

ST WINEFRIDE'S RC CHURCH

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Sunday 11 January 2026 – Sunday 18th January 2026

Mass Readings: Sunday Year A, Weekday Cycle Year II

Sunday 11 Jan	Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday	6.00 pm	Christine Loughe (birthday wishes)
	THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	8.45 am	Parish family
	Family Mass	10.30 am	Family and friends of Hewitt & Crinyon families (RIP)
Monday	Ferial	9.00 am	Fr Tom (season greetings)
Tuesday	Ferial	7.00 pm	Special intention
Wednesday	Ferial	9.00am	Health, strength, hope and healing
Thursday	Ferial	9.00am	Esme Rose Weir (RIP) & family
Friday	Ferial	7.00 pm	Nick and Pat Lord (death anniv)
Saturday	ST ANTHONY	12 noon	Sick and housebound
Sunday 18 Jan	Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday	6.00 pm	Chris Booley (RIP)
	SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	8.45 am	Parish family
	Day of Prayer for World Peace	10.30 am	Frank Carol (RIP) and family

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Tuesday & Friday from 6pm and Saturday from 11am.

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.

Pope Leo's Prayer for the month of January. For prayer with the Word of God,

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

SUNDAY	10/11 th January			17/18 th January		
	6pm	8.45am	10.30am	6pm	8.45am	10.30am
Readers	J Shakespeare	AM Millar	J Tunstall	C Kirsén	Clark family	A Neary
Welcomers	6pm M & M Branch/ P Hlggins		8.45am A & D Docherty		10.30am R Stacey	
EMHC	Deacon Mike		T McGlynn		H Jones	

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


From the beginning of a new and important cycle of catechesis from Pope Leo: After the Jubilee Year, during which we focused on the mysteries of the life of Jesus, we will begin a new cycle of catechesis which will be dedicated to Vatican Council II and a re-reading of its Documents. It is a valuable opportunity to rediscover the beauty and the importance of this ecclesial event [...] it will be important to get to know it again closely, and to do so not through "hearsay" or interpretations that have been given, but by rereading its documents and reflecting on their content. Indeed, it is the Magisterium that still constitutes the guiding star of the Church's journey today. [...] At the beginning of the Council, Monsignor Albino Luciani, the future Pope John Paul I, as Bishop of Vittorio Veneto, wrote prophetically, "As always, there is a need to achieve not so much organizations or methods or structures, but a deeper and more widespread holiness. ... It may be that the excellent and abundant fruits of a Council will be seen after centuries and will mature by laboriously overcoming conflicts and adverse situations". Rediscovering the Council, then, as Pope Francis remarked, helps us to "restore primacy to God, to what is essential: to a Church madly in love with its Lord and with all the men and women whom he loves" [...] As we approach the documents of Vatican Council II and rediscover their prophetic and contemporary relevance, we welcome the rich tradition of the life of the Church and, at the same time, we question ourselves about the present and renew our joy in running towards the world to bring it the Gospel of the kingdom of God, a kingdom of love, justice and peace.

Please remember in your prayers all those who are sick including, Pat Cummins, Win Bayley, Joe Hemington, Judy Howard, Fr Paul, Maureen Knox, Ann and Paul Flanagan, Laurie Walsh, Maureen Morris Barbara & Richard Debemham. Eva Bennion, Dorothy Strawson, Joseph Kennedy, Peter Roca, Margaret Gould, Joan Burkmar, Cormac Davis, Rachel Branch, Dottie, Sheamus O'Hare, Mary & Richard Fowler, Ann Kelly, Ruth Pisarek, Roger Gardener, Pat Leadbetter, Yvonne Mckeown, Laura Eason, Michael Sheridan, Bill & Richard Penfold, Val Higgins, Clem Haimés, Cath & Chris Jones, Irene Steele

The names of your 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 prayer list. Thank you.

Anniversaries of our departed (11 Jan – 18 Jan)

Mary Anne Raybone, Aine Radford, Marceline Phyllis Hewitt (11/1), Rebecca Quick, Harold Thelwell, Samuel 'Sammy' Meadows, Michael Almond (12/1) Alma Ryan (13/1) Evelyn Knight, Odilla Beardsworth (14/1) Elizabeth Foley, Michael Francis Halley, Esme Rose Weir (15/1) Valerie Margaret Law, Fr Thomas FEE (16/1) Josephine Bridget Rowlands (17/1) Sheila Stephens, Magdalen Ounsworth (18/1),



Fr Tom writes Christmas 2025 – A 'thank you': As we come to the end of the Christmas Season, I wanted to repeat my thanks to all those who did so much to make our celebrations at Christmas so fulsome and beautiful. This was, of course, my first Christmas here as Parish Priest and I am so very grateful to everyone who contributed so much to making our Parish and our Church building a place of welcome expressing the joy of the Nativity. You will see, from this newsletter that the offerings to the Parish over the festive period were particularly generous along with the charity collection. Thank you.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: As we start the New Year, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be from 6pm on a Tuesday and Friday evening and from 11am on Saturday morning. Details also now on the left of the newsletter.

Recently deceased: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Terrence (Terry) McGowan who died on Christmas day aged 80. Please keep his wife Freda and their family in your prayers. Terry's funeral will be on the 26th January.

SPUC: It's January so come and be cheered up by our Winter Warmer Coffee Morning next Saturday the 17th January, 9 30am till 12 Noon in the church hall. We will have coffee/tea, plus Gaelic Coffee, hot tea cakes and crumpets. There will also be a Bring & Buy, a raffle (prizes gratefully received) and a quiz. All money raised will be used to sponsor young people to this years Youth and Student Conference. All very Welcome.

NDCT: The Ecumenical service for Christian Unity will be held next Sunday 18th January at 6.30pm at Parkgate & Neston URC, Moorside Lane. All very welcome to attend, the service will last around an hour. There will be the AGM in the hall afterwards.

Piety stall: Please have a look at the selection of cards that are for sale on the stand at the back of church.

Cleaning rota: A new cleaning rota has been compiled and is on the noticeboards and will also be available online. It would be helpful to have a couple of extra cleaners. At the moment it is only woman on the rota, but men are also welcome to be involved. If you can spare one hour a month, then contact the office or let one of the other volunteer cleaners know. Thank you.

Graveyard rubbish: Over Christmas there has been a great deal of cemetery waste found dumped in the graveyard. All waste should be taken home as "garden recyclable waste" isn't being collected over the winter months. The green bin collection starts again in March. Non-recyclable material **should always be removed** from site.

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.** What gives us life and energy as a Parish is when we come together spiritually and socially.

Priests' Retirement Fund: Next weekend, **17/18th January** the annual collection for the Retired Priests' Fund will be held. With your help, we can build up the Fund to help meet the future needs of our sick and retired priests.

Advent Charity collection: During advent £387.00 was collected for Caritas and Mary's Meals. This money will be split between both charities and sent to them along with the St Anthony's money that was collected during the year.

Christmas offering: From the four Christmas Masses an amazing £1910.80 was given, which was extremely generous.

Offertory Collections: Thank you, as ever, for the generous support.

Food Bank: Urgent items needed as at 8th Jan; pot noodles, cereal bars, meat paste, pasta in sauce (microwave) and long life juice. Thank you. They have plenty of pasta and cereal.

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