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EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

7 January 2018

6 Jan	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Parish Family	
7 Jan	SUNDAY	<i>Epiphany of the Lord</i>	8.45 am 10.45 am	Cubbin Family Julia Jones	
8 Jan	MONDAY	<i>Baptism of the Lord</i>	10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist	
9 Jan	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Clare Mallon	
10 Jan	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist	
11 Jan	THURSDAY		10.00 am	Francis McKey	
12 Jan	FRIDAY	<i>St Aelred of Rievaulx</i>	10.00 am	Paddy Finnegan	
13 Jan	SATURDAY	<i>St Hilary</i>	10.00 am	Isabella and Joseph Loughe	
13 Jan	Next Weekend SATURDAY	<i>2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE	6.30 pm	Parish Family	
14 Jan	SUNDAY	2nd Collection: Priest's Retirement Fund	8.45 am 10.45 am	Mary and Laurence Binns Catherine and John Southwell	
Weekdays: Adoration from 9.00am; Morning Prayer 9:40am; Rosary following 10.00am Mass					
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 10.30am and 5.45-6.10pm					
RIP: May Williams, Flavia Allen					
Please pray for: Michael Povey					
	6 January / 7 January			13 January / 14 January	
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am 10:45am
Readers - Readings	M Wilkie	AM Millar	M Unsworth	F Byrne	Larty Family Jones Family
Readers - Intercessions	C Haimes	T McGlynn	J Tunstall	K Ankers	R Pisarek T Topping
EMHC	D Davies K Powell C Haimes J Gordon	K Garrod K Hughes	D Pover K Holden G Barber T Topping	M Branch M Green D Davies K Powell	M Davies S Ety M Slater J Tunstall A Cropper D Barber
Counters	Brian and Fran			Paolo, Rick and Tony	
Cleaners	Brian & Veronica Casey			Louise Wood, Fran Byrne	
REGULAR ACTIVITIES					
Mon: SVP 7pm in presbytery; Wed: Choir 7-8pm; Thur: Communion Visits; Sun: YSVP 10am in hall					
2nd Tues of month: SPUC 7:30pm in hall; 3rd Thur of month: CWL 7.30pm in hall					
Last Sunday's Offering: Thanks for your support!					

From Fr Paul:

A Happy New Year to you all in our first newsletter for 2018... Our Christmas celebrations were a great time of coming together – with our Parish Family here at St Winefride's and with our own families and loved ones. It was a time to enjoy the unique Christmas festivities of song, food and tradition. The warmth and love we felt in our own Christmas celebrations at Mass can sustain us as we prepare for the opportunities and challenges of the year ahead.

Many thanks to all who worked so hard to make our Advent and Christmas so special: the cleaners, sacristans, altar servers, the church decoration team, the crib team, the flower team, our choir and musicians - both regulars and special guests, newsheet producers, ushers, refreshment providers, eucharistic ministers and reader, and, of course, not forgetting all of you who came to spend time in prayer and thanksgiving as we welcomed the Christ Child.

Christmas is not over yet (!) and as we celebrate the Epiphany this weekend, we journey with the Magi as we take Christ, who is the Saviour for all nations, into our hearts and carry him with us out into our world.

On behalf of us at St Winefride's, I thank you all for your prayers, cards, gifts and good wishes over this season and wish you a very happy and healthy 2018 with a continued assurance of our prayers,

Fr Paul, Fr Chris, Fr Russell, Sr Laurice and Deacon Mike

PARISH

Little Church: A new rota is available online, with copies also in the Sacristy.

CWL: The ladies of CWL would like to express their heartfelt thanks to all parishioners who generously supported our annual Christmas hamper draw. We raised approximately £550. The hampers were won by Mary Henesy and Maureen Aland.

Committee Meeting: Thursday 11 January at 7.30 pm at Angela's home.

SPUC: We wish to thank you all for the wonderful support you gave us in 2017 and we wish you a Happy and Healthy New Year. Our next meeting is on Tuesday 9th January 7.30pm in the Church Hall. Please come and help us with our pro life work. Chase away the winter blues by coming to our Winter Warmer coffee morning on Saturday 27th January 10.30am - 12.30pm in the Church. All Welcome.

SVP: The SVP have a music night on Friday, 9 February 2018 at St Columba's Parish Hall, Chester, CH2 1SA. The main performers will be the Chester Catholic High School band which goes by the name of City Jazz; www.thecityjazzorchestrasingers.co.uk/events.html Tickets are £10 and available from Mark Branch (336 4287) and after Mass from 13/14th January weekend. The proceeds raised will go towards the upkeep of the holiday home.

DIOCESE

Diocesan Yearbook 2018: Copies available in the Parish Office priced £5.00.

Catechists: Sat 13 Jan, at Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port CH65 8BY 10.00am for 10.30am – 12:30pm "Sharing Best Practice" Moderator: Miss Caroline Farey. As this will be a good opportunity to get to know each other better, all Catechists are welcome. Mass will be in the parish at 12noon for those wishing to attend. Enquiries: Barbara Davies 07730 526 821; Registration: helen.jones@dioceseofshrewsbury.org .

OTHER

Catenian Association: Birkenhead Circle of the Catenian Association are holding their annual public speaking competition on Friday 26th January at 7.00pm at Prenton Golf Club, Golf Links Road, Prenton CH42 8LW. Come and support speakers from St Anselm's College, Upton Hall School FCJ, and St John Plessington Catholic College. Light refreshments. All welcome.

STOP PRESS: St Winefride's 2018 Diaries are in both porches for you to take: once they're gone... they're gone!

Epiphany 2018

Like the Magi,
may we also journey
and be attentive,
untiring and courageous
on the path to find the invisible God
who was born among us.

Pope Francis



FIRST FORGIVENESS AND HOLY COMMUNION 2018

Parents' Meeting - Monday 15 January, 6.00pm in the church hall

For parents who wish their children to receive the Sacraments of First Forgiveness and Holy Communion in 2018.

Mass for Enrolment - Sunday 28 January, 10.45am
for all those preparing for First Forgiveness and Holy Communion

First Forgiveness - Palm Sunday, 25 March, 2.00pm

Holy Communion Mass - Saturday 16 June, 10.00am

St Winefride's School Mass - Monday 18 June in school
for all children who have celebrated their First Communion, parishioners and friends