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XXIV Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2020

### Mass Intentions for this coming week

12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Saturday 6 pm	Parish family	
13 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Sunday 9.30 am	Thank You to parishioners	Thank you, for prayers from parishioners – Dot Davies
	Sunday 11 am	Fr Chris Lightbound	Belated birthday wishes
14 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Monday 10 am	Lilian & Joseph Rabbitt	
15 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Tuesday	Sr Anthony	<i>Private prayer 1.30-2.30pm</i>
16 <sup>th</sup> Sept	<b>Wednesday 4.30 pm</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>	<b>via Zoom see newsletter</b>
17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Thursday	Greg Cropper	<i>Private prayer 1.30 - 2.30pm</i>
18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Friday 10 am	Funeral and interment for Rodney Halewood	Family and close friends only
19 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Saturday 2pm	Wedding – Blaithin Settle & Edward Wardell-Yerbugh	
	Saturday 6pm	Bill Williams aka Mon Oncle	
20 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Sunday 9.30 am	Fred Doyle	
20 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Sunday 11.30 am	Parish Family	

Please do let us know if you would like a Mass said for someone by e-mailing the parish office.

### Parishioners who need our Prayers

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

Dorothy Barber	Patricia Davies
Frances Wright	Rosemary Southwell
Pat Cummins	Sarah Alouane
Pat Matthews	Dot Davies
Tony McDevitt	Ted Henesy
Dorothy Robinson	Sheila Burrell
Judy Howard	John Swann
Maureen Grace	Joyce & Maurice McAsey
Maureen Adams	Bill Williams aka Mon Uncle



Please do get in touch via the parish office e-mail if you want anyone adding or removing.

**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 speak to Fr Paul or Deacon Jim.

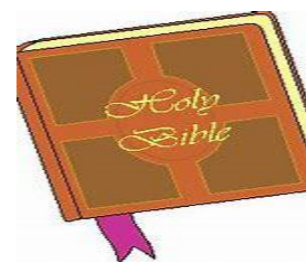
[Daily Rosary continues at 9.00 am \(apart from Sunday\) with St Winefride's parish](#)

**PLEASE NOTE CHANGE TO ROSARY TIME DUE TO MORNING MASS TAKING PLACE AT 10.00 am**

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;

<https://zoom.us/j/252387114>

password: [AveMaria](#)



**Bible study** – This **Wednesday, 16th September at 4.30pm**. It will be about the gospel reading for the following Sunday 19/20<sup>th</sup> September . Matthew 20:1-16A, 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle A).  
**Access as usual on Zoom or on 07746743921 for audio only.**

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.



Monday Mass – 10.00am in church  
Tuesday – Private prayer 1.30pm – 2.30pm  
Wednesday – Bible study via Zoom  
Thursday – Private Prayer 1.30pm – 2.30pm  
Friday Mass – 10.00am in church

**Please note the new times of weekend Mass**  
**Saturday - 6.00 pm**  
**Sunday - 9.30 am and 11.00 am**

Please do read on the website "How Covid 19 has changed Mass - FAQ".

**Fr Paul writes.....** I hope you are all safe and keeping well.

Please keep in your prayers members of our parish family who are unable to join us physically for our celebration of Mass. Fortunately, many are now able to take part via our parish Website.

It is good that our children have returned to school and this week many of our young parish members will be off to College or University to begin or continue their studies. We wish them well. Keep well and safe. Remember to keep in contact with your family and friends. I especially ask first year students to keep in touch with your parents because they will miss you, as will your younger brothers and sisters. They wish you well and will continue to do so. Know that the Good Lord will walk every step with you.

Can I ask that you also keep in your prayers the family of Rodney Halewood, his wife Katherine and their two daughters Sian and Rhian and cherished granddaughter Libby. Rodney sadly passed away last Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September, and his funeral is this Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> September, followed by a burial in the cemetery. Family and close friends only.

In today's Gospel we will hear about debtor who is unable to repay his debts.

At the time of the Lord Jesus, the law said that a person was only able to cancel the debt of someone seven times. This was something which the Apostle Peter could live with. After the seventh time, if the debt was still not repaid, you could call on the religious and civil authorities, to give you justice by imprisoning the person for the rest of their life. Then when the debtor died, they believed that the wrath of God would come down upon them for all eternity.

This belief does not fit in with Jesus' teaching. Jesus tells the disciples and all who are listening to him to forgive 'not seven but seventy seven times. However, because of the importance of seven in the Jewish tradition, Jesus is saying there is no limit to the forgiveness. Always forgive. This throws the disciples, along with the authorities into confusion.

Jesus explains to them that God alone can forgive the entire debt and that He does so out of pure love and compassion.

Jesus "takes the cup and gives it to his Apostles and says, this is the cup that will be poured for you and for many, so that sins may be forgiven."

It is through the Passion and Crucifixion of Jesus that the Father will forgive all. Jesus' Resurrection is the living proof for us that in the fullness of time God Sent his Son so that we could be reconciled with God and one another.

Jesus makes it clear that when God forgives, He forgives from the heart. It is as if the wrong had never taken place.

The BIG question for us is whether we believe in God's forgiveness or do we continue to wallow in our sins. Of course, Jesus is asking us in turn to forgive from the 'heart' as God does!

Be assured of my prayers for you and your loved ones.

Fr Paul

## TRACK AND TRACE IN CHURCHES

**This is still under review by the Bishops about how it will be done and when it will start. In the meantime, if I could ask you to write the following information on a piece of paper and bring with you when you or you and your family come to church. The full details are only needed the first time you visit and complete a form. After that, date, time and name and number will be sufficient.**

Date and time of mass attended	
Full name or names in your group	
Address inc postcode	
Contact number	
E-mail address	

Stewards are still needed to ensure we can open for private prayer or weekday and weekend Masses. If you would like to volunteer, **and you are under 70, are not pregnant and do have any underlying health conditions** then please contact Fr Paul or Deacon Jim via their parish e-mail or Jayne on the parish office e-mail. **Thursday afternoon is especially short of volunteers.** Thank you.

## LIVE STREAMING OF SERVICES include:

- Walsingham: [walsingham.org.uk](http://walsingham.org.uk)
- St. Anthony's, Wythenshawe: [churchservices.tv/stanthonyswythenshawe](http://churchservices.tv/stanthonyswythenshawe)
- Fr Denis McBride: [rpbooks.co.uk/holy-mass-online](http://rpbooks.co.uk/holy-mass-online)
- Bishop Robert Baron: [wordonfire.org/daily-mass/](http://wordonfire.org/daily-mass/)
- Shrewsbury Cathedral: [dioceseofshrewsbury.org](http://dioceseofshrewsbury.org)
- CAFOD Children's Liturgy: [cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy](http://cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy)  
(This is a fantastic resource for children.)

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

## A message from the office:

Newsletters **will not be printed** up for Mass at the moment to avoid any unnecessary risk. However, if you know someone **who does not have** access to the internet and needs a paper copy then, please let me know and I will arrange for one to be sent out to them next week. Thank you. Jayne – Parish Secretary.

**Contact details** – If you have moved home in the last three or four years and are not sure if we hold your correct contact details, please either telephone or e-mail the office with your up to date information. Thanks. Jayne Shakespeare – Parish Office



During August when we didn't produce a newsletter, we had our first baptism since lockdown in March. Oran Connolly who is 2½ was baptised by Deacon Jim on the 23<sup>rd</sup> August. His parents, Holly and Niall Connolly have only recently moved to Neston. A big welcome to the family from St Winefride's parish.

**Ways to Stay in Touch with Parish News - Visit the parish website**

[www.stwinefridesneston.org.uk](http://www.stwinefridesneston.org.uk)

**Sign up for the weekly parish newsletter via email. To join send an email to the office at**

[parishoffice@stwinefridesneston.org.uk](mailto:parishoffice@stwinefridesneston.org.uk)



**News items:** Do you have any good news stories that you would like to share, here in the Parish Newsletter? Are you celebrating a special birthday, anniversary? Birth of a child/grandchild? Do let us know and spread the happiness! Send your good news story and a photo (only if you want) to the parish office e-mail above.

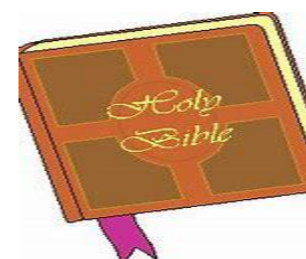


**News from St Winefride's School** - In the words of Chris Cagle.....It's good to be BACK! And in the words of Gary Barlow – let's hope we're back for good!

**LIVE, LAUGH, LISTEN, LOVE AND LEARN** forms part of the warm mission statement at St Winefride's Catholic Primary School and it is fair to say that the school was full of the five Ls on Wednesday 2nd September when the school opened its arms wide for all pupils, parents, carers and staff. All children returned to school happy, excited, ready to settle to their routines; eager to exchange smiles with friends and teachers and ready to do what they do best – learn. Mrs Ormes, head teacher, said, *'It was a delight to welcome all of our wonderful children back to school, to see all of their smiling, happy faces and to see all of our families again.'*

Indeed, the school may look the same, but it has re-opened to a 'new' normal. The children are now happily working, eating, and playing in their year group 'bubbles' and they have adapted incredibly well to routines and measures that have been implemented to ensure the safety of everyone at St Winefride's. The children are a credit to themselves, their parents, and the school.

Many of the usual school activities are underway, with some, understandably, being held in a different way. Mrs Ormes has been delivering her Monday morning assemblies via Zoom; children are playing in designated areas in the school's lush and vast grounds and some after school sports' clubs have started for some bubbles. The staff and pupils are thankful for the 'buzz' in and around school. The children are thoroughly engaging in their lessons: the staff's love for teaching and the children's love for learning is bringing the school to life again. Mrs Roberts, Learning Mentor at St Winefride's, commented *"The heart of the school is beating strongly yet again."*



**READERS** – As Fr Paul has mentioned, we are hoping to have a new rota up and running by the last weekend in September, 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup>. Hopefully, by the time you read this message if you are currently a reader, you will have received an e-mail regarding a new rota being compiled.



**Neston Fairtrade Steering Group** are pleased to announce the successful renewal of Neston as a **Fairtrade Town**.

The consumer choices of Neston community to buy Fairtrade products, together with the support of community organisations, local businesses and Neston Town Council have made this possible. A big thank you to everyone.



**FOODBANK** - Food items we are currently high-lighting a priority for:

Instant mash or tinned potatoes

Tinned cooked meats, corned beef or ham

Tinned meats such as stews, steak or hotpots

Pasta sauce, tinned vegetables

Cup-a-soup, Small bottles of cordial / UHT juice

We try to keep the "Most Needed Items" list on our website as up to date as possible so that you can consider including them.

**Update - collection by the Foodbank volunteers has resumed and will be every Thursday morning. Please leave any donations in the red box in the back porch. Thank you.**

<https://westcheshire.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donatefood>



**Shoe Box Appeal** - The COVID-19 global pandemic has disrupted everyday life for millions of people around the world. Yet, Samaritan's Purse continues to share the eternal hope of the Gospel and to serve in Jesus' Name.

This year you are still able to donate but this can be done in the traditional way or online. Samaritan's Purse are grateful if you plan to join them this year **in packing traditional boxes, building a shoebox online, or both.** With careful modifications to shoebox packing they want to ensure that children around the world are still blessed with great joy and the Good News of Jesus Christ.

If you would like to donate items for the Shoebox appeal. We are asking for items to be left at the back of church in a plastic bag with handles, clearly labelled **shoe box**

**appeal.** We have chosen just two particular weekends, 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> Sept and 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> October.

Items that can be include; cuddly toys, doll, truck, musical instrument, eg harmonica, skipping rope. School items, pencil, crayons, picture books, writing paper. Hygiene items, flannel, toothbrush, bars of wrapped soap, hairbrush. Other items, hat, gloves, scarf, jewellery, hair items. More can be found online.

## **NEW "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**.



Please be aware that a minimum donation of £5 is requested if giving in this way.

You can also Gift Aid your donation to help the Parish further.

If you want to Gift Aid your donation, please tick the box shown on the screen even if you have previously completed a Gift Aid Declaration form in favour of the Parish for regular giving made by Offertory Envelope or Standing Order.

### **Things to note:**

- \* You will need to use a password each time they donate – this is created the first time that they make a donation.
- \* All donations made by Parishioners are acknowledged by an email from **InvestMyCommunity**.
- \* Please also be aware that donations appear on the bank/credit card statements of the donor with the narrative "Invest My School".

**Any questions please do not hesitate to contact Mike Jevons – [mike\\_jevons@hotmail.com](mailto:mike_jevons@hotmail.com)**

**Thank you for your continued support**

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

## TURN TO ME AND BE SAVED

*Man Of little faith, why did you doubt?*

We have been in Lockdown now for five months and although restrictions have to some extent been eased for many of us, in particular, the aged and the vulnerable, it is still with us. The virus is still around. Many people, mostly in the younger age group, don't seem to be worried. They seem to have taken a more cavalier approach to the situation but most of us are weary and anxious about a second wave and the consequences of it.

Elijah was at the end of his tether when he reached Horeb, the mountain of God. He had endured many trials and was being hunted by the queen. He spent the night in the cave but then God told him to stand on the mountain before him. A mighty wind came which tore at the mountain, breaking rocks. Then came an earthquake and a great fire. Finally, Elijah heard the sound of a gentle breeze and he knew that God was in that breeze, so he went out and stood at the entrance to the cave. (1 Kings 19:9)

Peter and the other apostles were in a boat far out on the lake. They were struggling against a rough sea and a headwind. They were even more concerned when they saw what they thought was a ghost. It was Jesus, walking on the water towards them. He cried out to them, "Don't be afraid, it's me". Brave, impetuous Peter called out, "Lord, if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water". "Come", said Jesus. Peter got out of the boat and started to walk but when he felt the force of the wind, his courage failed him and he began to sink. He cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus stretched out his hand and held him safe. He said to Peter, "Man of little faith, why did you doubt?" (Matthew 14:22-33)

In the cave, Elijah must have been terrified. He must have asked himself, "What is happening? Is God angry with me? Have I displeased him?" But when the gentle breeze came, Elijah realised that God was there with him and had been throughout all his trials. Peter had the courage to step out of the boat onto the water. He knew Jesus, loved him and believed him but, as it became difficult, he began to doubt, not Jesus but himself. When he called for help, Jesus reached out his hand and saved him.

In recent times, the church has had to face many trials. Perhaps, there will be more even greater trials. Perhaps, like Elijah, we will be afraid and ask where is God and like Peter we will begin to doubt and cry out, Lord, save us. God is constant! It is humanity that must change. It is our selfishness, greed and lack of humility that clouds our vision and prevents us from seeing that God is always with us. He is there with outstretched arms, ready and waiting for us to turn to him and cry out to him "Lord, save us."

*There is no God but me,  
A god of justice, a saviour.  
There is none but me.*

*Turn to me and be saved,  
All the ends of the earth!  
For I am God, there is no other;  
By myself I swear it. (Is 45)*

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



Today Jesus talks about forgiveness – about how God is always ready to forgive us if we say sorry. And about how we should try to forgive others if they say sorry to us. Think a bit more about this today.

