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PENTECOST / ORDINARY TIME VII

20 May 2018

19 May	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Parish Family
20 May	SUNDAY	Pentecost Sunday	8.45 am 10.45 am	Pope Francis intentions Michael Gallon
21 May	MONDAY	Mary, Mother of the Church	10.00 am	Special Intention
22 May	TUESDAY	St Rita of Cascia	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
23 May	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
24 May	THURSDAY	Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Eternal High Priest	10.00 am	Holy Souls [Foss]
25 May	FRIDAY	St Bede	10.00 am	In Thanksgiving [Tunstall]
26 May	SATURDAY	St Philip Neri	10.00 am	Arlene Maddocks
26 May	Next Weekend SATURDAY	Most Holy Trinity	6.30 pm	Parish Family
27 May	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Fr Gerry Courell Eddie Smith

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

	19 May / 20 May			26 May / 27 May		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
Readers - Readings	D Davies	AM Millar	T Topping	M Green	T Nolan	Jones Family
Readers - Intercessions	F Byrne	Clark Family	Joseph Family	S Davies	T McGlynn	J Braidwood
EMHC	C Haimes J Gordon M Branch	T McGlynn R Pisarek	M Slater K Holden A Cropper D Barber	D Davies C Haimes J Gordon	K Garrod K Hughes	D Pover K Holden G Barber T Topping
Counters	Kevin Garrod, Roy Howard			Andrea Williams, Wyn Penfold		
Cleaners	Louise Wood, Fran Byrne			Liz Dolley, Peter Higgins		

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Wed: SVP 7pm in presbytery; Choir 7-8pm; **Thur:** Communion Visits; **Sun:** YSVP 10am in hall

2nd Tues of month: SPUC 7:30pm in hall; **Last Tues of month:** Lunch Club; **3rd Thur of month:** CWL 7.30pm in hall

Last Sunday's Offering: Thanks for your support!

THIS IS WHAT HAPPENED AT... St Winefride's Primary School:

This week reception class enjoyed a visit to Techniquet in Wrexham. The day had a dinosaur theme; the children listened to a dinosaur story, watched a "volcano" erupt and took part in a "light and sound in the jungle" show.

The children were also able to explore all the zones within the centre allowing them to experience lots of scientific and hands on activities. The staff report that the children were impeccably behaved and a credit to our school.

Fr Paul writes.

Today we celebrate the birthday of the Church. 'Filled with the Holy Spirit' the Apostles go out to teach and baptise those who wish to follow the Lord Jesus. This work continues today. For through our Baptism and Confirmation and Eucharist we are to be his apostles called to preach the Good News. We are to be a people who live by the same Spirit and bear witness through the way we live our lives.

In the 1800s the re-established Catholic Church began the great work of founding Catholic dioceses. In each diocese the Bishops' priority was the foundation of schools. Our own parish is founded on such a model. What is now the presbytery, was at that time a school. In time, a larger school was built which only closed in recent history.

During the latter days of the School House a new development of what is St Winifred's Primary school was founded continuing the early mission.

We are very blessed to have a strong school. A school holding and living out the reality that our children have been created by the love of their parents and knitted together by God. They have many gifts and talents. Our school is a space in our parish where the Gospel of the Lord is experienced daily through the pastoral care of the Head, teachers, the class room assistants and ancillary staff. It was wonderful that some of the pupils were able to come to the church for the feast of the Ascension of the Lord into heaven. Several of our parish family were thrilled to see them. Some others said it is a delight to read in the weekly newsletter about the many achievements of the young people. A few others said that they now visit the school's website to follow up on what the pupils are doing.

It is good to see the partnership between the family home of the pupils, the school and the parish working together. This can be illustrated in the preparation for Holy Communion. I know that I shared with you some negative moments from last year's celebration of First Communion. I can honestly say that a few of the adults could learn from the children's fantastic behaviour, simplicity, and holiness as they approached the reception of the Eucharist for the first time. I am sure we will be pleased to support, through prayer, this year's celebrations.

With my prayers.

Fr Paul

PARISH

Thanks: Most sincere thanks from Paula and Joe Tunstall for all the love and prayers given to us recently during Joe's operation and recovery.

More Thanks: Irene and Derek Pover would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards and best wishes during Irene's recent illness.

SPUC's Mid-Summer Concert: West Wirral Music Society will be singing songs from the shows of Gilbert and Sullivan is on Friday 15 June 7.30pm in St Winefride's school hall. Tickets available now only £5, which includes a light supper. Bring your own drink and glasses, there will be a raffle and Irish bingo. Contact Margaret Unsworth on 336 2050. Lifts available if required.

Confirmation 2018: At Our Lady and St John, Heswall on Wed 20 June. Preparation of candidates continues on Sundays.

Piety Stall: The Stall is open after each Sunday Mass in the church hall. Confirmation and first Holy Communion Cards are available together with a wide selection of cards for all occasions and gifts (see display cabinet). Cards are also available in the back porch.

Theatre Night: The Bebington Dramatic Society (BDS) will be performing "Dial M for Murder" a classic Hitchcock thriller on Wednesday 6 June, 7:30pm at Gladstone Theatre, Port Sunlight. All proceeds go towards the upkeep of the SVP Holiday Home; this is an amazing opportunity to send families on holiday who

otherwise would not get one. Tickets are £9 and will be available after mass or by contacting Mark Branch 336 4287.

Our Mission Together: I have been asked that if you have not been able to send your pledge form to the Diocese can you please do so. You can also hand them to Deacon Michael or myself. Many thanks for your support in this matter.

Lift to Mass: Would you be willing to pick up and take home a parishioner attending the 8:45am mass? If so, please let Father Paul know.

Tuesday Lunches: Lunches have recommenced on the last Tuesday of each month – sandwiches and cake! All welcome!

NDCT: Neston Methodist Church are holding a Pentecost Praise evening service on Sunday 20 May at 6.30pm. Mark Thomas organising music. Nita Greenleaves giving talk. All welcome.

DIOCESE

Eucharistic Congress 'Adoremus': The First National Eucharistic Congress in England and Wales for 110 years is being held in Liverpool, 7-9 Sept 2018. To participate in this historic event book through the parish as soon as possible. Details, costs and forms can be accessed from the website www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org