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Lent I

18 February 2018

17 Feb	SATURDAY	1 st Sunday of Lent	6.30 pm	Sr Mary Willison SND
18 Feb	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish Family David Gleeson
19 Feb	MONDAY	Requiem	10.00 am	Jack Henesy
20 Feb	TUESDAY		10.00 am	R M Jones
21 Feb	WEDNESDAY	St Peter Damian	10.00 am	Service of Word and Communion
22 Feb	THURSDAY	The Chair of St Peter	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Maureen Bainbridge Margaret Walsh
23 Feb	FRIDAY	St Polycarp Way of the Cross	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Catherine Davies
24 Feb	SATURDAY	2 nd Sunday of Lent	10.00 am	Peter O'Mahoney
24 Feb	Next Weekend SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Sr Anthony Willison
25 Feb	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish Family Harold Thelwell

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 Jack Henesy	17 February / 18 February			24 February / 25 February		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
Readers - Readings	K Ankers	AM Millar	I Trotman	P Flanagan	Larty Family	T Topping
Readers - Intercessions	S Davies	T McGlynn	J Tunstall	A Flanagan	R Pisarek	Jones Family
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	M Davies S Ety	M Slater J Tunstall A Cropper D Barber
Counters	Andrea and Wyn			Dee and Steve		
Cleaners	Brian & Veronica Casey			Louise & Fran		

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!

What's been going on at... St Winefride's Catholic Primary School

All the children of St Winefride's attended an assembly on Wednesday to mark the beginning of Lent. Mrs Bannister, the Religious Education subject leader, explained to the children the significance of Shrove Tuesday in relation to the start of Lent. Each class teacher applied ashes to the children in their form. Throughout the Lenten period "Stay and Pray" sessions will be held in school, this will involve each class taking it in turn to invite their parents into school to pray with them.



Fr Paul writes

On Monday morning at 10am we will have the Funeral Mass for Jack Henesy. So many of the parish family have come for Mass cards and said how wonderful Jack was to our parish community. After the funeral Mass Jack will be interred in our Parish Cemetery. The collection from Jack's funeral, at the request of the Family, is in aid of our Parish SVP. Refreshments will be served in our Parish hall. All are welcome for some light refreshments and to carry on the story of Jack.

It was good to see so many at our two Masses on Ash Wednesday. We have begun this holy season together. As for the next 5 weeks there will be an **extra Mass at 7.00pm on Thursday. After Mass there will be an opportunity to have a discussion looking at the great events of Holy Week. All are welcome.**

As is our custom **The Blessed Sacrament will be placed on the altar before our weekend masses.** This will enable us to have a time of reflected prayer. During this time, I will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. There will be an LPA service of reconciliation but as yet a date and venue have not being given. As soon as I have more information I will let you know.

On Friday evenings at 7pm there will be a celebration of the Cross in Church.

Along with our young people, who will be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation we are all invited to a penitential service on **Palm Sunday 25th March at 2.30pm**

From this Tuesday 20th we are reopening the opportunity **for soup and sandwiches from 12.00 to 1.30pm.** This will give us time to talk to one another. Both soup and sandwiches are free but if you would like to donate toward the cost you are most welcome to. Many thanks for all who have volunteered in making and serving the soup and sandwiches.

OUR MISSION TOGETHER. At our Vigil Mass, last Saturday, we welcomed Dave Burke from our newly appointed Youth Mission Team. In his short talk he opened for us as to how this 'new Team' are starting many activities in support of our young people both a parish level and through our Catholic schools. He also thanked us for the financial support, which has come through the Bishop's project of **Our Mission Together.** David will be coming back to us later in the year to speak at our Sunday Masses. Please keep them in your prayers.

Attached to our newsletter you will find the latest newsletter from our **Mission Together Team.** Over the next few weeks we will be bringing our part of the process to an end. You still can support the project both financially and through our continual prayer. I thank you all in whatever support you have been able to offer.

Let us ask the Father, to send his blessing on our Parish Family. With my prayers.

Fr Paul

PARISH

Piety Stall: There will a **book sale** this week in the Church Hall after each Sunday Mass. All CTS Booklets and Children's Books are now half price.

SPUC: The White Flower Appeal will take place this weekend. SPUC is currently campaigning to stop the decriminalisation of abortion, which means taking abortion outside the law. This is the most dangerous threat to unborn children and their mothers in decades. Please be as generous as you can to help us defeat this latest attack on unborn babies and to stop abortion getting worse in this country. And please will you help by filling in the postcards that will be handed to you as you come into mass for us to send to our MP Justin Madders.

SPUC meeting next Tuesday 20 February 7.30pm in the church hall. All Welcome.

EMHC/Readers: A new rota for March - June is currently being prepared. If there any dates that you are unavailable email Karl at readers@stwinefridesneston.org.uk or emhc@stwinefridesneston.org.uk. If you would like to be a Reader or Eucharistic Minister, please contact Tony Topping on the same emails or after morning Mass.

DIOCESE

Symposium on The Eucharist: Sat 3 March 2018, St Ambrose College Hale Barns and Sunday 4 March, Shrewsbury Cathedral Parish Room: *The Eucharist, Maelstrom of Love: Source and Centre of the Sacramental Life.* Speaker- Fr Oliver Treanor, diocese of Down & Connor. www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/catholic-faith/the-new-evangelisation/symposium Posters in porches - Registration helen.jones@shrewsburydiocese.org or via the website.

Parish Youth Leaders Training and Retreat Day: Into the deep on Sat 17 March 2018, Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port, 10 - 3pm. For Priests, Sacramental programme leaders and anyone wanting to be a youth leader. Register: youth@dioceseofshrewsbury.org Details on poster.

ECUMENCIAL

NDCT Lent Activities: Study Group and Lent Lunch information are on the posters in the porches. All are welcome!