

Signpost Newsletter

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Letter from the Editor

Dear readers,

A belated Happy New Year to you all.

Amongst the many things to look forward to in 2025, there is the CDA 50th Anniversary conference in October. We hope to be able to share more news about this with you in the coming months.

Please do contact us if you have an interesting story, prayer or article to share, our readers are always interested in something different

Praying springtime brings us good weather so we can see the flowers bloom.

Damien Mahon, Nugent



Christ the King and Our Lady Church, Childwall

From Sunday 2nd February 2025

Deaf Mass will now start at 3:00pm



Bible study at Christ the King Church, Childwall

**Will be held on 1st Sunday of the Month from 1:30pm - 2:30pm
(before our 3pm mass)**

For people who are interested in becoming a reader at Deaf Mass.

Bible study will help readers to prepare and understand the liturgy.

For more info contact Denise



St. Valentine's Day – Friday 14th February

Saint Valentine's Day is known around the world as a day of love, romance and affection. We think of a day for flowers, chocolates and greeting cards but the day has very deep historical and religious roots.

Saint Valentine was a 3rd century Roman priest who has become a symbol of love and devotion. Historical records suggest that he lived during the reign of Emperor Claudius II, who had banned marriage for young men as he believed that single soldiers were better fighters. Defying this decree Valentine secretly performed marriages for young couples, so championing love in the face of tyranny.



Valentine's actions ultimately led to his arrest. During his imprisonment, it is said that he healed the blind daughter of his jailer, Asterius. Before his execution, on 14th February 296 CE, he left a note and signed "from your Valentine". It is this gesture that is believed to have inspired the modern tradition of exchanging messages of love on that date.

In 496 CE, Pope Gelasius I declared 14th February as a feast day in order to honour 'Saint Valentine, cementing his legacy as a Martyr for love and faith

Valentine's Day is full of Symbolism, all conveying love and affection, steeped in tradition they continue to contribute to the days' enduring appeal:-

(HEART) The heart symbolises love and emotion, central to the days' theme.

(CUPID) From Roman mythology, he represents love and desire, often depicted as a cherubic archer.

(RED ROSES) Associated with passion and romance, making them a traditional Valentine's gift.

(DOVES) They represent peace and fidelity, drawing from their biblical and romantic associations.

(CARDS & GIFTS) : From the medieval tradition of courtly love, exchanging tokens of affection is now part of the day.

These symbols embody the spirit of Saint Valentine's Day, emphasising love's power to connect and inspire.

A Prayer for Valentine's Day

On this day of love and devotion, we turn to You, the source of all love.

May we reflect the selfless love of Saint Valentine, who stood firm in faith and compassion.

Bless our relationships with kindness, patience and understanding.

Guide us to cherish and uplift one another,

Celebrating the beauty of love in all its forms.

We pray for those who feel lonely or unloved today,

That they may feel Your presence and the warmth of community.

Grant us the courage to share love not only with those close to us,

But also with the world, spreading peace and joy wherever you go.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray.

Amen.

Roman Catholic Signed Masses for February and March 2025

February 2025	Time	Place of Worship
Sunday 2nd	3:00pm	Christ the King and Our Lady Church 78 Queens Drive, Childwall, L15 6 LQ

March 2025	Time	Place of Worship
Sunday 2nd	3:00pm	Christ the King and Our Lady Church 78 Queens Drive, Childwall, L15 6 LQ

St Teresa's mass is livestreamed with interpreters on Tuesdays & Thursdays at 9.15am and Sundays at 11am
Email: stteresalivestreaming@rcaol.org.uk and you will be sent a link.

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