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Second Sunday of Easter

Sunday 11th April 2021

Mass Intentions for this coming week **

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| 10 April | Saturday 6pm | Bridget, Ernan, Michael, Bill, Geoff and Grandad Bertie | <p>Currently there are only two Masses being celebrated.</p> <p>Saturday at 6pm and Sunday at 9.30am.</p> <p>Retired priest Fr Kevin Prince will celebrate Mass.</p> |
| 11 April | Sunday 9.30 am | Moira Griffiths-Parr | |
| 12 April | Monday | | |
| 13 April | Tuesday | | |
| 14 April | Wednesday | | |
| 15 April | Thursday | | |
| 16 April | Friday | | |
| 17 April | Saturday 6pm | The Radburn family (Tasmania) | |
| 18 April | Sunday 9.30 am | Thomas Welham | |

The offertory collection will be taken at the end of Mass and not during Mass. Please place any donations, envelopes or loose change in the basket held by the Steward. If you wish to make a donation, please have your money/envelope ready as you leave. Thank you.

Parishioners who need our Prayers

Please remember in your prayers all those who are sick at home or in hospital, including:

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| Dorothy Barber | Ted Henesy | Judy Howard |
| Patricia Davies | Dorothy Robinson | Maureen Grace |
| Frances Wright | Sheila Burrell | Maureen Adams |
| Rosemary Southwell | John Swann | Betty Davies |
| Pat Cummins | Pat Hemmington | Barbara Evans |
| Sarah Alouane | Bill Williams | Eva Bennion |
| Pat Matthews | Joyce McAsey & | Andy Ablitt |
| Tony McDevitt | Maurice McAsey | Mary Schofield |
| Ruth Murray | | |



Please also remember Fr Paul in your prayers.

Please do get in touch with the parish office via e-mail or phone if you want to add or remove someone from the Prayer list or have a Mass intention. Thank you.

During Fr Paul's convalescence, pastoral oversight of St Winefride's is given by Canon Stephen Coonan of Our Lady and St John's Heswall – 0151 342 6581

TIMETABLE OF ACTIVITIES WITH DEACON JIM AND FRIENDS

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| <p>Daily Rosary</p> <p>at 9.00 am</p> <p>apart from Sunday</p> | <p>To join in please download Zoom.us either as an "app" on your phone or tablet or download from the Zoom.us website to your laptop. It is free and simple registration with your email and a password. When you have Zoom then type in or click the link below;</p> <p>https://zoom.us/j/252387114 password: AveMaria</p> | |
| <p>Bible study to resume next Wednesday 21st at 4.30 pm</p> | <p>BIBLE STUDY IS NOT ON NEXT WEEK, BUT IS DUE TO RESUME ON WEDNESDAY 21ST APRIL.</p> | |
| <p>Divine Mercy Friday 3 pm</p> | <p>If you would like to join in with reciting the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm each Friday you are most welcome. Please use the same Zoom login details as for Rosary.</p> | |
| <p>Coffee Morning Saturday 10 am</p> | <p>Come and join in St Winefride's coffee morning. 10.00am Saturdays at the usual Zoom address or by phone.</p> | <p>coffee break</p> |

Reflection on the Sunday Gospel by Fr Stephen Coonan



Today's gospel recounts two appearances of the risen Jesus. On Easter evening the disciples are gathered in the darkness, fearful behind locked doors. The scene evokes the frequent association in John of darkness with lack of faith. Jesus' first words are, "Peace be with you." Peace is the biblical opposite of fear not conflict and a word that is closely associated with other biblical motifs such as justice, mercy and loving kindness. Here and in the 'doubting Thomas' incident, when Jesus shows his wounds, his disciples recognise him. The symbolism is powerful. The risen Christ is the crucified one:

Christ's presence among the community of believers is recognised by his wounds. Jesus is present in the suffering and marginal people of the world.

Jesus now includes the disciples in his own mission and fulfils his promise to send them the Holy Spirit. Recalling the original gift of life to Adam from God's breath, Jesus breathes on them and grants them the power to forgive or retain sins. They are to form a community of forgiveness.

The story of Thomas, set a week later, portrays an example of unfaith which seeks proof of the resurrection. Only after Jesus challenges him to touch his wounds does Thomas confess, "My Lord and my God." John writes his Gospel to bring people to faith in Jesus, the Messiah.

LIVE STREAMING OF SERVICES include:

St Winefride's Parish Church - www.stwinefridesneston.org.uk

- Walsingham: walsingham.org.uk
- St. Anthony's, Wythenshawe: churchservices.tv/stanthonyswythenshawe
- CAFOD Children's Liturgy: cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy
- Shrewsbury Cathedral: dioceseofshrewsbury.org

<https://www.churchservices.tv/shrewsburycathedral>

All times and details of other services available search Church Services TV on Google ChurchServices.tv live mass and services from Churches in the UK and Ireland

You can also access what the pope has to say each day be heading to <https://www.vaticannews.va/en.html>



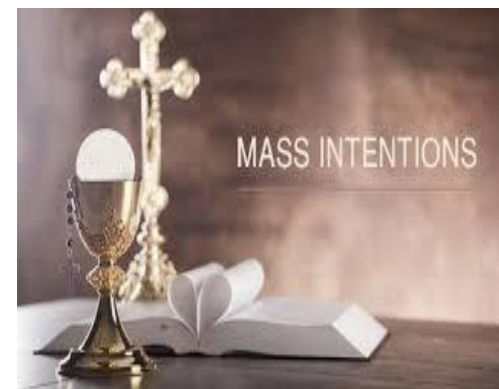
Please do let me know any news you may have, with most of us working from home and not meeting up, any news is lovely to hear. A birthday, anniversary, new member to the family, baby or pet!!

If you know someone who does not have access to the internet and would like a copy of the newsletter, then please contact me on the parish office e-mail. I am working from home, but will be popping into the office each Friday to print items etc. Posted newsletters, will arrive a little later.

Ways to Stay in Touch with Parish News – Visit the parish website for information and live stream.

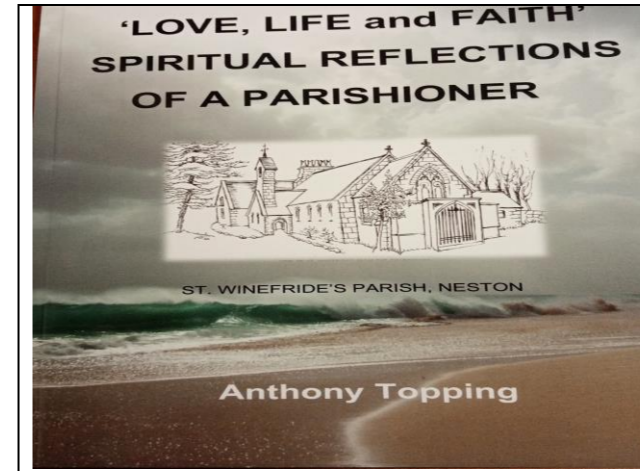
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MASS INTENTIONS STILL TO BE SAID FOR;

**Carol Saunders, Fr Gerry Courell,
Dr Mike Azurdia and his wife Gill Azurdia,
Frank Power, Alan Jones, Terry Saunders
Rodger Hemington, Maureen & Ron Jones
Margaret Davies, Kath Key
Alan Gauller**

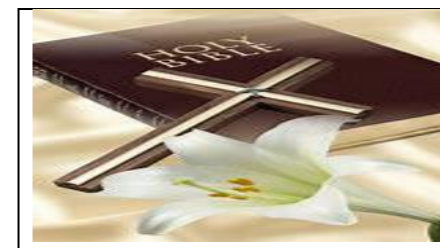


“Love, Life and Faith”

Spiritual Reflections of a Parishioner

Tony's son has organised for all of Tony's reflections over the years to be put together in a book. The book has now been published and are now available to buy.

If you would like a copy then please contact the office. The books are £7.50 each. Cheques to be made payable to Winefride's Parish Church or you can pay by cash.



READERS

The readers rota has been updated and details are on the website. If you are not on the list but are free to read at either Sat 6pm or Sun 9.30am then please just e-mail me back on the parish office e-mail. The next few weeks are detailed below. Thank you. Jayne – Parish Secretary

| | Saturday 6pm (vigil) | Sunday 9.30 am | Sunday 11.00 am |
|---------|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | 10th April | 11th April | NO MASS |
| READERS | K Ankers | AM Millar | |
| | 17th April | 18th April | NO MASS |
| READERS | P or A Flanagan | Joseph family | |
| | 24th April | 25th April | NO MASS |
| READERS | C Haines | J Tunstall | |
| | 1st May | 2nd May | NO MASS |
| READERS | K Ankers | R Pisarek | |



Sunday morning Mass at 9.30am is getting very close to full capacity in respect of Covid restrictions. We would not like to have to turn anyone away and it is fantastic that numbers are continually increasing. However, to avoid not being able to attend the 9.30am on a Sunday, due to church being full, would you sometimes like to come to the Saturday evening Mass. This at present only has have half the parishioners attending, so if you are concerned about church being busy, this maybe the better Mass to attend.

Remember in your prayers.....



Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of Christopher Smith and the Lord's comfort for his wife Carolyn. Christopher (Chris), aged 67, grew up in Parkgate on Swift's Weint and in Neston. He was baptised and confirmed here and attended St Winefride's primary school in the old school house. A lifelong fan of Tranmere Rovers he used to enjoy a good natter with Fr Courell and although he lived for many years in Irby, he wanted to be buried alongside his parents in Neston cemetery. Carolyn says he was always a Neston lad at heart.

His funeral service is at 9.15am on Wednesday 21st April.

Sheila Shields died on Thursday morning, prayers for the repose of her sole and please remember her husband Alan in your prayers.

We also learned the sad news early today that Prince Philip had died. May he rest in peace. Our first thought must be to pray for the eternal repose of Prince Philip's soul and for Her Majesty the Queen and the Royal Family at this time of personal loss.



Cafod Walk for Water - Katharine, Helen and Barbara would like to thank all those who supported their Lenten commitment to walk 400,000 steps (approx 280km) each during Lent. They have all exceeded their target steps and they have raised £1000 in total. Many, many thanks.

Foodbank will resume collections again this Thursday, 15th April.

If you would like to make a donation to the foodbank, please leave any items in the boxes under the table as you come into church. Thank you.

Most needed items are as follows; instant noodles, instant pasta, sweets, chocolate, cup of soup, instant mash, jams and spreads, (i.e peanut butter and chocolate spread).



LIVE STREAMING - Please note that camera images and sound of services are now transmitted on the internet but not recorded. This is to help us share our faith with others who are unable to attend in person. If you have any concerns about the use of live streaming during a service or mass, then please contact the office.

ONLINE GIVING

now available

"Online giving to the Parish"

For those Parishioners who normally give in the collection at Mass and wish to help the Parish at this time, an online donation page, to allow you to donate to the Parish, has been added to the Parish website. There is a new Online Donation button on the home page of our website. By clicking on it, it will take you to the Online Donation website run by **InvestMyCommunity**.

Currently the average weekly standing payments orders received are £228.41 and loose plate/offertory envelopes average is £175.60.

<https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donator/page/StWinefrideNeston2218>

Gift Aid Scheme 2021/22



The **offertory envelopes** for this tax year are still available to collect. If when you come to Mass if you just let a Steward know that you want to collect your envelopes, they will then arrange to get them to you. If you have your number ready, that may speed up matters. Thank You.

Alternatively, I am in the office on a Thursday and Friday, so if you are calling up to the graveyard or passing church and want to collect from the presbytery, then the best time to call would be between 10am and 1pm or ring before to check.

The new yellow envelopes start this weekend, **Sunday 11th April 2021** for the new tax year.

If you are no longer paying Income Tax please let Jayne, Parish Secretary, know as soon as possible. Either by telephone on 0151 721 3035 or via the parish e-mail. We must adhere to the Inland Revenue rules for operating our Gift Aid Scheme. Also, if you have changed address since the last tax year, could you also please let Jayne know so that we can keep the Diocesan central records up to date?

Do you pay Income Tax and donate cash each Sunday into the loose plate? If you do, please consider joining the Gift Aid Scheme as the Diocese can claim 25p back from the Government for every £1 you donate at no cost to you! There is at least **£2,000 from the Loose Plate that we could potentially claim back each year**. All you need to do is to sign one form declaring that you are a taxpayer and then decide whether to donate by a bank standing order (second form) or by weekly envelopes. The required forms are available by contacting Jayne in the office or download from the website. If you need any further information to help you to decide whether or not to join the Gift Aid Scheme please do not hesitate to contact the office.

A number of parishioners have changed from offertory envelopes to now paying by standing order. If you have done this, thank you. You will not need to collect any envelopes. If you want a standing order mandate, then just let me know.

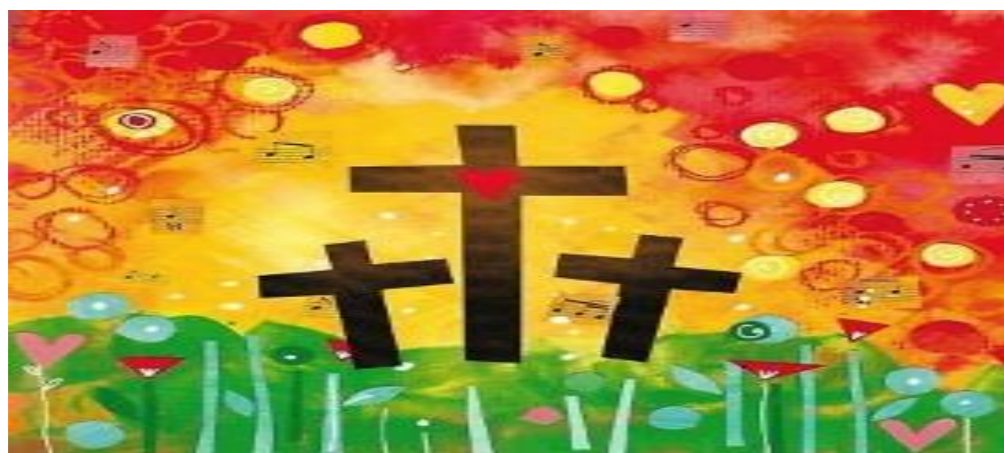


During Holy week, the children and staff of St Winefride's spent time reflecting upon the events of Holy week, in particular the Passion and Crucifixion of Jesus. Each class came together daily to worship collectively and share in the Gospel of the day, pray, sing, and glorify in the name of the Lord. Mrs Bannister prepared a thoughtful and reflective journey through the 'Stations of the Cross' and the children showed a deep empathy and understanding of Jesus' suffering in the hours leading to his death to free us all from sin. The Cross became a real focus of the week in School. The children explored the 'Stations of the Cross' in the School grounds. The children, from each class, creatively designed their own crosses using equipment in school, their artistic talents and even themselves!

During the week, to reflect upon The Washing of the Feet and The Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday and the Crucifixion of Jesus Christ on Good Friday, Mrs Ormes invited the staff and children to come together and led them in collective worship via Zoom. The children and staff welcomed Deacon Jim to their final collective worship where they listened to the Passion and Crucifixion of Jesus. Deacon Jim led the children and staff and in prayer. The staff and pupils would like to thank Deacon Jim for joining them; it was lovely to welcome him to school and worship with him, albeit virtually.

The children and staff rejoiced and celebrated the Resurrection of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, on Easter Sunday with their families. When the staff and children return to School after half term, they will celebrate collectively Christ's glory and promise of this joyous time of year.

"I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in me, shall never die." John 11: 25-26



Children's Sunday Liturgy Page. Parents, please feel free to print off the page for your children to colour and complete!



Welcome: Today we are going to hear about how the disciples were hiding and afraid, but Jesus appeared to them and made them feel strong. He brings them peace. Let's think about who makes us feel better when we are scared, and how we can help ourselves and other people feel peaceful inside.

Opening prayer: Loving God, you sent your Son Jesus to the disciples when they were scared. Help us to bring hope to other people who are hiding, or afraid, so they may know peace. Amen.

Second Sunday of Easter
Gospel: John 20:19-31



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