

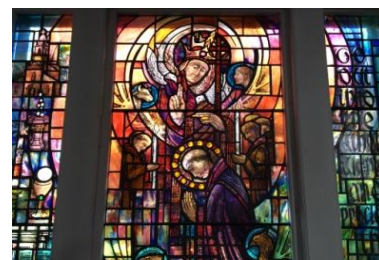
# St. Gregory's Newsletter

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## Saint of the week

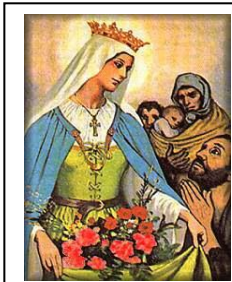
### St. Elizabeth of Portugal

Daughter of King Peter III of Aragon, Elizabeth was born in 1271 and is known as "the Peacemaker". At age 12 she married King Denis of Portugal and despite his religious indifference and infidelity, she was a devoted wife and mother to her son Alfonso and her daughter Constance. She was well-known for her charity to the poor, founding a hospital and house of Poor Clares at Coimbra. She nursed her husband through a lengthy illness until his death in 1325, when it is said he repented of his life of vice.

Accustomed to riding out into the battlefield to solve disputes between kingdoms, Elizabeth died on 4<sup>th</sup> July 1336 on a peacemaking mission.

Her humble disposition, devotion to God and life of virtue had made her a widely respected figure at the court.

She was buried in the Church of the Poor Clares which she founded.



## Reflection REMEMBERING .....

Remembering the reformation in England does not bring much joy. It was and still remains a tragedy in the history of the Christian Church. Divisions in the body of Christ still persist and are nothing less than a scandal to the world. Many forces at play which resulted in great brutality on all sides.

... At the Reformation the body of Christ was pulled apart, just as our martyrs, both protestant and catholic, were pulled apart on the rack. Their arms and legs were truly dis-membered. Looking to the future, our task as we hold them in our minds and hearts is to re-member the Body of Christ; to put it back together again.

That is an enormous task, but not impossible, after all we can be sure that Jesus' prayer that we may all be one will be fulfilled one day.

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Five hundred years after the reformation our hatred for each other has turned into love, and we actively seek ways in which we can become one.

I believe the Eucharist, which was the focus of so much disagreement at the time of the reformation and afterwards will be the driving force to becoming one church again.

It is in the Eucharist that many grains become one bread; and so there will be a time when we will be able to remember together not the nastiness of human being's actions towards one another, but the wonderful deeds of our loving God who sent his Son for the forgiveness of sins.

+Malcolm McMahon  
Archbishop of Liverpool

(The complete text of this statement, one of five by the religious leaders of Churches Together at Merseyside, is available on the notice board)

## Children's Corner

S	I	P	N	Y	L	O	H	O	Y	PREFERS	FATHER	MOTHER
M	P	R	E	O	H	O	Y	L	R	WORTHY	DAUGHTER	CROSS
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## 2<sup>nd</sup> July

9:30am Edward Fairclough  
11:00am Special Intention (CN)  
6:30pm Mark Edmondson (ill)

## Weekday Masses

Monday 8:30am Kathleen Reynolds (LD)  
Tuesday 8:30am Lily Boyle  
**Wednesday 11:30am Requiem James Scott**  
Thursday 8:30am Valerie Bretherton  
Friday 8:30am Conny Walmsley (FM)  
Saturday 10:00am Wilcock Family (FM)

Weekly Confession Saturday after morning Mass

## 9<sup>th</sup> July, 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am Brian Fish (A)  
11:00am Mari Kenyon (LD)  
6:30pm Special Intention

## Saints of the Week

St. Thomas  
St. Elizabeth of Portugal  
St. Anthony Mary Zaccaria  
St. Maria Goretti

Rosary 20 minutes before weekday Mass

## Please Pray For Our Sick Brothers And Sisters

Kitty Ellison, Jayne Hodge, Brigid Cain, Mary Patten, Agnes Martindale, Robert Stretton, Mildred Bridge, Margaret Wood, Harold Sutton, Margaret Bower, Thomas Moss, Gerard Baker, Hugh Daly, Margaret Dearden, Maureen Jackson, Maureen McIver, Bill Burns, Lois Chiasson, Gerard McGuigan, Moya Jones, Teresa Kershaw, Teresa Critchley, Winifred Calderbank, Victoria Mary Birkett

*Bless thy servants who are sick O Lord and send them help from thy holy place. Amen.*

## Baptism

At the morning masses today we give a warm welcome to families preparing for baptism. Please keep them in your prayers. We also welcome Arthur George Richards in baptism today and pray for him and his family as they start out on their faith journey.

## Collection

Thank you for last week's collection of £1068.98 and the special collection 'Peter's Pence' which will be counted on Monday.

Apologies for getting the wrong date for the *Apostleship of the Sea* collection last weekend. This is in fact due to be taken next weekend, however it will only be for the envelopes, as the loose money which was given already has been set aside and will be added to the *Apostleship of the Sea* envelopes.

## SVP

Please support our SVP group with your prayers and their monthly collection which is taken today.

## Cake, Cuppa and a Chat

Why not come along *after the 11am Mass next Sunday, July 16<sup>th</sup>* and support our young people who are going to Lourdes. This is the last coffee morning before they leave to work with the sick. If you would like them to take your petitions to Lourdes please bring them along.

## Parish Party

Put the date in your diary, it will be on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> August, a family fun day. If you would like to be involved in organising or helping in any way, please see Father Graeme. More details at a later date, letters of invitation are available at Mass today, please take one.

## Weekend of Exhibition

### ***ACN Portraits of Faith: Syria's Christians Search for Peace***

Our cathedral is hosting an exhibition organised by Aid to the Church in Need, to raise awareness of the plight of Christians in Syria, featuring Syrian artist Farid Georges, needlework by women living in Aleppo and drawings from the *Peace for the Children of Syria* campaign. Dates: 22 – 23 July Times: Daily 10am - 4pm, entrance is free. Christian families remaining in war-torn Syria are in great need of our support, please pray for them.

## Ministering to the Assembly

**Counters** 3<sup>rd</sup> July David Chadwick and Pauline Turner

**Rotas** 9<sup>th</sup> July

**S.A.S.** Mary Wakeman and Liz Fowler

**Dial a Ride** Phil Southworth and Bernard Hargreaves

**Readers** Jack Knight

David Fairclough

John Oswell

**Eucharistic Ministers** David Chadwick

Sharon Hobin

David Porter

Richard Jackson

Helen Mather

Melvyne Cunliffe

Marian Knight

Barbara Slater