

ST WINEFRIDE'S RC CHURCH

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Sunday 7th December 2025 – Sunday 14th December 2025

Mass Readings: Sunday Year A, Weekday Cycle Year II

Sunday 7 Dec	Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday		6.00 pm	Parish family
	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT		8.45 am	Tony & Maureen Bainbridge (death anniv)
	Family Mass		10.30 am	Phil Challis (RIP)
Monday	Requiem Mass		10.00 am	Mary Elizabeth Sherratt (RIP)
	THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY		7.00 pm	Sick and housebound
Tuesday	Ferial		7.00 pm	Monica & Frank McKey (RIP)
Wednesday	Ferial		9.00 am	Michael Povey (Birthday anniv) RIP
Thursday	Ferial		9.00 am	Dorothy Burrows (recently deceased) RIP
Friday	Our Lady of Guadalupe		7.00 pm	Phil Challis (RIP)
Saturday	St Lucy		12 noon	Margaret Povey (RIP)
Sunday 14 Dec	Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday		6.00 pm	Special Intention (family)
	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT		8.45 am	Parish family
	Family Mass		10.30 am	Carlos & Auréa de Almeida Furnkranz (RIP)

Rosary: Mon/Wed/Thurs after 9am Mass & 9.45 am on Sunday or join via Zoom at 7pm **passcode 252387114, password: AveMaria.**

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 5.15 pm-5.45 pm and Monday to Friday after 9.00 am Mass on request.

Private Prayer: Church will remain open after morning Mass during the week for private prayer until 4 pm

Baptism: Please contact parish priest and collect Baptism application form after Mass. **Marriage:** 6 months' notice to be given.

Prayer for the month of December. For Christians in areas of conflict

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

SUNDAY	6/7 December			13/14 December		
	6pm	8.45am	10.30am	6pm	8.45am	10.30am
Readers	K Ankers	M Corcoran	M Slater	D Loughie	AM Millar	M Unsworth
Welcomers	6pm P Higgins/M & Branch		8.45am A & D Docherty		10.30am R Stacey	
EMHC			8.45am M Corcoran		10.30am P Hudak	

LITTLE CHURCH: Children’s liturgy will take place during the family Mass at 10.30am.

WEEKDAYS	Monday 10am/7pm	Tuesday 7pm	Wednesday 9am	Thursday 9am	Friday 7pm	Saturday noon
Readers	A Volunteer	A Neary	C Kingsland	C Kingsland	A Neary	A Volunteer

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done
and in what I have failed to do,
(striking breast)
through my fault, through my fault, through my most
grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord,
(At the words that follow, up to and including ‘the Virgin Mary’, all
bow)
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the
Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen

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Livestream/webcam is used in this church: See the privacy notice on the porch noticeboard.

Please remember in your prayers all those who are sick including: Patricia Davies, Frances Wright, Pat Cummins, Win Bayley, Joe Hemington, Judy Howard, Sr Suzan George SMMI, Eva Bennion, Paul Wallace, Dorothy Strawson, Maureen Knox, Joseph Kennedy, Gerald Sanderson, Fr Paul, Mary Gilbert, Michael Rowlands, Kay Minto, Susan Trowell, Margaret Maw, David Eva, Peter Roca, Stephanie Archibald, Margaret Gould, Joan Burkmar, Dawn Stevenson, Cormac Davis, 5 year old Dottie, Rachel Branch, Annabelle Narey, Alan Blackwood, Mary, Richard Fowler, Ann Kelly, Ruth Pisarek, Roger Gardener, Pat Leadbetter, Ann & Paul Flanagan, Stacey Hemington, David Wallace, Laurie Walsh, Yvonne Mckeown, Alan Hughes, Laura Eason, Maureen Morris, Michael Sheridan, Martin Penfold, Bill Penfold, Val Higgins, Clem Haimes, Cath and Chris Jones

Anniversaries of our departed (8 Dec – 14 Dec)

Colin Beardsworth, Harold Anthony (Tony) Bainbridge (8/12)
Hiram Stringer (9/12) Canon Aelred Rigby, Fr James Devlin,
Peter Caffrey, Geoff Davies, Victor Rhodes (11/12) Canon
Andrew V Campbell (12/12) Maureen Sharp, John Smith,
Hannah Bennett, Margaret V Povey (13/12) Fr B Hewitt,
Laurence Anthony (Tony) Moreton (14/12)

The names of the dear ones are taken from the book of remembrance. Please inform parish priest or contact parish office to add to anniversaries or remove from the sick list.



Christmas Mass times: Wednesday 24th December – Children’s Christmas Mass 4 pm & Christmas Vigil Mass 7 pm

Thursday 25th December – Christmas Morning Mass 8.45 am & Christmas Family Mass 10.30 am

Funeral service: The requiem Mass for Mary (Elizabeth) Sherratt will be this **Monday 8th December at 10.00am** and then burial in Kent. Please keep her cousin Ursula Jones and family in your prayers.

Recently deceased: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Michael Devlin, brother to Ibby Robinson who died on the 26th November. Please keep his family and friends in your prayers. Please also remember pray for the repose of the soul of John Lee who died on the 28th November and whose funeral will be in early January.

Communion hymn 'Litany of the Word': On Sunday at 10.30am Mass there will be a hymn sung that is not in the hymn book. To be able to join in the singing, responses after the cantor are '**Alleluia**' after the first phrase and '**Maranatha**' (**Come, Lord**) after the second phrase. These are repeated throughout.

Christmas Tree: The Christmas tree and church are going to be decorated on **Monday 15th December**. If you can spare an hour or two on Monday from 11.30 am, then please come along and help. The more volunteers the better!! Thank you.

Christmas Masses - readers, welcomers and EMHC: There is a sign-up sheet in the porch to add your name to if you are here at Mass over Christmas and are able to **VOLUNTEER**. You can also email the parish office. As church will be busy at all Masses, it is important we have two, if not three welcomers. Let the office know if you may like to help. Thank you.

Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality: There will be midday Mass at St Mary's Crewe on Monday 8th December to celebrate the feast of the Immaculate Conception. Refreshments will be available after Mass, everyone is welcome.

St Winefride’s School: The children will be coming to church this week on Monday at 1.30 – 3pm and Tuesday 9.30 -11.30am to practice for their Advent Carol Service which is on the 15th December.

St Winefride’s Carol Concert: The rehearsal for the school carol concert is on Monday 15th December at 10.00am. Parishioners and parents are most welcome to attend. The evening performance is reserved for parents only. Mass at usual time of 9am.

School newsletter: Copy available on the noticeboard or visit www.stwinefrides.cheshire.sch.uk/page/newsletters/1423

Piety stall: 'Religious Charity Christmas Cards including cards from CAFOD and ACN are now available in the back porch. There are also CTS publications for Advent including Sunday Missals for all Sunday Masses and prayers, for Year A (2025-6) at **£9.00**.

CWL Christmas hamper raffle tickets will be sold weekends of the 6/7th, 13/14th and 20/21st December. Priced at £1.00 each. The draw will take place in the hall after 10.30am Mass on Sunday 21st December

CWL: Christmas party this year is on **Friday 19th December at 4.30pm** in the church hall. All welcome.

SPUC: The next SPUC meeting is **Saturday 13th December at 10 30am** in the church hall. All Welcome. Also, after the 12 noon Mass we will be celebrating the feast of Our Lady Of Guadalupe, patroness of the Unborn with the Prayer for life, followed by the Rosary for Life. All are very welcome to join us to pray for the unborn and an end to abortion.

Neston Singers: On Friday 12th December at 7.30pm at the singers are putting on a Christmas concert at United Reformed Church, Parkgate Road, Neston. Cash on the door £10.00. See noticeboard in the porch for more information.

Christmas carols: Saturday 13th December in the Market Square at 10.30-11.30am. St Winefride’s school children are taking part. Details on the noticeboard.

Neston Community Centre: We would like to help support the food bank in the community centre by donating Christmas treats, such as mince pies, biscuits, sweets, Christmas cake/pudding etc. Donations to be left in the box marked community centre.

Parish Grounds and Gardens: Gardening group have now finished for winter and will resume again in spring on a Wednesday.

Tea/Coffee: The parish hall is open for **refreshments after the 10.30am Mass**.

Advent collection: During advent there will be a joint donation box in the porch for the charities of Mary’s Meals and Caritas. Both charities would be grateful for any donations you can give during advent leading up to Christmas.

Offertory Collections: Weekend of 29/30th November Loose Plate: £445.00 Envelopes: £58.50 Total: £503.50 Plus weekly standing orders as at end of October of £558. Thank you, as ever, for the generous support.

Food Bank: Urgent items as at 4 Dec; instant mash, Jam, tinned fruit, biscuits and coffee. **They have plenty of** cereal & pasta.