronica Clark
Michael Molloy
Rhoda Theresa Sutton
Timothy (Tim) Paul Cook

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There is a collection for the SVP this weekend.

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From the Archdiocesan Office

On this 1st weekend of Advent, the beginning of a new Church year, we are delighted to be able to receive the pastoral plan. As the Archbishop has said: **"This is to chart the way forward for the archdiocese in the years to come."** The Plan will be available online at <https://liverpoolpastoralplan.org.uk/> or you can arrange to purchase it from Pauline Books and Media, 84 Church Street Liverpool at a cost of £2 per copy.

There is a summary document for you at Mass this weekend, and a postcard for to take home containing some of the key words from the plan and details of how to access the pastoral plan online.

To find out more, you are welcome to any of these open meetings:

Saturday 4th Dec 11:00am – 12:30pm in St Mary's Church Leyland

Tuesday 7th Dec 7:00pm – 8:30pm in Holy Rosary Church Aintree

Thursday 9th Dec 7:00pm – 8:30pm on Zoom the link is

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86421512557?pwd=SVd5cFhtQ0dwUFJzQihLSljjQT09>

Social Events

Our next planed "do" will be on **Friday 17th December** (put that date in your diaries) when we will be having A Christmas knees up in the SJR Centre. More details closer to the date – but make sure you don't miss out on this one!

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"Age of Inspiration" Event - Tuesday 7th December 2021 - Ecumenical Centre, Skelmersdale.

**1:00 pm – 4:00 pm.
FREE EVENT.**

The Age of Inspiration events are aimed at the over 50's and the idea is for people to connect with each other, enjoy a bit of fun but, at the same time, the events are under-pinned by the 5 Ways to Wellbeing. The event is interspersed with live musical performances by our local artists: Dave Ashley and Paul McCoy, supported by singing star Rachael Russell. We serve afternoon tea – AND IT'S ALL FREE!

SEE POSTER AT THE BACK OF CHURCH.

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Christmas Carol Concert

We can do it this year! After last year's carol concert was postponed due to the pandemic, we are delighted to say that this year – WE'RE BACK!! We will be reviving our annual concert – it will be on Wednesday 15th December at 7:30pm in St Richard's church. The concert will follow our traditional format of religious and secular readings and music. As usual there will be a voluntary charity collection at the end of the concert.

Christmas starts here!