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Holy Week

29th March 2015

28 Mar	SATURDAY	<i>Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion</i>	6.30 pm	Stanley & Agnes Jones
29 Mar	SUNDAY	<i>Holy Week</i>	8.45 am	The Parish
			10.45 am	Josie Tobin
30 Mar	MONDAY		9.00 am	John Murphy
31 Mar	TUESDAY		9.30 am	First Forgiveness with Children
			9.00 am	Int: Mary Henesy
1 Apr	WEDNESDAY	<i>Church School St Columba's - Chester</i>	9.30 am	First Forgiveness with Children
			9.00 am	Baby Daniel J Elavathingal
2 Apr	THURSDAY	<i>Holy Thursday Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper</i>	9.10 am	Children's Holy Week Mass
			7.00 pm	Mass of Chrism
3 Apr	FRIDAY	<i>Good Friday The Celebration of the Lord's Passion Collection: Holy Places</i>	7.30 pm	The parish Adoration/Watching
4 Apr	SATURDAY	<i>Holy Saturday - The Sacraments are not celebrated today</i>	Till Midnight	
			9.00 am	Confessions
4 Apr	SATURDAY	<i>Next Weekend Easter Vigil</i>	10.00 am	Stations of the Cross
			3.00 pm	Service
5 Apr	SUNDAY	<i>Easter Sunday</i>	10.00 am	RCIA
4 Apr	SATURDAY		7.30 pm	The Parish – Adult Baptisms and Reception of Candidates
			8.45 am	David Stringer
5 Apr	SUNDAY		10.45 am	Pat, Joe, Tom Ellis

Weekdays: Adoration from 8.00 am; Morning Prayer 8:40 am; Rosary following 9.00 am Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 11.00-11.30am and 5.45-6.10pm

Please pray for the sick, especially: Alan Jones, Pam Grace, Fr Fred Robinson, Laura Growney-Stone, Kevin Bradford, James Rourke, Molly Hopkins, Claire Heverin, Paula Tunstall, Jane Haimes, Karl Smith, Vincent Marmion, Marie Claire, Margaret Maw, Stacey Leadbetter, Louisa Johnson, James Mulligan Jr, Francesca Grace Peet, Jeannie Cartledge, Angela Willasey, Karen Dawson, Fiona Hardman, Julie Jones, Bernie Phelan, Joan Cleary, Beatrice Barker, Clare Thompson, Pauline Bennett, Jack Henesy, Win Bayley, Lynne Smith, Louise Quigg, David Bell, Tony Peet, Columba Haggart, Jean Benson, Alma Merrick, Gerard Robinson, Beth Philcott, Kevin Hennessy, Matthew Allen, Bernice Darby, Grace Nicholls, Dorothy Barber, Ann Clowes, Bill Postlethwaite, Paul Doherty.

RIP: Winifred Yates, Frances Lyolette, Richard Wool

From Fr Ravi.... Thank You!

So many have helped us in the past few weeks to keep our parish active and vibrant. And we are so grateful to them: Friday Stations of the Cross - SPUC, CWL, EMHC & Lectors, SVP, Catechists and last year's Confirmation candidates, RRR; Reconciliation Sunday - Fr Michael Coughlan; St Patrick's Night to our Social Team - Tony Wright and Kieron Grace; Romero Evening to our Justice and Peace Reps - Catherine and Paulo Lisboa, Rita Cassidy; Deacon Lawrence and SVP Walsingham Pilgrimage for presenting us the ciborium in memory of Fr Denis; Women's World Day of Prayer - Veronica Cuthbert; to our Primary School - Mrs Ormes, the staff and all parents - for the weekly mass with children; our Choir - Louise Wilkinson, Maria Slater & Co who have been regularly practicing for so many Sundays; RCIA - Jayne Peet, Dee Roberts and team for preparing our candidates and catechumens; our liturgy sheet producers - Helen Jones and Karl Ankers; and all our regular ushers, cleaners, sacristans, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and readers, flower team and everyone. The leadership shared by so many in our parish community is something that we all can be proud of.

Father Chris and Deacon Mike join me in assuring you of our prayers in this Holy Week and wish you and all the families in our Parish, the blessings of the Risen Lord.

As we come to the end of our Lenten Season we remind ourselves of this year's Lenten theme: "Fear not... you are precious in God's eyes."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Cleaning: W Morgan and A-M McLean

First Communion: The next session for the parents of First Communion children will be on Tuesday, 31st March at 7pm and our children will help in our singing and praying on Sunday, 19th April at 10.45am mass. Please do keep them all in your prayers as they celebrate their First Forgiveness during the Holy Week. First Communion celebrations will be on Saturday, 13th June at 10am.

Confirmation: The preparation for those candidates who have registered for Confirmation will begin after Easter. This year, the sacrament will be celebrated in Pensby on Wednesday, 17th June at 7pm.

Cemetery Records: We thank you for your cooperation in updating our records. If there are still unmarked graves of your family and friends, please do attend to them asap. Those of you who have reserved burial plots, please do contact Fr Ravi after Easter but before the end of April. This information will not be displayed. We do hope to have a complete record by May 2015. Again, thanks for your understanding.

EMHC: Following our diocesan training day, a meeting of EMHC was held last week to discuss some of the points made at the training day in relation to our ministry at St Winefride's. A summary will be forwarded to all ministers. Comments and clarification welcome.

From St Win's Justice and Peace Team: This week St. Winefrides' Parish held a Justice and Peace event to celebrate life of Archbishop Oscar Romero, thirty five years after he was killed while saying Mass and two months to the day of his beatification in San Salvador. There was not a seat to spare in our Church Hall so a massive thank you goes to all who supported the event. The evening started with a sung prayer on a theme dear to Romero's heart. Our grateful thanks go to guest speaker Margaret Lillis for a powerful account of the social role of CAFOD in El Salvador. Margaret set in context the courage and sacrifice as Romero stood against oppression under the fiercest pressure and ultimately at the cost of his own life. It was heartening to see how Romero's personal tragedy lives on in a spirit of solidarity and endurance. The talk made Romero's legacy relevant today and showed why his beatification means so much to Christians all around the world, serving as an inspiration to live our faith with active support for dignity and justice and echoing his own words that Peace is generosity, it is right and it is duty.

From St Wins Social Team: St Patrick's Evening - Thank you for an enjoyable evening and we are especially grateful for the band - Richard Stamper, Carl Parry, Ian Howie, Ronnie Smith and Peter Bradshaw.

RCIA invite all to join us for refreshments in the Parish Hall following the Easter Vigil.

Catholic Voice: Please do pick up a copy available in the Church Porches: an interesting report is included from our Primary School.

Music Practices: Our rehearsal on Sunday 29th March will be at the later time of 7pm in church. There will be an extra rehearsal at 7.30pm on Tuesday 31st March.

YSVP: Easter Egg Raffle – tickets will be on sale after 10:45am mass.

NDCT: An election 'Question Time' public meeting is taking place on 7.30pm Friday 10th April in Neston Town Hall organised by the NDCT. The residents of Neston have the opportunity to put forward a question for debate to the parliamentary candidates for Ellesmere Port and Neston and listen to their responses. To submit a question for debate on the evening please email: carriespacey@aboutmyarea.co.uk Give the following information by no later than 1st April: Full Name; Place of residence; State if the question is a local, national or international issue; One question of no more than 50 words. We cannot guarantee all questions can be answered but every effort will be made to collate questions with similar areas of interest and the subject matter will be well aired. Alternatively you can submit a question in writing to NDCT Reps Deacon Mike or Kate Hughes by 1st April.

Ecumenical: Good Friday Market Stall 10am-12noon in the Market Square, Neston. Organised by Ss Marys and Helen's Sunday Parish Clubs.

FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

21/4: A look at First Sacraments - Wirral

28/4: Sharing the Word with children – Wirral

15/5:10-3:30pm: 'What is a Catholic Curriculum in the Light of New Evangelisation' Park Royal Hotel, Warrington.

16/5:10:30-3pm: 'The Single Life'; 'The Vocation to Marriage and Family' Ellesmere Port Catholic High School

16/6: RCIA an invitation - Wirral

19-29/6: Exhibition on St Teresa of Avila, Shrewsbury Cathedral (500th anniversary of her birth)

20/6: Day Conference for Confirmation Catechists

25/7: Diocesan Conference for Catechists

Last Sunday's Offering: Many thanks for your generous support.

	<i>Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion March 28th/29th</i>			<i>Easter Sunday April 5th</i>	
	<i>6:30pm (Vigil)</i>	<i>8:45am</i>	<i>10:45am</i>	<i>8:45am</i>	<i>10:45am</i>
Readings	E Williams	M Jevons	M Slater	H Jones	M Unsworth
Intercessions	J Williams	H Jones	O'Cleirigh Family	R Pisarek	J Tunstall
EMHC	D Davies	K Hughes	J Tunstall	M Davies	T Topping
	P Middlehurst	T McGlynn	D Barber	K Gerrod	A Cropper
Counters	Briege, Marie and Andrea			Jayne and Dee	

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Lent V

22nd March 2015

21 March	SATURDAY	5 th Sunday of Lent-Reconciliation Sunday With Fr Michael Coughlin	6.30 pm	Sammie Meadows
22 March	SUNDAY		8.45 am	The Parish
			10.45 am	Sandra Sally
23 March	MONDAY	St Toribio De Mogrovejo	9.00 am	Health: Richard Wool
24 March	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Thanksgiving: M Henesy
25 March	WEDNESDAY	The Annunciation of the Lord	9.00 am	Lilian O'Neill
26 March	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Peggy Belcher
27 March	FRIDAY	School Mass & Stations of the Cross (R-R-R)	9.10 am 7.00 pm	Fr Richard O'Donovan OMI Health: Rosemary McDowell
28 March	SATURDAY		9.00 am 12 noon	Thanksgiving: Joan Bartley Katie Louisa Boyd
29 March	Next Weekend SATURDAY	Passion (Palm) Sunday Holy Week	6.30 pm	Stanley & Agnes Jones
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From Fr Ravi... Celebrating Oscar Romero's Martyrdom

Archbishop Romero was murdered on 24th March 1980 as he was celebrating the Eucharist. He has become a symbol for all those who struggle for justice and peace in today's world. To celebrate his life, our Justice and Peace representatives, have organised a Romero evening. Margaret Lillis who was in El Salvador recently will share her experiences with us at 7:30pm on Monday 23rd March in the Church Hall. All are welcome. Romero, thanks to Pope Francis, will be beatified on May 23rd 2015 in San Salvador on the day before Pentecost.

We know that every effort to better society especially when injustice and sin are so ingrained, is an effort that God blesses, that God wants, that God demands of us.

Oscar Romero, martyred archbishop of El Salvador 24th March, 1980



	5 th Sunday in Lent 22 nd / 23 rd March			Palm Sunday 28 th /29 th March		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
Readings	S Davies	T McGlynn	E Spearpoint-Walsh	E Williams	A-M Miller	M Slater
Intercessions	B Phelan	Larty Family	I Trotman	J Williams	M Jevons	O'Cleirigh Family
EMHC	M Green K Ankers	S Eddy M Davies	D Pover E O'Sullivan	D Davies P Middlehurst	K Hughes T McGlynn	J Tunstall D Barber
Counters	Kevin and Roy			Andrea, Marie and Briege		

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Cleaners: Louise Wilkinson, Tina Davies

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions): We welcome and thank Fr Michael Coughlin for his presence with us this Reconciliation Sunday. Priests will be available for Confessions after each mass this weekend.

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Music Rehearsal: We will practice as usual at 4pm in church on Sunday 22nd and 29th March, and also at 7.30pm on Tuesday 31st March. Do visit the music section on the parish website to hear some of the music we are singing during Holy Week.

Church Cleaning: We are still looking for four more people to join the church cleaning rota, so that we have three people in each team. You would be required to clean one week in six. Please contact Louise Wilkinson on 336 1096 or louise@wilkinsontowers.com.

CWL: There will be coffee, tea and cakes on Sunday 22nd March, after 10.45 Mass, hosted by the CWL.

RCIA: We are planning a half day pilgrimage to Holywell on the afternoon of Sunday 26th April 2015 and all are welcome to join us. More details to follow. Please contact Jayne on 336 6281.

Piety Stall: Holy Communion and Confirmation cards and gifts now available after each Sunday Mass in the Church Hall. All proceeds go to the Diocesan Children's Society.

SVP: The SVP wish to thank the parishioners for their generous response and support at our recent appeal. SVP members please note no meeting Monday 23rd March.

PARISH DIARY FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

RCIA: every Tuesday, 7pm
Read-Reflect-Respond: every Wednesday, 7.30pm
Mass and Stations: every Friday at 7pm

23/3	Romero Evening 7.30pm
01/4	Chrism Mass, St Columba's Chester 7pm
02/4	Maunder Thursday , Mass and Adoration 7.30pm
03/4	Good Friday , Confessions 9am, Stations 10am, Service 3pm
04/4	Easter Vigil , 7.30pm

FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

28/3: 10-3.30pm **Introduction to the Liturgy:** Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port Contact: Rowena Nield 0161 440 8619.
21/4: **A look at First Sacraments** - Wirral
28/4: **Sharing the Word with children** - Wirral
15/5: 10-3:30pm: **'What is a Catholic Curriculum in the Light of New Evangelisation'** Park Royal Hotel, Warrington.
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20/6: **Day Conference for Confirmation Catechists**
11/7: **Proclaim 15:** A special event in Birmingham. If interested please contact the Parish Office
25/7: **Diocesan Conference for Catechists**
28-29/7 – 4-5/8: **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** for information: www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk
19-26/10: **Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land:** Contact Fr David Long, St Alban's Wallasey. Info on noticeboards.

FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

29/3: **Explore2**, 2pm from Year 11 upwards at St Chad's High School, Runcorn.
15/5: **'What kind of Person does God really want me to be?'** at St Werburgh's Parish Centre (evening tbc)
2016 World Youth Day: Krakow
Contact: ysvp@stwinefridesneston.org.uk for more information or the parish office.

Fr Denis: The SVP Walsingham Group have kindly donated a Ciborium in memory of Fr. Denis. The inscription reads: *In Memoriam Fr. Denis Marmion, chaplain, SVP Walsingham Pilgrimage 2007 – 2014.* Deacon Lawrence Hordley, who has led the pilgrimage in recent years, will present the ciborium to Fr. Ravi at the 10.45 am Mass this Sunday 22nd March.

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Lent IV

15th March 2015

14 Mar	SATURDAY	4 th Sunday of Lent 2 nd Collection: SVP Mother's Day	6.30 pm 8.45 am	The Parish Kit Aheran
15 Mar	SUNDAY	Adoration & Confession	10.45 am 3 – 4 pm	Louis O'Sullivan In union with the whole Church
16 Mar	MONDAY	Funeral Service	9.00 am 1.00 pm	Health: Bernice Darby Muriel Elizabeth Jacques
17 Mar	TUESDAY	St Patrick	9.00 am	Health: T. P. Nicholson
18 Mar	WEDNESDAY	St Cyril of Jerusalem Funeral Service LPA Reconciliation at OLSJ - Heswall	9.00 am 2.00 pm 7.00 pm	Int: K. A. Bunting Pamella Williams Confessions
19 Mar	THURSDAY	St Joseph Funeral Service (Blacon)	9.00 am 11.20 am	Sp. Intention David Lawrence Lawless
20 Mar	FRIDAY	School Mass & Stations of the Cross (Catechists)	9.10 am 7.00 pm	TG: Gabrielle Cropper Nickson & Chambers Families
21 Mar	SATURDAY		9.00 am	Margaret Pott
21 Mar	Next Weekend SATURDAY	5 th Sunday of Lent – Reconciliation Sunday with Fr Michael Coughlin – Confessions after each mass	6.30 pm	Sammie Meadows
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PARISH DIARY

RCIA: every Tuesday, 7pm
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15/3	Adoration & Confessions 3-4pm with the whole Church
18/3	LPA Reconciliation: OLSJ, Heswall 7pm
20/3	EHMC Meeting 7:45pm in Church
21/3	St Patrick's Night: 8pm
21-22/3	Reconciliation Sunday, Fr Michael Coughlin
23/3	Romero Evening 7.30pm
01/4	Chrism Mass, St Columba's Chester 7pm
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04/4	Easter Vigil, 7.30pm

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GIFT AID SCHEME 2015/16

Weekly envelopes are now available in the boxes for 2015/16 from the rear porch. They are in surname alphabetical order to enable you to select your box quickly after mass. The new yellow envelopes start on Sunday 12th April 2015 i.e. the new tax year, so please do not use them before this date. **If you are no longer a tax payer please let Mike Jevons know as soon as possible.**

If you are you a tax payer and donate cash each Sunday into the loose plate, please consider joining the Gift Aid Scheme as we can claim 25p back from the Government for every £1 donated at no cost to you! There is a minimum potential sum of over £1,500 that we lose every year.

All you have to do is sign one form declaring you are a taxpayer and then decide whether to donate by a bank standing order or by weekly envelopes. Forms are available to directly from Mike Jevons, Scheme Administrator 336 5026 or online from our 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 Mike.

SVP ANNUAL APPEAL: Loving thy neighbour-making it happen in our community through the SVP

The St Vincent de Paul Society is an international Catholic voluntary organisation which aims to help all individuals and families in the spirit of justice and charity, helping those who are suffering in whatever form.

SVP at St Winefride's

We have a long history going back over more than 30 years; our group plans its work by meeting every Monday night at 7:30. It has the aim of providing friendship and practical support to any members of our community who may need a helping hand.

We provide companionship and support to the sick or vulnerable, whether at home, in a nursing home or in hospital. In our community, we carried out over 800 visits last year; many of these are to our regular clients, these range from having a chat to helping fill in official forms (and the occasional crossword!). We organise a Christmas party for our clients; an opportunity for them to meet up together.

As well as our work in the parish we support overseas SVP Twinning projects. In India, we sponsor students to help with their education. Just £15 helps one student with their studies for a year. And in Sudan, we support projects working with local people including a baby feeding programme.

The Furniture Project, run by the Ellesmere Port conference is one way we provide practical help. Volunteers collect unwanted furniture to sell in the SVP shop, the proceeds supporting our work. Please call 0151 355 0689 for details.

We are one of eight 'Conferences' in the Chester and Cheshire West District SVP sharing a holiday home in North Wales. Our sponsored walk and theatre night contribute to meeting the annual running costs. If you know someone who could benefit please contact us.

How you help the SVP

We are grateful and thankful for the many Parishioners doing SVP work every day. We encourage you to continue your support through community action, practical support, funds and importantly, your prayers.

Five of our long serving members have retired in the last 12 months: Derek Pover, Mike Dickman, Geoff Davies, Joan Braidwood and Dorothy Barber. We wish them well for the future and thank them for their service to our community; it is amazing to realise they have more than 100 years of combined service to the SVP! If you are interested in joining the SVP please contact Peter Middlehurst or one of our members to find out more.

We are here to help, please get in contact with us

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Cleaners: L Dee, A Williams, D Roberts

Happy Mother's Day to all our mothers. We thank you for all that you are to us and assure you of all our love, gratitude and prayers!

Praying with Pope Francis: We congratulate Pope Francis on the 2nd anniversary of his election (13/3). Our Holy Father has called on all churches to be kept open for 24 hours this weekend, to enable us to pray before the Blessed Sacrament and to approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In union with the whole church, we have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 3pm this Sunday (15/3) when a priest will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession).

Music Practice: Sunday 15th March at 4pm in Church.

Oscar Romero Evening: Mon 23rd March 7.30pm in the Parish Hall: Catherine/Paulo Lisboa: 336 1980 justiceandpeace@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

Gardening Volunteers: Due to retirements etc we would welcome more volunteers to keep our gardens and graveyard looking good! If anyone can help out (an hour or so every fortnight) please contact David McNulty on 336 1959, or Eric Wallace 336 7010, ericwallace12@hotmail.com

St Patrick's Night: Church Hall Saturday 21st March. £5 per person. A few tickets left. Contact Tony Wright 07889063579 or Kieron Grace 07966 764848.

CWL: Meeting Thurs 19th March 7.30pm in the Church hall. The speaker is from 'Women's Refuge'. Tea, coffee and cakes on Sunday 22nd March, after 10.45 Mass.

Taizé Service: Sunday 22nd March 6:30pm St Thomas's, Parkgate.

Prayer Vigil for Religious Freedom: Join Bishop Mark at Holy Apostles & Martyrs, St George's Road, Wallasey on Friday 20th March at 7pm.

	4 th Sunday in Lent 14 th /15 th March			5 th Sunday in Lent 21 st /22 nd March		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
Readings	K Ankers	T Nolan	B/J Braidwood	S Davies	T McGlynn	E Spearpoint-Walsh
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Lent III

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7 March	SATURDAY	3 rd Sunday in Lent	6.30 pm	The Parish
8 March	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Clare Pentall
			10.45 am	Austin Coyle
9 March	MONDAY	St Frances of Rome	9.00 am	David Stringer
10 March	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Margaret Sheila Webb
11 March	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	Terry Saunders
12 March	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Muriel Jacques
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From Fr Ravi: Cemetery Records...

Thank you for the keen interest you have shown in the last few days in checking the information of those of our loved ones resting in our churchyard. Your help will assist us in compiling an accurate and complete record, as far as possible.

As you are familiar by now, our cemetery is organised into different sections (A to H) and each grave/cremation plot has been allotted a number. This has been on display since last Sunday. Based on the feedback we have received, we have also displayed a list in alphabetical surname order which gives you complete information – section and plot number, year of death and the deceased's unique ID number.

I would suggest that these details are noted and recorded in any wills or files, as it may help avoid needless hassles and confusions. Again, to help everyone, the information will be on display until Sunday, 22nd March 2015. May God bless us all!

	3 rd Sunday in Lent 7 th /8 th March			4 th Sunday in Lent 14 th /15 th March		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
Readings	L Needham	H Jones	V Casey	K Ankers	T Nolan	B/J Braidwood
Intercessions	M Green	T McGlynn	J Tunstall	D Davies	R Pisarek	T Topping
EMHC	P Middlehurst K Powell	M Davies T McGlynn	K Holden T Topping	J Gordon M Branch	K Hughes K Garrod	J Tunstall M Slater
Counters	Paul and Shirley			Brian and Fran		

Rotas available online

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Cleaners: L Wilkinson and T Davies

Church Cleaning: We are looking for more volunteers to join a one week in six rota. Please contact Louise on 336 1096 or louise@wilkinsontowers.com

CWL Committee: Meeting on Thursday 12th March at 7.30 pm at Angela's.

Music Practice: We will be continuing our rehearsals of music for Holy Week at 4pm on Sunday 8th March.

First Communion: We thank our children for leading various prayers last Sunday and their next special mass is on Sunday, 19th April at 10.45am. The next session for their parents is on Tuesday March 31st at 7pm.

Parish Census: It is five years since the last comprehensive census of the Parish took place. In order to update the records, would parishioners who are new, those with adjustments to the family, or any change of address, please fill in a card/form available in the porch or by e-mail to parishcensus@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

St Patrick's Night: Musical evening in the Church Hall Saturday 21st March There will be a cold buffet and you can bring your own drink. £5.00 per person. 1st come 1st served. Contact Tony Wright 07889063579 or Kieron Grace 07966 764848.

Commissioning of Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC): On Saturday 28th February a day of formation was held at Ellesmere Port Catholic High. 420 ministers were present and the opportunity to share our thoughts on how we proclaim the Word of God and carry out our EMHC ministry were of benefit as well as understanding our roles more fully in the context of the universal church. All the 25 ministers who attended have now been formally commissioned by Bishop Mark for the next five years. There will be a meeting to discuss our experiences for all EMHC on Friday March 20th at 7:45pm after Mass and Stations of the Cross in church. Please do try and attend.

SVP Walsingham Pilgrimage and Theatre Trip: 13-16/4 contact Peter Middlehurst 336 1269 for forms.

Prayer Vigil for Religious Freedom: Join Bishop mark at Holy Apostles & Martyrs on Friday 20 March at 7:00pm.

General Election 2015: The Bishops have written a joint letter to all Catholics in England and Wales encouraging us to vote in the election and offering some key issues and questions for reflection on where candidates stand. Copies are available on our website and in both porches. Additional information is available from the Bishops' Conference website www.catholicnews.org.uk. Please read the Letter and encourage others to do the same.

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Read-Reflect-Respond: every Wednesday, 7.30pm

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15/3	Adoration & Confessions 3-4pm with the whole Church
18/3	LPA Reconciliation: Our Lady & St John's Heswall 7pm
20/3	EHMC Meeting 7:45pm in Church
21/3	St Patrick's Night: 8pm
21-22/3	Reconciliation Sunday, Fr Michael Coughlin
23/3	Romero Evening 7.30pm
01/4	Chrism Mass, St Columba's Chester 7pm
02/4	Maunder Thursday , Mass and Adoration 7.30pm
03/4	Good Friday , Confessions 9am, Stations 10am, Service 3pm
04/4	Easter Vigil , 7.30pm

FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

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FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

29/3: **Explore2**, 2pm from Year 11 upwards at St Chad's High School, Runcorn.

15/5: **'What kind of Person does God really want me to be?'** at St Werburgh's Parish Centre (evening tbc)

2016 World Youth Day: Krakow

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Lent II

1st March 2015

28 Feb	SATURDAY	2 nd Sunday in Lent – 2 nd Collection From Family Fast Day	6.30pm	John Cooper
1 March	SUNDAY	First Communion Children Baptism	8.45 am	The Parish
2 March	MONDAY		10.45 am	Robert Jones
3 March	TUESDAY		12 noon	Amelia Rose
4 March	WEDNESDAY	St Casimir	9.00 am	Sammie Meadows
5 March	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Pat Standish
6 March	FRIDAY	Class Mass (School) Mass & Stations of the Cross (SVP)	9.00 am	Special Intention
7 March	SATURDAY		9.00 am	Sp Int: Elizabeth Roebuck
7 March	SATURDAY	Baptism	11:00 am	Fr Denis Marmion
7 March	SATURDAY	Next Weekend 3 rd Sunday of Lent	7.00 pm	Eileen Wilson
8 March	SUNDAY		9.00 am	Finton Brannigan
8 March	SUNDAY		12 noon	Chloe Elsie Pealing
8 March	SUNDAY		6.30 pm	The Parish
8 March	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Clare Pentall
8 March	SUNDAY		10.45 am	Austin Coyle
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<p>RIP: Muriel Jacques</p>				

From Fr Ravi: Remembering our Family and Friends gone before us...

Walking through our churchyard, one can easily write the history of our parish community. They are the people whom we have known well and loved dearly. As you may have seen in our back porch, our churchyard is organised into different sections (see map) and each burial/cremation plot has been allotted a number. Full details are displayed and we are aware that the data maybe incomplete. Kindly check the information and we would welcome any corrections/changes/amendments so that we can have an accurate and complete record of those resting in our churchyard. This will be on display until Sunday 15th March 2015.

May God Bless us all.

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First Communion: We thank our children for the special 10.45am mass this Sunday and the monthly session with their parents would be on Tuesday, 3/3 at 7pm.

Confirmation: If interested in being confirmed this year, please let Fr Ravi know by this weekend.

Music Practice: We will be continuing our rehearsals of music for Holy Week at 4pm on Sunday 1st March. The keyboard has been moved to help better coordination.

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SPUC: Meeting this month is on Thursday 5th March 7.30pm in our church hall. All Welcome.

His Eminence Cardinal Burke is a guest speaker at the SPUC youth and student conference in Southport next weekend. He is also giving a talk entitled "Remaining in the Truth of Christ on Holy Matrimony" next Friday evening the 6th March at 7pm in the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel, Warrington Road, Chester. All are invited to attend. See notice in the new porch for more details.

Recommended Readings for Lent: Cardinal Walter Kasper's Mercy, The Essence of the Gospel or his forthcoming new book, Pope Francis' Revolution of Tenderness and Love, may be helpful. The Catholic Bishops have published a set of guidelines to guide us in our discernment towards the General Election. The Church of England too has an interesting text and both are available on our website.

Women's World Day of Prayer 2015 Friday, March 6th : St Winefride's Church - 2pm, afterwards refreshments served in Parish Hall; Parkgate & Neston U.R.C. - 7.30pm WWDP is not FOR women but FROM women: it is women's gift to the whole church - to everyone irrespective of age, gender, denomination, politics or anything else...it is about men and women of all ages worshipping and praying together using a service prepared by the Christian women of a particular country. St Winefride's WWDP Rep is Veronica Cuthbert: 336 7150 for further details or see website.

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Lent I

February 22nd 2015

21 Feb	SATURDAY	1 st Sunday in Lent – Bishop Mark's Pastoral Letter	6.30 pm	Tom & Janet McKeown
22 Feb	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	The Parish Sheila Reid
23 Feb	MONDAY	St Polycarp	9.00 am	Norman Perryman
24 Feb	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Splnt: C Haimes
25 Feb	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	Dolores Gafney
26 Feb	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Int: Erna Stern
27 Feb	FRIDAY	Family Fast Day / School Mass & Stations of the Cross (CWL)	9.10 am 7.00 pm	Health: Tony Forshaw Theresa Connor
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28 Feb	Next Weekend SATURDAY	2 nd Sunday of Lent 2 nd Collection- From Family Fast Day	6.30 pm	John Cooper
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Cleaners: Brian and Veronica Casey

First Communion: We look forward to our First Communion children singing and praying with us at 10.45am mass on Sunday 1st March. The 3rd session for parents is on Tuesday 3rd March at 7pm in the Church hall.

Confirmation: Please could Candidates wishing to be Confirmed this year register before the end of Feb. Confirmation celebrations take place at Holy Family Church, Pensby on 17th June at 7pm.

Piety Stall: Holy Communion and Confirmation cards and gifts now available after each Sunday mass in the Church hall. All proceeds go to the Diocesan Children's Society.

Altar Servers: Next meeting Thurs 26th February at 7pm, and repeated on Monday 2nd March at 5pm

Training for Ministers & Readers: 10am-3pm Sat 28th Feb at Ellesmere Port Catholic High. If you need transport, please inform Tony Topping or Joe Tunstall.

Parish Census: Will parishioners who are new, or who have adjustments to their family or address, please fill in a card/form available in the new porch or e-mail to Fr Ravi or parishcensus@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

Website: Lenten Resources now live. Details of our events, materials for reflection and NDCT house groups and lent lunches are given in full.

NDCT: Lent lunches begin Feb 23rd with the first at 12:30pm in the Church hall hosted by CWL. Lent House Groups also start at differing times throughout next week - details online or on the posters in the porches.

Music Practice: We will be continuing our rehearsal of music for Holy Week at 4pm on 22nd February.

Church Cleaners: We have 13 people who clean the church once in six week rota. We require 5 more volunteers so that 3 people on each team can cover for sickness and holidays. Please contact Louise on 336 1096 or louise@wilkinsontowers.com.

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(excluding regular weekday and Sunday Masses)

"Fear not... you are precious in my eyes" (Isaiah 43)

Sat-Sun, 21 st – 22 nd Feb		FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT - Bishop's Pastoral Letter Sun 10:00 am Rite of Election - RCIA
Mon 23/2	12:30pm	NDCT Lent Lunch (CWL), Parish Hall
Fri 27/2	7:00pm	Mass and Stations of the Cross (CWL) - Friday Abstinence – Prayers for the needy and hungry
Sat 28/2	10:00–3:00pm	Training Day for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers, Ellesmere Port Catholic High
Sat – Sun, 28 th Feb – 1 st Mar		SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT - Family Fast Day 2 nd Collection Sun 10:45 am First Communion Children
Fri 6/3	2:00pm 7:00pm	Women's World Day of Prayer Mass and Stations of the Cross (SVP) - Friday Abstinence
HOLY WEEK		
Sat – Sun, 28 th – 29 th Mar		PASSION SUNDAY (Palm Sunday)
Mon-Wed 30/3 – 1/4	9:30am	Priest available for Sacrament of Reconciliation/First Forgiveness
Wed 1/4	7:00pm	CHRISM MASS, St Columba's Chester
Thur 2/4	7:30pm	MAUNDY THURSDAY Mass of the Lord's Supper – Fr Terry Boylan Adoration at the Altar of Repose until Midnight
Fri 3/4	9:00-10:00am 10:00am 3:00pm	GOOD FRIDAY Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) Stations of the Cross - Canon Brendan Hoban Celebration of the Lord's Passion – Fr Chris Lightbound
Sat 4/4	7:30pm	HOLY SATURDAY Easter Vigil – Fr Ravi Bosco
Sun 5th Apr		EASTER SUNDAY
Mon 6/4	10:00am	Mass
OTHER SPIRITUAL ACTIVITIES IN LENT		
Tuesdays 6.45 – 8.00pm RCIA		
Wednesdays 7:30 – 8:30 pm Read-Reflect-Respond		
Monday 23 rd Feb NDCT weekly Lenten House Groups and Lenten Lunches begin		
Home Masses – please contact Fr Ravi if you would like to arrange a house mass		

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Ordinary Time Week VI/Lent

15th February 2015

14 Feb	SATURDAY	6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Prayer for the Unemployed	6.30pm	The Parish
15 Feb	SUNDAY		8.45am	Margaret Harris
			10.45am	TG: Betty Davies
16 Feb	MONDAY	Pilgrims for Teresa Higginson	9.00am	Marjorie du Boulay
			11-4pm	Mass, Adoration and Rosary
17 Feb	TUESDAY	Seven Founders of the Order of Servites	9.00am	Int: Geoff and Margaret Davies
18 Feb	WEDNESDAY	ASH WEDNESDAY	9.00am	Int: Joan Bartley
			7.30pm	The Parish
19 Feb	THURSDAY		9.00am	Tom Sellers
20 Feb	FRIDAY	Funeral Service Mass & Stations of the Cross (SPUC)	10.30am	Lawrence Neil Jacques
			7.00pm	Sammy Meadows
21 Feb	SATURDAY	St Peter Damian	9.00am	Special Intention
21 Feb	Next Weekend SATURDAY	1 st Sunday in Lent – Bishop Mark's Pastoral Letter	6.30pm	Tom & Janet McKeown
22 Feb	SUNDAY		8.45am	The Parish
			10.45am	Sheila Reid
Weekdays: Adoration from 8.00 am; Morning Prayer 8:40 am; Rosary following 9.00 am Mass				
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RIP: Lawrence Neil Jacques, Robert Jones.				

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Cleaners: W Morgan, A-M McLean.

Music: Practice on Sunday 15th February at 4pm.

CWL Meeting on Thursday 19th Feb at 7.30pm in the Church Hall.

Oscar Romero Evening: Mon 23rd March 7.30pm.
Catherine/Paulo Lisboa: 336 1980
justiceandpeace@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

Read-Reflect-Respond: Wednesdays 7:30pm in the presbytery.

SPUC White Flower Appeal last weekend raised £613 many thanks for your ongoing support and for your prayers for the unborn. if anyone missed the appeal and would like to donate to our prolife work, freepost envelopes are available in both porches for you to send a donation direct to SPUC. The latest edition of the Pro Life times will be given out this weekend, free of charge, please take one per family. Pro Life Prayers said at the Lady altar every Thursday after morning morning Mass.

Altar Servers: The next meeting will be held, on Thurs 26th February at 7pm, and repeated on Monday 2nd March at 5pm Angela Van Opstal at altarservers@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

SVP: Theatre tickets (£8) for *Neighbourhood Watch* by Alan Ayckbourn, 4th Mar, 19:30 at the Gladstone Theatre, Port Sunlight, proceeds to support the SVP. Please see posters in porches.
Pilgrimage to Walsingham: 13th-16th April. Contact Peter Middlehurst 336 1269 for theatre tickets or pilgrimage forms.

St Winefrides School: *Wear It, Beat It Day.* One in four of our loved ones are lost to heart and circulatory disease. On 6 February, the children and staff of St. Winefride's Catholic Primary School and 'Little Gems' Pre-School joined the British Heart Foundation in their 'Wear It, Beat It' Day to help raise money for vital research.

For a donation of £1 per child, the children were invited to come into school wearing red. Children arrived in school completely dressed in red, with faces painted red, wearing red curly wigs, moustaches, ribbons and bows, and even a red onesie! Given that the day after saw the fiercely competitive Merseyside Derby between Everton and Liverpool, there were many Liverpool tops in evidence (and the odd Manchester United shirt), even the Everton supporters fans entered into the spirit, wearing just a hint of red!

The children enjoyed showing their support and raised a fantastic £210. Thank you to all our children, parents and staff for their support, and a special thank you to Mrs. Astbury, mother of Johnathan in Year 3, for organising a colouring competition as part of the day.

Training Day for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers: 28/02/15 at Ellesmere Port, Catholic High 10am – 3pm.

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Sat-Sun, 21 st – 22 nd Feb		FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT - Bishop's Pastoral Letter Sun 10:00 am Rite of Election - RCIA
Mon 23/2	12:30pm	NDCT Lent Lunch (CWL), Parish Hall
Fri 27/2	7:00pm	Mass and Stations of the Cross (CWL) - <i>Friday Abstinence – Prayers for the needy and hungry</i>
Sat 28/2	10:00–3:00pm	Training Day for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers, Ellesmere Port Catholic High
Sat – Sun, 28 th Feb – 1 st Mar		SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT - Family Fast Day 2nd Collection Sun 10:45 am First Communion Children
Fri 6/3	2:00pm 7:00pm	Women's World Day of Prayer Mass and Stations of the Cross (SVP) - <i>Friday Abstinence</i>
Sat – Sun 7 th – 8 th Mar		THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
Fri 13/3	7:00 pm	Mass and Stations of the Cross (Readers/Eucharistic Ministers) - <i>Friday Abstinence</i>
Sat – Sun 14 th – 15 th Mar		FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
Wed 18/3	tbc	LPA Reconciliation, Our Lady and St John, Heswall
Fri 20/3	7:00pm	Mass and Stations of the Cross (Catechists) - <i>Friday Abstinence</i>
Sat – Sun, 21 st – 22 nd Mar		FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT - Reconciliation Sunday, Fr Michael Coughlan Priests available after each Mass for Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)
Mon 23/3	7:30pm	<i>Oscar Romero Talk/Slideshow</i> , Margaret Lillis
Fri 27/3	7:00pm	Mass and Stations of the Cross (Read-Reflect-Respond) - <i>Friday Abstinence</i>
HOLY WEEK		
Sat – Sun, 28 th – 29 th Mar		PASSION SUNDAY (Palm Sunday)
Mon-Wed 30/3 – 1/4	9:30am	Priest available for Sacrament of Reconciliation/First Forgiveness
Wed 1/4	7:00pm	CHRISM MASS, St Columba's Chester
Thur 2/4	7:30pm	MAUNDY THURSDAY Mass of the Lord's Supper – Fr Terry Boylan Adoration at the Altar of Repose until Midnight
Fri 3/4	9:00-10:00am 10:00am 3:00pm	GOOD FRIDAY Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) Stations of the Cross - Canon Brendan Hoban Celebration of the Lord's Passion – Fr Chris Lightbound
Sat 4/4	7:30pm	HOLY SATURDAY Easter Vigil – Fr Ravi Bosco
Sun 5th Apr		EASTER SUNDAY
Mon 6/4	10:00am	Mass
OTHER SPIRITUAL ACTIVITIES IN LENT		
Tuesdays 6.45 – 8.00pm RCIA		
Wednesdays 7:30 – 8:30 pm Read-Reflect-Respond		
Monday 23 rd Feb NDCT weekly Lenten House Groups and Lenten Lunches begin		
Home Masses – please contact Fr Ravi if you would like to arrange a house mass		

	6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time 14 th /15 th February			7 th Sunday in Ordinary Time 21 st /22 nd February		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
Readings	J Williams	T Nolan	T Topping	A Flanagan	R Pisarek	I Trotman
Intercessions	E Williams	A-M Miller	E Spearpoint-Walsh	P Flanagan	M Jevons	M Slater
EMHC	P Middlehurst M Green	S Etty K Hughes	J Tunstall E O'Sullivan	B Roberts E Williams	K Garrod M Davies	T Topping E Barber
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Ordinary Time Week V

8th February 2015

7 Feb	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Margaret Harris
8 Feb	SUNDAY	5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Prayer for Victims of Human Trafficking – White Flower Appeal	8.45 am	The Parish
			10.45 am	Cath & Ray Green
9 Feb	MONDAY		9.00 am	Maureen-Ron Jones & Family
10 Feb	TUESDAY	St Scholastica	9.00 am	Margaret Harris
11 Feb	WEDNESDAY	Our Lady of Lourdes – Prayer for the Sick	9.00 am	Sally & John Hogan
12 Feb	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Health: Tim Nicholson
13 Feb	FRIDAY	School	9.10 am	Terence Ronan
14 Feb	SATURDAY	Ss Cyril & Methodius – Prayer for Europe Baptism	9.00 am	Fr Gerry Courell
			12 noon	Sophia Mae Robinson
14 Feb	Next Weekend SATURDAY	6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Prayer for the Unemployed	6.30 pm	The Parish
15 Feb	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Margaret Harris
			10.45 am	TG : Betty Davies

Weekdays: Adoration from 8.00 am; Morning Prayer 8:40 am; Rosary following 9.00 am Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 11.00 to 11.30am and 5.45-6.10pm

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RIP: Lawrence Neil Jacques, Robert Jones, William Hannaway, Sammy Meadows

From Fr Ravi... God's Compassionate Touch!

The First Reading this Sunday from Job, can possibly reflect our feelings and emotions, especially as we read about children being buried alive, women being crucified and men beheaded and burnt - cruelties that lead us to question the essence of religion, faith and even our humanity.

Even as we seek to discern God's will for us in all the incomprehensible atrocities of the past and present, we keep our eyes focussed on the Cross all the more as the Season of Lent is almost upon us. The God *with* us we celebrated at Christmas is the same God who *suffers* with us and *for* us - the essence of the Paschal mystery.

Simon's mother-in-law, in today's Gospel, experienced both cure (physically) and healing (socially - a marginalised widow engaging in ministry, *diakonia*). In the midst of our search and questioning, may we and our societies, experience cure and healing in God's compassionate touch of humanity.

May God bless us all!

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Church Cleaners: L Wilkinson and T Davies

First Communion: We thank our First Communion children, their Parents, Catechists, Prayer Sponsors and everyone for the very meaningful celebration of the Eucharist we had last Sunday at 10.45am. Many told me that they liked the one-line penitential and bidding prayers. Again, the 2nd session with the parents last Tuesday proved to be enriching and Fr Chris' presence was truly inspiring! Thank you everyone.

Confirmation 2015: As announced earlier, this year our LPA Confirmation will be celebrated at Holy Family, Pensby on Wednesday 17th June at 7pm. Those interested, please do let Fr Ravi know.

Read-Reflect-Respond: The opening session last Wednesday helped those who attended to understand the Sunday readings more deeply and we welcome those interested to join us on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm in the Presbytery.

Training Day for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers: The Diocese is organising this special session on Saturday 28th Feb at Ellesmere Port, Catholic High from 10am – 3pm. It is important that all our ministers attend this event. Those who participate will then be commissioned by Bishop Mark for these important ministries within the Eucharistic celebration.

Music: There will not be a choir practice this Sunday (8th February). The next rehearsal will be on Sunday 15th February at 4pm when we will begin our music for Easter. We would welcome more voices.

Jubilee Meeting: Friday 10:30am in the Parish Office for all those who have volunteered to help with organising Fr Chris' Diamond Jubilee celebration.

Altar Servers: Many thanks to our committed altar servers and their parents who attended and supported our first monthly meeting. The next meeting will be held, on Thurs 26th February at 7pm, and repeated on Monday 2nd March at 5pm so as many as possible can attend. We have some exciting plans and ideas to share with the parish in due course! If you missed the meeting or have made your first communion and wish to join us please do contact Angela Van Opstal at altarservers@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

St. Winefride's School: This week, our primary school received a letter from the Minister of State for Schools, Rt. Hon. David Laws MP, congratulating us on our continued improving results for our pupils, in particular our disadvantaged children and telling us that we narrowly missed qualifying for the Pupil Premium Awards 2015. Mr. Laws underlines the fact that our school is effective in providing children with a good start in their educational life and preparing them well for secondary school. He also thanks the staff, governors, parents and pupils for their hard work and success, and the Leadership Team for making such a difference to the future achievements of all the children, asking us to share our good practice with other schools so that they can learn the strengths and experience of St Winefride's. *Well done to everyone involved!*

SPUC: White Flower Appeal this weekend. Please give generously to this very worthy cause.

Meeting: at 7.30pm Next Tuesday 10th February in our church hall. All are welcome.

Pro Life prayers: at the Lady Altar after Mass every Thursday.
2015 Youth and Student Conference: 6th - 8th March at the Ramada Hotel in Southport. Our group would love to sponsor young people (16 to 35) from our parish family. See posters in the porch. Contact Margaret on 336 2050 for more information.

Oscar Romero Evening: Monday 23rd of March 7.30 pm. Archbishop Oscar Romero was recently ruled by Pope Francis to have died as a martyr, paving the way to his beatification. A short slide show by a CAFOD representative who recently returned from a visit to El Salvador will be held in the Church Hall, followed by conversation and light refreshments to celebrate his life and work. If you are interested to come please let us know by ringing 0151 336 1980 or mailing justiceandpeace@stwinefridesneston.org.uk Catherine and Paulo Lisboa.

CWL: Committee Meeting this Thursday 12 February at 7.30 pm at Angela's.

SVP: Theatre tickets (£8) for *Neighbourhood Watch* by Alan Ayckbourn, 4th Mar, 19:30 at the Gladstone Theatre, Port Sunlight, proceeds to support the SVP. Please see posters in porches. **Pilgrimage to Walsingham:** 13th-16th April. Contact Peter Middlehurst 336 1269 for theatre tickets or pilgrimage forms.

Foodbank wish to thank you for your donations in January amounted to 6 full boxes.

Thank you: To all who helped to organise Sammy's Requiem Mass last Thursday.

NDCT: Volunteers wanted to help organise the "hustings" debate in Neston for the forthcoming general election. This is a community event that allows us to put any questions to the potential parliamentary candidates. If you can help with this event in any way, there is a meeting on Wednesday 11th February at the Neston Christian Fellowship on Burton Road at 7.30pm. Contact Steve Brown on steviejb1@sky.com or one of the NDCT Reps (Deacon Mike or Kate Hughes).

Marriage and Family Life: Mass with Bishop Mark at noon on Saturday 14th February at St Columba's, Chester.

For the Youth of the Parish: Sunday 1st March (3 – 5pm, plus social afterwards) at Holy Apostles and Martyrs, St George's Road, Wallasey an afternoon of prayer, reflection and celebration for Lent. All young people welcome (post-confirmation through to young adult).

Youth Mass: On the fourth Sunday of each month at 6.30pm, St Joseph's, Seacombe. The first one is Sunday 22nd February.

FLAME 2015: National Youth Congress 7th March 2015 – details on our newsletter page online or from the diocesan newsletter.

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Ordinary Time Week IV

1st February 2015

31 Jan	SATURDAY	<i>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	6.30 pm	Pat Standish
1 Feb	SUNDAY	<i>2nd Collection: Education Services</i> <i>First Communion Children</i>	8.45 am	The Parish
2 Feb	MONDAY	<i>Presentation of the Lord</i>	10.45 am	John Derick MacDonald
3 Feb	TUESDAY	<i>St Werburgh</i>	9.00 am	John & Barbara Healy
4 Feb	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	Int: M Henesy
5 Feb	THURSDAY	<i>St Agatha</i>	9.00 am	Health: Sylvia Bellas
6 Feb	FRIDAY	<i>St Paul Miki and Companions</i>	2.30 pm	Mary & Julie Mulligan Sammy Meadows
7 Feb	SATURDAY	<i>Baptism</i>	9.00 am	Dolores Gafney
7 Feb	SATURDAY	<i>Next Weekend</i> <i>5th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Prayer for</i> <i>Victims of Human Trafficking</i>	12 noon	Pat Standish Evan Michael Booth
8 Feb	SUNDAY	<i>White Flower Appeal</i>	6.30 pm	Margaret Harris
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From Fr Ravi: Churches Together in Neston

During the Unity Octave, (January 18th -25th), I had the unique privilege of visiting all the churches in Neston. The experience of unity in praying and sharing fellowship together was truly a moment of grace and blessing. I would like to share with you three aspects which touched me most during my interaction with others: welcome, relationship and a desire to study the Bible.

At each church, there was a team to welcome all those who come, new people were guided and those in need of assistance were helped; “regulars” were asked about their families and health. The warmth of relationships formed, flowed into prayer as we prayed for the real needs of those who were gathered as these were known to the community: the joys celebrated and sorrows shared. And the Bible was not only read on Sundays but was studied by small groups during the week who often use a standard commentary to help them.

We thank God for the gift of faith that is lived, shared and celebrated in Neston and its surroundings!

May God bless us all!

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Church Cleaners: L Dee, A Williams, D Roberts

First Communion: There are at present 18 children from our parish preparing for their First Communion and they will come together at 10.45am mass to sing and pray along with us. We thank their parents and catechists and invite them for a special session on Tuesday 3rd Feb at 7pm in church.

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Read-Reflect-Respond: It's a special opportunity to deepen our understanding of the Sunday Liturgy. You are most welcome for the opening session on Wednesday, 4th Feb at 7.30pm in Presbytery.

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Volunteers also needed to host ecumenical Lent House Groups. If you can offer an evening a week at your home to host a small group, please contact the NDCT reps.

Marriage and Family Life: Mass with Bishop Mark at noon on Saturday 14th February at St Columba's, Chester.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 28/29th July – August 4/5th 2015 (by air). Booking forms are available from St Alban's Wallasey as well as from the pilgrimage website www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk. The pilgrimage is led by Bishop Davies and in recent years some 900 people from the diocese and of all ages have joined in making the pilgrimage to this special place. All are welcome to join the pilgrimage and we look forward to receiving applications from those who have never been to Lourdes. We particularly look forward to welcoming nurses and healthcare professionals to assist in the care of the sick and less able.

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Ordinary Time Week III

January 25th 2015

24 Jan	SATURDAY	3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Prayer for Christian Unity	6.30pm	Jack Kirby
25 Jan	SUNDAY		8.45 am	The Parish
			10.45 am	Harold Thelwell
26 Jan	MONDAY	Ss Timothy & Titus	9.00 am	Isabelle & Joseph Loughe
27 Jan	TUESDAY	St Angela Merici Requiem	9.00 am 1.30 pm	Mary Agnes & Laurence Binns Leonard Cogley Irvine
28 Jan	WEDNESDAY	St Thomas Aquinas	9.00am	Health: William Hannaway
29 Jan	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Health: Matthew Allen
30 Jan	FRIDAY	School	9.10 am	Fr Richard O'Donovan
31 Jan	SATURDAY	St John Bosco	9.00am	Brian Haggart
31 Jan	Next Weekend SATURDAY	4th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 nd Collection: Education Services	6.30 pm	Pat Standish
1 Feb	SUNDAY	First Communion children	8.45 am 10.45 am	The Parish John Derick Mac Donald

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PROCLAIM '15: Building Missionary Parishes

Proclaim '15 is a new initiative being launched in 2015 by the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales to support, enthuse and equip parish evangelisation. This practical initiative exists to support the good work already being done in our parish and aims to provide resources and encourage local events to support parish mission.

Proclaim '15 has five parts including: small group materials; a National Catholic Evangelisation Conference in Birmingham on 11/7/15 with representatives from every diocese; an invitation to join in prayer with parishes across England and Wales by hosting a parish Prayer Vigil on the night of 11/07/15; the invitation for dioceses, deaneries and parishes to have their own Proclaim '15 events in autumn; the publication of new evangelisation resources as a fruit of the National Conference.

Please do get involved in what is a significant new step in service of the proclamation of the Gospel. The inspiration for the initiative is Pope Francis and the content of his Apostolic Exhortation, *Evangelii Gaudium*: "I wish to encourage the Christian faithful to embark upon a new chapter of evangelisation marked by this joy, while pointing out new paths for the Church's journey in years to come." Join us in confidently communicating this joy and discovering new paths for Evangelisation.

	3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: 17 th /18 th January			4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time 24 th /25 th January		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
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Full rota available online or in sacristy.

Church Cleaners: L Dolley, P Higgins

NDCT: "The Well is Deep" Christian Unity Octave. The unity we experience as Christian Communities working together was visible during our Unity Service last Sunday, when we reflected on the Gospel reading of the Samaritan Woman and focussed on our connectiveness with each other through our suffering. All denominations were represented in and participated fully in our service along with our committed parish singers and musicians. The prayerful atmosphere in our beautiful church was appreciated by all who attended. We thank all who were involved on Sunday and also during our "Way of the Cross – Justice and Peace" on Friday evening. We especially thank our NDCT reps, Deacon Mike, Helen Jones and Kate Hughes. As part of our Christian Unity celebrations we welcome Rev Marcus Torchon who will join the community at the 10.45am mass on Sunday and thank him sincerely for his presence with us.

First Communion: The next session is on Tuesday 3rd February at 7pm in the Church hall for all parents and also those children preparing for the Sacrament with Liz Dolley. The First Communion children have their special mass on Sunday 1st February at 10.45am.

Confirmation 2015: The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Wed 17th Feb at 7pm for our LPA at Holy Family, Pensby. Please contact Fr Ravi before the end of January if you wish to be confirmed.

Read-Reflect-Respond (RRR): The prayer group started by Fr Denis seek to expand their scope by welcoming new members and also broadening its horizon by focussing deeply on the Sunday readings. It promises to be interesting and inspiring. The first meeting is on Wed 4th Feb at 7.30pm in the Presbytery.

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Pro-Life Prayers: Are now said every Thursday by the Lady Altar after Mass.

Website: The latest *Foodbank* Newsletter is available on our website along with new pictures in our gallery section. Do visit us!

Primary Pool Teachers: The Diocese of Shrewsbury is to establish a Primary Pool in 2015 identifying excellent candidates who would be recommended for interview to Catholic schools who have a vacancy for 1st September 2015. This is to cover 11 local authorities including Cheshire East, Cheshire West and Chester and the Wirral. A person specification, job description and application form are available from: www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org. Closing date for the first round of applications: 13th February 2015.

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Thank you to our Spring Cleaning Crew!

Louise and Peter Dee
Peter Higgins
Maria Slater
Wendy Morgan
Margaret Kennedy
Maureen Jones
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Ordinary Time Week II

18th January 2015

17 Jan	SATURDAY	<i>2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity – Special prayer for World Peace</i>	6.30 pm	John & Joan Schofield
18 Jan	SUNDAY		8.45 am	The Parish
		<i>Ecumenical Service</i>	10.45 am	Kenneth George Rodrigues
			6.30 pm	Christian communities - Neston
19 Jan	MONDAY	<i>St Wulstan</i>	9.00 am	Derek Mac Donald
20 Jan	TUESDAY	<i>St Fabian/ St Sebastian</i>	9.00 am	Hugh Schofield
21 Jan	WEDNESDAY	<i>St Agnes</i>	9.00 am	Richard Hall
22 Jan	THURSDAY	<i>St Vincent</i>	9.00 am	John Mulcahy
23 Jan	FRIDAY	<i>School Memorial Service</i> <i>Way of the Cross – Path of Justice</i>	9.10 am	Margaret Harris
			12 noon	Ray Green
			7.30 pm	St Winefride's NDCT reps
24 Jan	SATURDAY	<i>St Francis de Sales</i> <i>Baptism</i>	9.00 am	Dolores Gafney
			12 noon	Matthew Keith Graham
24 Jan	Next Weekend SATURDAY	<i>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Prayer for Christian Unity</i>	6.30 pm	Jack Kirby
25 Jan	SUNDAY		8.45 am	The Parish
			10.45 am	Harold Thelwell

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RIP: Sammy Meadows

CHRISTIAN UNITY OCTAVE: "The Well is Deep"

	<i>Prayer Themes at St Winefride's</i>		Ecumenical Events
18 Jan	<i>It is necessary to go through Samaria (Jn 4:4)</i>	6:30pm	Neston & District Churches Together: Service for Christian Unity, St Winefride's
19 Jan	<i>Tired of the journey Jesus sat down facing the well (Jn 4:6)</i>	5:00pm	St Thomas' Parkgate
20 Jan	<i>I have no husband (Jn 4:17)</i>	7:00pm	Neston Christian Fellowship
21 Jan	<i>Then the woman left the water jar (Jn 4:28)</i>	5:00pm	St Nicholas, Burton
		8:00pm	"Sava", Bull Hill, (Little Neston Methodist)
22 Jan	<i>You have no bucket and the well is deep (Jn 4:11)</i>	8:00pm	URC, Parkgate Road
23 Jan	<i>A spring of water welling up to eternal life (Jn 4:14)</i>	10:30am	Shopper's Service, Neston Methodist
		7:30pm	St Winefride's
24 Jan	<i>Give me to drink (Jn 4, 7, 15)</i>	8:30am	Neston Methodist – Prayer Breakfast
25 Jan	<i>Many believed because of the woman's testimony (Jn 4:39)</i>		

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Counters	Paul and Shirley			Fran and Brian		

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PEACE SUNDAY, 18 January 2015: *Slaves no more but brothers and sisters*

Pope Francis describes slavery as 'an open wound on the body of the human family - a running sore on the flesh of Christ'. Someone is considered to be in slavery if they are forced to work – through mental or physical threat

- owned or controlled by an 'employer', usually through mental or physical abuse or the threat of abuse
- dehumanised, treated as a commodity or bought and sold as 'property'
- physically constrained, or with restrictions placed on his/her freedom of movement

Modern slavery takes various forms and affects people of all ages, gender and races.

- Possible links to poverty/indebtedness causing people to act out of desperation to support themselves and their families
- It is also linked to conflict, as many are forced by the violence of war to leave everything behind and seek refuge elsewhere. In the process they are taken advantage of by unscrupulous people. Women and children are also 'enslaved' by the violence of war: abducted and traded as 'spoils' of war, raped or trained to become child soldiers.
- It reminds us that some people are enslaved in work that they consider to be unethical or immoral, such as the arms trade - with little or no alternative

May we all experience the freedom and joy of being God's children by sharing the gift of Peace with everyone!

CHRISTIAN UNITY OCTAVE, 18th - 25th January 2015: *The Well is Deep*

The theme comes to us from the churches of Brazil. Brazilians, have traditionally been tolerant of their various social classes and ethnic groups and are now experiencing growing intolerance made manifest in high levels of violence, especially against minorities and the vulnerable. The logic that underpins this kind of behaviour is competition for the religious market. Increasingly, some Brazilian Christian groups compete with one another for places in the mass media, for new members and for public funds.

The Brazilian churches have begun to recognise that intolerance should be dealt with in a positive way - respecting diversity and promoting dialogue as a permanent path of reconciliation and peace in fidelity to the gospel. We can share this recognition. Although the competition between churches is less obvious in our islands, we are well aware that competition and violent discrimination lie beneath the surface of our lives together. Jesus challenges us to acknowledge that diversity is part of God's design, to approach one another in trust and to see the face of God in the face of all men and women.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is traditionally observed from the 18 – 25th January - the octave of Ss Peter & Paul.

"May they all be one..."

PROCLAIM '15: *Building Missionary Parishes*

Proclaim '15 is a new initiative being launched in 2015 by the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales to support, enthuse and equip parish evangelisation. This practical initiative exists to support the good work already being done in our parish and aims to provide resources and encourage local events to support parish mission.

Proclaim '15 has five parts including: small group materials; a National Catholic Evangelisation Conference in Birmingham on 11/7/15 with representatives from every diocese; an invitation to join in prayer with parishes across England and Wales by hosting a parish Prayer Vigil on the night of 11/07/15; the invitation for dioceses, deaneries and parishes to have their own Proclaim '15 events in autumn; the publication of new evangelisation resources as a fruit of the National Conference.

Please do get involved in what is a significant new step in service of the proclamation of the Gospel. The inspiration for the initiative is Pope Francis and the content of his Apostolic Exhortation, *Evangelii Gaudium*: "I wish to encourage the Christian faithful to embark upon a new chapter of evangelisation marked by this joy, while pointing out new paths for the Church's journey in years to come." Join us in confidently communicating this joy and discovering new paths for Evangelisation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Cleaners: L Wood, F Byrne.

First Communion: The first session for the parents of First Communicants was an enriching experience for all. The next session is Tue 03/02 at 7pm in the Church hall. The First Communion children have their special mass on Sun 01/02 at 10.45am.

Confirmation 2015: The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Wed 17/06 at 7pm for our LPA at Holy Family, Pensby. Please contact Fr Ravi before the end of January if you wish to be confirmed.

Training Day for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers: Saturday 28th February at St Columba's, Chester.

Justice and Peace: Day of Reflection on 24th January 2015, 10:30 – 3pm at St Columba's Chester.

Poor Clares of Hawarden: Thank you for all deliveries of fruit and veg in 2014.

Marriage and Family Life: Mass with Bishop Mark at noon on Saturday 14th February at St Columba's, Chester.

Read-Reflect-Respond (RRR): The prayer group started by Fr Denis seek to expand their scope by welcoming new members and also broadening its horizon by focussing deeply on the Sunday readings. It promises to be interesting and inspiring. The first meeting is on Wed 3rd Feb at 7.30pm in the Presbytery.

New EMHC/Lectors Rota: Please collect from the Sacristy.

SPUC 2015 Youth and Student Conference: 6th - 8th March at the Ramada Hotel, Southport. Contact Margaret 336 2050.

SVP Pilgrimage to Walsingham: 13th-16th Apr. Contact Peter Middlehurst (3361269) for application forms.

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Baptism of the Lord/Ordinary Time Week I

11th January 2015

10 Jan	SATURDAY	<i>The Baptism of the Lord – The Christmas season ends today – Priests Retirement Fund</i>	6.30 pm	The Casson Family
11 Jan	SUNDAY	<i>Special prayer for the recently baptised</i>	8.45 am	The Family
			10.45 am	Mick Halley
12 Jan	MONDAY	<i>St Aelred of Rievaulz</i>	9.00 am	Ray Green & Family
13 Jan	TUESDAY	<i>St Hilary</i>	9.00 am	TG: A Davies
		<i>Funeral Service (Landican)</i>	11.30 am	William Leo Rabbett
14 Jan	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	Colin & Dilly Beardworth
15 Jan	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Sheila Reid
16 Jan	FRIDAY	<i>SCHOOL</i>	9.10 am	Fredrick Cropper
		<i>Funeral Service (Blacon)</i>	12 noon	Sheila Reid
17 Jan	SATURDAY	<i>St Anthony, Abbot</i>	9.00 am	Matthew Devonport
17 Jan	SATURDAY	<i>Next Weekend 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity</i>	6.30 pm	John & Joan Schofield
		<i>Special Prayer for World Peace</i>	8.45 am	The Parish
18 Jan	SUNDAY		10.45 am	Kenneth George Rodrigues
		<i>Ecumenical Service</i>	6.30 pm	Christian Communities - Neston

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RIP: Sheila Reid, William Leo Rabbett

A special message from Bishop Mark regarding the retired Priests' Fund – Special Collection

Today the annual Special Collection for the Retired Priests' Fund is being held. With your help, we can build up the Fund to meet the future needs of our sick and retired priests.

Special Envelopes are available for you to use. If you use weekly Offertory Envelopes, please can I ask that you write in your envelope number. If you do not have your Offertory Envelope with you, or you give to your Parish by means of a Standing Order, write in your name and home address. In this way, it will be possible to reclaim the tax on your donation if you have joined the Gift Aid scheme.

A Leaflet about the Fund is also available which explains how to make a regular donation to the Fund by Standing Order, or how you can make your donation by cheque. It also explains how to take advantage of Gift Aid to boost your donation to the Fund. I ask that you give as generously as you can to this very worthy cause and would also like to express my sincere gratitude for your continued support.

With every blessing,
 +Mark
 Bishop of Shrewsbury

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Church Cleaners: B and V Casey

From the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales: *The Call, The Journey and the Mission* - following on from the recent Synod in Rome, the Bishops of England and Wales have produced a discussion document inviting us all to reflect on the Gift of Marriage and Family life. Copies are available in both porches and on our website in the Resources section. You are most welcome to send in your responses to the contact available at the end of the text.

NDCT: The Unity Octave starts with a service at St Winefride's at 6.30pm on Sunday 18th January. Please support this event. You would all be most welcome at any of the services listed. Our turn to lead is on Friday 25th January at 7.30pm as part of the Unity Week of Prayer.

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Music: Regular rehearsal in Church on Sunday at 4pm.

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School Mass: Our Friday mass is now being celebrated together with St Winefride's Primary children at 9.10am in School. During vacations it will be celebrated in church.

Church "Spring Clean": If you can join our regular cleaners and volunteers from the CWL on Saturday 17th January from midday for a 'spring cleaning' session in church, please contact Louise Wilkinson on 336 1096 or louise@wilkinsontowers.com.

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Piety Stall: On behalf of the Children's Society a big thank you to the ladies who look after the stall every Sunday, and to parishioners for your regular support. Please keep up the good work: it makes a big difference to all those underprivileged children in our diocese. If anyone has a society moneybox which needs emptying, or would like a collection box, please contact Margaret Davies on 336 4046.

Marriage and Family Life: Mass with Bishop Mark will be celebrated at noon on Saturday 14th February at St Columba's, Chester. All married couples and families are welcome, however if you are a couple celebrating a significant wedding anniversary (silver, pearl, ruby, golden or platinum) and you wish to attend, then please let Fr Ravi know by the 2nd February and he will arrange for a special invitation to be sent you on behalf of the Bishop.

SVP District 2015 Pilgrimage to Walsingham: 13/04/15 – 16/04/15. Places are limited and a £75 deposit required. Contact Peter Middlehurst (336 1269) for applications forms.

Foodbank: A big thank you to our Parishioners for donating 147kg of food in December.

National Youth Event: "Flame 2" to be held on Saturday 7th March 2015 in the SSE Wembley Arena, London. The day will be interspersed with music and drama and will end with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament led by Cardinal Nichols. The event is open to those in Year 10 to young adult (age 14 to 21) and costs £36 per person (which included return transport and entrance to the Flame2 event). Contact Pauline McCulloch 0151 652 9855 pauline.mcculloch@dioceseofshrewsbury.org by Friday 30th January.

CWL: Annual Dinner on Thursday 15th January, 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm at Pollards Willaston.

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Christmastide

4th January 2015

3 Jan	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	The Parish
4 Jan	SUNDAY	<i>Epiphany of the Lord</i>	8.45 am	Ellen Foote
			10.45 am	Rod Loughnane
5 Jan	MONDAY		9.00 am	Int: Gladys Morton
6 Jan	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Hugh Schofield
7 Jan	WEDNESDAY	<i>St Raymond of Penyafort</i>	9.00 am	Int: Cubbins Family
8 Jan	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Pat Standish
9 Jan	FRIDAY	SCHOOL	9.10 am	Richard Park
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Message from Fr Ravi: Sing a New Song to the Lord!

As it is still the first week of 2015, may I take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy New Year! During our News Year's Day Mass on Thursday, we greeted one other by saying, 'May God be with you in this New Year', which indeed is our prayer and wish for everyone both near and far in our parish community. One of the suggested resolutions for the New Year, is to 'Sing a New Song to the Lord' and this song - of mercy, compassion, forgiveness, sharing or similar - would certainly delight the Lord! At St Winefride's, we hope to 'Sing a New Song to the Lord' by reviving a much revered tradition of having a regular Friday Mass in School. I am grateful to the Head Teacher and the School Community for their co-operation regarding this and to the parish for your understanding and support. We are hopeful that this will help our children appreciate the presence of a loving God in their lives, who accompanies them in their journey, rejoices in their growth, leading them to wholeness and fulfilment and that we as a Parish, can continue to support them with our presence.

The Bishops of England and Wales have decided to 'Sing a New Song to the Lord' by providing us with a programme called 'Proclaim 2015'. In response to their vision, we shall accordingly develop pastoral plans, so that our community may grow in appreciation of the gift of faith by loving God and our neighbours, especially the weak, the vulnerable and the marginalised. We do hope to sing a new song of Unity when we invite ministers and our Christian brothers and sisters in Neston to an Ecumenical Prayer Service in our Church on Sunday 18th January at 6.30pm. Please do join in as we seek to celebrate our common faith in the Lord - together!

May God bless us all!

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FROM BISHOP MARK:

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Thank you: We are grateful to the team - Deacon Mike Topping, Ruth Pisarek, Sarah Woodhouse, Angela and Jan van Opstal and Helen Jones - who organised an afternoon to share the joy of Christmas with our Altar Servers. We have a tradition at St Winefride's to hold a party for our children on the feast of the Holy Innocents and it was wonderful seeing their joy and enthusiasm. Angela has also kindly accepted the role of coordinator to help organise regular meetings for our Altar Servers and to assist them in their training.

Training Day for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers: Saturday 28th February at St Columba's, Chester. More details to follow.

Music Rehearsal: Choir practice at 4pm on 04/01/15.

Website: Do keep checking as we update our website – Altar Servers' Party pictures in our gallery!

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Refrain for Communion Hymn: "Rejoice and do not fear, the Lord is here among us" (x 2)

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Ordinary Time Week XIII

28th June 2015

27 June	SATURDAY	Solemnity of Ss Peter & Paul	6.30 pm	Int: M. Henesy	
28 June	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Brian Haggart	
			10.45 am	Parishioners	
29 June	MONDAY		9.00 am	Cecilia Pritchard	
30 June	TUESDAY	The First Martyrs of the Church of Rome	9.00 am	Margaret Lea	
1 July	WEDNESDAY	St Oliver Plunkett	9.00 am	Int: Bette Rodrigues	
2 July	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Richard Hall	
3 July	FRIDAY	St Thomas	School	9.10 am	Int: Gráinne Hardman
4 July	SATURDAY	St Elizabeth of Portugal		9.00 am	Ken Hardman
4 July	Next Weekend SATURDAY	14 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Michelle Green	
			8.45 am	Parishioners	
5 July	SUNDAY		10.45 am	Int: Sr Damian of the Passion	

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27th/28th June

4th/5th July

	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
Lectors <i>Readings</i>	P Middlehurst	R Pisarek	E Spearpoint-Walsh	P Flanagan	Larty Family	I Trotman
Lectors <i>Intercessions</i>	K Ankers	M Jevons	T Topping	A Flanagan	T Nolan	M Slater
EMHC	J Gordon M Branch	M Davies K Garrod	J Tunstall D Barber	K Ankers M Green	S Ety K Hughes	D Pover A Cropper
Counters	Kevin and Roy			Andrea, Marie and Briege		
Cleaners	B and V Casey			L Wood and F Byrne		

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STOP PRESS: Father Chris is in conversation with Helen Jones on 'Daybreak' BBC Radio Merseyside next Sunday 4th July at 8.20am. You can listen live on 95.8FM or online bbc.co.uk/Liverpool/ or DAB. If you miss the interview you can listen back online via the BBC Radio Merseyside iPlayer and it will be there 30 days from the broadcast date 4th July.

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- **Ushers** - Meeting on Tuesday 30th June at 8.30pm in church.
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CONTACTS

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Car Parking – Brian Byrne; **Cards** – Ruth Pisarek & Margaret Davies; **Civic Hall & Refreshments** – Judith Bramall; **Communications** – Helen Jones; **Gift Paintings** – Ron Jones & Joe Tunstall; **Entertainment** – Tony Wright; **First Aid** – Phil Massie; **Hall** – Louise & Peter Dee; **Mobility** – Fr Ravi; **Transportation** – Kate Hughes, Phil Bramall & Pat Hughes.

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CWL: *Claire House Coffee Evening* Thursday 2nd July at 7pm. Hosted by CWL at 3 Bushell Road. Bring and buy, raffle. *St John's Hospice Hamper Raffle* at the Village Fair on Sat 4th July at 1pm, hosted by us. Please support this cause.

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Piety Stall: For this week only we have a sale of Streptocarpus house plants. There is a limited stock so first come first served. We are open after each Sunday Mass in the Church Hall, with proceeds donated to The Diocesan Children's Society.

Community News: *From Joe Tunstall* Art Sale in aid of Pathways Crisis Pregnancy Advisory Service: 27th/28th June and on 4/5th July after each Mass in the Church hall.

Enquiries 336 1261. *Thank you:* to Micheline Johnson for giving a beautiful cross to Little Church. *From Micheline:* To All my St Winefride's Family. So many memories over many years - teaching youngsters from here, at the Catholic High in the 1980s and 90s, as St Win's rep on the Governing Body once I had retired and then working with many fabulous parishioners under Fr Ravi's guidance. I am going to miss you all but look forward to the challenges ahead in La Belle France! You will of course, remain in my thoughts and prayers. God bless one and all!

Music: On 13th June, Ruth Murray, Sheila O'Neill and Louise Wilkinson, from our parish music group, attended a workshop led by Frances Novillo, a talented singer and pastoral musician, who introduced the diverse group of instrumentalists and singers to a wide range of psalms and seasonal hymns. The aim was to encourage us all to consider the liturgy and the season of the church when choosing what and when to sing and to sing the Mass, not just to sing at Mass. We intend to introduce some of this music over the coming months and hope you will all enjoy learning, as we did, to 'sing a new song to the Lord'.

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LPA St John Plessington Pilgrimage: On Saturday 18th July. Please gather at St Nicholas Church Burton for 2.00 pm, where prayers will be said. There will be teas etc. to follow in the Village Hall.



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Ordinary Time Week XII

21st June 2015

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21 June	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Parishioners
			10.45 am	Ronald Wright
22 June	MONDAY	Ss John Fisher & Thomas More	9.00 am	Cynthia Hepworth
23 June	TUESDAY	St Etheldreda	9.00 am	Int: Micheline Johnson & Family
24 June	WEDNESDAY	The Nativity of St John the Baptist	9.00 am	James Nickson
25 June	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Int: Joan Bartley
26 June	FRIDAY	School	9.10am	Catherine Nickson
27 June	SATURDAY	St Cyril of Alexandria	9.00 am	Gerry Massie
27 June	Next Weekend SATURDAY	Solemnity of Ss Peter & Paul	6.30 pm	Int: M. Henesy
			8.45 am	Brian Haggart
28 June	SUNDAY		10.45 am	Parishioners

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CAFOD: Job Opportunity: Community Participation Co-ordinator. Permanent full time post working with volunteers in parish and school communities helping to inspire and resource Catholics to participate in the Church's mission to overcome poverty and injustice overseas in partnership with CAFOD. Closing date 10th July 2015. For further details see: <http://www.cafod.org.uk/Work-with-us/UK-Jobs/CPC>

From Fr Ravi... "Laudato Si" Praise be to you...

We are always pleased when the world stops for a moment to listen to what the Catholic church is saying. The build-up to the release of the encyclical and the way the Vatican website crashed due to the demands of many readers on the day of its release has aroused interest from all quarters including the media. Teaching the faithful and speaking to 'all people of good will' is an important aspect of Petrine leadership ministry in the Church. We thank Pope Francis for giving us two amazing encyclicals and you will be able to access them on our Parish website. As we know, environmental concern has been very much part of the tradition of the church and Popes in recent memory – Paul VI, John Paul II, Benedict XVI – have been eloquent in expounding Catholic social teaching based on the dignity of human life, justice and human solidarity and protection of creation.



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15 June	MONDAY	School	9.00 am 10.00 am	James Hilton First Communion Children		
16 June	TUESDAY	St Richard of Chichester	9.00 am	Ray Hooper		
17 June	WEDNESDAY	Holy Family, Pensby	9.00 am 7.00 pm	Int: Fr Roger Clarke CONFIRMATIONS		
18 June	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Helen Robb		
19 June	FRIDAY	St Romuald Church Pilgrims for Theresa Higginson	9.00 am 11 – 4pm	Emma Welch Private Devotions		
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Those who participated wished to see the following values reflected in our community: unity, love, welcome, fellowship, inclusivity, participation, dynamism, shared leadership, openness, accountability, care, concern for the suffering both locally and globally, witness, cooperation, dialogue, coordination, efficiency and communication.

Many hoped that we could focus more in fostering unity and fellowship amongst those attending different masses; coordinating activities by our groups and ministries; and reaching out to our children and young people.

We agreed that we need structures for mutual listening and dialogue by bringing together representatives from our groups and ministries. Thus the whole community could assume responsibility for our life in the parish and its activities.

I request your prayers and cooperation, as trusting in God's providence, we move forward together.

Congratulations to our **First Communion Children** - Charlie, Christian, Conor, Daniel, Erin, Ethan, Freddie, Gabriel, Grace, Johnathan, Joshua, Lauren, Luca, Luis, Olivia, Pippa, Scarlett, Thomas and Tilly. Thanks to Mrs Dawn Ormes, Mrs Liz Dolley, Mrs Suzanne Hoskinson, and all the parents.

We also keep our **Confirmation Candidates** - Ben, Ffion, Heather, Michael, Patrick and Philip, in our prayers as they prepare for their Confirmation at Holy Family, Pensby on Wednesday.

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SPUC: The Pro Life Times will be handed out after all Masses this weekend. Please take one per family.

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			8.45 am	Parishioners		
7 June	SUNDAY	<i>Baptism Benediction</i>	10.45 am	Mary Jones		
			12 noon	Holly Olivia Seagrave		
			5.00 pm	Corpus Christi		
8 June	MONDAY	<i>Funeral service (Allerton)</i>	9.00 am	Jury Pimenta		
			2.00 pm	Tony Wright Snr		
9 June	TUESDAY	<i>St. Ephrem & St. Columba</i>	9.00 am	Int: Theresa & David Wallace		
10 June	WEDNESDAY	<i>Funeral Service</i>	9.00 am	Fr Fred Robinson		
			11.00 am	Joan Margaret Consalvez		
11 June	THURSDAY	<i>St Barnabas</i>	9.00 am	Ellen Sellers		
12 June	FRIDAY	<i>The Sacred Heart of Jesus</i> School	9.10 am	Health: Paul Docherty		
13 June	SATURDAY	<i>The Immaculate Heart of Mary</i>	10.00 am	FIRST COMMUNION		
13 June	SATURDAY	<i>Next Weekend 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	6.30 pm	Jane Haines		
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- **Ushers** - if you would like to serve as an Usher (guiding people to seats etc) please let us know
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Parish Meeting: All are welcome to be part of the concluding parish meeting this Sunday 7th June at 4pm to see how effectively we can participate in the life and mission of our community. Our parish is blessed with a number of volunteers who are active in various groups and different ministries and we look forward to listening to each other and supporting one another as we look to the our future with hope and confidence.

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Ordinary Time Week IX

31st May 2015

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31 May	SUNDAY	<i>The Most Holy Trinity</i>	8.45 am	Parishioners
			10.45 am	Frank Jones
1 June	MONDAY	<i>St Justin</i>	9.00 am	Health: Matthew Allen
2 June	TUESDAY	<i>Ss Marcellinus & Peter</i>	9.00 am	TG: Mary Henesy
3 June	WEDNESDAY	<i>St Charles Lwanga & Companions</i>	9.00 am	Brian Haggart
4 June	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Peter Durrant
5 June	FRIDAY	<i>St Boniface Church Funeral Service (Landican)</i>	9.00 am 11.30 am	Tony Wright (Snr) Michael Kennedy
6 June	SATURDAY	<i>St Norbert</i>	9.00 am 12 noon	Fr Fred Robinson Matthew Keith Graham
6 June	Next Weekend SATURDAY	<i>The Body and Blood of Christ</i>	6.30 pm	Arthur Almond
7 June	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Parishioners
			10.45 am	Mary Jones
			12 noon	Holly Olivia Seagrave
			5.00 pm	Corpus Christi

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Trinity Sunday 30th/31st May

The Body and Blood of Christ 6th/7th June

	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
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- **Ushers** - if you would like to serve as an Usher (guiding people to seats etc) please let us know
- **Altar Servers** - if you are available to serve on Friday 10th July, please do get in touch.
- **Singing** - if you would like to join the choir, please come along to choir practice at 7pm on Sunday in church.

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The Oak

The sleepy eyes
of innocent leaf
Slowly close and drift
Into summers night sleep
as his bark holds dream
his trunk holds sleep
And his roots breathe life
through his Godly feet
the all seeing wisdom
Of our one eyed world
Shows no gifts of beauty
and genius nature
In perfect pictures of spiritual art
a young girl dancing
sings to her song
alone in a field of corn and thoughts
her dance a gift for natures spy
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By Sean McKeown
(For my daughter Ellie)



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24th May 2015

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				10.45 am	Rosemary Southwell	
25 May	MONDAY	<i>St Bede the Venerable</i>		10.00 am	Winefride Williams	
26 May	TUESDAY	<i>St Philip Neri</i>	<i>Air Cadets</i>	9.00 am	Int: Gerard Robinson (90 th B'day)	
				7.15 pm	Enrolment Service	
27 May	WEDNESDAY	<i>St Augustine of Canterbury</i>		9.00 am	James Nickson	
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A meeting of the car parking team was held last Tuesday, details of which will be forthcoming in due course.

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RIP Fr Frederick Robinson: We pray for the repose of the soul of Fr Fred (1931-2015), who was known to many in the parish. He was ordained in 1957 in Lisbon and after his ministry in the diocese and Rwanda he retired to Winstanley Road, Neston. He was part of Fr Denis' Bible Study Group and supplied regularly at St Winefride's. His funeral will be held on Wednesday 27th May at 11:15am at St Paul's, Saint Paul's Street, Hyde, SK14 2JU.



Blessed Oscar Romero: We thank God for the gift of "Monseñor" Oscar Romero to us. He was a martyr for justice, championing the plight of the poor and oppressed in El Salvador. Archbishop Romero was beatified on 23rd May, 2015.

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THE HOLY SPIRIT

*A long time ago, in a darkened room,
 Sat the apostles, brimming with gloom.
 Their Lord had left them, their Lord had gone -
 But he had not left them, no, not one!
 As a gust of wind swept through the house,
 And tongues of fire appeared above each of their brows,
 They ran out into the Pentecost crowds.
 They preached and preached and many were amazed,
 The people all understood, no matter what nationality,
 what race!
 That day, thousands became
 Christians - be them rich or lame!
 This Holy Spirit, which came from above,
 This Holy Spirit, be it flame or dove,
 Did all of this because of God's everlasting love.*

Dominic Jones (Year 6)



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Ascension/Easter Week VII

17th May 2015

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20 May	WEDNESDAY	St Bernardine of Siena	9.00 am	Pam Williams
21 May	THURSDAY	The Dedication of Shrewsbury Cathedral	9.00 am	Bernard Gajewski
22 May	FRIDAY	St Rita of Cascia	School 9.10 am	Fr Gerry Courell
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From Fr Ravi... "The entire people of God proclaims the Gospel"

On this Ascension Sunday, we are reminded of the mission entrusted to the disciples to 'go out and proclaim the Gospel to the nations'. Communications Sunday, therefore, is an invitation to become missionary communities and in the words of Pope Francis, 'the entire people of God proclaims the Gospel' (EG111). Our conversation over the following three Sundays (May 17th, 24th, 31st, 4 - 5pm) is an attempt to become an evangelising community in the world today. I look forward to many of you joining in this effort and also attending our parish meeting on June 7th. Today, we thank those in our parish who are involved in our own communications ministry – the newsletter editors, website team and others who generously give their time and energy.

Many of us have travelled together as pilgrims to St Winefride's Well and to Shrewsbury Cathedral recently. We have two more pilgrimages planned to St Plegmund's Well on 31st May and to St Nicholas, Burton on 18th July to which you are all invited. We also keep our First Communion and Confirmation candidates in our prayers as they make their faith journey together with us.

I join you all this especially this week, as we gratefully remember the priestly ministry of Fr Gerry Courell at St Winefride's for 27 years.

May God bless us all.

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SPUC: AGM next Wednesday 20th May at 7 30pm in our Church Hall. Our guest speaker this year is Anne McCabe who helps to run a local group based on the Wirral called "Pathways" This is a Crisis Pregnancy Help Centre which also does Post Abortion Counselling. All are warmly invited to attend to hear this inspirational lady speak.

CWL: Meeting Thu 21st May at 7.30 pm in the hall.

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Lost and Found: Found in back porch "a brand new Sunday Missal". Contact Geoff Davies 336 4046.

Afternoon Tea and Reminiscence: Event for people who may have dementia and their carers (or for anyone who wants to come along) in Neston library on 20th May 2-4pm.

CAFOD - Wirral Coastal Walk: Sun 28th June to raise funds for CAFOD's Syria Appeal. Walk for approx 5, 10 or 15 miles. Contact Finbarr: 632 5504 or Sue/Liz 01244 677594 email: shrewsbury@cafod.org.uk

FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

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EASTER WEEK VI

10th May 2015

9 May	SATURDAY	6 th Sunday of Easter	6.30 pm	Grace Fitzpatrick
10 May	SUNDAY	CAFOD collection for Earthquake Victims	8.45 am	Parishioners
			10.45 am	Eileen Devonald
11 May	MONDAY		9.00 am	Terry Bartley
12 May	TUESDAY	Ss Nereus & Achilleus/ St Pancras	9.00 am	Richard Simmons
13 May	WEDNESDAY	Our Lady of Fatima	9.00 am	John Piccolo
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From Fr Ravi...

We all celebrated our great democratic tradition last Thursday and I, for one, consider it a privilege to be part of the 'dance of democracy' where we take responsibility for our common lives and also for the common good. As you may know, Catholic Social Teaching is the Church's significant contribution to humanity and is studied with great interest in political and academic institutions of repute.

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Together, we look out for one another and care for each other even as we remember that great line from Victor Hugo's Les Miserables, "... to love another person is to see the face of God".

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EASTER WEEK V

3rd May 2015

2 May	SATURDAY	5 th Sunday of Easter	6.30 pm	Hugh Schofield
3 May	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Parishioners
4 May	MONDAY	The English Martyrs	10.00 am	Michael Halley
5 May	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Jane Whittacker
6 May	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	Monica & Allan Storey
7 May	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Ellen Sellers
8 May	FRIDAY	School May Procession	9.10 am	Tom Sellers
			2.00 pm	TG: Maureen Jones Primary School Children
9 May	SATURDAY		9.00 am	Reg Gilbert
9 May	Next Weekend SATURDAY	6 th Sunday of Easter CAFOD collection for Earthquake Victims	6.30 pm	Grace Fitzpatrick
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PRAYER FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY THE NEPAL EARTHQUAKE

Merciful and loving God,
we pray for our sisters and brothers in Nepal,
for those who have died, and for those who mourn.
We ask that through your grace,
you may bless and comfort your people.
For those who are afraid; bring peace,

for those who are toiling to save; bring strength,
and for those who are lost;
bring shelter under the shadow of your wings.
Open our hearts Lord, help us to be with your people
through our actions and prayers, as we hold onto hope in you.
Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

CAFOD APPEAL FOR THE VICTIMS OF THE NEPALI EARTHQUAKE

CAFOD has launched a £3m emergency appeal following the earthquake in Nepal. Thousands of people in this already impoverished country have been killed and many thousands more are in urgent need of food, water, shelter and emergency supplies. 8 million people are affected. CAFOD is responding with Church partners and has deployed a team to provide specialist support. There will be a second collection next week.

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FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

World Youth Day 2016: World Youth Day is an international gathering of Young People with the Pope to celebrate their faith in Jesus Christ. The next one will take place in July 2016 in Kraków, Poland.

To launch our journey to Poland an information evening for anyone currently aged 15–30 who is interested in joining us, will be held on Friday 8th May at 6pm in Holy Apostles & Martyrs Parish Church, St George's Road, Wallasey.

If you think you may be interested please come along to find out more, there will be no obligation! The session will last 30 – 45 mins will be followed by pizza and light refreshments.

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Our Lady of Fatima Day: Ss Peter, Paul & Philomena, Atherton Street, New Brighton on Sunday 10th May. Mass at 10.30am followed by Procession with statue, free hot lunch provided. Followed by Marian talk at 2.30pm, 3.15pm Exposition, Rosary Silent Adoration, and Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. All welcome! Contact Rachel on 07770266679 for further details.

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RCIA Pilgrimage: On Sunday 26th April 13 parishioners accompanied by Frs Ravi and Chris will be travelling to St Winefride's Well in Holywell.

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EASTER WEEK IV

26th April 2015

25 Apr	SATURDAY	4 th Sunday of Easter Day of Special Prayer for Vocations	6.30 pm	Jane Haimes
26 Apr	SUNDAY		8.45 am	The Parish
			10.45 am	Sandra Sally
27 Apr	MONDAY	Funeral Service (Blacon)	9.00 am	Vera O'Donovan
			10.00 am	Sheelagh Green
28 Apr	TUESDAY	St Peter Chanel, St Louis M de Montfort	9.00 am	Int: Johnson Family
29 Apr	WEDNESDAY	St Catherine of Siena – Prayer for Europe	9.00 am	Health: Sadie Douglas
30 Apr	THURSDAY	St Pius V	9.00 am	Muriel and Neil Jacques
1 May	FRIDAY	St Joseph the Worker School	9.10 am	Judy Pimenta
2 May	SATURDAY	St Athanasius	9.00 am	Vincent Marmion
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PRAYER TO ST GEORGE FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS

Faithful servant of God and invincible martyr,
St. George;
favoured by God with the gift of faith,
and inflamed with an ardent love of Christ,
thou didst fight valiantly
against the dragon of pride, falsehood, and deceit.
Neither pain nor torture, sword nor death
could part thee from the love of Christ.
I fervently implore thee for the sake of this love
to help those suffering persecution
to bear bravely

the terrible trials that oppress them,
so that they may patiently carry the cross
which is placed upon them;
and let neither distress or difficulties,
nor the insufficient response of the world,
separate them from the love of
Our Lord Jesus Christ.
Valiant champion of the Faith,
assist them in the combat against evil,
that they may win the crown promised to them
that persevere unto the end. Amen.

	4 th Sunday of Easter 25 th /26 th April			5 th Sunday of Easter 2 nd /3 rd May		
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EASTER WEEK III

19th April 2015

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			10.45 am 12 noon	The Parish Ilia Esme Carney
20 Apr	MONDAY		9.00 am	Dudley Mart
21 Apr	TUESDAY	St Anselm	9.00 am	Bill Murray
22 Apr	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	R & M. Saunders & Family
23 Apr	THURSDAY	St George	9.00 am	Raymond Williams
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RIP: Ronald Stanley Wright, Sheelagh Green				

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Church Cleaners: E Dolly and P Higgins

YSVP Easter Raffle: Many thanks to everyone who bought tickets. Could Ann Ross please contact Louise Wilkinson on 336 1096 to collect her prize!

Music Rehearsal: The next practice will be on Sunday 26th April at the new time of 7pm. New members very welcome.

St Winefride's RC School 200 Club - winners for March 2015 drawn on 27th March 2015 are Mr R Settle (No. 174) and Mr S Eddy (No.127), who both won £50 each.

SPUC: Coffee morning raised £128:70 many thanks for all your support **SPUC PRO LIFE CHAIN:** Sat 24th April in Hoole Road Chester from 11am to 12.30pm - Details from Margaret Unsworth on 336 2050. Please come and be a witness for the unborn child.

NE Singers Concert: Friday 15th May, 7:30pm at Ss Mary & Helen, Parish Church, Neston. Tickets £5 from NE Singer members, £6 on the door.

ACTS Day of Reflection: Sat 2nd May 2015 at Wistaston Hall, Crewe 9.30 – 5.00pm led by Bishop Brian Noble organised by 'Adult Catholics Together Spiritually'. Contact Siobhan at siobhanbc@talktalk.net or tel: 0161 477 2783 / 07761 138947.

Neston & District Art Society Annual Art Exhibition: Neston Town Hall 23rd -24th April 9-5pm, Saturday 25th 9 – 4pm.

Last Sunday's Offering: Many thanks for your generous support.

	3 rd Sunday of Easter 18 th /19 th April			4 th Sunday of Easter 25 th /26 th April		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
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Intercessions	C Haimes	A M Miller	Bernadette J Braidwood	L Needham	R Pisarek	O'Cleirigh Family
EMHC	K Ankers M Branch	S Eddy M Davies	J Tunstall M Slater	M Green P Middlehurst	K Garrod K Hughes	T Topping E O'Sullivan
Counters	Paulo, Tony and Rick			Paul and Shirley		

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A PASTORAL LETTER ON THE EXTRAORDINARY HOLY YEAR OF MERCY

My dear brothers and sisters,

I write to you on this Divine Mercy Sunday with the happy news that Pope Francis formally announces today a 'Holy Year of Mercy' to begin on 8th December 2015 under the patronage of Mary, the Mother of Mercy. The message of mercy has been central to Pope Francis' pontificate, as it was to that of Saint John Paul II who inaugurated this Sunday after Easter as Mercy Sunday and who canonized the Polish visionary of God's mercy, Saint Faustina.

As we prepare for this Holy Year, it is important to remember God's mercy is his unfailing attitude and actions towards the least deserving, and especially the spiritually poor. Mercy never abandons us in the misery of our sins by pretending sin doesn't matter. This is not the mercy of God. We may easily give up on each other and believe ourselves incapable of the call to holiness; but God never ceases to call us and to offer us his grace which is *"the free and undeserved help that God gives to those who respond to his call"* (CCC 1996). In the Gospel we see how Christ does not give-up on Saint Thomas, despite all of his refusals to accept Divine mercy (cf. John 20: 19-31). Likewise, Our Lord will never cease to call each of us to rise again from wherever sin has brought us down.

Our Christian life begins with an act of mercy, an act of rescue in Baptism. And this work of rescue becomes the pattern of our life in Christ. Since our Christian lives are always lived at a crossroads, the Catechism describes: *"There are two ways the one of life, the other of death"* (CCC 1696). In the readings at Mass today Saint John tells us that loving God is keeping his commandments *"and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world – our faith"* (1 John 5:3-4). The Church always puts before us the distinction between the way of Christ leading to life, and the false path which leads to death. However, God's mercy does not abandon us even if we follow the lure of the false path. His mercy goes before us; it also follows us, as Saint Augustine taught. This call is compared in the Catechism to *'Jesus' look of infinite mercy'* that *'drew tears of repentance from Peter'*. It is this gaze of love that leads each of us through a process of 'uninterrupted' conversion as God makes our hearts new (see CCC 1428-1432). The Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation entrusted to the Church on Easter day is the merciful means by which we continue to choose life and bring all of our unruly thoughts, words and actions into conformity with Christ. We must give thanks today for this great Sacrament of Mercy!

The Father of Mercies continues to rescue us and helps us conform our thoughts, our words and our actions to the life of his Son, since it is only in this Divine life that we can ultimately find happiness. At the same time, the Church teaches us how the gift of the Holy Spirit *"renews us interiorly..."* and *"enlightens and strengthens us to live as 'children of light' through 'all that is good and right and true'"* (CCC 1695). Mother Church also sets before us a well-established path so we may unite ourselves to Christ and follow this way of mercy: the path is called the 'works of mercy.' The works of mercy help us respond to the generous mercy of God. Many of us will have been taught them from our earliest years and we will return to them in the Holy Year ahead. **The seven corporal works of mercy are:** 1. Feed the hungry. 2. Give drink to the thirsty. 3. Clothe the naked. 4. Shelter the homeless. 5. Visit the sick. 6. Visit the imprisoned. 7. Bury the dead. **And the seven spiritual works of mercy are:** 1. Counsel the doubtful. 2. Instruct the ignorant. 3. Admonish sinners. 4. Comfort the afflicted. 5. Forgive offences. 6. Bear wrongs patiently. 7. Pray for the living and the dead. These works mark-out the path by which we must each seek to be merciful *"as our Father is merciful"* (Luke 6:36). On this Sunday of Divine Mercy – as we look forward to the Holy Year of Mercy - may we know in our lives the mercy of God and be able to wholeheartedly repeat that simple prayer of Saint Faustina: *"Jesus, I trust in you"*.

Wishing you the great joy of Easter,

+ Mark

Bishop of Shrewsbury

Community News: It has been suggested that apart from formal announcements, news from the parish could be shared. You are most welcome to inform us of significant anniversaries or events. We make some beginnings this week...

We thank Fr Chukwuemeka, from Nigeria, for his inspired preaching at the annual CWL mass on Thursday. We welcome back Virginia Bowes – it is good to see her in such good health again. We wish Jack Henesy a very happy 90th birthday today (Sunday 19th April) and we congratulate May Williams who celebrated her 103rd birthday last Tuesday. Special thanks to Clare Jones who keeps our gardens so beautiful and to Micheline Johnson for continuing to maintain our Children's Peace Garden especially with this year's Easter decorations. You may have noted that there are now two benches facing the altar meant for those who may need extra space during mass: you are most welcome to use them.

We offer our condolences to Clem Haimes and his family as they grieve the passing of Jane. We also keep the families of Ronald Wright and Sheelagh Green in our thoughts and prayers. Their funerals will be celebrated in the days ahead.

The Visit of the Miraculous Relic Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe: 9th - 15th May, 2015 Shrewsbury Cathedral. The Miraculous Relic Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe is one of two hundred and twenty digital copies created and sent to each nation of the world. It is a relic because the image has been consecrated while touching the original image of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The image will be formally welcomed into the Cathedral on the Saturday afternoon and will remain in the Cathedral for prayer and veneration until the following Friday. The Cathedral will be open daily from 10am until 5:30pm during the seven days of the visit. (7.30am-7pm on the Sunday). Bishop Davies will preside at the Service of Reception, the official beginning of the visit, at 4pm on Saturday the 9th of May (the image will be available to visit and for prayer from lunchtime) and the image will be sent to St Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham following the 12:12 Mass on Friday the 15th May. It would be wonderful to see pilgrims visiting the Cathedral from across the Diocese and praying before the image and we look forward to welcoming you at the Cathedral. Canon Jonathan Mitchell, Cathedral Dean.



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EASTER WEEK II

12th April 2015

11 Apr	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	The Parish
		<i>2nd Sunday of Easter</i>	8.45 am	Peter Anderson
12 Apr	SUNDAY		10.45 am	Thomas Sargent
		<i>Baptism</i>	12.30 pm	Oscar Paulo Smithson
		<i>Baptism</i>	3.00 pm	William Jacob Jevons
13 Apr	MONDAY		9.00 am	Jane Haimes
14 Apr	TUESDAY		9.00 am	B'day: May Williams
		<i>Funeral Service</i>	10.00 am	Winifred Yates
15 Apr	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	TG Mary Henesy
16 Apr	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Trevor Heywood
		<i>CWL</i>	7.15 pm	AGM Mass
17 Apr	FRIDAY		9.10 am	Rachel Irvine
		<i>School</i>		
18 Apr	SATURDAY		9.00 am	Leonard Irvine
18 Apr	<i>Next Weekend</i> SATURDAY	<i>3rd Sunday of Easter</i>	6.30 pm	Don Miller
			8.45 am	Mary McLoughlin
19 Apr	SUNDAY		10.45 am	The Parish
		<i>First Communion children</i>	12 noon	Ilia Esme Carney
		<i>Baptism</i>		
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From Fr Ravi... 'lay off the pasta'!

Pope Francis has complained in the past that he misses the freedom to pop out and buy pizza and we all saw on TV how his popemobile was stopped in order to accept a pizza from a restaurant owner in Naples. Now there are news reports about Pope Francis being told by his doctors to eat less pasta and get more exercise! And many have offered the Holy Father their advice; among them Cardinal Dolan of New York, who simply said, "Holy Father, change the doctor."

Additionally Pope Francis has made his debut as a songwriter! His song, entitled, "So we can all be one" - *Para que todos sean uno* - as a hymn for peace in Spanish using Pope's own words, was sung in St Peter's Square, after the Palm Sunday mass. It is a collaborative effort between Pope Francis and Italian-Argentinian musician Odino Faccia. The song's message is one of light and hope. The chorus lyrics are: 'So that all may be one, gone are the walls, only the value of the encounter remains...that is the bridge to peace'.

We thank God for Pope Francis!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Cleaners: L Wood and F Byrne

First Communion: Our children preparing for First communion will help in singing and praying along with us next Sunday 19th April at 10.45am mass. The next meeting for parents will be on Tuesday 12th May at 7pm. First Communion celebrations will take place on Saturday 13th June at 10am.

Confirmation: Since we have only a few candidates who have registered for Confirmation, their preparation may take on a different form this year. They will be contacted individually. The Confirmation celebrations will take place at Holy Family, Pensby on Wednesday 17th June at 7pm.

Cemetery Records: If you have reserved a plot in our graveyard in the past, please inform Fr Ravi before the end of April. Thank you.

New Processional Cross: I hope you are pleased with the positioning of the Processional Cross. The old baptismal font is now seen near the window dedicated to St James, a nice place for a flower display.

Church Surroundings: We thank all our volunteers who help to maintain our gardens and churchyard. Many appreciate its beauty. The work on levelling the area adjacent to the car park has begun and hopefully the place should be grassed and levelled by summer.

SPUC: Meeting next Tuesday 14th April at 7.30pm in our Church hall. All welcome.

CWL: Thursday 16th April. Members are invited to attend Mass at 7.15pm followed by the meeting in the Church Hall. Can members please bring their food contribution and table flower arrangement?

Music Group: Thank you to all the musicians and singers for the music during Holy Week. We will resume our rehearsals on Sunday 26th April, time to be confirmed.

Angelus: It is proposed that we commence the great Catholic tradition of the midday Angelus for Peace and Justice in our troubled world and honour our Blessed Mother Mary. We would like 30 volunteers to lead in church and ring the Angelus bell. This would mean a commitment of only one day per month. Those interested please contact Ron Jones 0151 3530510.

Gift Aid Boxes: Could parishioners who have not yet taken their weekly offering box of envelopes please do so as soon as possible? These are on the table in the back of the church. Many Thanks.

NDCT Alpha Course: Begins on April 21st at the Neston Methodist Church at 7pm. For further information, please contact Marcus at 07722488411 or 01513341772.

Inter-faith Activity: All are invited to a talk titled 'Islam Who is my Neighbour' on Saturday 18th April at St John the Evangelist, New Ferry. 10am-1pm.

FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in the following activities, please confirm your attendance with Pauline McCulloch at pauline.mcculloch@dioceseofshrewsbury.org Please also inform Fr Ravi.

A look at First Sacraments: An opportunity for those involved with First Sacraments to come together, to pray together, to share experiences and look at resources. St Werburgh's Parish Centre, Birkenhead, Wirral CH41 2XZ on Tuesday 21st April 7pm to 8.30pm

Sharing the word with children: An opportunity for those involved with Children's Liturgy of the Word to come together, to pray together, to share experiences, and look at resources. St Werburgh's Parish Centre, Birkenhead, Wirral CH41 2XZ on Tuesday 28th April 7pm to 8.30pm

RCIA an invitation: An opportunity for those involved with RCIA to come together, to pray together, to share experiences, and look at resources. St Werburgh's Parish Centre, Birkenhead, Wirral CH41 2XZ on Tuesday 16th June, 7pm to 8.30pm

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EASTER WEEK I

5th April 2015

4 Apr	SATURDAY	<i>Easter Vigil</i> <i>Easter Sunday - Solemnity with Octave</i>	7.30 pm	The Parish – Adult Baptisms and Reception of Candidates
5 Apr	SUNDAY		8.45 am	David Stringer
			10.45 am	Pat, Joe, Tom Ellis
6 Apr	MONDAY		10.00 am	Fr Gerry Courell
7 Apr	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Fr Denis Marmion
8 Apr	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	Richard Wool
9 Apr	THURSDAY		9.00 am	John Williams
10 Apr	FRIDAY	<i>Church</i>	9.00 am	Ethel Melhado
11 Apr	SATURDAY		9.00 am	Pamella Williams
11 Apr	<i>Next Weekend</i> SATURDAY	<i>2nd Sunday of Easter</i>	6.30 pm	The Parish
			8.45 am	Peter Anderson
12 Apr	SUNDAY	<i>Baptism</i> <i>Baptism</i>	10.45 am 12.30 pm 3.00 pm	Thomas Sargent Oscar Paulo Smithson William Jacob Jevons
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<p>RIP: Winifred Yates, Frances Lyonette, Richard Wool</p>				

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Cleaners: B and V Casey

Welcome: We congratulate and welcome all our friends who are now part of our big Catholic family with their baptism/reception at the Easter celebrations - Pippa, Evelyn and Grace Parry, Jan Willem Mariaan van Opstal, Melissa Evans, Stephanie Thompson and Thomas Frazer Beckett.

Thank You: We have received a processional cross for the church in memory of Peter Roebuck (1956 -2011). The Easter candle this year was from Hilda Davidson. A "Last Supper" tapestry for the presbytery was given by Andrea Williams. Both our Lenten and Easter canvas were painted by Joe Tunstall.

First Communion: Their next special Mass is on Sunday, 19th April at 10.45am.

Confirmation: The preparation for those candidates who have registered for Confirmation will begin after Easter. This year, the sacrament will be celebrated in Pensby on Wednesday, 17th June at 7pm.

SPUC invite you to our Easter coffee morning on Saturday 11th April 9.30 till 11.30 in Church Hall. Come and enjoy hot cross buns and Easter cakes. There will be a raffle and a bring and buy table.

CWL: Committee Meeting Thu 9th April, 7.30pm in the Hall.

YSVP Easter Raffle: Last chance to buy tickets - the raffle will be drawn after 10.45am Mass.

Gardening Volunteers: Due to retirements etc we would welcome more volunteers to keep our gardens and graveyard looking good! If anyone can help out (an hour or so every fortnight) please contact David McNulty on 336 1959, or Eric Wallace 336 7010, or email: ericwallace12@hotmail.com

NDCT: An election 'Question Time' public meeting is taking place on 7.30pm Friday 10th April in Neston Town Hall organised by the NDCT.

Last Sunday's Offering: Many thanks for your generous support.

ENTRANCE HYMN

- Jesus Christ is ris'n today, alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, alleluia!
Who did once, upon the cross, alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss, alleluia!
- Hymns of praise then let us sing, alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heavenly king, alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save, alleluia!
- But the pains that he endured, alleluia!
Our salvation have procured, alleluia!
Now above the sky he's king, alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing, alleluia!

GLORIA

- Sing to God a song of glory,
Peace he brings to all on earth
Worship we the King of heaven,
Praise and bless his holy name.
*Glory, glory, sing his glory,
Glory to our God on high.*
- Sing to Christ, the Father's loved one,
Jesus, Lord and Lamb of God:
Hear our pray'r, O Lord, have mercy,
You who bear the sin of men.
- Sing to Christ, the Lord and Saviour
Seated there at God's right hand:
Hear our pray'r, O Lord, have mercy,
You alone the Holy One.
- Glory sing to God the Father,
Glory to his only Son,
Glory to the Holy Spirit,
Glory to the Three in One

OFFERTORY HYMN

- All that I am, all that I do,
All that I'll ever have, I offer now to you.
Take and sanctify these gifts
For your honour, Lord.
*Knowing that I love and serve you
Is enough reward.*
*All that I am, all that I do,
All that I'll ever have I offer now to you.*
- All that I dream, all that I pray,
All that I'll ever make, I give to you today.

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COMMUNION HYMNS

Alleluia, alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name

- Jesus is Lord of all the earth
He is the King of creation
- Spread the good news o'er all the earth
Jesus has died and has risen

- We have been crucified with Christ
Now we shall live forever
- God has proclaimed the just reward
Life for us all, alleluia!
- Come let us praise the living God
Joyfully sing to our Saviour.

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Oh, the Love of my Lord is the Essence

- Oh, the love of my Lord is the essence
Of all that I love here on earth.
All the beauty I see he has given to me
And his giving is gentle as silence.
- Every day, every hour, every moment,
Have been blessed by the strength of his love.
At the turn of each tide he is there at my side,
And his touch is as gentle as silence.
- There've been times when I've turned from his presence,
And I've walked other paths, other ways.
But I've called on his name in the dark of my shame,
And his mercy was gentle as silence.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

- I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
And I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth,
At Bethlehem I had my birth.
*Dance, then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.*
*And I'll lead you all wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.*
- I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
But they would not dance and they would not follow me;
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;
They came to me and the dance went on.
- I danced on the sabbath when I cured the lame,
The holy people said it was a shame;
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high;
And they left me there on a cross to die.
- I danced on a Friday and the sky turned black;
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back;
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone,
But I am the dance and I still go on.
- They cut me down and I leapt up high,
I am the life that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

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	Easter Sunday April 5 th		2 nd Sunday of Easter April 11 th /12 th		
	8.45am	10:45am	6:30pm	8:45am	10:45am
Readings	H Jones	M Unsworth	P Flanagan	Larty family	T Topping
Intercessions	R Pisarek	J Tunstall	A Flanagan	T Nolan	V Casey
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Ordinary Time Week XXVI

27th September 2015

26 Sep	SATURDAY	26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Harvest Thanksgiving	6.30 pm	Parishioners
27 Sep	SUNDAY	2 nd Collection: Clergy Education and Training Fund	8.45 am	Heinz Pisarek
			10.45 am	Rosario Zammitt
28 Sep	MONDAY	St Wenceslaus, St Lawrence Ruiz	9.00 am	Celebration of Word and Communion
29 Sep	TUESDAY	Archangels Michael, Gabriel & Raphael	9.00 am	Carmel Pattinson
30 Sep	WEDNESDAY	St Jerome	9.00 am	Graham Davies
1 Oct	THURSDAY	St Theresa of Child Jesus	9.00 am	Jane Haimes
2 Oct	FRIDAY	Guardian Angels – Family Fast Day II	9.00 am	Celebration of Word and Communion
3 Oct	SATURDAY		9.00 am	Celebration of Word and Communion
3 Oct	Next Weekend SATURDAY	27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Health : Eleanor Hackett
		2 nd Collection: CAFOD (Family Fast Day II)	8.45 am	Parishioners
4 Oct	SUNDAY		10.45 am	Mike Walsh

Weekdays: Adoration from 8.00 am; Morning Prayer 8:40 am; Rosary following 9.00 am Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 11.00-11.30am and 5.45-6.10pm

Please pray for: Matthew Allen, Dorothy Barber, Beatrice Barker, Win Bayley, David Bell, Pauline Bennett, Jean Benson, Ryan Bower, Kevin Bradford, Jeannie Cartledge, Marie Claire, Joan Cleary, Bernice Darby, Karen Dawson, Paul Docherty, Grace Fitzpatrick, Pam Grace, Christopher Grant, Michelle Greer, Laura Growney-Stone, Columba Haggart, Fiona Hardman, Ella Haslam, Jack Henesy, Kevin Hennessy, Claire Heverin, Molly Hopkins, Louisa Johnson, Alan Jones, Catherine Jones, Julie Jones, Stacey Leadbetter, Barry Lyolette, Hannah Marshall, Margaret Maw, Alma Merrick, Kevin Moreton, James Mulligan Jr, Grace Nicholls, Jenny O'Donoghue, Michael Parry, Francesca Peet, Tony Peet, Ronnie Phelan, Beth Philcott, Bill Postlethwaite, Louise Quigg, Gerard Robinson, Baby Jessica Rose, James Rouke, Karl Smith, Lynne Smith, Clare Thompson, John Thompson, Paula Tunstall, David Wallace, Angela Willasey.

RIP: David Barry

26 th /27 th September			3 rd /4 th October			
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
Lectors <i>Readings</i>	M Green	R Pisarek	M Unsworth	C Haimes	T McGlynn	T Topping
Lectors <i>Intercessions</i>	M Wilkie	T Nolan	J Tunstall	L Needham	A-M Miller	J Braidwood
EMHC	D Davies C Haimes	T McGlynn K Hughes	A Cropper D Pover	P Middlehurst M Green	K Garrod M Davies	K Holden J Tunstall
Counters	Fran And Brian			Kevin and Roy		
Cleaners	L Wood, F Byrne			L Dolley, P Higgins		

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

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With every good wish, yours sincerely in Christ, + Mark, Bishop of Shrewsbury

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- Regular masses in church will be celebrated at 9am on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.
- Celebration of Word and Communion on Mondays, Fridays and Saturdays in church, also at 9am.
- Confessions by appointment with Fr Chris.
- The Friday mass in school will resume on 30th October.

Thanks for your understanding and support.

First Forgiveness and Holy Communion 2016: Those parents with children in Year 3 or above who would like their children to begin their preparation for First Communion are invited to register by 15th Nov. Forms are available online or in the new porch. Children at St Winefride's Primary will be contacted in school. The Enrolment Mass will be on 29th November, the first Sunday of Advent. First Forgiveness will be celebrated in March and First Communion in June.

Confirmation 2016: We welcome all our young people in Year 8 or above wishing to be confirmed to register by 15th Nov. Forms are available online or in the new porch. Confirmation next year may be in Heswall. Date to be confirmed later.

RCIA: Adults who wish to explore the beauty of the Catholic faith are invited to let us know their interest by 15th Nov. Our first meeting will be on 29th Nov, the first Sunday of Advent. A special welcome to those who have been worshipping with us for many years and wish to discern their spiritual journey further.

SVP: Thanks to all who sponsored our walk for the running costs of the District SVP holiday home in Talacre. We raised £350.00

From Fr Ravi: Church - The Heartbeat of our Community...

Last Wednesday, Fr Thomas gave me the privilege of presiding at the International Mass in the church of Ss Catherine and Martina in Hoyle. It was a 'Pentecost-moment' for everyone and at the end of the Mass we prayed the Hail Mary in different languages - Italian, Polish, Portuguese, Spanish, Irish, Malayalam, Chinese, Tamil and also English!

At the reception, to the amusement of many, I led them in singing, 'When Irish eyes are smiling'. The Church has been and will always be a place of welcome for everyone! No wonder Pope Francis, in Cuba, said, 'If you want to walk fast, walk alone. If you want to walk far, walk with someone or walk together'.

Many have asked me for the words of the poem attributed to William J Crockett which I quoted recently when reflecting on the church:

*If this is not a place where tears are understood. Where can I go to cry?
If this is not a place where my spirit can take wing. Where do I go to fly?
If this is not a place where my questions can be asked. Where do I go to seek?
If this is not a place where my feelings can be heard. Where do I go to speak?
If this is not a place where you will accept me as I am. Where can I go to be?
If this is not a place where I can try to learn and grow. Where do I just be me?*

Please do say a prayer for me and my family during my stay with them until 23rd October.

May God bless us all.



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23 Sep	WEDNESDAY	St Pio of Pietrelcina	9.00 am	Int: Columba Haggart
24 Sep	THURSDAY	Our Lady of Walsingham	9.00 am	Fr Terry Boylan
25 Sep	FRIDAY	School	9.10 am	Don Miller
26 Sep	SATURDAY	Ss Cosmas and Damian Baptism	9.00 am 12 noon	Leonard Pollock Freya Elizabeth, Theodore Marcus Adamson
26 Sep	Next Weekend SATURDAY	26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Harvest Thanksgiving– 2 nd Collection: Clergy Education and Training Fund	6.30 pm	Parishioners
27 Sep	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Heinz Pisarek
			10.45 am	Rosario Zammitt

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CWL Macmillan Coffee Morning: on Friday 25th September 9.30 – 12.00 noon in the Church Hall. Bring and Buy, Cakes and Raffle. All welcome.

Church Cleaning: Could you spare a couple of hours, one week in six, to help dust and Hoover the church? Please contact Louise on 336 1096.

Sponsored Walk for the SVP Holiday Home in North Wales. The SVP are raising money for the annual running costs of the holiday home in North Wales after completing their sponsored walk last Sunday. We will be outside church this Sunday to accept sponsorship and donations, thank you for your support! Contact: Peter Middlehurst 0151 336 1269

SPUC - The Annual Merseyside Pro Life Walk of Witness takes place on Saturday 3rd October. We walk from the Abortion Clinic in Aigburgh through Liverpool city centre to Bootle, approx. 7 miles Would you like to join us and be a witness for the unborn child ?and please would you kindly sponsor us. Sponsor forms available in both Porches and contact Margaret on 336 2050 for more details of the walk.

SPUC -The Assisted Dying Bill. Following the lead from Our Bishop's who urged us to contact our MP's re the assisted dying bill, we are glad to report that the bill was massively defeated in the House of commons last Friday. Many thanks to all of you who wrote or sent the Bishop's postcards.

Refugee Collection up-date. Thank you for supporting the collection,we have donated so far 61 kilos through 2 Action Groups namely Parkgate & Wirral. The last day for making a donation is Sunday 20th September.

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Caritas Shrewsbury – Roadshow: "Being a Church for the Poor" Sat 26th Sept, 10.30am - 3.30pm at Ellesmere Port Catholic High School.

Carmel's Annual Benediction: Sunday September 27th at 3:00 pm in honour of St Therese with the veneration of her relic at the Carmelite Monastery, Birkenhead.

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Voice Music: Two new Junior Choir groups for children aged 7-11 are being set up in Hoylake and Heswall for singing Christian songs. More information can be found at www.voicemusic.org.uk.

Pope Francis: We keep the Holy Father in our prayers during his Apostolic visits to Cuba and the United States. He will visit Cuba from 19th to 22nd September where he will celebrate Mass and meet with families and young people. He will be in the United States from 22nd to 27th September and will address the US Congress (24/9), the UN (25/9) and participate in the World Meeting of Families (28-29/9).

By the way Pope Francis' plane is not really called "Shepherd One...!"

PRAYER FOR HOME MISSION SUNDAY

Loving Father,
You so loved the world that you sent us your only Son,
that we might believe in him and have eternal life.
May we encounter Jesus Christ anew this day
and live the Good News with joy.
Through the power of your Holy Spirit,
help us to "go out to the whole world and proclaim"
our faith with confidence.
Give us the courage to witness to the Joy of the Gospel
by our words and actions.
Help our parish to become more welcoming and
missionary,
so that you may be known and loved by all people.
We make this prayer through
Our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God for ever and ever,
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			10.45 am	Ethel Melhado
			3.00 pm	Kim Fergus & Giovanni Lupaldi
14 Sep	MONDAY	Exaltation of the Cross	9.00 am	Bob Killen
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YSVP Cake Sale: In the church hall after 10.45am mass 20/09. Cake donations gratefully received. 336 1096.

CWL News: 25/09 Macmillan coffee morning 9.30 – 12.00 in the Church Hall. Bring & Buy, cakes & raffle. 17/09, 7.30pm Section meeting in the church hall. Would all ladies please remember to bring payment for the meal at Brook Meadow, which is at 12 noon (for 12.30pm) on 24/09.

SPUC Our total funds raised during the summer was £400.17 which consisted of £275.17 from teas, Bring and Buy and Raffle and two marvellous donations of £25 and £100. Many thanks for your support for our pro life work.

Piety Stall: The Piety Stall is now open again after each Sunday Mass in the Church Hall. We need help in running the stall on a rota basis. On duty every 4 weeks after mass for about half an hour in groups of two or three. You will not be working on your own and training will be given. Any help would be appreciated. Contact Margaret Davies 336 4046.

Refugee Collection: We have all been moved by the refugees. We can help in 3 ways by prayer, by donating money and by donating clothes/other items. Fr Ravi has agreed to a second collection later in the year. We have linked with collection centres across the Wirral including Parkgate. Please give any clothes/other suitable items by leaving them in the back porch by Sun 20th Sep. All donated goods will go direct to refugees. For full lists of suitable items see the Liverpool Calais Action Group Facebook page. Contact Clem Haimes: clementhaimes@btinternet.com

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St Anselm's Open Evening: Wed 16th Sept 5pm – 8pm.

Church Mice: Under 5s and their parents/carers. Thurs 9:30 –10:30am, Neston Methodist Church. Songs, bible stories and crafts. Donation £2 per family including refreshments.

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RIP Fr Terry Boylan: Funeral Details for Fr Terry (former Parish Priest in Heswall) who died on Sunday 6th September.

Reception of the Body and Vigil Mass

Thu 17th Sept 7:00pm - Our Lady & St John's, Heswall

Requiem Mass

Fri 18th Sept 10:15am - St Joseph's, Birkenhead

Statement on the Refugee Crisis by the Bishops of England and Wales

'Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me (Mt 25:40)'

At last Sunday's Angelus, Pope Francis invited every parish, religious house and monastery in Europe to respond to the growing refugee crisis by offering a place of sanctuary to families fleeing from war and persecution in their home countries. The Pope calls on our generosity and solidarity to recognise and act upon our common humanity.

The UK government has agreed to receive and resettle up to 20,000 Syrian refugees from the camps in neighbouring countries over the next five years. The Catholic Church in England and Wales will work alongside Government and local authorities to offer welcome and support to those in need. The refugee crisis is a huge challenge, not only in Europe and the Middle East, but in many others parts of the world where large numbers of refugees live deeply uncertain and perilous lives. Consequently, as a Catholic community, and as a country, we need to be committed to helping refugees over a long period. To sustain that effort we need moral imagination.

We recognise that we can all contribute and play a part in helping to support the most vulnerable of refugees. Such assistance includes: Prayer ; Financial support ; Time and professional skills (eg language teaching, legal help) ; Shelter and accommodation.

We can all be attentive to those who are vulnerable and newly arrived in our local communities and parishes. A warm welcome can be the most simple yet effective of gifts we can all offer.

Practically, we are working to ensure, as far as possible, that every diocese has a contact nominated to co-ordinate your parish/individual response; they will liaise with the local authority and other faith groups to match offers of time, talents and accommodation with the pressing humanitarian needs of the local area. Please look at www.catholicnews.org.uk for additional information which will be regularly updated.

Prayer from Pope Saint John Paul II

Hear my voice, for it is the voice of the victims of all wars and violence among individuals and nations.

Hear my voice, for it is the voice of all children who suffer and will suffer when people put their faith in weapons and war.

Hear my voice when I beg You to install into the hearts of all human beings the wisdom of peace, the strength of justice, and the joy of fellowship.

Hear my voice, for I speak for the multitudes in every country and in every period of history who do not want war and are ready to walk the road of peace.

Hear my voice and grant insight and strength so that we may always respond to hatred with love, to injustice with total dedication to justice, to need with the sharing of self, to war with peace.

O God, hear my voice and grant unto the world Your everlasting peace.

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			10.45 am	Parishioners
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From Fr Ravi... Pastoral Care of the Sick

As many of our Eucharistic ministers would affirm, those being visited, eagerly look forward to our visits, wait to read our newsletter, ask interesting questions about the various activities of our parish and keep us all in their daily prayers. While we pray and celebrate the sacrament with them, they, in turn, enrich us with their hope, their wisdom and with their deep and lively faith.

I am sure you may have seen in recent times our Eucharistic ministers approaching the altar just before the thanksgiving prayer, to collect their pyx's containing consecrated hosts. It is to remind us of the continuation of the sacrament during their visits and also to show the real communion that exists with the worshipping community of those not able to be present in church. We are made One, by the One Bread and One Chalice.

My communion visits are on Wednesday mornings and our Eucharistic ministers visit mainly on Sundays or according to the availability of those being visited. If anyone is in hospital, every effort is made to visit them as soon as I get to know from the hospital or from those concerned. However, if someone is at home or in a care home, the practice is that a visit is requested by the person concerned or by the immediate family. This is to follow established procedures in this regard. Please do not hesitate to contact me or our Communion Visits Coordinator, Tony Topping or the Eucharistic Ministers Coordinator, Joe Tunstall.

We remember the birth of Mary on September 8th and in many places around the world, special prayers are offered for the sick as our Blessed Mother is honoured that day as 'Our Lady of Good Health'. At least two million people of all faiths, congregate every year about this time at a shrine dedicated to her, not far from my home in India, which St Pope John Paul II described as 'the Lourdes of the East'.

May the Eucharist make us all One and may Our Lady of Good Health intercede for us as we trust in God's healing love for everyone!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Hour for Vocations

Bishop Mark will be leading this Holy Hour at St Alban's, Liscard on Thursday 10th Sept at 7pm to pray along with the priests and people of our deanery for Vocations in the diocese. All are encouraged to participate.

Resuming Regular Activities: After the summer break our Little Church, Choir and Read Reflect Respond are resuming. Little Church – this weekend, Choir from Sun 13th and RRR on Wed 16th Sept.

Music Rehearsal and Social: All are invited to a tea-time social on Sun 13th Sept from 5.30pm in the Church Hall with a rehearsal following 7-8pm. New music that we hope to learn, is online in our music section.

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Justice and Peace: Autumn MouthPiece now online.

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Job Vacancies: Deputy Chief Executive and Ship Visitor for Liverpool Seafarers Centre. More information at www.liverpool.org.uk or l.simms@rcaol.co.uk

Bishop Mark has invited us to remember her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II this Sunday as she becomes the longest serving Monarch in British History on Wednesday 9th September and has suggested this prayer prepared by the Church of England.

Prayer for Queen Elizabeth II

Almighty God, who hast set our gracious sovereign Queen Elizabeth upon the throne of this realm, and given her to surpass all others in the years of her reign: Receive our heartfelt thanks for her service to her people, confirm and encourage her in the continuance of the same, and keep her in thy heavenly wisdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who took the form of a servant for our sake, and reigneth now in glory with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.



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30th August 2015

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			10.45 am	Parishioners
31 Aug	MONDAY	<i>St Aidan & the Saints of Lindisfarne</i>	10.00 am	Int: Matthew Allen & Allen Family
1 Sep	TUESDAY	<i>Requiem</i>	9.00 am 1.00 pm	Int: Philomena Fletcher Bernard Phelan
2 Sep	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	Int: D Strawson
3 Sep	THURSDAY	<i>St Gregory the Great</i> <i>Requiem</i>	9.00 am 1.45 pm	Int: R & M Saunders Kevin Higgins
4 Sep	FRIDAY	<i>St Cuthbert</i> <i>School Requiem</i>	9.10 am 10.30 am	Fr Fred Robinson Gladys Cooke
5 Sep	SATURDAY	<i>Baptism</i>	9.00 am 12 noon	Joan Smith Finn Alan, Shea Gus Corbett Awen Maisie McMahon
5 Sep	<i>Next Weekend</i> SATURDAY <i>23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>		6.30 pm	Bernard Phelan
6 Sep	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Sr Anthony Wilson ND
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SEPTEMBER 1ST WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

Pope Francis has established an annual day of global prayer for creation. It will be celebrated on 1 September.

In a letter to the heads of the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace and the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of Christian Unity, Pope Francis said:

"The annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation will offer individual believers and communities a fitting opportunity to reaffirm their personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live."

The Day of Prayer is in unity with Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew of Constantinople, who began a similar day of prayer for the Orthodox Church in 1989.

"The celebration of this Day, on the same date as the Orthodox Church, will be a valuable opportunity to bear witness to our growing communion with our Orthodox brothers and sisters."

A PRAYER FOR THE EARTH

by Pope Francis

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.

You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.

Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes.

Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation,

to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day.

Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Hour for Vocations

Bishop Mark will be leading this Holy Hour at St Alban's on Thursday 10th Sep at 7pm to pray along with the priests and people of our deanery for Vocations in the diocese. All are encouraged to participate.

New Beginnings: After a refreshing holiday I'm sure our school children and teachers are excited to get down to some serious study! May the year ahead be full of possibilities and opportunities for growth and learning.

SPUC: This is the last week that we will be providing tea/coffee/cake in the hall after the 10.45 Mass. We also have a bring and buy and jewellery tables and a raffle, which will be drawn this weekend. Many thanks for all your support over the summer.

CWL: Table top sale & Raffle in hall after 10.45am Mass next Sun 6th Sep. Proceeds to support our charities. Cakes will also be on sale to have with your tea & coffee!

Little Church & Teas: Little Church will recommence next Sunday 6th September. The rota for September - December is on the website and copies are in the sacristy.

Music Rehearsal and Social: We will recommence our music practice on Sunday 13th September. All regulars and anybody interested in joining us are invited to a tea-time social from 5.30pm in the church hall. We will then rehearse in church from 7-8pm. We are a welcoming and inclusive group so if you can sing or play an instrument, please consider joining our music ministry.

First Aid Course: Organised by NDCT, two spaces are available for Sat 12th September 10am - 2pm at St Michael's Church, Little Neston. Cost is FREE! Please let Deacon Mike know as soon as possible if you would like to attend.

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Communion Hymn Refrain

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord
Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.
Blessèd are they who hope in God.
Taste and see the Lord is good indeed.



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Servant of God Theresa Higginson: The cleaning of the grave has now been completed and we thank all those who have contributed towards this.

SPUC: Tea, coffee and cake in the church hall after 10.45 Mass. We also have a bring and buy stall, a jewellery table and raffle. Please use the important information in it to write to our new MP Justin Madders about the *Assisted Dying Bill* which will be debated on the 11th September. Also still available, and a very simple way to help on this issue is to send one of the excellent Assisted Dying postcards which our Bishops have provided for us to send to our MP. The more that get sent the better our MP will get our message about the Sanctity of Life.

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Charity Concert: In aid of the SOKO fund that provides university scholarships for women. Friday 9th Oct at St Columba's Church, Chester, 7.30pm. Information at chair@chifundomalawi.org or 01244 381490.

Ordinary Time Week XXI

23rd August 2015

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23 Aug	SUNDAY	21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.45 am	Parishioners
			10.45 am	TG: Val & Peter Higgins
24 Aug	MONDAY	St Bartholomew	9.00 am	Int: Savio Family
25 Aug	TUESDAY	St Louis/ St Joseph Calasanz	9.00 am	Frank Morgan
26 Aug	WEDNESDAY	Bl Dominic of the Mother of God Barberi	9.00 am	Health: Baby Ella Haslam
27 Aug	THURSDAY	St Monica	9.00 am	Jennifer Glass
28 Aug	FRIDAY	St Augustine	9.00 am	Int: Helena Callaghan
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Congratulations to all those who have received their GCSE results this week. We hope that the results, whatever they may be, will set your course for the next years, providing interesting and exciting opportunities ahead.

Chester Catholic High School Exam Results

A Levels

Students at The Catholic High School Chester were celebrating a most impressive set of A level results this year, with an overall pass rate of 98%. Over 50% of the results were grades A* – B, with a record number of students gaining grades A* and A. This confirms the school's continuing trend of success for its A level students.

The Headteacher, Mr John Murray, affirmed this when he said "I am delighted with these brilliant results which reflect the hard work and determination of our students and their teachers. This, together with strong parental support, has ensured that our Sixth Formers have more than reached their potential. Our new Academy has got off to a wonderful start."

GCSEs

The staff have been delighted to see records broken by the most successful Year 11 cohort ever.

'Our mission is to provide the best Catholic education for all our students,' said the Headteacher. 'We have young people who have secured straight A* and A grades, and others who will be delighted to have passed their examinations in English and Mathematics. I am really proud of all of them and what they have achieved.'

The score that schools are judged on include the percentage achieving 5 or more A*- C grades including English and Maths, and this year 68% of the year group secured this figure. The percentage of A*-C grades in English was almost 90%, and 80% secured at least a C grade in RE.

There was a justifiable glow of pride around the Art Department at the school with 95% of all entries reaching A*-C grades, and in the Maths department where all 25 students taking the GCSE in Further Maths achieved at least a C, with 8 securing an A*. The school is a specialist Science College and 96% of students taking Biology, Chemistry and Physics as separate GCSEs secured passes at A*-C grades.



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16 Aug	SUNDAY	<i>Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	8.45 am	Fred Dutton
			10.45 am	Int: Cropper Family
17 Aug	MONDAY		9.00 am	Vincent Boyd
18 Aug	TUESDAY	<i>Requiem</i>	9.00 am	Bart Fossey
			10.00 am	Margaret Patricia Ryan
19 Aug	WEDNESDAY	<i>St John Eudes</i>	9.00 am	Health: Gladys Cook
20 Aug	THURSDAY	<i>St Bernard</i>	9.00 am	Shelia Clayson
21 Aug	FRIDAY	<i>St Pius X</i>	9.00 am	Hilda Haimes
22 Aug	SATURDAY	<i>The Queenship of Mary</i>	9.00 am	Jack Williams
			12 noon	Zebedee Tiberius Clark
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From Deacon Mike...

As I have now entered my third year as deacon here at St Winefride's (where does the time go?) I feel, with the confidence I have gained from my ministry, and your kind support, able to take on a greater responsibility for the daily running of the parish. Therefore, along with the threefold ministry of Altar (assisting at mass and sacraments), Word (proclaiming and preaching) and Charity (SVP chaplain etc), I shall henceforth also be actively involved in helping Fr Ravi in Parish administration.

In practical terms, I shall be available every Wednesday evening from 6pm to 7pm in the Parish Office. You are most welcome to drop in for pastoral/personal and administrative issues. Of course, I shall be in regular contact with all those who contribute their time and energy so generously in keeping our beloved St Winefride's running so smoothly.

Please remember me in your prayers, as I take on this important role, that Our Lord Jesus Christ will continue to guide and bless me in my ministry.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales: *Assisted Dying Postcards* are available to take away in both porches and send to our local MP in time for the debate which is on 11th September.

Servant of God Theresa Higginson: The grave of this holy mystic is a treasure of the parish and the process has begun to clean it up and restore the original words. We hope it will be completed by the end of August.

SPUC: Tea, coffee and cake in the church hall after the 10.45 Mass courtesy of our SPUC group. Also a bring-and-buy table, a jewellery table, and raffle. Please come and support our pro life work.

CWL & Friends: "Drop in Strawberry Tea" Thursday 20th August, 2-4pm at Veronica's, 22 Redcroft, Well Lane, Greasby, CH49 3GS. Raffle, Bring & Buy and refreshments. Contact 677 6278 for details. All Welcome!

Thank you: The grounds and gardens have been looking at their very best these days especially with all the work and care that the gardening team put in over the Jubilee period. We thank them all for their continued commitment to our parish community.

Website: Pictures from Fr Chris' Jubilee are in our history section in addition to a section remembering Fr Denis. Pictures from the Lourdes pilgrimage are also in the history section - please do have a look!

Bereavement Guide: Available from the Piety Stall or the Parish Office. Suggested donation £3.

Piety Stall: A donation of £400 was made to the Catholic Children's Society. Many thanks for your support.

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Women's World Day of Prayer: Trip to the Mary Jones Visitor Centre Bala, North Wales, Thursday, 24th September. Tickets available our WWDP rep, Veronica Cuthbert 677 6278. Price £15.50 - a deposit of £5.00 will secure your seat. Please bring a packed lunch. Coach will leave Neston at The Cross 9.00am, Pick up at Little Neston, St Michaels 9.10am.

Meditation Hymn: Hail Mary - Gentle Woman

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women
and blest is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners now
and at the hour of death. Amen.

*Gentle woman, quiet light,
morning star, so strong and bright,
gentle Mother, peaceful dove,
teach us wisdom; teach us love.*

1. You were chosen by the Father;
you were chosen for the Son.
You were chosen from all women
and for woman, shining one.

1. Blessed are you among women,
blest in turn all women, too.
Blessed they with peaceful spirits.
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			10.45 am	Patrick Doherty & Madeline Scott
10 Aug	MONDAY	<i>St Laurence</i>	9.00 am	The O'Neill Family
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12 Aug	WEDNESDAY	<i>St Jane Frances de Chantal</i>	9.00 am	Baize Arnold
13 Aug	THURSDAY	<i>Ss Pontian & Hippolytus</i>	9.00 am	Fr Denis Marmion
14 Aug	FRIDAY	<i>St Maximilian Kolbe</i>	9.00 am	The McDonald Family
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PRAYER FOR PEACE

Lord make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

O, Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love; For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Bishop Mark's Homily at the Grotto of Lourdes

Bishop Mark has asked that parishioners be encouraged to write to their MPs before the debate on the Assisted Dying Bill due to take place on Friday 11th September. The website www.catholicnews.org.uk offers a simple and accessible way of doing this by email which will only take a couple of minutes. It even supplies the name of your MP! The Bishop stressed the urgency of making our voices heard during his homily at the Grotto in Lourdes, which is reproduced here below.

The beauty of this landscape must never allow us to forget that we are standing on what was once a tip – a littered wasteland – where on a cold February morning in 1858, three teenage girls came to scavenge for bones and rags, sticks and scraps of metal to be sold for food. Bernadette was the poorest among them. In the town above us, her family had lost their home, their livelihood and even their good name. Bernadette had lost her health, too. It was in such place and in such circumstances that Bernadette met the one who speaks in the Gospel of her lowliness. Our Lady, whom God placed at the centre of his plan for salvation and to whom those words of the Angel were addressed: “rejoice so highly favoured one.” In Mary's company Bernadette would herself recognise the greatness to which she was also called, in all her poverty, sickness and human obscurity.

In this wasteland beside a river, the same Gospel light, which shone in Nazareth, shone-out for Bernadette and has done so for the countless millions who have journeyed to this tiny place on earth, especially the weakest and the poorest. Saint Augustine used to repeat the phrase: “How much you have loved us ...,” and he would explain “we might have despaired of ourselves had He not been made flesh and dwelt among us” (Book 10, Confessions). In the light of the Incarnation – that God the Son humbled himself to share in our humanity – we learn never to give up on each other and never to give up on ourselves.

In this place it is hard to believe back home a law of despair is about to be rushed through Parliament. The proposed law for “Assisted Dying” will remove legal protections for the lives of some of the most vulnerable in our land. It is the first step on the road to euthanasia: the medical killing of some of the weakest members of society. By the proposed law, those in

our hospitals and care homes will be offered assistance to commit suicide. The very ones who should be accorded the greatest support will be legally offered help towards killing themselves. Conscious of the sometimes scandalous neglect of elderly people in our present health and care provision (see LSE Research Analysis of Health Service date, July 2015) we can imagine the pressures under which some of the most vulnerable will come if assisted suicide becomes the mindset of British society. We have good reason to fear that the right to die will quickly become the duty to die. And those who should be most cherished and cared for will increasingly see themselves as an unwanted burden to society. Pope Francis frequently reminds us how it is the weakest and most vulnerable who can teach us the most important lessons of life. And he warns us that many societies are in danger of discarding them.

We may only have a matter of weeks to make our voices heard before Parliament decides whether a culture of care or a culture of suicide and eventually of killing prevails. Yet here, in the witness of Lourdes, we have something more than our voices. From this wasteland a spring of renewed faith and lived charity has flowed in care for each other and in recognition of what each is worth. It often surprises people that a place filled with so much suffering is not dismal and depressing. Instead, Lourdes is filled with joy precisely because here we recognise the real dignity and the true greatness to which every one of us is called. It was on this waste ground that Saint Bernadette – and a now countless number have come to glimpse anew the greatness and the incomparable worth of every human life. May it always be so for us. Amen.

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SPUC: Tea, coffee and cake in the church hall after the 11.45 Mass courtesy of our SPUC group. Also a bring-and-buy table, a jewellery table, and raffle. Please come and support our pro life work. *There will be no SPUC meeting in August.*

Foodbank: June's collection amounted to 72kg and July's 102kg. To date, the amount donated by the Parish is 3,280kg.

From Parish Pilgrims to Lourdes: Some seven parishioners joined the Pilgrimage this year along with seven hundred or so others from across the Diocese. Always enjoyable and often moving, this year was no exception. Some rain early on was actually beneficial as it kept the temperature from overheating. Mgr Chris Lightbound provided one of the highlights at the Opening Catechesis, giving an absorbing reflection on his own formation in the faith.

Kraków 2016: In Lourdes last week, Bishop Mark invited the young people of the Diocese to join Pope Francis in Kraków next summer for the World Youth Day. Many young people have described their experience at past World Youth Days as life changing moments. There are still a few places available in our Diocesan group for young people aged 16 and over. Please encourage any young people in your parish to think seriously about joining Bishop Mark in Kraków 2016. More information is available on the Diocesan website www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/youth or from Pauline McCulloch pauline.mcculloch@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

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Ordinary Time Week XVIII

2nd August 2015

1 Aug	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Parishioners		
	18 th Sunday in Ordinary Time		8.45 am	Terry & Kevin Hughes		
2 Aug	SUNDAY		10.45 am	Int: Joan & Barry Partridge		
	Baptism		12 noon	Blake Edward Lewis Cheetham		
3 Aug	MONDAY	St Oswald	9.00 am	Int: Jennifer Glass & Family		
4 Aug	TUESDAY	St John Vianney	9.00 am	Canon Briscoe		
5 Aug	WEDNESDAY	The Dedication of St Mary Major	9.00 am	Gladys Goodwin		
6 Aug	THURSDAY	The Transfiguration of the Lord	9.00 am	Int: M Henesy		
7 Aug	FRIDAY	Ss Sixtus II & Companions/St Cajetan	9.00 am	Jane Haimes		
8 Aug	SATURDAY	St Dominic	9.00 am	TG: Eileen Perryman		
		Baptism	12 noon	Gracie-Leigh & Lily-Jayde Bowden		
8 Aug	Next Weekend SATURDAY	19 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Tony Casson		
9 Aug	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Parishioners		
			10.45 am	Patrick Doherty & Madeline Scott		
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1 st /2 nd August			8 th /9 th August			
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Readings						
Lectors	M Green	AM Miller	J Braidwood	P Flanagan	M Jevons	O'Cleirigh
Intercessions						Family
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From Fr Ravi... Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Over 700 pilgrims from our diocese (including 7 from our parish) are currently in Lourdes, experiencing God's peace and love through the intercession of Our Blessed Mother. Some of the main events such as the Blessed Sacrament procession on Saturday (1600 BST) and the International Mass on Sunday 2nd August (0830 BST) can be viewed via Lourdes TV at www.lourdes-france.org. The pilgrims return home on Tuesday 4th August. We are invited to join them in praying for the following diocesan intentions:

- for the fruits of the 'Year for Vocation' in our diocese, that we may all recognise our call to holiness
- for new and generous vocations to Marriage and the Family, to the Priesthood and the Permanent Diaconate, to the Consecrated Life of Sisters and Brothers and to the Apostolic life of Christians in the world
- for the new 'gap year' project at Shrewsbury Cathedral offering a year of prayer, community living, study and apostolic work discerning the Vocation to the Priesthood
- for the Synod of Bishops in October reflecting on 'the Vocation of the Family' and the renewed witness of marriage and the Christian family in the world today
- for a deeper appreciation of the Vocation to the Consecrated life of men and women whether in contemplative communities of prayer or in communities dedicated to apostolic work
- for a renewed sense of our social mission in the work of charity and justice and for the Caritas Conference organised in the Diocese on 26th September
- for the Holy Year of Mercy called by Pope Francis to begin on 8th December and for its fruits especially in the works of mercy in our own diocese and in the renewed place of Confession, the Sacrament of Mercy, in each one of our lives

I invite you to remember, along with these intentions, those who are sick in our families and in our Parish community. May we be touched by God's healing love for each one of us. May God bless us all.

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Lectors/EMHC: New Rota available on line or in the sacristy.

Website: Diamond Jubilee pictures including pictures from 10:45 Mass on Sunday 12th July now available to view online under the History Section on our website. Also pictures from John Plessington pilgrimage – on Rota and Gallery pages.

First Aid: Training given by St John's Ambulance on behalf of Neston District Churches Together. Please let Deacon Mike know this weekend if you would like to go as there are a few places still available on 5th or 12th Sept, 10 - 2 pm, St Michael's, Little Neston. Cost: FREE. Bring lunch!

Youth 2000 Summer Festival: 27th - 31st August 2015 at the National Shrine of Our Lady, Walsingham. A 5-day Prayer festival, packed with dynamic talks, live-band worship, powerful prayer times, fun social activities, creative workshops, in-depth discussions, evening entertainment and loads more, with speakers from the USA and all over the UK. Youth 2000 events are primarily for 16-35 years olds. If you are in this age range and looking for answers to the big questions in life, then this retreat is for you! Families are also most welcome to join for this festival, with activities for children aged 5-15 each days. This is a great chance for a holy holiday together. If you are 35+ and keen to come, please register in advance as a volunteer. Contact: info@youth2000.org

Caritas Shrewsbury – Roadshow: "Being a Church for the Poor" Sat 26th Sept, 10.30am - 3.30pm at Ellesmere Port Catholic High School. The day will include workshops, as well as a social action marketplace where local charities and parish based projects have the chance to talk about the work they do in the diocese. Speakers include Bishop Mark Davies and John Battle. Please bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided. Contact: pauline.mcculloch@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

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Ordinary Time Week XVII

26th July 2015

25 July	SATURDAY	Day of Special Prayer for Life	6.30 pm	Parishioners
26 July	SUNDAY	17 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.45 am	John & Julia Delaney-50 th Wedd
			10.45 am	Int: Ursula Jones & Family
27 July	MONDAY		9.00 am	Service of Word and Communion
28 July	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Tim Jones
29 July	WEDNESDAY	St Martha	9.00 am	Brian Haggart
30 July	THURSDAY	St Peter Chrysologus	9.00 am	June Harrison
31 July	FRIDAY	St Ignatious of Loyola	9.00 am	Mgr Chris Lightbound (B'day)
1 August	SATURDAY	St Alphonsus Liguori	9.00 am	Peter Anderson
1 August	Next Weekend SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Parishioners
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Readings						
Lectors	C Haines	Larry Family	J Braidwood	M Green	AM Miller	J Braidwood
Intercessions						
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From Fr Ravi.....the Vatican vs. Church of England!!

Last September, many were amused to read about the Vatican cricket team visiting England for a series against the Archbishop of Canterbury's XI in our newsletter. The money raised was used to help tackle slavery and human trafficking.

Now, the Vatican has invited the same team for a rematch - Twenty 20 - in Rome on Sunday 25th October, coinciding with the conclusion of the Synod on the family. Pope Francis is also scheduled to meet with the two cricket teams...

Also, I attended a talk by Archbishop Justin Welby last Monday at John Moore's University, Liverpool and even had the joy of thanking him personally for his leadership ministry in the church. Many of us were inspired by the clarity with which he spoke on the subject of dialogue between different faiths and communities. The need to handle differences through personal encounter and meaningful conversation and not by force was emphasised. If interested, the full text is available at www.archbishopofcanterbury.org

May God bless the church with the gift of Unity and may God bless humanity with the gift of Peace!

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Pilgrimage to Burton: It was encouraging to see so many parishioners at St Nicholas' in Burton on 18th July to commemorate the martyrdom of St John Plessington. Being heirs to the mission of this martyr, it is our privilege and honour to cherish and celebrate the memory of this great man. Thanks to Derek Pover for organising it on behalf of the LPA.

Jubilee Get Together: Many attended our 'Thank You' Party last Sunday for all the Jubilee Volunteers; we are grateful to Catherine Lisboa, Rita Cassidy and Louise Dee for their help in organising it. We were touched by the words of appreciation received from those who attended the jubilee events.

Thank You: After Mrs Liz Dolley, it was another stalwart Mrs Sheila Hainey who retired last Tuesday after 19 years of dedicated service at St Winefride's Primary School. We express our sincere appreciation and gratitude to Mrs Hainey and wish her a well deserved rest and happy retirement.

SPUC New Leaflet: After all Masses this weekend we will be giving out a new leaflet with information about why we should oppose the assisted dying bill, which will be debated in Parliament on the Friday 11th September. Please write to our new MP Justin Madders, at 235, Whitby Road Ellesmere Port, CH65 6RT and urge him to attend the debate on that day and to vote against the bill. It is always better to write a personal letter than to send an email.

SPUC: Will be providing the teas after Sunday Mass from this weekend until the middle of September. We will also be selling cakes and will have a bring and buy table and a raffle. Contributions would be gratefully appreciated to enable us to raise money for our pro life work.

Lectors and EMHC: New Rota now available on line or from the sacristy.

Red Boxes: Thank you for recent Red boxes well filled and banked for Missio the Mill Hill Missionaries worldwide; any full please leave in the car park porch at a weekend.

First Aid: If any parishioners would like First Aid training by St John's Ambulance for any groups or ministries they belong to within the parish, please let Deacon Mike know this weekend. There are 2 dates available on Sept 5th or 12th from 10 - 2 pm at St Michael's, Little Neston. Cost is £25 plus certificate. Bring lunch!

Lourdes Diocesan Pilgrimage 2015: Arrangements are progressing well. The overland section leaves on the afternoon of July 28th and travels by coach to Calais, where the pilgrims board the chartered train to Lourdes arriving early afternoon on 29th July: they will travel back on the morning of August 5th. The air section departs from Manchester Airport on July 29th and arrives back on August 4th. For further details, please visit www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk

Diocese of Wrexham Music Workshop: A practical workshop for parish cantors on Saturday 5th September 1.30-4pm at St Mary's Cathedral, Wrexham. For more information please contact: paulbooth@wrexhamdiocesanmusic.org.uk.



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Ordinary Time Week XVI

19th July 2015

18 July	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	TG: K & J Kirby
19 July	SUNDAY	16 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Bishop Mark's Pastoral Letter	8.45 am	Parishioners
			10.45 am	TG: Dorothy Barber
20 July	MONDAY	St Apollinaris	9.00 am	Int: A Graham & family
21 July	TUESDAY	St Lawrence of Brindisi School	9.00 am 9.10 am	Service of Word and Communion Leavers' Mass
22 July	WEDNESDAY	St Mary Magdalene	9.00 am	Int: Mary Henesy
23 July	THURSDAY	St Bridget – Prayer for Europe	9.00 am	Philip Delaney
24 July	FRIDAY	St Sharbel Makhluf	9.00 am	Victoria Johnson
25 July	SATURDAY	St James	9.00 am	Louis Wallace
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From Fr Chris: Dear Fr Ravi and Parishioners, I want to put on record my deep appreciation of your kindness and generosity to me on the occasion of my Jubilee – the wonderful Mass and the superb meal and reception at the Civic Hall will long linger in our memories of St Winefride's parish community. A cascade of Jubilee cards and gifts came tumbling through my door and I beg forgiveness for not being able to reply to them one by one. Please accept my personal thanks for such overwhelming affection and generosity. I am saying Mass for you and your loved ones. God bless you all.

A PASTORAL LETTER ON THE CREATED ORDER

My dear brothers and sisters,

This summer Pope Francis has addressed a Letter to all of humanity on the care of what he calls "our common home," the earth. Pope Francis' message is, like so much of his teaching and preaching, a call to conversion. The Holy Father invites everyone to be conscious we are part of God's created order. It is a call especially addressed to the consumerist mentalities of wealthy societies like our own; and it challenges our complacencies and assumptions about human progress. Pope Francis recognises the present consensus amongst scientists that we are witnessing climate change on earth with implications for all humanity, especially for the poorest members of the human family. However, the Pope is not merely echoing a theory or following a trend. His appeal is based on the firm foundation of what both faith and reason disclose: the created order to which we all belong.

Some commentators are surprised that the Pope sees the killing of the unborn; the discarding of the elderly and theories by which man seeks to justify even the manipulation of his own nature, as all part of the ecological crisis. (Cf LS n.155) Yet he does so precisely because his appeal for an "ecological conversion" is based firmly on faith in the Creator and the order of creation which we will shortly stand to affirm in the words: "I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible."

Pope Francis uses a hymn composed by Saint Francis of Assisi which speaks of how all creatures exist in relationship to each other. This awareness allowed the great Saint of Assisi to sing of the earth, the seas and rivers as related to us as a sister, a brother, a mother (Cf. LS n.11). This 'Canticle of the Creatures' leads Pope Francis to echo the beautiful words of the Catechism of the Catholic Church: "God wills the interdependence of all creatures. The sun and the moon, the cedar and the little flower, the eagle and the sparrow: the spectacle of their countless diversities and inequalities tells us that no creature is self-sufficient. Creatures exist only in dependence on each other, to complete each other, in the service of each other" (LS 86/CCC 340). That harmonious order of creation was disturbed by the fall of humanity, the original sin of our first parents. However, the plan and purpose

of our Creator, obscured by human sin, is now restored by Christ in whom "all things hold together" (Col. 1:17).

The Holy Father's message helps us reflect deeply on the doctrine of Creation, and apply its practical implications to the many challenges facing humanity. In this short letter, read at Sunday Mass, it is not possible to summarise all 180 pages of the Holy Father's letter. Suffice to say that Pope Francis insists that the ecological challenges of our time can never be effectively addressed unless humanity is ready to reflect upon the purpose of God our Creator. "Unless we struggle with these deeper issues," writes Pope Francis, "I do not believe that our concern for ecology will produce significant results" (LS n. 160). It is, Pope Francis insists, because we have lost the sense of being creatures that we have failed in our God-given responsibility to care for the earth; have abused other creatures; and are now faced with our own scientific and economic advances turning against us (cf. LS 160).

Today I wish to invite you to reflect with Pope Francis on our place in the splendour of God's created order. "Sunday ...," Pope Francis writes, "is meant to be a day which heals our relationships with God, with ourselves, with others and with the world ... and so the day of rest, centred on the Eucharist, sheds its light on the whole week, and motivates us to greater concern for nature and for the poor." (LS n. 237). It is here in the Holy Eucharist that "all that has been created finds its greatest exaltation" declares Pope Francis. And earth and heaven are joined "when God himself became man and gave himself as food for his creatures ... Joined to the incarnate Son, present in the Eucharist, the whole cosmos gives thanks to God" (LS n. 236). In this Eucharistic light, may we be able to see all of creation anew and always say, in the words of the title of Pope Francis's Letter: "Praise be to you, O Lord."

With my prayer for you all in these summer weeks,

+ Mark

Bishop of Shrewsbury

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Message from Bishop Mark: On Friday 11th September the House of Commons will debate and vote on a Bill to legalise assisted suicide. This will put the most vulnerable people in our society at risk. Please contact your MP, urging them to attend the debate and vote against the Bill. You can send an e-mail to your MP via the Catholic Bishops' Conference website (www.catholicnews.org.uk/assisted-suicide) or send a letter by post.

SPUC: would encourage all parish members to write to Neston MP, Justin Madders, at 235 Whitby Road, Ellesmere Port CH65 6RT and urge him to vote against the Assisted Suicide bill. We will have a new leaflet with information about the euthanasia bill that will be given out next weekend.

Jubilee Volunteers: A "Thank You Get Together" for all those who were involved with the Jubilee arrangements on Sunday (19th July) at 4pm in the Church hall.

Summer breaks: School Mass on Fridays, choir rehearsals and RRR will recommence in September.

Lectors and EMHC: New Rota now available on line or from the sacristy.

Red Boxes: Thank you for recent Red boxes well filled and banked for Missio the Mill Hill Missionaries worldwide; any full please leave in the car park porch at a week end.

SPUC: will be doing the teas after the Sunday Mass, from this weekend until the middle of September. We will also be selling cakes and will have a bring and buy table and a raffle. Contributions would be gratefully appreciated to enable us to raise money for our pro life work.

Community News: A big big thankyou to all who visited the art exhibition sale in our church hall: we have donated a fantastic £542 shared by the Pathways Crisis Pregnancy Centre in Wallasey and the Hospice. Next exhibition will be at the beginning of November this year. Enquiries to Joe T on 336 1261.



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Ordinary Time Week XV

12th July 2015

11 July	SATURDAY	15 th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 nd Collection: Apostleship of the Sea	6.30 pm	Jane Haines
12 July	SUNDAY	Cardinal Cormac Presides	8.45 am	Int: T & P Nicholson
			10.45 am	Parishioners
13 July	MONDAY	St Henry	9.00 am	Health: Anne McManus
14 July	TUESDAY	St Camillus de Lellis	9.00 am	Francis Patrick Byrne (B'day)
15 July	WEDNESDAY	St Bonaventure Funeral Service (Landican)	9.00 am	Health: Anne Sayers
			2.30 pm	Kenneth Robert Green
16 July	THURSDAY	Our Lady of Mount Carmel	9.00 am	John Stones
17 July	FRIDAY	School	9.10 am	Int: Sue and Barry Lyonette
18 July	SATURDAY	St John Plessington's Pilgrimage	9.00 am	TG: Fran & Brian Byrne
			2.30 pm	St Nicholas - Burton
18 July	Next Weekend SATURDAY	16 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Bishop Mark's Pastoral Letter	6.30 pm	TG: K & J Kirby
19 July	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Parishioners
		10.45 am	TG: Dorothy Barber	

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Lectors <i>Readings</i>	K Powell	A M Miller	H Jones	L Needham	M Jevons	V Casey
Lectors <i>Intercessions</i>	B Phelan	T McGlynn	O'Cleirigh Family	M Wilkie	R Pisarek	M Unsworth
EMHC	D Davies P Middlehurst	M Davies S Etty	J Tunstall K Holden	J Gordon K Powell	K Garrod K Hughes	T Topping M Slater
Counters	Dee and Jayne			Tina, Wyn and Rosemary		
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Last Sunday's Offering: Thank you for your generous support.

From Fr Ravi... St Winefride's at its Best!

Last Friday was a day to remember. We thank God for helping us all celebrate 60 years of the priestly ministry of our beloved Fr Chris with love and gratitude. It was great to see Cardinal Cormac along with Bishops Mark and Brian as we celebrated the Eucharist together along with Fr Chris' family and friends, religious and priests with people from our parish present in full strength.

The cooperation and understanding of each and every one made it easy and enjoyable for us all. Many visitors commented on how lovely the Church and its surroundings looked. Thank you for your prayers, your contribution towards the parish gift and to all those who were active in different ministries: Altar Servers; St Winefride's School Children & Teachers; Cleaners; Clergy & Vestments; Flowers; Music; Sacristans; Ushers; Cake Bakers; Car Parking; Cards; Civic Hall & Refreshments; Communications; Gift Paintings; Entertainment; First Aid; Hall; Mobility ; Photography; Transportation etc.

A special word of thanks to Cardinal Cormac for his visit and presence at Sunday Mass at St Winefride's - the first time in our history – a moment of grace for the community.

Not only the weather, even the sound system worked well for Fr Chris! We continue to experience God's blessings by welcoming everyone and strongly journeying towards our vision being "Firm in Faith, Joyful in Hope and Active in Charity."

May God bless us all.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sea Sunday: Today is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Without them we would not have most of the items we buy in the shops. Today's second collection is for Apostleship of the Sea (AoS), the Church's official maritime welfare agency. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. This annual collection is absolutely vital to enable it to continue its work, so please give generously and remember seafarers in your prayers. Thank you. For more information on the work of AoS please visit www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk

SPUC: meeting next Tuesday 14th July 7:30pm in the church hall. All Welcome.

CWL Meeting: Thu 16 July, 7.30 pm in the Church Hall. Speaker is Robert Whittle from Chester Aid to the Homeless. Any mens' or ladies clothes or toiletries, would be most appreciated. All Welcome.

Summer breaks: Music rehearsals and RRR will recommence in September.

Bereavement Group: To support those when planning a funeral, a guide for use in our parish is available entitled 'Living Forever in God's Light'. Copies are in the car park porch and a donation of £3 may be placed in the labelled box.

School: Congratulations to the winners of the June 2015 draw of the St Winefride's RC Primary School PA 200 Club. Mrs Naomi Newberry (No. 104) and Mrs N Nolan (No.75)

both win £50 each following a draw at the school fair on 28 June 2015. The next draw will be a grand draw of £100 to be drawn before the end of the school term.

LPA St John Plessington Pilgrimage: On Saturday 18th July. Please gather at St Nicholas Church Burton for 2.00 pm, where prayers will be said. There will be refreshments to follow in the Village Hall.

CAFOD: "A CAFOD Shrewsbury Summer Evening Gathering and Mass of Thanksgiving" on Friday 24 July at 7pm at St Clare's, Downsfield Road, Chester CH4 8HH. There will be a gathering and light refreshment afterwards in St Clare's School. For details contact Sue or Liz 01244 677594 email: shrewsbury@cafod.org.uk

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HYMN: ALL ARE WELCOME

1. Let us build a house where love can dwell,
And all can safely live,
A place where saints and children tell
How hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
Rock of faith and vault of grace;
Here the love of Christ shall end division:

Refrain: All are welcome, All are welcome,
All are welcome in this place.

2. Let us build a house where prophets speak,
And words are strong and true
Where all God's children dare to seek
To dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness,
And as symbol of God's grace;
Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus

3. Let us build a house where all are named,
Their songs and visions heard
And loved and treasured, taught and claimed
As words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
Prayers of faith and songs of grace,
Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:



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Ordinary Time Week XIV

5th July 2015

4 July	SATURDAY	14 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Int: Michelle Greer
5 July	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Parishioners
			10.45 am	Int: Sr Damian of the Passion
6 July	MONDAY	St Maria Goretti	9.00 am	Eric Belcher
7 July	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Health: Angela O'Hara
8 July	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	Int: Sr Cordis
9 July	THURSDAY	St Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions	9.00 am	John Callaghan
10 July	FRIDAY	Mgr Chris Lightbound's Diamond Jubilee	12.30 pm	In Thanksgiving
11 July	SATURDAY	St Benedict – Prayer for Europe	9.00 am	Fr Fred Robinson
11 July	Next Weekend SATURDAY	15 th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 nd Collection: Apostleship of the Sea	6.30 pm	Jane Haines
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	4 th /5 th July			11 th /12 th July		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
Lectors <i>Readings</i>	P Flanagan	Larty Family	I Trotman	K Powell	A M Miller	H Jones
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Last Sunday's Offering: Thank you for your generous support.

FR CHRIS LIGHTBOUND'S DIAMOND JUBILEE 10th July at 12.30pm in Church followed by a reception at Neston Civic Hall

The "big day" is almost upon us as we finalise our preparations to host Fr Chris' family, friends, clergy along with Cardinal Cormac, Bishop Mark and Bishop Brian. Some practical information for your consideration:

- **Gift Envelopes** – Available in both porches and can be placed in the box at the back of the church near the Book of Remembrance until Thursday 9th July.
- **Timing** - Although Mass will begin at 12:30pm please try to get to church earlier.
- **Parking** – We will use the church car park for Fr Chris' family and friends. Parishioners are kindly advised to find alternatives and to consider car sharing - car parks at St Michael's and Neston Youth & Community Centre on Burton Road are available. *The front of the church will be a designated "drop off" zone only.*
- **Reception** - Following Mass, the reception at the Neston Civic Hall will begin at about 2:15pm. There will be a minibus shuttle service between church and the venue. If you decide to walk from church to the Civic Hall, there may well be visitors who would appreciate being accompanied.
- **Choir Practice** – Rehearsal as usual at 7pm on Sunday 5th July and also at 5pm on Thursday 9th July in church.
- **Car Parking Team** - Meeting on Monday 6th July at 6:30 pm in church.
- **Altar Servers** – Please attend the rehearsal on Wednesday 8th July at 7pm in church.

CONTACTS

Altar Servers – Deacon Mike; **Clergy & Vestments** – Damian McGrath; **Flowers** – Angela McDevitt; **Music** – Maria Slater & Louise Wilkinson; **Sacristy** – Tony Topping; **Ushers** – Paulo Lisboa.

Car Parking – Brian Byrne; **Cards** – Ruth Pisarek & Margaret Davies; **Civic Hall & Refreshments** – Judith Bramhall; **Communications** – Helen Jones; **Gift Paintings** – Ron Jones & Joe Tunstall; **Entertainment** – Tony Wright; **First Aid** – Kate Hughes; **Hall** – Louise & Peter Dee; **Mobility** – Fr Ravi; **Photographer**: Pat Clare; **Transportation** – Phil Bramhall & Pat Hughes.

SUNDAY 12th JULY 10:45 am

Parish Thanksgiving Mass and Celebrations with Cardinal Cormac and Fr Chris: **All are Welcome!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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CWL: Committee meeting Thursday 9 July at 7.30 pm at Angela's, 3 Bushell Road.

Bereavement Group: To support those in choosing readings and hymns when planning a funeral, we have compiled a Guide for use in our parish: 'Living Forever in God's Light'. Copies available in both porches and a suggested donation of £3 may be placed in the labelled 'brick' box in the porches.

Piety Stall: Last week's Streptocarpus sale was postponed and will now take place in the Church Hall after each Sunday Mass this weekend. All proceeds go to The Diocesan Children's Society, a most needy and worthy cause. Will anyone who has a Children's Society collection box which needs emptying please contact Margaret Davies. Please note that after this weekend The Piety Stall will be closed for the summer break. Many thanks to all those who have supported us through the year.

Community News: From Joe Tunstall Art Sale in aid of Pathways Crisis Pregnancy Advisory Service: after each Mass in the Church hall. Enquiries 336 1261.

St Winefride's School: We are pleased to say the St.Winefride's Summer Fair was a huge success again this year and we raised over £2,700. Thank you to everyone for your support whether you helped on the day, made a donation, bought a raffle ticket or joined in the fun, every bit helped to make it a special day at the school.

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Christmastide

27th December 2015

26 Dec	SATURDAY	<i>Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph – Special Prayer for Recently Married Couples</i>	6.30 pm	Jane Haines
27 Dec	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Parishioners
			10.45 am	Int: Frances Irvine
28 Dec	MONDAY	<i>The Holy Innocents</i>	10.00 am	For the Children of our Parish
29 Dec	TUESDAY	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	9.00 am	25 th Wed: Sarah & Peter Wright
30 Dec	WEDNESDAY	<i>6th Day of Christmas Octave</i>	9.00 am	John Grealis
31 Dec	THURSDAY	<i>St Sylvester – Mass & Benediction</i>	10.00 am	Paddy Finneran
1 Jan	FRIDAY	<i>Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God</i>	10.00 am	Jack Williams
2 Jan	SATURDAY	<i>St Basil the Great, St Gregory Nazianzen</i>	9.00 am	Health: Una & Michael O'Shea
2 Jan	SATURDAY	<i>Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord</i>	6.30 pm	Ray Blanshard
			8.45 am	Parishioners
3 Jan	SUNDAY	<i>International Mass</i>	10.45 am	Anne Gambon

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RIP: Alice Johnson, Edward Crummey

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Lectors	P Middlehurst	M Jevons	J Tunstall	M Green	K Ankers	J Braidwood
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Last Sunday's Offering: Thank you for your generous support.

From Fr Ravi: One more step along the world we go...

As we look forward to a new year, may we be guided by God's peace and joy. Fr Chris and Deacon Mike join me in thanking you all for the gifts, cards, love and support expressed in many beautiful and meaningful ways. We are overwhelmed and deeply touched as this, in a way, also encourages us in our own ministries.

We are blessed with a happy parish rooted in our faith and at this time of the year we gratefully remember each one of you for your presence and prayers. In a special way we thank all those active in different groups and ministries: Altar Servers, Cleaners, Choir, Musicians, Flower team, Sacristans, Little Church, Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, SVP, YSVP, CWL, SPUC, Webteam, Newsletter Editors, Liturgy Sheet producers, Money Counters, Ushers, Hall Managers, Gardeners, Decoration team and all those who cooperated in different ways over the Christmas period.

And of course, not forgetting a thank you to our Magi who appeared at some Masses this Christmas!

A Cumbrian resident recently affected by the flooding said "No reason is strong enough to stop celebrating Christmas". May these special days give us hope and strength to continue our journey, walking in the light of faith.

Wishing you all a Happy, Healthy and Holy New Year.

CHRISTMASTIDE AT ST WINEFRIDE'S 2015

Feast of the Holy Family: 27 th Dec	Family Sunday - Blessing of all Couples married in recent years
Feast of Holy Innocents: 28 th Dec	Mass 10:00 am - Altar Servers' and Children's Party following
New Year's Eve: 31 st Dec	Thanksgiving - Mass 10:00 am, Thanksgiving Prayer for 2015, Benediction
New Year's Day: 1 st Jan	New Year's Mass - 10:00 am
Epiphany: 3 rd Jan	International Mass (10:45am) - Prayers and hymns in different languages
The Baptism of the Lord: 10 th Jan	Blessing of all those baptised in the past year

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Little Church: New rota in the sacristy and online.

Altar Servers and Children's Party: We mark the feast of the Holy Innocents with a celebration for all our altar servers, first communion children and others on Monday, 28th Dec at 10am.

First Communion and Confirmation: Our children are involved in 'Small Sunday Steps towards my First Communion with Saints of our Islands' and their parents will meet on Wednesday 6th January 7pm in the Church Hall. Our confirmation candidates will meet at 10am on 2nd and 4th Sundays beginning in January.

RRR: Will recommence on Wednesday 6th January at 7:30pm in the presbytery. All welcome to join us as we reflect on the Sunday readings.

SPUC: Our group wish to thank you all for your support in 2015 and we wish you a Blessed Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year.

CCRS: New Testament Module for the Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (open to all). Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port: 9/1, 6/2 - 10am - 3.30pm. Rowena.Nield@sky.com 0161 4408619.

Annual Mass for the Celebration of Marriage: Sat 6th Feb at St Columba's, Chester. Any couples celebrating a significant anniversary in 2016, please let us know to arrange an invitation from Bishop Mark.

Community: A poem that was written by Marie McKeown when she was 10 is in the porches.

DIOCESAN ACTIVITIES IN THE YEAR OF MERCY

Holy Door at St Anthony's, Wythenshawe: The Holy Door will be available each Saturday between 9am and 6pm, (NB: Mass at 10am and Vigil Mass at 5pm). Those who wish to visit should contact us with requirements for Mass or Confessions.

Groups: parish and other groups should contact the Wythenshawe clergy team or Fr Murray or Fr Thomas outside office opening hours with details of proposed visiting days (other days can be arranged).

Team Office: 10am - 3pm, Mon-Fri (holidays excepted) 0161 436 5622 or preferably email team.ministry@btinternet.com
Fr Murray/Fr Thomas: 0161 437 2861

Individuals: should come on Saturdays. It may be possible to arrange specific times by request through the Clergy Team Office.

From Easter until the close of the Holy Year in November, the Holy Door will be at the Cathedral.

Four Reflections: *Jesus The Face of the Father's Mercy* Our Lady's Parish Centre, Ellesmere Port CH65 8BY, 7.30pm - 9pm.

13th January *The Incarnation: Mystery of God's Merciful Love* Led by Miss Barbara Davies

20th January *Christ's Passion and Death: Expression of God's Merciful Love* Led by Fr David Long

27th January *Christ's Resurrection and Ascension: Triumph of God's Merciful Love* Led by Fr Nick Kern

3rd February *The Communion of Saints: Sharing in God's Merciful Love with Mary, Mother and Model of Compassion* Led by Miss Barbara Davies

Further details in porches.

Jubilee Day for Youth: Palm Sunday, 20th March 2016, 2-5pm, St Chad's High School, Runcorn

World Youth Day Krakow 2016: 25th -31st July 2016 for young people aged 16 and over www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/youth

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 27th/28th July to 2nd/3rd August 2016

Youth 2000 Prayer festival, Walsingham: 25th - 29th August 2016

Holy Year Pilgrimage to Rome: 17th -21st October 2016. Led by Bishop Mark in this Year of Mercy, we will visit the major Basilicas of Rome including passing through the Holy Door at St Peter's. In addition there will be a General Audience with the Holy Father and a visit and Holy Hour at the Venerable English College. Flights from Manchester, accommodation half board: £695 (twin room), £565 (triple room), supplement of £130 (limited single rooms). Booking forms available from Parish Office or the Diocesan Website. Contact Fr David Long 638 1520.

YEAR OF MERCY 2016

*To act justly and to love mercy
and to walk humbly
with your God.*

Micah 6:8



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Advent Week IV

20th December 2015

19 Dec	SATURDAY	4 th Sunday of Advent – Special Prayer for Expectant Mothers	6.30 pm	Parishioners		
20 Dec	SUNDAY	Little Church Christmas Tableau	8.45 am	Phyllis Challis		
21 Dec	MONDAY	St Peter Canisius	10.45 am	Norman & Christina Bickerstaff		
22 Dec	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Pat Standish		
23 Dec	WEDNESDAY	St John of Kanty	9.00 am	Health: Fr Martin Jakubas		
24 Dec	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Dennis Ackerman		
24 Dec	THURSDAY	Carol Service & Vigil Mass	6.30 pm	Int: M Henesy		
24 Dec 25 Dec	FRIDAY	Nativity of the Lord - Holy Day of Obligation Carol Service	Midnight	Charlotte Nagle Special Intention		
			8.45 am	Fr Gerry Courell		
			10.15 am	Parishioners		
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26 Dec	SATURDAY	St Stephen	10.00 am	Int: Miles Sweeney		
26 Dec	SATURDAY	Next Weekend Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph – Special Prayer for the Recently Married Couples	6.30 pm	Jane Haines		
27 Dec	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Parishioners		
			10.45 am	Int: Frances Irvine		
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			6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	
Lectors	A Flanagan	T McGlynn	M Slater	C Haines	R Pisarek	M Unsworth
Readings						
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Last Sunday's Offering: Thanks for your generous support.

From Fr Ravi: Christmas Crib - Heaven Frozen in Time...

If you are feeling a bit anxious and even tired as we enter into the busy-ness of Christmas week, and have just realised that you forgot to send a card or a gift to someone very close, please remember you are not alone! That in itself is the mystery of Christmas. A vulnerable child, born to wandering parents in an isolated place wanting to feel safe and be safe. Taking time to pause before the crib can lead us into that mystery of life, in all its beauty and complexity, to appreciate all that we have and are and to wish the same for everyone in our human family. In a special way, our hearts go out to those having a difficult time, due to an illness or bereavement or violence experienced in different forms. May our prayer and the song of the angels be the same this holy season: Peace to all!

A Christmas card had the following words by Alan Gaunt:

*Each vulnerable new-born child, each girl or boy that comes to birth,
is just as precious in God's eyes as that one child who came to earth
to show us through his life and death how much all human life is worth!*

Fr Chris and Deacon Mike join me in wishing you and your families, a gentle Christmas that leads to peace and joy in the New Year!

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ADVENT AND CHRISTMASTIDE AT ST WINEFRIDE'S 2015

4th Sunday in Advent: 20 th Dec	Special Prayer for Expectant Mothers/ Little Church Tableau
Confessions: 21 st – 24 th Dec	A priest available in the confessional 8:15 – 8:45am
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Altar Servers and Children's Party: We mark the feast of the Holy Innocents with a celebration for all our altar servers, first communion children and others on Monday, 28th Dec at 10am. We will have special children's mass followed by events (music, games and food) in the hall. Please do encourage your children to participate and if attending, please let Fr Ravi know before Christmas.

Thank you: To Mrs Ormes, Mrs Davies and the staff and children at St Winefrides for such a great Carol Service. And to all our volunteers who give their time so generously to our Parish: to Kevin Devitt and Roy Jones for the Christmas Lights; our Choir for their continued commitment, rehearsing every week and singing each Sunday; our Altar Servers and sacristans; our flower team and gardeners; money counters and hall managers; liturgy sheet editors, webteam and newsletter editors; Little Church and YSVP volunteers; catechists; Eucharistic Ministers and Readers and all who do their part in supporting our community. Your time and dedication to our parish is what makes St Winefride's so special and over this Christmas period we take this opportunity to show our appreciation of your hard work.

Music Rehearsals: Sunday 20th December at 4pm and Tuesday 22nd December at 7pm in church. Refreshments will be available after the Tuesday rehearsal.

Fr Denis' Legacy: £600 has been left by Fr Denis for distribution to charities. CWL, SPUC, SVP and the Diocesan Catholic Children's Society through our Piety Stall will each receive £100 and the remaining £200 will be set aside for supporting any of our young people who wish to go to Lourdes or Kracow. We keep Fr Denis in our prayers.

First Communion and Confirmation: Our children are involved in 'Small Sunday Steps towards my First Communion with Saints of our Islands' and their parents will meet every month on the first Wed. Our confirmation candidates will meet at 10am on 2nd and 4th Sundays beginning in Jan.

RRR: We are on a Christmas break and meet again in Jan.

Website: Pictures have been updated in the Gallery of the Parish Meal etc – also photos are in the porch, and a Year of Mercy section has been added with links to resources. It also includes the official Vatican Hymn for the Year of Mercy that the choir sung at the end of Mass last week and was composed by the British composer Paul Inwood.

SPUC: We still have cards available in the hall after all Masses and in the new porch. packs of 10 cards only £2.40. Also after 10:45am Mass, a stall selling beautiful hand made jewellery sets for only £3.50.

CWL: Thanks everyone who supported the Charity raffle helping us raise £585. The winners of the Christmas hampers were Edith O'Sullivan and Linda Mayers.

Piety Stall: Grand Christmas Raffle for silver crosses. The Draw will take place this week after 10.45 Mass in the hall. All proceeds go to the Diocesan Children's Society and tickets for these very desirable prizes will remain on sale until today.

Community: Many thanks to all who visited the art sale in the hall last week end; we made £90 to be given to SPUC & Arthritis Research UK.

From St Winefride's Catholic Primary School

As usual, our children have celebrated the season of Advent with a variety of events, reminding everyone of the true meaning of Christmas. The children in Reception and KS1 retold the Nativity story through a 'Wriggly nativity'. All the children took part, with the Year 2 children acting out the story or narrating; the Year 1 children playing the part of donkeys, chickens and cows characters, who shared Jesus's stable on that special night, and the Reception children, who were beautiful dancing stars and angels. A really lovely celebration of the Christmas story; thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

The children of KS2 raised the roof of the church at their Carol Service. Their singing, scripture reading, dancing and acting was all of a very high standard, showcasing all our children's wonderful talents. A special thank you to Emma Sandbach, a dance teacher from Neston High, who has been working with the children, choreographing their great moves.

We should also mention the talents and skills of the teaching and support staff, and our own Fr Ravi, whose festive rendition of 'Santa Claus is Coming to Town' was 'very special' and will, no doubt, be remembered for years to come!

So from all the staff, pupils, parents and governors of St. Winefride's Catholic Primary we wish you all a joyful Christmas and a peaceful New Year.



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Advent Week III

13th December 2015

12 Dec	SATURDAY	3 rd Sunday of Advent – Reconciliation Sunday – 'Walking through the Holy Door' – Confessions after each mass	6.30 pm	Parishioners
13 Dec	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Fred Dutton
			10.45 am	Ed Gethin
14 Dec	MONDAY	St John of the Cross	9.00 am	Gerry Robinson
15 Dec	TUESDAY	Carol Service	9.00 am 7.00 pm	John Boran St Winefride's School
16 Dec	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	Judith Valkenburg
17 Dec	THURSDAY		9.00 am	100 th B'Day: Peggy Warde
18 Dec	FRIDAY	In School Remembrance Mass Requiem	9.10 am 11.00 am 1.00 pm	Frank Bretland Gerry Robinson Joan M Roberts
19 Dec	SATURDAY	Baptism	9.00 am 12.00 noon	Peter Murray & Sheila Harkins Jagoda Filipiak
19 Dec	SATURDAY	Next Weekend 4 th Sunday of Advent – Special Prayer for Expectant Mothers	6.30 pm	Parishioners
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From the Homily of Pope Francis: 'Put Mercy before Judgement'

This Extraordinary Holy Year is itself a gift of grace. To pass through the Holy Door means to rediscover the infinite mercy of the Father who welcomes everyone and goes out personally to encounter each of them. This will be a year in which we grow ever more convinced of God's mercy. How much wrong we do to God and his grace when we speak of sins being punished by his judgment before we speak of their being forgiven by his mercy (cf. Saint Augustine, *De Praedestinatione Sanctorum*, 12, 24)! But that is the truth. We have to put mercy before judgment, and in any event God's judgement will always be in the light of his mercy. In passing through the Holy Door, then, may we feel that we ourselves are part of this mystery of love. Let us set aside all fear and dread, for these do not benefit men and women who are loved. Instead, let us experience the joy of encountering that grace which transforms all things.

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Thank you: to our Christmas decorating team - Andy Abblitt, Brian Byrne, Roy Gerrard, John Gordon and Joe Tunstall. A special thanks to Roy for our new Christmas garlands! Also thank you to Fran Flocks and Anne-Marie Miller for the Christmas Crib which will be put up next week.

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Sudan Baby Feeding Appeal: It costs just £1 per week to feed a baby. Over recent years between 4,000 and 10,000 small children have been fed at any one time in 17 centres on the outskirts of the capital. If you would like to contribute to the appeal (perhaps as a Christmas gift), contact Marie Branch: 87 Burton Road, Neston (0151 336 4287), Cheques payable to "SVP Twinnage". Certificates can be provided if requested in the name of the recipient and your donation can also be gift aided if you are a tax payer. Forms in both porches - please return to Marie.

SPUC: We still have cards available in the hall after all Masses and in the new porch. packs of 10 cards only £2.40. Also after 10:45am Mass, a stall selling beautiful hand made jewellery sets for only £3.50.

CWL: Christmas Party on Thu 17 Dec at 7.30pm in the Hall. Will members please bring a gift and card for the secret Santa and a plate of food.

Piety Stall: Grand Christmas Raffle for silver crosses. Unfortunately the stubs of tickets sold have been lost. We need to issue replacement tickets and would be grateful if everyone who has already bought tickets contact the Piety Stall after Sunday Mass or Margaret Davies to receive a new ticket. The Draw will take place next week after 10.45 Mass in the hall. All proceeds go to the Diocesan Children's Society and tickets for these very desirable prizes will remain on sale until next Sunday.

Community: Art Sale after all Masses (incl Sat 9am) on 12/13th Dec. Originals by Joe Tunstall, Alan Carberry and Alf Davis. All profits to SPUC and Arthritis Research UK. *Christmas Reflections* by Tony Topping in both porches.

NDCT Carol Singing: All welcome to join on Sat 19th Dec - Sainsbury's Foyer at 10am; Mon 21st Dec - Bridge Court 7pm, Hinderton Mount 7:45pm, and Hinderton Arms at 8:30pm.

CCRS: New Testament Module for the Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (open to all). Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port: 9/1, 6/2 - 10am - 3.30pm. Rowena.Nield@sky.com 0161 4408619.

Annual Mass for the Celebration of Marriage: Sat 6th Feb. Any couples celebrating a significant anniversary in 2016, please let us know to arrange an invitation from Bishop Mark.

Voice Junior Choir Residential: In Easter 2016, there will be a Junior Choir Camp at Barnstondale specifically for 8-11 year olds. See www.voicemusic.org.uk for details.

Diocesan Activities in the Year of Mercy

The diocesan Holy Door of Mercy: St Anthony's, Wythenshawe. Until Easter, the Holy Door is to be open every Saturday 10.30am- 4.00pm. From Easter until the close of the Holy Year in November, the Holy Door will be at the Cathedral.

Four Reflections: *Jesus as the Ultimate revelation of the Mercy of God* Our Lady's Parish Centre, Ellesmere Port CH65 8BY on 13/1, 20/1, 27/1, 3/2, 7.30pm - 9pm. Details in porches.

Jubilee Day for Youth Palm Sunday, 20/3 2016, 2-5pm, St Chad's High School, Runcorn

World Youth Day Krakow 2016: 25-31/7 2016 for young people aged 16 and over www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/youth

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 27-28/7 to 2-3/8 2016

Youth 2000 Prayer festival, Walsingham: 25 - 29/8 2016

Holy Year Pilgrimage to Rome: 17-21 Oct 2016. Flights from Manchester, accomm half board: £695 (twin room), £565 (triple room), supplement of £130 (limited single rooms). Booking forms available from Parish Office or the Diocesan Website. Contact Fr David Long 638 1520.

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Advent Week II

6th December 2015

5 Dec	SATURDAY	2 nd Sunday of Advent – Bible Sunday	6.30 pm	Roger Carr
			8.45 am	Health: T & P Nicholson
6 Dec	SUNDAY	Baptism	10.45 am	Parishioners
			12.15 pm	Niyah May
7 Dec	MONDAY	St Ambrose	9.00 am	Gladys Cooke
8 Dec	TUESDAY	The Immaculate Conception of the BVM – Start of the Year of Mercy	9.00 am	Colin Beardsworth
9 Dec	WEDNESDAY	St John Diego Cuahltlatzin	9.00 am	Health: Eileen Miller
10 Dec	THURSDAY	LPA Reconciliation Service (Confessions)	9.00 am	Health: Bridie
			7.00 pm	Holy Family - Pensby
11 Dec	FRIDAY	St Damasus I In School Carol Concert	9.10 am	Marie Byrne
			7.00 pm	NE Singers
12 Dec	SATURDAY	Our Lady of Guadalupe - Pro Life Prayers	9.00 am	Monica & Francis McKey
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RIP: Fr John Woods (Requiem St Albans, Macclesfield at noon on 10/12), Gerard Robinson (Mass at 11am on 18/12)

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We welcome Fr Chris home! He writes... "I am deeply grateful for your prayers, good wishes, greetings cards etc. They have made me aware of your kindness and charity."

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ADVENT	
2 nd Sunday in Advent: 6 th December	Bible Sunday - Lectors' Induction and Renewal of Commitment
Immaculate Conception: 8 th December	Start of the Year of Mercy
LPA Reconciliation Service: 10 th December	Holy Family Church, Pensby from 7pm onwards
Carol Concert: 11 th December	Neston Ecumenical Singers - 7:00 pm, St Winefride's Church
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First Communion: Last Sunday our children began an exciting journey together called, 'Small Sunday Steps towards my First Communion - Every Sunday with Saints of our Islands'. You may see them in action in the Sundays ahead. We hope to involve our confirmation candidates in a similar exercise. Please keep them in your prayers.

RCIA: After our meeting last Sunday, it was decided that those who have expressed a desire to explore the riches of Catholic faith more fully will be encouraged to participate in the "RRR" sessions on Wed eve at 7.30pm and attend regular sessions on the 2nd and 4th Sundays each month at 9.45am beginning from 10th Jan 2016.

Thank You... to the St Winefride's Social Team led by Tony Wright for successfully organising our Parish Christmas "Get Together" last Thursday in which 80 of us shared a fellowship meal. Also thanks to Kieron Grace and all who helped. On this Bible Sunday, we also express our gratitude to all the lectors in our parish who give their time generously to be readers at our liturgical celebrations.

SPUC: Dec 12th is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. A pro-life service and Stations of the Cross will take place after 9am Mass followed by seasonal refreshments. Christmas cards on sale in the church hall after all Masses. **SPUC Meeting:** Tue 8th Dec, 7:30pm in church hall.

CWL: Charity raffle tickets on sale 5/6 Dec. Draw on Sun 6th December after the 10.45am Mass in the hall. **Committee Meeting:** Thu 10th Dec at 7.30 pm at Angela's.

Piety Stall Christmas Raffle: 1st prize - a silver cross & chain in aid of the Shrewsbury Diocese Children's Society. Tickets £1 at the Stall, open after Sunday Masses.

Community: Art by Joe Tunstall, Alan Carberry and Alf Davis on sale after all Masses (incl Sat 9am) 12/13th Dec. All profits to SPUC and Arthritis Research UK.

Justice and Peace Advent Recollection: Sun 6th Dec, 4.30pm to 6.30pm, Wistaston Hall. Details on poster in porch.

Lourdes Hospitality Mass at 7.30pm on 8th Dec at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Ellesmere Port, CH65 8BY

CCRS: The New Testament Module for the Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies is open to all. Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port 9/1, 6/2 10am-3.30pm. Rowena.Nield@sky.com 0161 4408619.

Annual Mass for the Celebration of Marriage: Sat 6th Feb. Any married couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary in 2016, please let me know and we can arrange a personal invitation for you from Bishop Mark. Venue tbc.

Advent Canvas 2015 by Joe Tunstall: Living amongst much war and strife we await our Prince of Peace. His peace which passes our understanding emanates from the star-cross of Bethlehem. The villages and their people lead us on our journey to a better Hope. And so under a starry sky shines our light of salvation - Emmanuel. Guide us Lord to prepare our hearts to receive the One refused entry in Bethlehem. And so we can say "God is with us".

YEAR OF MERCY - Activities in the Diocese of Shrewsbury

Opening of the diocesan Holy Door of Mercy: by Bishop Mark Davies at 3.30pm on Sat, 13th Dec, St Anthony's, Wythenshawe. Until Easter, the Holy Door is to be open every Saturday 10.30am- 4.00pm. From Easter until the close of the Holy Year in November, the Holy Door will be at the Cathedral.

Four Reflections: *Jesus as the Ultimate Revelation of the Mercy of God* Our Lady's Parish Centre, Ellesmere Port CH65 8BY on 13/1, 20/1, 27/1, 3/2, 7.30-9pm. Themes covered: "The Incarnation: "Mystery of God's Merciful Love", "Christ's Passion & Death: Expression of God's Merciful Love", "Christ's Resurrection and Ascension: Triumph of God's Merciful Love", "The Communion of Saints: Sharing in God's Merciful Love, with Mary, Mother and Model of Compassion".

Jubilee Day for Youth Palm Sunday, 20/3 2016, 2-5pm, St Chad's High School, Runcorn

World Youth Day Krakow 2016: 25-31/7 2016 for young people aged 16 and over www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/youth

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 27-28/7 to 2-3/8 2016

Youth 2000 Prayer festival, Walsingham: 25 - 29/8 2016

Holy Year Pilgrimage to Rome: 17- 21/10 2016



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Advent Week I

29th November 2015

28 Nov	SATURDAY	1 st Sunday of Advent 2 nd Collection: Peter's Pence	6.30 pm	Parishioners
29 Nov	SUNDAY	First Communion Enrolment Mass	8.45 am	Sarah & Isabella Peet
30 Nov	MONDAY	St Andrew	10.45 am	Hugh Schofield
1 Dec	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Margaret Johnson
2 Dec	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	Joyce Bamford & Edward Webb
3 Dec	THURSDAY	St Francis Xavier	9.00 am	Health: Kathryn Evans
4 Dec	FRIDAY	St John of Damascus <i>In School</i>	9.00 am	Sadie Douglas
5 Dec	SATURDAY		9.10 am	Int: Jack & Mary Henesy
5 Dec	SATURDAY	Next Weekend 2 nd Sunday of Advent Bible Sunday	9.00 am	Bobby Morris
6 Dec	SUNDAY	Baptism	6.30 pm	Brian Haggart
			8.45 am	Health: T & P Nicholson
			10.45 am	Parishioners
			12:15 pm	Niyah May

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Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 11.00-11.30am and 5.45-6.10pm

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RIP: Gerard Robinson (Interment of Ashes on 18/12 Mass at 11am)

	28 th /29 th November			5 th /6 th December		
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Lectors <i>Intercessions</i>	S Davies	R Pisarek	T Topping	D Davies	Larty Family	I Trotman
EMHC	K Powell C Haimes	K Hughes M Davies	A Cropper D Barber	P Middlehurst J Gordon	S Ety T McGlynn	J Tunstall D Pover
Counters	Andrea, Marie and Briege			Jayne and Dee		
Cleaners	L Wilkinson, T Davies			W Morgan, A-M McLean, B Anderson		

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Last Sunday's Offering: Thank you for your generous support.

Watch, thou dear Lord, with those who wake, or watch, or weep tonight, and give thine angels and saints charge over those who sleep. Tend thy sick ones, O Lord. Rest thy weary ones. Bless thy dying ones. Soothe thy suffering ones. Pity thy afflicted ones. Shield thy joyous ones, and all for thy love's sake. Amen.

St Augustine of Hippo

ADVENT AND CHRISTMASTIDE AT ST WINEFRIDE'S 2015

ADVENT	
1 st Sunday in Advent: 29 th November	Advent Wreath Ceremony, Preparation for First Holy Communion, Confirmation and RCIA commences Kri Kri, Neston - 6:30 pm
Parish Christmas Meal: 3 rd December	Bible Sunday - Lectors' Induction and Renewal of Commitment
2 nd Sunday in Advent: 6 th December	Start of the Year of Mercy
Immaculate Conception: 8 th December	Holy Family Church, Pensby from 7pm onwards
LPA Reconciliation Service: 10 th December	Neston Ecumenical Singers - 7:00 pm, St Winefride's Church
Carol Concert: 11 th December	Reconciliation Sunday - Opportunities for confession after each Mass
3 rd Sunday in Advent: 13 th December	Carol Service - in church at 7pm
St Winefride's School: Tuesday 15 th December	End of Term Advent Mass in school 9:10am
School Advent Mass: 18 th December	Special Prayer for Expectant Mothers
4 th Sunday in Advent: 20 th December	"Walking through the Holy Door"
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): 21 st - 24 th December	A priest available in the confessional 8:15 - 8:45am
CHRISTMAS MASSES	
Christmas Eve: 24 th December	Carols: 6:30 pm, Vigil Mass: 7:00 pm; Midnight Mass
Christmas Day: 25 th December	Mass: 8:45 am; Carols: 10:15 am, Mass: 10:45 am
Feast of St Stephen: 26 th December	Mass: 10:00 am
Feast of the Holy Family: 27 th December	Family Sunday - Blessing of all Couples married in the past year
Feast of Holy Innocents: 28 th December	Mass 10:00 am - Altar Servers' and Children's Party following
CHRISTMASTIDE	
New Year's Eve: 31 st January	Thanksgiving - Mass 10:00 am, Thanksgiving Prayer for 2015, Benediction
New Year's Day: 1 st January	New Year's Mass - 10:00 am
Epiphany: 3 rd January	International Mass - Prayers and hymns in different languages
The Baptism of the Lord: 10 th January	Blessing of all those baptised in the past year

From Fr Ravi: Welcoming our Children to the Table of the Lord...

We mark the beginning of the new Liturgical Year by lighting the first candle in our Advent wreath and at St Winefride's, we also formally begin our First Forgiveness and First Communion preparation with our children. I invite the whole parish community to support our children and their families with your prayers so that they may learn to appreciate the Eucharist as the Sacrament of God's love and mercy. At 10.45am Mass this Sunday, Amy, Cameron, Ceol, Ellie, Greg, Martha, Millie, Murray, Niamh, Pauline, Poppy, Sam and Zack along with our confirmation candidates Beth and Niall will be presented with a medal to remind them that Jesus accompanies them in their faith journey. Liz Dolley and Kathleen Roberts will guide our children in their preparation and I will be accompanying their parents with reflective sessions on the first Wednesday of every month.

Next week being Bible Sunday, all our lectors will renew their commitment to proclaim God's Word meaningfully to the community. You also may see in the new Diocesan Year Book, that Fr Russell Cooke plans to retire at 2, Allan's Meadow, from January 2016. We extend a hearty welcome to him. We continue to keep Fr Chris in our prayers, who will return to us, hopefully, very soon. May the season of Advent open our hearts to welcome the presence of Christ into our lives and may God bless us all.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thankyou: To St Anselm's College and the Wilkinsons for the donation of a book trolley for our hymn books, to Hilda Davidson for gifting red cinctures to our altar servers, and to Joe Tunstall for his recent painting near the processional cross.

CWL: Charity raffle tickets on sale 28/29 Nov, 5/6 Dec. Draw on Sun 6th Dec after the 10.45am Mass in the hall.

SPUC: Dec 12th is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadeloupe. A pro-life service and Stations of the Cross will take place after 9am Mass followed by seasonal refreshments in the hall. Christmas cards on sale in the church hall after all Masses.

Piety Stall Christmas Raffle: First Prize is a top class silver cross and chain in aid of the Shrewsbury Diocese Children's Society. Other prizes can be viewed on the Piety Stall where tickets are £1 each. The stall is open after each Sunday mass in the Church Hall.

Red Boxes: Thank you for the recent boxes. WANTED - new parish rep to take charge of emptying, counting and banking the red boxes. Contact Joe Tunstall 336 1261.

Justice and Peace Advent Reflection: Sun 6th Dec, 4.30-6.30pm, Wistaston Hall. Details on poster in porch.

St Winefride's Primary School: Winter Wonderland Friday 4th December in the School Hall 3.30-5.30pm. Includes grotto, donkey rides, tombola, craft & gift stalls, a Christmas café with mulled wine and turkey batches plus our church choir will be singing!

PA 200 Club Winners The October 2015 draw was made on 20/11/15 in the presence of Sophie Whitfield, Susan Wilding and Alison Harper. The winners: Pete Dee (155) and Sara Edwards (92), both winning £50.

Taizé Service: All welcome to share in a contemplative Advent service at 6.30pm in St Thomas' Church, Parkgate this Sunday, 29th November.

Community: Art Sale after all Masses (including Saturday 9am) on 12-13th Dec. Originals by Joe Tunstall, Alan Carberry and pictures by Alf Davies, (Geoff's father). All profit going to SPUC & Arthritis Research UK.

The Bishop's Pastoral Letter, which will be read at all Masses this weekend, is available online in our newsletter section or from the diocesan website.



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Ordinary Time Week XXXIV

22nd November 2015

21 Nov	SATURDAY	<i>Solemnity of Christ the King Special Prayer for Young People</i>	6.30 pm	Margaret Johnson
22 Nov	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Parishioners
23 Nov	MONDAY	<i>St Clement, St Columban</i>	9.00 am	Raymond Williams
24 Nov	TUESDAY	<i>St Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions</i>	9.00 am	Kay Headland
25 Nov	WEDNESDAY	<i>St Catherine of Alexandria</i>	9.00 am	Peggy Blacklock
26 Nov	THURSDAY	<i>CWL Bereavement Mass</i>	9.00 am	Matthew Allen
			7.00 pm	For the faithful departed
27 Nov	FRIDAY	<i>In School</i>	9.10 am	Sp Int: Mary Henesy
28 Nov	SATURDAY	<i>Ordinary Time Ends</i>	9.00 am	Health: Tecla Dominici
28 Nov	<i>Next Weekend</i> SATURDAY	<i>1st Sunday of Advent 2nd Collection: Peter's Pence</i>	6.30 pm	Parishioners
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21 st /22 nd November				28 th /29 th November		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
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Readings						
Lectors	C Haines	T McGlynn	M Unsworth	S Davies	R Pizarek	T Topping
Intercessions						
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Last Sunday's Offering: Thank you for your generous support.

Fr Chris continues to make good progress and hopes to return next week. He thanks us all for our good wishes as we pray for his well being and safe journey home.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Confirmation: All our young people in Year 8 or above and who wish to be confirmed are invited to. Forms are available in the porch and online. We welcome anyone interested in helping our candidates prepare for this stage in their faith journey. Confirmation will be in June 2016 in Heswall.

RCIA: First meeting 29th November.

November List: You are welcome to place the names of your loved ones in the November List box placed near the altar. As we have done in the last three years, all the papers will be burned in a prayer service on Monday 30th November near the grotto of Our Lady. Please do not place Mass offerings in the box - there are special envelopes for these in both porches.

Year of Mercy: Pope Francis has proclaimed a special Jubilee Year of Mercy starting from 8th December 2015 until the Solemnity of Christ the King, 2016. We welcome your suggestions and ideas to make this time of grace, meaningful for our parish community.

Thank You: To our musicians and choir for their dedication, commitment and great singing on St Cecilia's feast day.

Singing the Mass: The music team have been learning new Mass settings for Advent. In deciding what to sing we follow the guidelines issued by our Bishops. If there is to be singing at Mass, there is a priority of what should be sung namely the Gospel and Eucharistic Acclamations, (highlighting the most important parts of the Mass), then the Gloria and Psalm ('songs' in themselves). Hymns reflect the readings and antiphons of the day, the liturgical season of the church or feast day. As singers and musicians, we lead the music and encourage participation in our sung Eucharist. We welcome all those who enjoy music and singing to join us! For more information please take a look at the Music section on the parish website or contact Maria Slater or Louise Wilkinson: music@stwinefridesneston.org.uk.

CWL: Charity raffle tickets on sale 28/29 Nov, 5/6 Dec. Draw on Sun 6th Dec after the 10.45am Mass in the hall.

Annual Bereavement Mass: Thurs 26th Nov, 7pm. We remember our CWL members and those who are no longer with us in the Parish. Refreshments in the hall afterwards.

Catholic Children's Society: Unwrapped gift donations (especially for teenagers) required to assist those in dire need can be placed in the porch. Cash donations also accepted (give to Marie-Lou or leave in presbytery). Thanks!

SPUC: Christmas cards (with a traditional Christmas message) on sale in the church hall after all Masses. After the 10.45 mass there will be a stall selling lovely hand made jewellery with sets for only £3.50. Ideal for Christmas presents.

Parish Christmas Meal: Please pay £11 this weekend and place your payment in an envelope with a completed menu choice (menus in porches) with your name and phone number marked 'Parish Meal'. Return to presbytery. If you still wish to join us contact Tony Wright 07889063579 or Kieran 07966764848 as soon as possible. socials@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

Piety Stall: We have restocked for the Christmas season and have a good selection of seasonal items, along with our usual stock. Advent calendars, Christmas cards, calendars, diaries and gifts. We are open in the church hall after each Sunday Mass. All proceeds go to the Shrewsbury Diocese Children's Society.

LPA Advent Reconciliation Service: There will be opportunities for prayer and individual confession at the reconciliation service organised for Neston, Heswall and Pensby at the Holy Family Church, Pensby on Thursday 10th December from 7pm onwards.

IV Diocesan Symposium: Lourdes: Open to the World Dr Alessandro De Franciscis. Sat 28th Nov 9:30am - 3:30pm St Ambrose College, Hale Barns WA15 0HE. Register 652 9855 or pauline.mcculloch@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

NDCT Prayer Breakfast: 28th Nov 8.30am at Parkgate and Neston URC.

NE Singers Carol Concert: Fri 11th Dec at 7pm in church

From Joe Tunstall: Christ the King 2015: In this acrylic painting Our Saviour's kingship is that of our Servant King whose rule is rooted in the cross of Calvary. So here is our Lord not seated on a large gold throne but uniting heaven and earth in love, standing between the heavens and planet earth. His open arms invite a response to his call to love; his open arms mirror the cross piece of his 'infamous jibbet' upon which hung the Saviour of the world.

Entrance Hymn for the Solemnity of Christ the King

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Let us build a house where love can dwell,
And all can safely live,
A place where saints and children tell
How hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
Rock of faith and vault of grace;
Here the love of Christ shall end division:

*All are welcome, All are welcome
All are welcome in this place.*

Let us build a house where prophets speak,
And words are strong and true
Where all God's children dare to seek
To dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness,
And as symbol of God's grace;
Here as we claim the faith of Jesus

Let us build a house where all are named,
Their songs and visions heard
And loved and treasured, taught and claimed
As words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
Prayer of faith and songs of grace,
Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:



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Ordinary Time Week XXXIII

15th November 2015

14 Nov	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Parishioners
15 Nov	SUNDAY	33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.45 am	Judith Valkenburg
		Baptism	10.45 am 12.30pm	Kevin Morris Lorna Maya Wyatt
16 Nov	MONDAY	St Edmund, St Margaret, St Gertrude	9.00 am	Phil Ratcliffe
17 Nov	TUESDAY	St Hilda, St Hugh, St Elizabeth of Hungary	9.00 am	Int: Sarah & Isabella Rose Peet
18 Nov	WEDNESDAY	Dedication of the Basilicas of Peter & Paul	9.00 am	Health: Mgr Chris Lightbound
19 Nov	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Int: Darrin Knez
20 Nov	FRIDAY	In School	9.10 am	Don Miller
21 Nov	SATURDAY	The Presentation of the BVM	9.00 am	Peter Anderson
21 Nov	Next Weekend SATURDAY	34 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Margaret Johnson
22 Nov	SUNDAY	Solemnity of Christ the King Special Prayer for Young People	8.45 am 10.45 am	Parishioners Catherine and John Southwell

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Year of Mercy: On 8th December 2015, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, Pope Francis will open a Holy Year of Mercy. The Pope desires that the year "will be steeped in mercy, so that we can go out to every man and woman, bringing the goodness and tenderness of God! May the balm of mercy reach everyone, both believers and those far away, as a sign that the Kingdom of God is already present in our midst!" (Bull of Indiction 5). The Year will close with the liturgical Solemnity of Christ the King on 20 November 2016. Pope Francis announced the opening of the Year by making a Bull of Indiction, some extracts below.

Jesus, is the face of Mercy: 'Jesus Christ is the face of the Father's mercy. These words might well sum up the mystery of the Christian faith. Mercy has become living and visible in Jesus of Nazareth, reaching its culmination in him.' (1)

Holy Door: 'I will open the Holy Door on the fiftieth anniversary of the closing of the Second Vatican Ecumenical Council. The Church feels a great need to keep this event alive. With the Council, the Church entered a new phase of her history. The Council Fathers strongly perceived, as a true breath of the Holy Spirit, a need to talk about God to men and women of their time in a more accessible way.' (4)

Mercy is concrete: '...the mercy of God is not an abstract idea, but a concrete reality with which he reveals his love as of that of a father or a mother, moved to the very depths out of love for their child. It is hardly an exaggeration to say that this is a "visceral" love. It gushes forth from the depths naturally, full of tenderness and compassion, indulgence and mercy.' (6)

Never gives up: 'In the parables devoted to mercy, Jesus reveals the nature of God as that of a Father who never gives up until he has forgiven the wrong and overcome rejection with compassion and mercy. (9)

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RCIA: Adults wishing to explore the beauty of the Catholic faith are invited to confirm their interest by 15th November. First meeting 29th November, the first Sunday of Advent.

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Thank You: We have received many positive comments about the way we celebrated the living memory of our departed family and friends. Special thanks to our flower team, choir and musicians for organising it so well. I would like to specially thank all those who help regularly at our funeral services/requiems. Many visitors at these services have appreciated the warmth and consolation they experience in our church.

SPUC: Christmas cards (with a traditional Christmas message) on sale in the church hall after all Masses. After the 10.45 mass there will be a stall selling lovely hand made jewellery with sets for only £3.50. Ideal for Christmas presents.

CWL: Meeting on Thursday 19th November at 7.30 pm in the Church Hall. There will be a demonstration on how to enjoy making flower arrangements for Christmas. Will members please bring their gifts for the Christmas hampers. Tickets will be on sale at all Masses on 28/29th November and 5/6th December.

Annual Bereavement Mass: Thursday 26th November at 7.00 pm. We remember our CWL members and those who are no longer with us in the Parish. There will be light refreshments in the hall following Mass

Parish Christmas Meal: Places are still available at Kri Kri for 3rd December - please sign up on the forms in the porches ASAP if you can join us. For those registered, please pay £11 by Sunday 15th Nov and place your payment in an envelope with a completed menu choice (menus in porches) with your name and phone number marked 'Parish Meal'. Return to presbytery or or hand to us after Mass. Contact Tony Wright 07889063579 or Kieran 07966764848 socials@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

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Again! Fr Ravi is away for four days from Tuesday, 17th November until Friday, 20th November, attending a wedding - out of the country! Masses and other activities will continue as normal.

Fr Chris: continues to convalesce and is making good progress. He thanks us all for our good wishes, prayers and cards. We look forward to his return shortly and continue to keep him in our prayers.



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Ordinary Time Week XXXII

8th November 2015

7 Nov	SATURDAY	32 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Remembrance Sunday	6.30 pm	For all the faithful departed
8 Nov	SUNDAY		8.45 am	For those killed in war
			10.45 am	For the deceased of our Parish
9 Nov	MONDAY	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	9.00 am	Anthony Benson
10 Nov	TUESDAY	St Leo the Great Funeral	9.00 am 11:00 am	Jean Dackombe Roger James Carr
11 Nov	WEDNESDAY	St Martin of Tours	9.00 am	Int: C T Haimes
12 Nov	THURSDAY	St Josaphat	9.00 am	Peter Roebuck
13 Nov	FRIDAY	In School	9.10 am	Bernie Phelan
14 Nov	SATURDAY		9.00 am	Peter Durrant
14 Nov	Next Weekend SATURDAY	33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Parishioners
			8.45 am	Judith Valkenburg
15 Nov	SUNDAY		Baptism	10.45 am 12:30 pm

Weekdays: Adoration from 8.00 am; Morning Prayer 8:40 am; Rosary following 9.00 am Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 11.00-11.30am and 5.45-6.10pm

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	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
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Lectors Intercessions	P Flanagan	M Jevons	O'Cleirigh Family	A Flanagan	K Ankers	M Slater
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Last Sunday's Offering: Thank you for your generous support.

From Fr Ravi... We are One!

We welcome the recently bereaved who will join our Masses this weekend. We pray along with them in gratitude for their loved ones and I am sure, they will experience our love and concern. Traditional Catholic theology on the Communion of Saints reminds us that the Church exists in three states: the Church in glory, the church in purification and the church on a pilgrimage. As Baptism and Eucharist makes us all One Body, we trust in the intercessions of those sharing in God's glory and also in the effectiveness of our prayers for those departed family and friends. May this communion help us to realise that it is 'in God, that we live and move and have our being'. May God bless us all.

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CWL News: Thank you to all who came to our Autumn lunch in aid of Mary's Meals. We are so grateful for your generosity and support for such a worthy cause. Funds raised on the day, other donations and cash from our personal Mary's Meals boxes total £450 to date. This total will be doubled as pledged by the government.

Committee Meeting on Thursday 11th November at 7.30pm in the church hall

SPUC: Christmas cards on sale in the church hall after all Masses. All cards with a traditional Christmas message. After the 10.45 mass there will be a stall selling lovely hand made jewellery with sets for only £3.50. Ideal for Christmas presents.

Our National Coffee Morning last Saturday raised £146 and the Pro Life Walk of Witness has so far raised £345 many thanks for all your wonderful support for our Pro Life Work.

Fr Chris thanks us all for our prayers. He is now convalescing and if you wish to write to him, his address is: Boarbank Nursing Home, Boarbank Hall, Grange-over-Sands, LA11 7NH.

ENTRANCE HYMN: We Place into your Hands

(Tune to Dear Lord and Father of Mankind)

- We place into your hands, O Lord,
the souls of those we love:
we trust your promise is not vain
that all, through grace and faith, may gain
a place in heaven above,
a place in heaven above.
- We place into your hands, O Lord,
this world and all its care,
The grief and hurt and pain we feel,
when desperation makes us kneel
in silent, wordless prayer,
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- We place into your hands, O Lord,
These burdens that we bear:
Each sorrow and each past regret,
And ask that in our hearts you'll set
your peace beyond compare,
your peace beyond compare.
- We place into your hands, O Lord,
our future and our past:
And as you bless us on our way,
and travel with us night and day,
your love will hold us fast,
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Words Ally Barrett



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Ordinary Time Week XXXI

1st November 2015

31 Oct	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Jane Haimes
1 Nov	SUNDAY	<i>Solemnity of All Saints</i>	8.45 am	Gladys Cooke
			10.45 am	Parishioners
2 Nov	MONDAY	<i>Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed. Blessing of the Cemetery</i>	9.00 am	For our deceased Family and Friends
3 Nov	TUESDAY	<i>St Winefride, Patron of our Parish</i>	9.00 am	Sp Int: Francis Byrne
4 Nov	WEDNESDAY	<i>St Charles Borromeo</i>	9.00 am	Daniel Healy
5 Nov	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Fred Barber
6 Nov	FRIDAY	<i>In school Funeral Service</i>	9.10 am 1:30 pm	Matthew Allen Judith Valkenburg
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Fr Ravi... Synod: Walking together....

We have been following the proceedings of the Synod on the Family with great interest and I am sure you will find resources to keep yourselves updated on the issue. True to its principle (synod meaning 'walking together') the leaders of the church walked alongside each other while at the same time accompanying humanity, especially listening to the cry of wounded humanity. It was an encounter that is bound to lead to a greater appreciation of God's mercy and compassion in all our lives, especially those who need them most.

In the words of Cardinal Wuerl of Washington DC: "Try to live the teaching in the context of where you are, and don't give up because you're not living it perfectly. And don't consider yourself no longer a part of the Church if you're not living it perfectly."

I am grateful Mgr Chris Lightbound, Deacon Mike Topping and all our volunteers whose generous commitment to our parish helped me to enjoy a restful holiday back home in India and my parents are grateful to each one of you for the growth - at all levels (!) - they see in me. Fr Chris is due for a medical procedure on Nov 2nd and will be 'out of action' for a while. We wish him a speedy recovery and keep him in our prayers!

November is a month when we remember with gratitude all those who have died. On Monday, there will be a Blessing of the Cemetery after the morning Mass. At Masses next weekend, the names of those whose funerals were celebrated in our church in the last three years will be read out and specially prayed for. Please do let your family and friends know of this special prayer for the departed.

I will be joining Year 6 children from our primary school on a pilgrimage to Holywell on the feast day of St Winefride. We will be praying for all your intentions, especially the sick, those in hospitals and the recently bereaved.

May God bless us all!

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Thank You: To Ruth Pisarek for her gift of a monstrance to the parish. To our EMHC who led the Celebrations of Word and Communion during October, which were much appreciated by everyone.

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Hymn books: Many of you may be aware that our current hymnals contain the 'old' words for sung mass settings, which can no longer be used and some hymns have been updated or amended. Revised books containing the new Mass translation settings will be purchased to replace the current books and enable the choir to introduce some standard mass settings used in other parishes. We hope you enjoy singing from them on the first Sunday in Advent.

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A Tidy Afternoon Tea: Thurs 26th Nov, 2-6pm: Royal Liver Building, Liverpool. Cartoonist, Bill Tidy MBE, has kindly agreed to give an audience for The Clatterbridge Cancer Charity. Bill will be penning cartoons and presenting to the audience. There will also be an opportunity to purchase Bill Tidy cartoons on the day. A limited number of tickets are available priced at £30. Enquiries on 0151 482 7948 or maureen.ellison@clatterbridgecc.nhs.uk



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Ordinary Time Week XXX

25th October 2015

24 Oct	SATURDAY	31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 nd Collection: Poor Clare's	6.30pm	Olive & Frank Mulcahy
25 Oct	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Anne Poole
26 Oct	MONDAY	Ss Chad & Cedd	10.45 am	TG: Joan and Barry Partridge
27 Oct	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Celebration of Word and Communion
28 Oct	WEDNESDAY	Ss Simon & Jude	9.00 am	TG: Mary Henesy
29 Oct	THURSDAY	Blessed Martyrs of Douai	9.00 am	Int: Helen Madgar
30 Oct	FRIDAY		9.00 am	Tom Dobby
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Arrangements until Mon 26th Oct: Fr Chris (328 1868) and Deacon Mike (353 0253/ 07590481019)

- Due to the passing away last Tuesday of one of his confreres, Fr Erasto Fernandez sss, Fr Ravi will now be returning on Monday
- Friday Mass in school will resume after half-term on 6th Nov – we wish all our children happy holidays!

Second Collection: In aid of Poor Clares, Hawarden. Due to our parish's generosity we have been able to supply monthly fruit and veg to the Poor Clares for at least the last 16 years. Please consider supporting the Poor Clare Community in our Parish by donating to our annual collection.

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Choir: Our Sunday rehearsals will revert to our winter time of **4-5pm** from this Sunday (25th Oct). If you would like to sing with us at the Christmas Vigil Mass and Carols beforehand, now is the time to join us!

Readers and EMHC: New rotas available in the sacristy or online. All are invited to a meeting on Friday 30th October in the church hall at 7pm. Please try to attend.

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Community News: *From Dorothy Barber* An unplanned filling of shoeboxes occurred this year and a small group of us managed to fill 22 sponsored by the YSVP. Thank you to all who contributed.

Thank you to Ruth Pisarek whose work in mending, washing and ironing the altar servers' albs has been much appreciated.

Reflections Booklet 2 by Tony Topping available in porches and online in the Resources section.

SVP Concert: In conjunction with the SVP, Our Lady of Lourdes and Sacred Heart Parish are hosting a Charity Concert on Friday 30th October at 7:00pm at Sacred Heart Parish Centre, Hoyle Road, Moreton, CH46 9QA. This is to raise awareness and fundraise for all the families involved in the refugee crisis. Music, raffle prizes and a bar Tickets £5 Rose Mullarkey 07905952798 rose@mullarkey.org.uk

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Catholic Voice: Available in both porches including an article on St John Plessington and the possibility of his bones being in Holywell. You may have seen St Winefride's featured on BBC Northwest Tonight last Friday as part of a report on this find. The clip is available on the diocesan website www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org under news/latest news.

St Winefride's School: The winners of the September draw of the 200 Club draw were picked at the Parents Association AGM. Congratulations to the lucky winners Mrs K Lightfoot (No 184) and Mrs L Cowell (No. 183) who both win £50 each.

We pray for the safe return of Fr Ravi this week and hope he has enjoyed his time with his family, returning to St Winefride's rested and invigorated. Welcome back Fr Ravi!



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Ordinary Time Week XXIX

18th October 2015

17 Oct	SATURDAY	29 th Sunday in Ordinary Time World Mission Sunday	6.30 pm	TG: G Moreton and Family
18 Oct	SUNDAY	2 nd Collection: Mission Sunday	8.45 am	Parishioners
			10.45 am	Pat Dobby
19 Oct	MONDAY	St Peter of Alcantara	9.00 am	Celebration of Word and Communion
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21 Oct	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	May Walsh
22 Oct	THURSDAY	St John Paul II	9.00 am	Josephine McDonnel
23 Oct	FRIDAY	St John of Capistrano	9.00 am	Celebration of Word and Communion
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Cleaning Rota: New rota online, or in the sacristy.

CWL: We are hosting an Autumn lunch in the church hall on Weds 4th Nov, 12 - 2.30pm: homemade soup and fresh bread followed by tea and coffee. Also a raffle! All proceeds will be donated to Mary's Meals (serving over a million life-changing meals to the world's poorest children every school day). It costs just £12.20 to feed a hungry child for a school year! More info available on the day. Please join us!

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Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land (19th - 26th Oct):

From Fr David Long - On Mon 19th Oct, Bishop Mark will lead a group of 60 Pilgrims from our Diocese on a week long Pilgrimage to the Holy Land. The title of the Pilgrimage is 'Contemplating Christ with Mary: A journey through the Holy Land with the Rosary'. It would be wonderful if people across the Diocese were to join us in praying the Rosary each day, remembering especially the Christian Community in the Holy Land and praying for peace in that troubled Land. I have selected a different decade for each day of the Pilgrimage which parishioners could pray uniting their prayers with those of the Pilgrims:

Tue: The Transfiguration; Wed: The Coming of the Kingdom; Wed: The Baptism of the Lord in the Jordan; Thu: The Birth of Jesus; Fri: The Institution of the Holy Eucharist; Sat: The Resurrection

On the evening of Sat, 24th Oct, Pilgrims will gather in the Garden of Gethsemane to watch for an hour with the Blessed Sacrament. You may wish to join them by praying the Sorrowful mysteries of the Rosary. (As usual, holy hour at St Winefride's will be held from 8-9am on Saturday).

Department of New Evangelisation: Looking @ Luke.

An opportunity to explore and learn about St Luke's Gospel- the focus for the new liturgical year. Led by Fr Michael Coughlin. Tue 10th Nov 7- 8.30pm, St Werburgh's Parish Centre, Birkenhead CH41 2XZ.

IV Diocesan Symposium - Lourdes: Open to the World Dr Alessandro De Franciscis, President of the Office of Medical Observations, Lourdes, France will speak about what Lourdes, as a unique place of God's mercy, has to say to the world of today. Sat 28th Nov 9:30am - 3:30pm St Ambrose College, Hale Barns WA15 0HE. Posters for both events in porches. Register 0151 652 9855 or pauline.mcculloch@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

Embrace Liverpool 2015 - Build My Kingdom: Sat 21st Nov, Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral, 9:30am - 6pm. A day to celebrate the faith of young people. Speakers include: David Wells, Fr Frankie Mulgrew, Frank Cottrell Boyce, Franciscan Sisters of the renewal etc.. Mass at 4pm presided by Archbishop Malcolm McMahon. www.embrace-liverpool.org.uk

Catholic Voice: Autumn issue in both porches.

World Mission Sunday Prayer

Loving Father,
You so loved the world that you sent us your only Son,
that we might believe in him and have eternal life.
May we encounter Jesus Christ anew this day
and live the Good News with joy.
Through the power of your Holy Spirit,
help us to "go out to the whole world and proclaim"
our faith with confidence.
Give us the courage to witness to the Joy of the Gospel
by our words and actions.
Help our parish to become
more welcoming and missionary,
so that you may be known and loved by all people.
We make this prayer through
Our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God for ever and ever,
Amen.



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11th October 2015

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13 Oct	TUESDAY	St Edward the Confessor	9.00 am	Pauline and Denis Barraclough
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15 Oct	THURSDAY	St Teresa of Avila	9.00 am	John Gibson
16 Oct	FRIDAY	St Hedwig, St Margaret Mary Alacoque Funeral Service	9.00 am 1.30 pm	Celebration of Word and Communion Kevin John Clements
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Prisoners' Sunday: As a Church we are asked to pray for those who are affected by imprisonment. It is estimated that 200,000 children are affected by parental imprisonment across England and Wales. Often when a parent is imprisoned the children are twice as likely to experience behavioural and mental health problems and are less likely to do well at school.

Prayer for Prisons Week

Lord, you offer freedom to all people.

We pray for those in prison.

Break the bonds of fear and isolation that exist.

Support with your love prisoners and their families and friends, prison staff and all who care. Heal those who have been wounded by the actions of others, especially the victims of crime.

Help us to forgive one another, to act justly, love mercy and walk humbly together with Christ

in His strength and in His Spirit, now and every day.

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4 Oct	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Parishioners
			10.45 am	Mike Walsh
5 Oct	MONDAY	St Thomas of Hereford	9.00 am	Celebration of Word and Communion
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Orthodox Icon Exhibition: *Various Ways to Depict a Sacred Image*. Sacred Space Gallery, London, 16th - 30th November 2015. Details on posters in porch.

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day Prayer

Lord, all good things come from you.

You are so loving and generous,
you fill our world with wonders.

Inspire us to open our hearts
and share your gifts,
so that those who are hungry may flourish.

Through your grace,
we pray all may celebrate fullness of life.

Help us to be more compassionate,
to be aware of your love in each person,
and to live as children of one family.

We ask this through Christ our Lord,
Amen.