CIRCUIT WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

The Methodist Church
North Liverpool and South Sefton Circuit
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SUNDAY SERVICES 27th September

Birchdale Road – 11am – Own Arrangement
Fazakerley– 10:45am – Rev Jobson
Kensington– 11am– Roger Lewis
Linacre Mission– 11am– Rev Garfield
Moor Lane– 10:30am – Rev Strain – Harvest
Old Roan– 11am – Rev Edwards – Harvest – Café Church
St Marks– No Service
West Derby– 10:15am – David Conway – All Age Worship

SUNDAY SERVICES 4th October

Birchdale Road – 11am – Liz Shaw
Fazakerley– 10:45am – Alan Lewis – Harvest
Kensington– 11am– Linda Dalton
Linacre Mission– 11am– Own Arrangement (Rev Edwards)
Church Anniversary – Holy Communion
Moor Lane– 10:30am – Own Arrangement
Old Roan– 11am – Carol Shanks
St Marks– No Service
West Derby– 10:15am – Rev Garfield – BB GA Enrolment

EVENTS Coming soon across Our Circuit

ST MARK'S
A SPECIAL CELEBRATION AND THANKSGIVING SERVICE



SUNDAY 4TH OCTOBER 2026

REFRESHMENTS FROM 5.30PM
SERVICE BEGINS AT 6.00PM

ST MARK'S METHODIST CHURCH
DARTMOUTH DRIVE, BOOTLE,L30 2QN

CELEBRATING THE LIFE, WORK AND FAITHFUL WITNESS OF ST MARK'S SINCE 1959.

You are warmly invited to a special celebration at St Mark's Methodist Church, Dartmouth Drive, Bootle, L30 2QN.

On Sunday 4th October 2026, we will gather to give thanks for the life, work and faithful witness of St Mark's since 1959. It will be an evening of memories, gratitude and hope, as we look back on all that God has done and look forward to all that is still to come.

Following a decision by the North West England Methodist District, permission has now been given for St Mark's to cease Methodist worship. This makes our time together especially significant, as we give thanks for the many years of worship, fellowship and service that have been part of the life of St Mark's.

Refreshments will be available from 5.30pm, with the service beginning at 6pm.

Whether you have been part of St Mark's for many years, have visited occasionally, or simply have a connection with our story, we would love you to join us for this special celebration.

All are welcome.



Click Here For More Upcoming Events around the Circuit

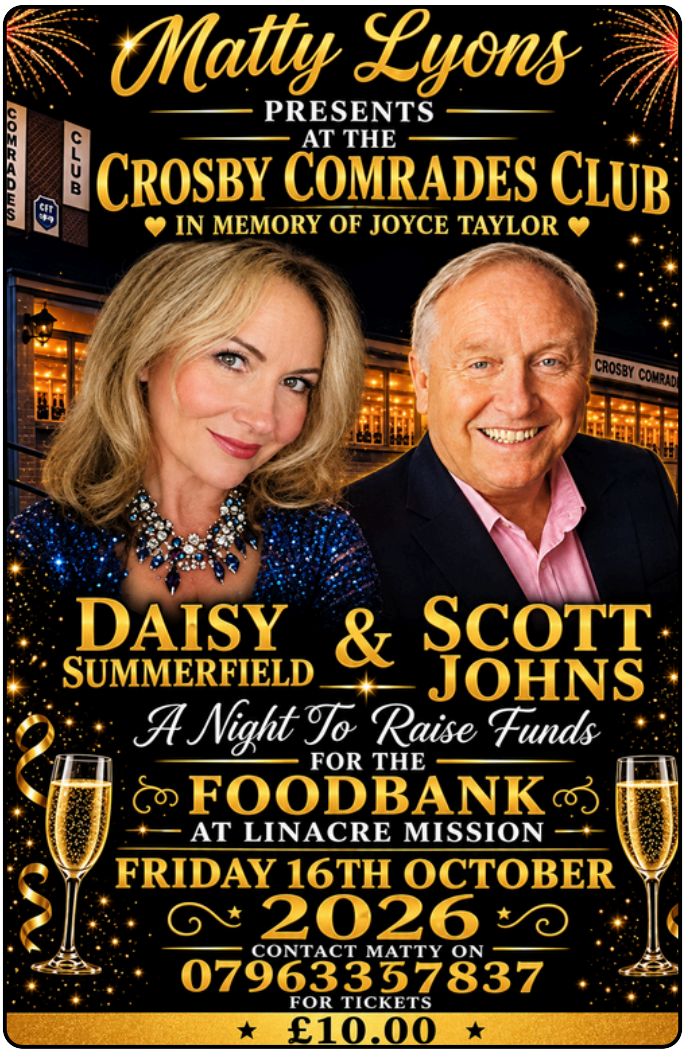
If you have a notice, upcoming event, good news story or anything else you'd like to see in the newsletter, please send it to Kim by –
Wednesday 7th October, 9pm.

The newsletter is published every two weeks, so the next edition will be sent on Friday 9th October 2026.
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TIME to ACT
A Just Peace for all who call the Holy Land home

Walk of Witness

Sunday 27 September 2026 | Liverpool

Join church leaders in Liverpool for a Walk of Witness as part of the Time to Act campaign. We will walk between the two Cathedrals as we take action and pray for peace. There will then be a panel discussion with guest speaker Daoud Nasser from Tent of Nations.

Event programme

3pm Choral Evening Prayer at Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral (Mount Pleasant, Liverpool, L3 5TQ)

4pm Walk of Witness along Hope Street led by church leaders.

4.45pm Panel Presentation in the Lady Chapel of Liverpool Cathedral (St James' Mount, Liverpool L1 7AZ)

Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King Liverpool

Liverpool Cathedral



Daoud Nassar is a Palestinian Christian farmer and peace activist from Bethlehem. Together with his siblings and wider family, he runs Tent of Nations, a 100-acre farm southwest of Bethlehem.

For more information and to book your place please use the QR code

www.justpeacecoalition.com

SEFTON BABY BASKETS APPEAL 2026

Sefton Baby Baskets is a volunteer led, registered charity that supports mums to be and families across the City of Liverpool and beyond.

Sefton Baby Baskets provide baby essentials to families who are struggling to provide these items for themselves via referrals from partner organisations.

How can you help?
Could you donate any of the following items?

- Baby Clothes up to age 3 months (pre-loved must be in good condition)
- Moses Baskets and Stands
- Baby Towels
- Muslins
- Sleep Bags
- Lamaze Toys
- Nappies size 1 and 2
- New Pyjamas and slippers for mum
- New Baby Toiletries (wipes, shampoo, body wash, soap, bubble bath, lotion, nappy cream)
- New Toiletries for Mum (shampoo, conditioner, body wash, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorants, sanitary products, breast pads, nipple cream etc)

Collection Date –
Sunday 18th October 2026
Old Roan Methodist Church

Thank you for your support.

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Away Day for CLT

The Circuit Leadership Team recently went on a retreat day to St Josephs Prayer Centre in Formby. It is a wonderfully peaceful place where we could step away from the busyness of everyday life, relax, reflect and recharge.

And it was during one of our lunch break that we spotted a rather impressive spider, patiently spinning its web!

Watching it at work seemed like a fitting reminder of our own church community. Just as a spider carefully builds its web, thread by thread, we too build our community through the small things each of us do - prayer, kindness, love and encouragement.

Wishing you all a wonderful and positive week ahead. May we continue to weave kindness, hope and faith wherever we go.









God in the little things

A spider makes a little web,
With tiny threads so fine.
It catches drops of morning dew
That sparkle and they shine.

God made the spider and its web,
And every flower too.
He made the sun, the rain and trees,
And He made me and you.

The web may break, the rain may fall,
The wind may blow it free,
But God is always there with us,
As loving as can be.

So when I see a spider's web,
I'll stop and look and say:
"Thank you, God, for all you've made,
And for this lovely day!"

Message from Revd Darren

Dear friends,

I've been thinking about this Sunday's Old Testament reading from Exodus chapter 17, and the striking image of water flowing from a dry rock.

There are times when life can feel a little like that rock: dry, arid and worn out. We may find ourselves crying out, as the Israelites did, "Where are you, God?" Yet the story reminds us that God is present even in those places where we feel most distant from God.

At God's command, Moses strikes the rock with his staff, and from something that appears completely dry comes an unexpected outpouring of life-giving water. It is a powerful image of what we all long for: refreshment, hope and new life.



I invite you to take a few moments to watch this video reflection.

https://youtu.be/sWreiMBOEss

Perhaps, as you listen, you might allow yourself to become still and enter into a quiet time of prayer, bringing before God those places in your life that feel dry, weary or in need of renewal.

May we discover again that even from the driest places, God can bring forth water and new life. May God's life-giving presence refresh and renew us.

Take care, look after yourselves, and each other.

Darren



IN OUR Thoughts and Prayers

May God be close to all those who are feeling tired and weary.
May they know that we are thinking of them, holding them in our hearts, and wishing them peace, comfort, and strength....
Today and always.

DISTRICT Weekly News

NORTH WEST ENGLAND METHODIST DISTRICT

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