



# The Parish of St Monica and St Francis de Sales

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**Sunday, 2nd February, 2025 – *Feast of The Presentation of The Lord***

## The Week ahead...

Sat 1st Feb	<b><i>Feast of the Presentation of The Lord</i></b>	<b>SM</b> Holy Mass <b>4.30pm</b> - <i>Robert (Bob) Henderson, RIP (A) / Stella Cropper, RIP (B'day) / Sue Hayes, RIP</i> <b>SFDS</b> Holy Mass <b>6.00pm</b> - <i>Maureen Parry, RIP/Imelda Toal (Sp. Int.) / Norah Hourston, RIP (B'day) / Julie Doyle (B'day)</i>
Sun 2nd Feb	<b><i>Feast of The Presentation of The Lord</i></b>	<b>SM</b> Holy Mass <b>9.30.am</b> - <i>Mary Garry, RIP / Parishioners</i> <b>SFDS</b> Holy Mass <b>11.00.am</b> - <i>Wayne Gordon (Keep Healthy) / Robert Duffy, RIP (B'day) / Parishioners</i>
<b>SM</b> Mon 3rd Feb	<b><i>Feast of St. Blaise, Bishop &amp; Martyr / St. Ansgar, Bishop</i></b>	Holy Mass <b>12.00 noon</b> - <i>Christine Flemming (Private Int.)</i>
<b>SFDS</b> Tue 4th Feb	<b><i>Weekday in Ordinary▲ Time</i></b>	Holy Mass <b>12.00 noon</b> - <i>Josie Flaherty (Spec. Int.) / William J. Taylor, RIP</i>
<b>SM</b> Wed 5th Feb	<b><i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i></b>	Online Holy Mass with Fr Pat - <b>St Monica's 12 noon</b> <a href="https://churchmedia.tv/camera/st-monicas-church">https://churchmedia.tv/camera/st-monicas-church</a>
<b>SM</b> Thur 6th Feb	<b><i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i></b>	Holy Mass <b>12.00 noon</b> - <i>Private Int. (K.D.)</i>
<b>SFDS</b> Fri 7th Feb	<b><i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i></b>	Holy Mass <b>12.00 noon</b> - <i>Marie Cahill (Spec. Int.) / Judith Ogbaje (B'day Wishes) / Ted Brasil &amp; Family, RIP</i>
Sat 8th Feb	<b><i>Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time</i></b>	<b>SM</b> Holy Mass <b>4.30pm</b> – <i>Sarah Archer, RIP (A) / Cathy Lynskey, RIP / Martin Quinn (USA), RIP</i> <b>SFDS</b> Holy Mass <b>6.00pm</b> - <i>Tommy Clegg, RIP (A) / Kitty Finegan, RIP (A) / Diane Redmond.</i>
Sun 9th Feb	<b><i>Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time</i></b>	<b>SM</b> Holy Mass <b>9.30am</b> – <i>Stella Cropper, RIP (A) / Matthew Conway, RIP (B'day &amp; Ann.)</i> <b>SFDS</b> Holy Mass <b>11.00am</b> - <i>David Rimmer, RIP (A) / Maureen Parry, RIP / Nichola Owens, RIP</i>

SM = St. Monica / SFDS = St. Francis de Sales.

**Please pray for all those who suffer in body, mind or spirit.**

**For the lately dead:** *Eileen Hobin, Ann Childs, Ralph Hannah, Val Howey and Jeanette (Jean) Martin...*

**For those whose anniversaries occur about this time:** *Jim Bellew, Robert (Bob) Henderson, Stella Cropper, David Rimmer, Sarah Archer, Tommy Clegg and Kitty Finegan.....* Eternal rest

**CONFESSIONS - St Monica**, Saturday: 3.45-4.15; Monday and Thursday 11.30-11.50am.

**St. Francis de Sales**, Saturday: 6.50; Tuesday and Friday 11.30-11.50am.

**DEVOTIONS - St. Monica**, Rosary, Monday and Thursday 11.30am

**St. Francis de Sales**, Rosary, Tuesday and Friday, 11.30am.

Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, Friday 11.00am - 11.50am.

**Candles lit before the Blessed Sacrament:** *Frances Aindow, RIP (B'day); Spec. Int; For Good Results (Anon.); Spec. Int. (M).*

### **COLLECTIONS FOR 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> January, 2025**

*St Monica* - Gift Aid: £117.00. Loose Plate: £476.96. **Total: £593.96.**

*St Francis* - Gift Aid: £234.00. Loose Plate: £773.64. **Total: £1007.64. Fundraising: £527.36.** Sincere and grateful thanks for your continued generosity.

**SAFEGUARDING** is everyone's responsibility. Safeguarding relates to the action taken to promote the welfare of children and vulnerable adults and to protect them from harm. **ALL** children going to the toilet must be accompanied by their parent/guardian.

**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY 2025:** Let us pray that the ecclesiastical community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission - in the Priesthood and Religious Life.

**JUBILEE 2025 'Pilgrims of Hope'**. Resources for use by parishes, priests, religious, laypeople, and more, are available to help guide you as you ready yourself for this most vital year in the Church's life. There are many exciting plans being made in advance of the Jubilee. Please continue to look out for further updates on our Jubilee page as we continue our preparations: [www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/departments/pastoral-development/jubilee](http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/departments/pastoral-development/jubilee)

**CONFIRMATION 2025** If you are in Year 8 and above, and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, you can register now via this link: [liverpoolcalled.co.uk](http://liverpoolcalled.co.uk)

**NAMES FOR OUR PARISH SICK LIST** As we've now combined our newsletters to one, now is a good time to start again with names for our sick list. As previously, consent must be obtained by the person should they wish to be added to our sick list. Ideally, this should be in written form. If this is not possible, a close family member who has the correct authority to do so, or someone who has a health and wellbeing power of attorney may give consent on their behalf.

**ST. FRANCIS de SALES LITTLE CHURCH** - 'Children's Liturgy of the Word' is for our children who are currently in Years 1-5. Our next 'Little Church' takes place **today, Sunday 2nd February**, during the 11.00am Mass.

**ST. MONICA'S COFFEE MORNING** this **Sunday, 2nd February**, in the Parish hall immediately after the 9.30am Mass. Why not go over for a cup of tea/coffee, toast/biscuits and a catch-up with friends. You can also try your luck with the Raffle!

**A SINCERE WORD OF THANKS** to all of you who came along last Sunday to our wonderful joint Mass in celebration of our newly formed parish on the Feast of St. Francis de Sales. It was great to see so many parishioners from both churches coming together on such a happy occasion. Archbishop Malcolm thoroughly enjoyed being with us, and was very impressed at the magnificent numbers present. "Well done and thank you" to all who helped in any way to organise the day, and make it such a resounding success!

**MASS INTENTIONS:** Could you please give at least 3 weeks' notice if you wish to have a Mass said on a particular date, as **we are still receiving Mass requests that are less than two weeks away**. Our Masses are allocated two/three weeks in advance, so **any late requests will have to be celebrated as near to the date as possible**. Priority is given to Masses for the Sick, Anniversaries and Birthday Anniversaries. Those for the Lately Dead will be said as and when dates are available.

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