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EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

7 January 2018

6 Jan	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Parish Family	
7 Jan	SUNDAY	<i>Epiphany of the Lord</i>	8.45 am 10.45 am	Cubbin Family Julia Jones	
8 Jan	MONDAY	<i>Baptism of the Lord</i>	10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist	
9 Jan	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Clare Mallon	
10 Jan	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist	
11 Jan	THURSDAY		10.00 am	Francis McKey	
12 Jan	FRIDAY	<i>St Aelred of Rievaulx</i>	10.00 am	Paddy Finnegan	
13 Jan	SATURDAY	<i>St Hilary</i>	10.00 am	Isabella and Joseph Loughe	
13 Jan	Next Weekend SATURDAY	<i>2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE	6.30 pm	Parish Family	
14 Jan	SUNDAY	2nd Collection: Priest's Retirement Fund	8.45 am 10.45 am	Mary and Laurence Binns Catherine and John Southwell	
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Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 10.30am and 5.45-6.10pm					
RIP: May Williams, Flavia Allen					
Please pray for: Michael Povey					
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Cleaners	Brian & Veronica Casey			Louise Wood, Fran Byrne	
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Epiphany 2018

Like the Magi,
may we also journey
and be attentive,
untiring and courageous
on the path to find the invisible God
who was born among us.

Pope Francis



From Fr Paul:

A Happy New Year to you all in our first newsletter for 2018... Our Christmas celebrations were a great time of coming together – with our Parish Family here at St Winefride's and with our own families and loved ones. It was a time to enjoy the unique Christmas festivities of song, food and tradition. The warmth and love we felt in our own Christmas celebrations at Mass can sustain us as we prepare for the opportunities and challenges of the year ahead.

Many thanks to all who worked so hard to make our Advent and Christmas so special: the cleaners, sacristans, altar servers, the church decoration team, the crib team, the flower team, our choir and musicians - both regulars and special guests, newsheet producers, ushers, refreshment providers, eucharistic ministers and reader, and, of course, not forgetting all of you who came to spend time in prayer and thanksgiving as we welcomed the Christ Child.

Christmas is not over yet (!) and as we celebrate the Epiphany this weekend, we journey with the Magi as we take Christ, who is the Saviour for all nations, into our hearts and carry him with us out into our world.

On behalf of us at St Winefride's, I thank you all for your prayers, cards, gifts and good wishes over this season and wish you a very happy and healthy 2018 with a continued assurance of our prayers,

Fr Paul, Fr Chris, Fr Russell, Sr Laurice and Deacon Mike

PARISH

Little Church: A new rota is available online, with copies also in the Sacristy.

CWL: The ladies of CWL would like to express their heartfelt thanks to all parishioners who generously supported our annual Christmas hamper draw. We raised approximately £550. The hampers were won by Mary Henesy and Maureen Aland.

Committee Meeting: Thursday 11 January at 7.30 pm at Angela's home.

SPUC: We wish to thank you all for the wonderful support you gave us in 2017 and we wish you a Happy and Healthy New Year. Our next meeting is on Tuesday 9th January 7.30pm in the Church Hall. Please come and help us with our pro life work. Chase away the winter blues by coming to our Winter Warmer coffee morning on Saturday 27th January 10.30am - 12.30pm in the Church. All Welcome.

SVP: The SVP have a music night on Friday, 9 February 2018 at St Columba's Parish Hall, Chester, CH2 1SA. The main performers will be the Chester Catholic High School band which goes by the name of City Jazz; www.thecityjazzorchestrasingers.co.uk/events.html Tickets are £10 and available from Mark Branch (336 4287) and after Mass from 13/14th January weekend. The proceeds raised will go towards the upkeep of the holiday home.

DIOCESE

Diocesan Yearbook 2018: Copies available in the Parish Office priced £5.00.

Catechists: Sat 13 Jan, at Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port CH65 8BY 10.00am for 10.30am – 12:30pm "Sharing Best Practice" Moderator: Miss Caroline Farey. As this will be a good opportunity to get to know each other better, all Catechists are welcome. Mass will be in the parish at 12noon for those wishing to attend. Enquiries: Barbara Davies 07730 526 821; Registration: helen.jones@dioceseofshrewsbury.org.

OTHER

Catenian Association: Birkenhead Circle of the Catenian Association are holding their annual public speaking competition on Friday 26th January at 7.00pm at Prenton Golf Club, Golf Links Road, Prenton CH42 8LW. Come and support speakers from St Anselm's College, Upton Hall School FCJ, and St John Plessington Catholic College. Light refreshments. All welcome.

STOP PRESS: St Winefride's 2018 Diaries are in both porches for you to take: once they're gone... they're gone!

FIRST FORGIVENESS AND HOLY COMMUNION 2018

Parents' Meeting - Monday 15 January, 6.00pm in the church hall

For parents who wish their children to receive the Sacraments of First Forgiveness and Holy Communion in 2018.

Mass for Enrolment - Sunday 28 January, 10.45am
for all those preparing for First Forgiveness and Holy Communion

First Forgiveness - Palm Sunday, 25 March, 2.00pm

Holy Communion Mass - Saturday 16 June, 10.00am

St Winefride's School Mass - Monday 18 June in school
for all children who have celebrated their First Communion, parishioners and friends



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Ordinary Time II

14 January 2018

13 Jan	SATURDAY	2 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Parish Family	
14 Jan	SUNDAY	DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE	8.45 am	Mary and Laurence Binns	
		2 nd Collection: Priest's Retirement Fund	10.45 am	Catherine and John Southwell	
15 Jan	MONDAY		10.00 am	Peter O'Mahony	
16 Jan	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Michael Povey	
17 Jan	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	Angela Goswell	
18 Jan	THURSDAY	Funeral Mass Funeral Service	1.00 pm 3.30 pm	Mary Williams Fay Allen	
19 Jan	FRIDAY	St Wulstan	10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist	
20 Jan	SATURDAY	St Fabian & St Sebastian	10.00 am		
20 Jan	Next Weekend SATURDAY	3 RD Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Parish Family	
21 Jan	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Sadie private intentions Mike Halley	
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Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 10.30am and 5.45-6.10pm					
RIP: Mary Williams, Fay Allen					
Please pray for: Hannah Whiteman, Michael Povey					
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LOURDES JULY 2018

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In a spirit of compassion, let us embrace all those fleeing from war and hunger, or forced by discrimination, persecution, poverty and environmental degradation to leave their homelands. Pope Francis

PARISH

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CWL: Meeting on Thursday 18 January at 7.30pm in the church hall. The evening will consist of a social, with nibbles and a quiz

SPUC: Got the January Blues? Why not come to our Winter Warmer Coffee morning on Saturday 27 January. 10: 30am to 12:30pm in the church hall. There will be quiz, a bring-and-buy raffle (contributions gracefully received) and goodies to eat and drink. All money raised will pay for young people to go to this year's Youth and Student Conference which is from Friday 9th March - Sunday 11 March (see notice on the board in the church porch for more information). If you know of anyone who wishes to go (all expenses will be paid by our group) please contact Margaret on 336 2050.

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St Winefride's Catholic Primary School: The staff, governors and children of St Winefride's Primary School hope that the parishioners of St Winefride's enjoyed their Christmas and would like to wish them a very Happy New Year. The school would also like to congratulate the Williams family on the arrival of their baby daughter, Bethany, in the early hours of New Year's Day. Bethany was the second baby to be born at Arrowe Park in 2018!!

Concert: Choral Evensong with the Laudes Chior celebrating The Presentation of Christ in the Temple. Sunday 28 January, 6.30pm at St Mary & St Helen's church, Neston

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Ordinary Time III

21 January 2018

20 Jan	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Parish Family		
21 Jan	SUNDAY	3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.45 am 10.45 am	Int: Sadie Mike Halley		
22 Jan	MONDAY	St Vincent	10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist		
23 Jan	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist		
24 Jan	WEDNESDAY	St Francis de Sales	10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist		
25 Jan	THURSDAY	St Paul END OF OCTAVE OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY	10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist		
26 Jan	FRIDAY	Ss Timothy and Titus	10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist		
27 Jan	SATURDAY	St Angela Merici	10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist		
27 Jan	Next Weekend SATURDAY	4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Parish Family		
28 Jan	SUNDAY	DAY OF PRAYER FOR RACIAL JUSTICE	8.45 am 10.45 am	Priest's Intention Maureen Bainbridge		
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What's been going on at... St Winefride's Catholic Primary School

On Monday the children of reception class welcomed their parents into class to show them all their work. Miss Jones, the reception class teacher, provided parents with tea, coffee and biscuits. The children then went through their learning journals and their writing and maths books with their parents. The children also enjoyed sharing the work on display in the classroom with their parents. The afternoon was a great success with parents being able to see what their children are learning, and the progress they are making, in their first year of school.



PARISH

First Forgiveness & Communion Enrolment Mass: Please note a change of date to Sunday 4th February at 10:45 am.

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Choir Rehearsal: Our music practices will resume on Wednesday 24 January at 7pm in church. All are welcome to join us as we start looking at music for Lent and Easter.

DIOCESE

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OTHER

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Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2018 – THAT ALL MAY BE FREE

Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power (Ex 15:6)

The themes for 2018 raise some of the contemporary issues addressed by the churches of the Caribbean and use Exodus 15, a song of triumph over oppression, as the motif of the Week of Prayer. Abuses of human rights are found across the region and we are challenged to consider our manner of welcoming of the stranger into our midst. Human trafficking and modern-day slavery continue to be huge issues. Addiction to pornography and drugs, continue to be serious challenges to all societies. The debt crisis has a negative impact upon the nations and upon individuals – the economies of the nations and people have become precarious. Family life continues to be challenged by the economic restrictions which lead to migration, domestic abuse and violence.



The Caribbean Churches work together to heal the wounds in the body of Christ. Reconciliation demands repentance, reparation and the healing of memories. The whole Church is called to be both a sign and an active agent of this reconciliation.

REFLECTION

We are good because we are loved,
not loved because we are good.
If it was up to each one of us to earn it,
we might not be loved very much.
Too much goat and not enough sheep.
And yet loved we are, since God is in all things,
even the bits we think are ugly and unmentionable.

It means being fair and not exploiting others.
It means giving and not taking.
It means being alongside not overpowering others.
It even means welcoming and respecting the stranger in our midst since it may be the Christ unannounced.

We are loved,
but God wants us to give some love back,
giving and receiving
in a mutual relationship.
Love makes us better
holds us together
reaching out to the other.

PRAYER

Barrier-breaking God,
You embrace all cultures and lands,
But keep a special place in your heart
For the stranger, the widow and the orphan.
Grant us the gift of your Spirit
That we may become as You are,
Welcoming all as brothers and sisters,
Your cherished children,
Citizens together in Christ's kingdom of justice and peace.
Amen

Being in relationship with God means being with other people,
doing some good.
Looking after the creation
and not seeing everything as being there for our enjoyment.

Further information from www.ctib.org.uk



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Ordinary Time IV

28 January 2018

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28 Jan	SUNDAY	DAY OF PRAYER FOR RACIAL JUSTICE	8.45 am 10.45 am	Priest's Intention Maureen Bainbridge		
29 Jan	MONDAY		10.00 am	Priest's Intention		
30 Jan	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist		
31 Jan	WEDNESDAY	St John Bosco	10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist		
1 Feb	THURSDAY		10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist		
2 Feb	FRIDAY	PRESENTATION OF THE LORD	10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist		
3 Feb	SATURDAY	St Werburgh	10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist		
3 Feb	Next Weekend SATURDAY	5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Int: Kathleen Roberts		
4 Feb	SUNDAY	FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ENROLMENT MASS	8.45 am 10.45 am	Priest's Intention Jack O'Sullivan		
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PARISH

Welcome: We welcome Fr Sean O'Brien this who will celebrate our weekend Masses with us and also Mass on Monday morning. Fr Sean's parents have been members of our parish for the last few years.

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ECUMENICAL

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DIOCESE

Symposium on The Eucharist: Sat 3 March 2018, St Ambrose College Hale Barns. As part of the diocese's preparations for the Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool this September, the topic is *The Eucharist, Maelstrom of Love: Source and Centre of the Sacramental Life*. The speaker is Fr Oliver Treanor, diocese of Down & Connor. www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/catholic-faith/the-new-evangelisation/symposium See posters in porches.

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

On this day Catholics are called to pray for those who experience unjust discrimination or are marginalised because of their race and ethnicity. We think in particular of those who feel they do not belong within our society or our communities because of this discrimination.

As Catholics we are asked to treat all humans with dignity, regardless of their background or circumstance. There are many stories of alienation throughout the Bible, with clear calls to "Love the stranger". That the Church is a place where all belong is clearly seen in the recent Feast of the Epiphany, when Christ is revealed not only to the Israelites, but to all of God's people.

PRAYER FOR RACIAL JUSTICE

O God,
Who created all people in Your Holy Image,
Who loves the stranger,
Who cares for the downtrodden,
Walk with those who face discrimination,
protect them from harm
help them see Christ in our community.

Guide those who fan the fires of discrimination to open their eyes to the beauty of all your creation and respect the human dignity of all people.

Open our hearts
to those who face hatred and injustice
because of their race,
their background, their ethnicity
that we might better help them belong.

Through Christ Our Lord,
Amen

HYMN FOR RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY COMMUNITY OF CHRIST

10:45am Mass

Bernadette Farrell

1. Com - mu - ni - ty of Christ, who make the Cross your
 2. Com - mu - ni - ty of Christ, look past the Chur - ch's
 3. Com - mu - ni - ty of Christ, through whom the word must
 4. When men - ace melts a - way, so shall God's will be

1. own, live out your creed and risk your life for God a -
 2. door and see the ref - u - gee, the hun - gry, and the
 3. sound - cry out for jus - tice and for peace the whole world
 4. done, the cli - mate of the world be peace and Christ its

1. lone: the God who wears your face, to
 2. poor: Take hands with the op - pressed, the
 3. round: dis - arm the pow'rs that war and
 4. Sun: our cur - ren - cy be love and

1. whom all worlds be - long, whose chil - dren are of
 2. job - less in your street, take towel and wa - ter,
 3. all that can de - stroy, turn bombs to bread, and
 4. kind - li - ness our law, our food and faith be

1. ev - 'ry race and ev - 'ry song,
 2. that you wash your neigh - bor's feet.
 3. tears of an - guish in - to joy,
 4. shared as one for - ev - er - more.

Parish Youth Leaders Training and Retreat Day:

Into the deep - March 17th 2018, Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port, 10 – 3pm. For Priests, those in charge of Sacramental programmes and anyone wanting to be a youth leader. There is no charge for the day, you just need to bring a packed lunch. To register: youth@dioceseofshrewsbury.org Details on poster in porches.

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Year 4 are enjoying learning to play the ukulele this term after Mrs Ross, the music subject leader, arranged lessons for them. They will be performing in school at the end of the term.





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8 Feb	THURSDAY	St Jermoe Emiliani, St Josephine Bakiita – DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING	10.00 am	Victoria Rhodes
9 Feb	FRIDAY		10.00 am	Barbara Healy
10 Feb	SATURDAY	St Scholastica	10.00 am	Peter Wallis
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SVP Appeal
Since writing to you last September your donations have helped many in our parish and local community; thank you for continuing to support the work we do. We have supported a number of families in the parish over Christmas and New Year; and continue to support our local Foodbank in Neston which is reporting increasing numbers asking for help over the last 12 months.
In December, we held our annual Christmas lunch with over 40 of our senior parishioners enjoying the food and good company with much laughter and chatter topped off with singing including a finale with Father Paul and "his girls". Another important role of the SVP is to visit those who are lonely and we provide a welcoming friendly face and a hello; last year we made more than 500 visits but we can do more. If you know someone in the parish or local community and they would like a visit, please contact Father Paul or a member of the SVP.

We continue to support two twinnage projects in India sponsoring students with their school fees and the baby feeding appeal in Sudan. If you want to find out more about sponsorship of the baby feeding appeal, please contact Marie Branch (336 4287).

The holiday home owned by the seven SVP conferences in the Chester and Ellesmere Port district will be opening soon after the winter break, it is an opportunity to give someone, a couple or a family a holiday they would not have had and is used by all ages from babies to seniors. Please contact Father Paul or Mark Branch for more details.

We are grateful for the generous donations we receive from parishioners to continue our work and we keep you all in our prayers.

St Winefride's SVP

PARISH

CWL: Committee Meeting this Thursday 8 February at 7.30 pm in the Church Hall

SVP: Music night on Fri, 9 Feb, St Columba's Parish Hall, Chester, CH2 1SA. The main performers are the Chester Catholic High School band – info: www.thecityjazzorchestrasingers.co.uk/events.html.

Tickets are £10 and available from Mark Branch (336 4287) and after Mass from 13/14 January weekend. The proceeds raised will go towards the upkeep of the holiday home.

SPUC: Many thanks to all who supported our coffee morning and raffle. With donations we made £200 which will be used to send Christine and Josphin Joseph from our parish to this years Pro Life Youth and Student conference which this year takes place from the 9th to the 11th March in Staffordshire. We also have funds to sponsor more young people, so if you know anyone aged 16 to 30 who would like to go to this fantastic weekend, please phone Margaret on 336 2050

DIOCESE

CAFOD: Talk by Livison Chipatiso, Programme Officer from the CAFOD office in Harare, on CAFOD's projects tackling hunger and malnutrition in Zimbabwe, and sharing personal stories of the need faced by families and the impact the projects are having on the community. Friday 9 February at Our Lady's Parish Centre, Ellesmere Port CH65 8BY. Refreshments from 7pm for 7:30pm. All are welcome!

Specialist Modules for the Catholic Certificate of Religious Studies (CCRS): The next module – a choice of *Religious Education: Vision and Mission* or *Introduction to Catechetics*, begins on Saturday 10 February at Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port, CH65 8BY (9:30am for) 10:00 – 3:30pm with the second on Saturday 10 March. You may start the course (comprising 8 modules) at the beginning of any module – registration forms and details are on the website at www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/education/ccrs. A non-certificate option is also available (no essays!) Particularly aimed at Teachers, Catechists and those who wish to learn more about the Catholic Faith.

Diocesan Lourdes Hospitality Group: Mass at 3.00pm on Sunday, 11th February, at St Peter's Church, Green Lane, Hazel Grove, Stockport SK7 4EA.

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Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2018: For those aged 17 - 21 to join the Shrewsbury Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes this July please contact 07802407388.

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On Friday four Year 6 children took part in a Primary maths quiz held at Neston High School. The competition involved other schools from the local cluster. There were several rounds of questions with the final round being a nail-biting "beat the buzzer" with negative marks for incorrect answers! We are pleased to announce that the team won the quiz!! This means that they will go through to the final on 27 February in Ellesmere Port where they will meet the winners of the other rounds of the quiz. Congratulations the team and good luck for the final!



FIRST FORGIVENESS & HOLY COMMUNION:

We warmly welcome our children, their families and friends to their special enrolment Mass and keep them in our prayers as they begin their preparations to receive the Sacraments for the first time. We thank their teachers, our catechists and their families who will help and support them on their journey.

Christ has no body
now on earth
but yours,
no hands but yours,
no feet but yours.

Yours are the eyes
through which is to shine
Christ's compassion in the world.

Yours are the feet
through which to go about
doing good.

Yours are the hands
with which he is to bless
all people now.



St Teresa of Avila



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Ordinary Time VI

11 February 2018

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11 Feb	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Mary O'Sullivan Harold Thelwall
12 Feb	MONDAY		10.00 am	Clare Mallow
13 Feb	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Service of Word and Communion
14 Feb	WEDNESDAY	Ash Wednesday	10.00 am 7:00pm	Maureen and John O'Grady Peter Wallis
15 Feb	THURSDAY		10.00 am	Anne Haines
16 Feb	FRIDAY	Way of the Cross	10.00 am 7:00pm	Service of Word and Communion Choir
17 Feb	SATURDAY	The Seven Founders of the Order of Servite	10.00 am	Isabelle and Joseph Loughe
17 Feb	Next Weekend SATURDAY	1st Sunday of Lent	6.30 pm	Sr Mary Willison SND
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Wed 21 February	Parkgate & Neston URC, Moorside Lane, Parkgate
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Fr Paul writes

We have no sooner put the Christmas decorations away and it is time for the season of Lent.

You will notice that there are **two Masses on Ash Wednesday** so we shall be able to start this season together. As for the next 5 weeks there will be **Mass on Thursday evenings at 7.00pm from 22nd February. After Mass there will be an opportunity to have a discussion looking at the great events of Holy Week.** All are welcome.

During this Holy Season, I'm offering the opportunity to celebrate Mass in the homes of our house bound.

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On Friday evenings there will be a celebration of the Cross in Church at 7pm (see note in newsletter below).

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

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Is there anyone out there who would help prepare the soup?! Please let me know as soon as possible.

I am also on the lookout for anyone who has a feel for **drama** and anyone who offers the skill of **calligraphy**.

Please contact me when you can. Be assured of my prayers during the coming week.

Fr Paul

PARISH

WAY OF THE CROSS: Keeping with our tradition at St Winefride's, different groups will lead us on Fridays at 7pm during Lent starting with our musicians this week. All are Welcome. Contact Deacon Mike for more details.

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

CWL: The next meeting will be on Thursday 15 February at 7:30 pm in the Church Hall. The speaker will be Marghanite Noakes talking on 'My work with Mother Teresa in India'.

SVP: On behalf of the SVP, thank you for the generous support for last Sunday's second collection which amounted to £329.81.

SPUC: The White Flower Appeal will take place next weekend 17/18 February. SPUC is currently campaigning to stop the decriminalisation of abortion which means taking abortion outside the law. This is the most dangerous threat to unborn children and their mothers in decades. Please be as generous as you can to help us defeat this latest attack on unborn babies and to stop abortion getting even worse in this country. Our meeting this month is on Tuesday 20th February at 7:30pm in the Church Hall. All are invited to attend.

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DIOCESE

Our Mission Together. This project is coming into the final weeks. If you can support the initiative of Bishop Mark, please place your signed promises into the boxes at the entrance of the Church or give them to myself or Deacon Michael. If you haven't received a pack, one will be available as you leave Mass.

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The amazing sporting success at St Winefride's Primary school continued last week when the local primary schools competed in the basketball competition, held at our school. The Year 6 team were triumphant and will now progress to the next round of the competition. Well done to the team and many thanks to Mrs Davies for her hard work in organising and running the event.



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18 February 2018

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19 Feb	MONDAY	Requiem	10.00 am	Jack Henesy
20 Feb	TUESDAY		10.00 am	R M Jones
21 Feb	WEDNESDAY	St Peter Damian	10.00 am	Service of Word and Communion
22 Feb	THURSDAY	The Chair of St Peter	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Maureen Bainbridge Margaret Walsh
23 Feb	FRIDAY	St Polycarp Way of the Cross	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Catherine Davies
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Fr Paul writes

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

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

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

Fr Paul

PARISH

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Lent II

25 February 2018

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25 Feb	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish Family Harold Thelwell
26 Feb	MONDAY		10.00 am	Intention [Rourke]
27 Feb	TUESDAY	St. Gabriel	10.00 am	Sp William Hanaway
28 Feb	WEDNESDAY	St. Oswald	10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist
1 Mar	THURSDAY	St. David – Patron Saint of Wales	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Holy Souls
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3 Mar	SATURDAY		10.00 am	Peter White
3 Mar	Next Weekend SATURDAY	3 rd Sunday of Lent	6.30 pm	Fr Stephon Dwyer
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Fr Paul writes

This week's Gospel invites us to climb a mountain and to be witnesses to Jesus' transfiguration. We are also to listen to the voice of the Father. The Apostles are full of wonder at this great event. They do not know what to say or what to do. As they descend from the mountain, Jesus speaks to them. Telling them not to tell anyone of what they have heard or see until he had risen from the dead. Jesus is to be risen from the dead and what does this mean?

Most of us think that the new resurrected life begins when our life enters death. It is seen to be the hopeful reward for a good life! The truth is that we are called every moment of our day to live out our Baptism to the full. Resurrection is to be seen in our time and space. We must never forget that to live life to the full, demands of us an open heart and mind. In our dealings with one another Charity is to be our action of serving the Lord and all who come with us on life's journey.

The Apostles talked among themselves wondering what resurrection would be. Soon they will see the Son of the Living God hanging from the wood of the cross. It is here we are called to be. Standing in the shadow of the cross witnessing to the one, who out of pure love of us gives his life so that our sin is forgiven and that we can be reconciled to the Father. From this we are called to live our lives and give thanks and praise to the one who has redeemed us. All we have is pure gift from the Father.

So, we are to be his witnesses. His light for all to see. The transfiguration offers us a way of seeing through the risen Christ, life in all shapes and form. In all of this we too are to be transfigured and we, like the Apostles, are to enable others to experience the infinite love of God.

Be assured of my prayers for you and your families as we journey in this season of Lent.

Fr Paul

PARISH

Prayers: Please keep in your prayers Fr Stephen Dwyer who has died after a long illness. May he rest in peace. Pray too for his Mother and family.

Keep also in your prayers Hilda Davison and Bridget Jones who are sick.

Congratulations: To Alison Davies and Pevol Hudak who were married at St Winefride's on Friday.

Soup and Sandwiches: On Tuesdays during Lent there is an opportunity for us to have some soup and sandwiches from 12.00 noon to 1.30pm. All are welcome. So, come and bring a friend. Remember it is free!!!

Thursday Evening: Mass at 7pm and an opportunity to have some light discussion, over a cup of tea or coffee in the Presbytery. All are welcome.

Women's World Day of Prayer: On Friday 2 March we will be celebrating the Women's World Day of Prayer. During our Friday morning Mass, we will pray for all women.... especially those caught up in War and 'trafficking' into modern day slavery.

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Lent III

4 March 2018

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In other news, the whole of Year 6 travelled to Ellesmere Port on Tuesday to cheer on the maths quiz team in the final. After a closely fought contest the team finished in second place. Congratulations to the team and thanks to the staff and children who supported them.

Fr Paul writes

I thought that it would be useful to put before you our Lenten program. Maybe you might be able to come along to pray, support, and have a little time in prayer.

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On Thursday and Friday, I am away with the diocesan Primary Heads and Chair of Governors on their annual conference. Please keep us in your prayers. I am very grateful for the continual support you give me as your parish priest. Be assured of my prayers for you and your families. Have a good, and warmer, week.

Fr Paul

PARISH

This weekend **Our Parish Mission** will come to an end. I will be inviting you all to fill in our closing Mission card. You have a very generous spirit. I would like to thank our Parish team for all their hard work. Thanks too for your many generous pledges. There is still an opportunity for us to reach our parish goal. As a certain store says 'every little helps'.

First Forgiveness: Meeting with parents on Monday 6th March at 7pm in the Parish Hall.

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LENT LUNCHEES – at 12:30pm ALL ARE WELCOME	
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Lent IV

11 March 2018

10 Mar	SATURDAY	4 th Sunday of Lent	6.30 pm	Margaret Snell
11 Mar	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Marie Brett and Mary Ann
			10.45 am	Louis O'Sullivan
12 Mar	MONDAY		10.00 am	Inge O'Leary
13 Mar	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Muriel Loughie
14 Mar	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist
15 Mar	THURSDAY		10.00 am	Norman Perryman
			7.00 pm	Special Intention
16 Mar	FRIDAY	Way of the Cross	10.00 am	Barbara Walker
			7.00 pm	
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Happy Mothers' Day! We give thanks for the gift of our mothers. We pray especially for our mums who have passed through the mist of death to the bright promise of immortality.

These days of Lent are slipping away. Yet there is plenty of time for us to find a little of stillness as we prepare for the celebrations of the God of Love who dies that we may live. As you know there is an opportunity for us to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before our Saturday and Sunday morning Masses. To help us focus on these days, the Blessed Sacrament is placed on the altar before our weekend Mass for a time of silent prayer and reflection. At every weekday at 9.15am Mass the Blessed Sacrament is also placed on the altar for private prayer. You are most welcome to come to support our parish family with its many needs in prayer at these times.

Please keep in your prayers **Bridget Jones** who died on Monday. Her Funeral Mass will take place on Thursday 29th March at 11.00am. We commend her to the Lord and pray for her family and many friends.

Next Sunday I will be offering the Sacrament of healing at all our weekend Masses. Also there will be a **Penitential Service for us all on Sunday 25th March at 2.30pm**, our young people are receiving this Sacrament for the first time. This service is another opportunity to prepare for the next days of Holy Week.

Over the next weeks there will be an opportunity for children and staff at our school to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

At Mass today before the final blessing we will have an update on Safeguarding. It is important for all of us working for the care of our children and vulnerable adults.

Please pray for our families and friends as we prepare for Holy Week. With my prayers and best wishes over the coming week.

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Liverpool Philharmonic Hall to listen to the Philharmonic Orchestra. They learnt about the different parts of the orchestra and the role of the conductor. The children enjoyed listening to pieces of music by Mozart and Rossini, and even the theme tune from the film "The Incredibles". They also sang and signed a song called "The Witch". The teachers and children of Years 3 and 4 would like to thank Mrs Ross, the music subject leader, for arranging this wonderful experience for them.

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Palm Sunday: At all our Masses next weekend we will receive a palm branch recalling Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem. We will greet him as we would greet an earthly sovereign. We will cry out "Hosanna to the king who comes in the name of the Lord." Yet in a few days' time we will be shouting "Crucify him, we have no king but Caesar!" How fickle and sheep like we can be. Next weekend, as you leave Mass, you will be given a Holy Week poster to place in your window. On the reverse of the Poster you will find the times of the Services, here at St Winefride's.

I would like to thank Terry Nolan for his update on safe-guarding. His words enabled all of us to have a careful understand of both the diocesan support through Andrew O'Brien and the on-going work of Terry.

With my prayers for your loved ones.

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The basketball team now qualify for the Cheshire Finals which will be held in the next few weeks. This qualification means that St Winefride's have made the Cheshire Finals in 3 different sports: hockey, tag rugby and basketball. This is a phenomenal achievement for the school and the children who have taken part in the competitions. Congratulations to all the children and staff and Good Luck for the finals.

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Palm Sunday

25 March 2018

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28 Mar	WEDNESDAY	Wednesday of Holy Week	10.00 am	Service of Word and Communion		
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			10:40am	Bridget Smith		
			8.00 pm	Parish Family		
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Last week the Year 6 hockey team took part in the Cheshire finals. Mrs Davies reports that they played brilliantly, finishing fourth, and managing a draw against the eventual winners. Well done to the team!

This week the Year 6 tag rugby finals took place. The team played really well and were a credit to themselves and the school, facing some tough opposition. Congratulations to all involved.

Fr Paul Writes...

When we come to the festival of Christmas many people say to me 'that it is your busiest time of the year.' I tell them that it is not - because our busiest time of the year is Lent and Holy week. I then say we must remember that you cannot have Christmas without Easter. It always surprises me that, on many occasions, this last comment starts a long conversation.

This week we are asked to pray for Peter Lightbound, whose sister Margaret, is the Bishop's Personal Secretary. Peter's funeral Mass will take place here on Friday 20 April at 11.30pm. I also ask prayers for Bridget Smith whose funeral Mass will take place here on Thursday morning.

As we come to the days of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord, can I ask you to consider receiving holy Communion in both of its elements of Bread and Wine. For this invitation comes from the Lord at the Last Supper. His words are 'Take and eat for this is my body given for you. Take and drink for this is the cup of my blood of the new covenant shed for the forgiveness of sins. DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.' I am aware there may be solid reasons why you do not share the Chalice. All I can do is ask.

There are a few of our parish family who are sick at home or in hospital. Please do keep them in your prayers. May they have a speedy recovery.

Our school breaks up on Thursday. May the children, staff and governors have a prayerful and restful holiday.

A pair of glasses has been handed into the sacristy in a Specsavers pink & purple box. They would like to go home before Easter.

May you and your families have a prayerful Holy week and rejoice with the News that Jesus has Risen, Alleluia!

With my prayers,

Fr Paul

No newsletter next week: Mass times will be on the notice boards

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Caritas: Caritas Shrewsbury is looking for an experienced and enthusiastic person to be their Volunteer Co-ordinator. The post is for 28 hrs per week and will you will be expected to travel extensively across the Diocese. For more information and an application pack, please contact claire.griffiths@caritasshrewsbury.org.uk Tel: 0151 652 1281 . Application packs can be downloaded from caritasshrewsbury.org.uk .Application deadline: 4 April 2018.

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EASTER II

8 April 2018

7 April	SATURDAY	2 nd Sunday of Easter	6.30 pm	Parish Family		
8 April	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Priest's Intention Julia Delaney		
9 April	MONDAY	Annunciation of the Lord	10.00 am	Mass or service of Word and Eucharist		
10 Apr	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Mass or service of Word and Eucharist		
11 Apr	WEDNESDAY	St Stanislaus	10.00 am	Mass or service of Word and Eucharist		
12 Apr	THURSDAY		10.00 am	Mass or service of Word and Eucharist		
13 Apr	FRIDAY	St Martin I	10.00 am	Mass or service of Word and Eucharist		
14 Apr	SATURDAY		10.00 am	Mass or service of Word and Eucharist		
14 Apr	Next Weekend SATURDAY	3 rd Sunday of Easter	6.30 pm	Parish Family		
15 Apr	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Priest's Intention John Doherty		
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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT... St Winefride's Primary School:

Wow!!! The Year 6 basketball team took part in the Cheshire Finals last week and finished in 3rd place!!!! 150 schools took part in the competition, so this is a fantastic achievement. Congratulations to all the children and thank you to Mrs Davies for her coaching.

Well done to Year 4 who entertained the school with a ukulele concert after learning to play the instrument in their music lessons.



Fr Paul Writes...

On behalf of Fr Chris, Deacon Michael and myself, I would like to say thank you for your prayer support in our celebrations of Holy Week. I'm very proud to be your parish priest. You are an amazing parish with a deep spirituality. Along with our housebound parishioners we continue to strive to be the Risen Christ with in our daily lives.

Thanks too for the cards and gifts we have received. You are all in my daily prayer.

Fr Paul

PARISH

Sacrament of Confirmation 2018: Wednesday 20 June at Our Lady and St John, Heswall. Preparation of candidates starts on Sunday 15 April. If you are Year 8 or above and would be interested in exploring your faith and finding out about the Sacrament of Confirmation, please give your details to Fr Paul.

Choir rehearsal: Our next practice will be on Wednesday 18 April at 7pm in church. We would love to welcome new singers. If you are interested in joining our music group, please contact Louise on 336 1096.

Soup Lunches: Soup lunches will recommence on the last Tuesday of each month starting in April. All are welcome!

SPUC: Meeting next Tuesday 10 April 7.30pm in the church hall. All welcome.

Our AGM will be on Tuesday 8 May 7pm in our church hall followed by a speaker from "Life". Summer Concert with the West Wirral Musical Society singing songs from Gilbert and Sullivan is on Friday 15 June in the school hall.

CWL: Committee meeting in the church hall Thursday April 12 at 7.30pm.

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The new yellow envelopes start this weekend for the new tax year. **If you are no longer paying income tax please let Mike Jevons know as soon as possible.**

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EASTER III

15 April 2018

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15 Apr	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Priest's Intention John Doherty
16 Apr	MONDAY		10.00 am	Priest's Intention
17 Apr	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Paul Owners
18 Apr	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	Priest's Intention
19 Apr	THURSDAY		10.00 am	Priest's Intention
20 Apr	FRIDAY	St Beuno	11.30 am	Funeral Mass for Peter Lightbound
21 Apr	SATURDAY	St Anselm	10.00 am	Priest's Intention
21 Apr	Next Weekend SATURDAY	4 th Sunday of Easter <i>Day of Special Prayer for Vocations</i>	6.30 pm	Parish Family
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WELCOME: We are delighted to have Canon John Marmion with us this weekend to celebrate our Sunday Masses. Welcome Fr John!

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT... St Winefride's Primary School:

The staff and pupils of St Winefride's returned to school this week after enjoying their Easter holidays.

Year 4 went to Beeston residential centre on Wednesday to enjoy 3 days of activities and spend 2 nights away from home.

At the time of writing the children are at Beeston, so look forward to hearing about their adventures next week!

Gaudete et Exultate: on the Call to Holiness in Today's World



Pope Francis released his latest papal document (exhortation) on Monday 9 April, 2018. The Latin title, "Rejoice and Be Glad", comes from Matthew 5:12, part of the Sermon on the Mount - "Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven". The Sermon on the Mount figures heavily into the document, providing a sort of "roadmap" to holiness. A few quotes from *Gaudete* are below. The full text is on the Vatican website or via <https://goo.gl/GZPJAJ>

My modest goal is to re-propose the call to holiness
in a practical way for our own time,
with all its risks, challenges and opportunities.

Christian joy is usually accompanied by a sense of humour.

The important thing is that each believer discern his or her own path,
that they bring out the very best of themselves,
the most personal gifts that God has placed in their hearts,
rather than hopelessly trying to imitate something not meant for them.

**It is not healthy to love silence while feeding interaction with others,
to want peace and quiet while avoiding activity,
to seek prayer while disdaining service.**

Seeing and acting with mercy: that is holiness.

**We need to think of ourselves as an army of the forgiven.
All of us have been looked upon with divine compassion.**



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CWL: A talk by Helen Holyoak from the Barn Owl Trust on Thursday 19 April starting at 7.30pm. All welcome

SPUC: To commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the abortion act coming into force on 27 April 1968, since when there have been nearly nine million abortions in this country, there will be a Pro Life chain on Hoole Rd, Chester on Sat 21 Apr, 11am - 1pm. A special day of pilgrimage and prayer with a National Rosary on the Coast is on Sun 29 April at 3pm - our two local locations are near Morrisons on the prom in New Brighton (attended by Bishop Mark) and at Eastham Ferry. For details see notices or call Margaret 336 2050. All welcome.

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EASTER IV

22 April 2018

21 Apr	SATURDAY	4 th Sunday of Easter	6.30 pm	Parish Family
22 Apr	SUNDAY	<i>Day of Special Prayer for Vocations</i>	8.45 am 10.45 am	Priest's Intention Joe Tunstall
23 Apr	MONDAY	St. George – Patron Saint of England	10.00 am	Fr Sean's intentions
24 Apr	TUESDAY	St. Fidelis	10.00 am	Mass or service of Word and Eucharist
25 Apr	WEDNESDAY	St. Mark – Evangelist	10.00 am	Mass or service of Word and Eucharist
26 Apr	THURSDAY		10.00 am	Jayne Peet
27 Apr	FRIDAY	St. Asicus	10.00 am	Private intention
28 Apr	SATURDAY	St Peter Chanel, St Louis Grignon de Montford	10.00 am	Special Intention
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Year 4 had a fantastic time at Beeston last week even though the weather wasn't kind all of the time. Mrs Ormes reports that all the children were wonderfully behaved and a real credit to themselves and their parents. The children enjoyed many activities including: A walk through Peckforton Woods and up the "witches steps", although no witch was seen! A visit to Farmer Bull's farm, and den building in the rain (dressed in waterproofs and with no complaints). A visit to Beeston Castle. A night walk and then a bonfire, where jokes were told and chocolate and biscuits consumed! Thank you to Mr Booth and Mrs Wilks who stayed with the children the whole time, and to Mrs Jeacock and Mrs Ormes who came to help as well.

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EASTER V

29 April 2018

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29 Apr	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish Family Jane Haines
30 Apr	MONDAY	St Pius V, Pope	10.00 am	
1 May	TUESDAY	St Joseph the Worker	10.00 am	
2 May	WEDNESDAY	St Athanasius	10.00 am	
3 May	THURSDAY	St Philip & James	10.00 am	
4 May	FRIDAY	English Martyrs	10.00 am	
5 May	SATURDAY		10.00 am	
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On Monday evening Year 3 took part in a performance at Neston High School where they celebrated the culmination of their learning with Deaf Active. The children sang, signed and shimmied and were truly amazing!! Well done to them all.

PCSO (Police Community Support Officer) Linda came in to school on Tuesday to talk about good citizenship with Year 5 and Year 6. The children discussed what our community is and were able to ask lots of questions for Linda to answer.

Assembly on Wednesday allowed the children to share their experiences of exploRE (explore religious education) week. This gave the children an opportunity to learn about other faiths, and to be respectful and tolerant of other people's views and beliefs. Thank you to Mrs Bannister for her hard work in organising this event.

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EASTER VI

6 May 2018

5 May	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Special Intention		
6 May	SUNDAY	6 th Sunday of Easter	8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish Family Jane Haines		
7 May	MONDAY		10.00 am	Fr Chris Lightbound		
8 May	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Special intension		
9 May	WEDNESDAY	Ascension of the Lord Vigil	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Service of Word and Eucharist Parish Family		
10 May	THURSDAY	Ascension of the Lord	10.00 am	Intentions of our school		
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Reception class have been enjoying pirate themed activities in the past few weeks. On Monday the children made and decorated treasure chests. They also enjoyed a treasure hunt around school searching for Captain Blackbeard's hidden treasure. This was located under X marking the spot! The children counted the treasure and then used their problem solving skills to work out how to share it equally amongst their friends.

Key stage 2 pupils are having fun choosing which activities they would like to take part in on Friday afternoons. The enrichment activities that are on offer this term include: gardening, football World Cup, cookery, archery and green screen computing.

A prayer written by Zack Cheetham (St Winefride's Primary School)

Dear Lord,

In our world there are lots of people suffering that need our prayers.

We pray for those that are suffering the effects of war in Syria.
Help them to survive and cope through this horrible time.

We pray for all the people who are poor and have no food or drink, especially the people in our area that need help. Help give them the strength to carry on.

We pray for the homeless people that have no shelter or warmth.
Help them to find somewhere safe and warm to stay.

We pray for those people who are sick and in hospital.
Help make them better so that they can go home.

We pray for everyone who needs our prayers and we keep these people in our thoughts and hearts.
Amen.

PARISH

Congratulations: To Angela Johnson and Stephen Pearson who were married here on Saturday. May the good Lord be their guide.

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SPUC AGM: You are all cordially invited to attend the AGM of the Ellesmere Port and Neston Branch of SPUC which takes place next Tuesday 8 May at 7pm in St Winefride's church hall. This will be followed at approximately 7.45pm by a speaker from "LIFE", who will be informing us about the work that they do, plus she will talk about natural Procreation "Napro Technology". This is a natural way of helping couples who are having trouble conceiving or having miscarriages, so if you know of anyone who might be in need of these services, please bring them along. For any more information please call Margaret on 336 2050.

CWL: Committee meeting Thursday May 10 at 7:30pm.

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SVP Second Collection: Thank you for your generosity in last Sunday's second collection which raised £450.93.

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Conference for the Laity and Religious: Speaker Sherry Weddell - St Ambrose College, Hale Barns, Sat 12 May, 9:30/10:00am – 3:30pm on *Fruitful discipleship: Living the Mission of Jesus in the Church and the World*. Registration helen.jones@dioceseofshrewsbury.org





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EASTER VII

13 May 2018

12 May	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Fred Dutton	
13 May	SUNDAY	7 th Sunday of Easter	8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish Family Nickolas Smith	
14 May	MONDAY	St Matthias	10.00 am	Agnes and Arthur Graham	
15 May	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Cardinal Cormac	
16 May	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	Mass or service of Word and Eucharist	
17 May	THURSDAY		10.00 am	Private intention	
18 May	FRIDAY	St John I	10.00 am	Eleanor Mulholland	
19 May	SATURDAY	St Dunstan	10.00 am	Maureen Bainbridge	
19 May	Next Weekend SATURDAY	Pentecost Sunday	6.30 pm	Parish Family	
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Key Stage 2 children joined the parishioners of St Winefrides on Thursday morning to celebrate the Ascension of Our Lord.

On Friday afternoon the whole of St Winefrides Primary School attended church to honour Mary, the Mother of Jesus, with a May Procession. The children celebrating their First Holy Communion this year took pride of place in the Procession.

Finally, we would like to wish "Good Luck" to all the children sitting their SATS next week.

Pope Francis speaks on Baptism

Pope Francis spoke about the sacrament of Baptism on Wednesday, emphasizing the importance of the Catholic practice of baptizing infants, since the grace of the Holy Spirit helps them to grow in virtue.

"Why baptize a child who does not understand?" the pope asked, "When we baptize a child, the Holy Spirit enters that child, and the Holy Spirit makes... the Christian virtues grow in that child, who will then flourish."

Though we hope that when a child grows up he or she will understand and desire Baptism for themselves, to withhold the sacrament from a child "means not trusting in the Holy Spirit," he said.

"We must always give this opportunity to everyone, to all children, to have inside of them the Holy Spirit that will guide them throughout their lives. Do not forget to baptize children!"

Pope Francis spoke about infant Baptism during his weekly general audience in St. Peter's Square. He also emphasized that the graces of the sacrament are not something one earns through understanding, intelligence, or worthiness, but as pure gift.

"Nobody deserves Baptism," he said, "[it] is always a gift for everyone, adults and new-borns. But as happens for a seed full of life, this gift takes root and bears fruit in earth fed by faith."

Baptism also, by the Holy Spirit, "immerses us in the death and resurrection of the Lord," the pope said. In the sacrament the "old man," dominated by sin, gives way to the "new man," who has been recreated in Christ Jesus.

"But for us Christians it must not escape that if the body is immersed in water, it is the soul that is immersed in Christ to receive forgiveness from sin and shine with divine light," he stated.

He quoted St. Paul's reminder to the Christians of Rome: "Or are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life."

Furthermore, Pope Francis spoke about how Baptism, through immersion in Christ, also makes us members of Christ's body and his mission in the world, which is the Church.

"We baptized are not isolated," he said, "the same life, that of the Holy Spirit, flows from Christ to the baptized, uniting them into one Body, crested by holy unction and nourished at the Eucharistic table."

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PENTECOST / ORDINARY TIME VII

20 May 2018

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

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

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

Fr Paul writes.

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

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

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

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

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

With my prayers.

Fr Paul

PARISH

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

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

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

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

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Most Holy Trinity

27 May 2018

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27 May	SUNDAY	Most Holy Trinity 2 nd Collection. SVP	8.45 am 10.45 am	Fr Gerry Courell Columba Haggart
28 May	MONDAY		10.00 am	Arlene Maddocks
29 May	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Thanksgiving for our parish benefactors of the SVP
30 May	WEDNESDAY	St Joan of Arc	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
31 May	THURSDAY	Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	10.00 am	Frank Jones
1 June	FRIDAY	St Justin	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
2 June	SATURDAY		10.00 am	Bernard Sweeney
2 June	Next Weekend SATURDAY	Corpus Christi	6.30 pm	David Ward
3 June	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Fr Gerry Courell Eddie Smith

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This Tuesday a team of 8 boys competed in the Kwik cricket competition held at Neston cricket club. After four matches, St Winefride's were one of two teams on the same number of points at the top of the table. Unfortunately, placings were decided on number of runs over the whole competition, and so St Winefride's came second. However, a fantastic performance by all the children involved!!! Thank you to Mrs Davies for supervising the team.

Pope Francis at Mass on Friday had words of advice for all pastors. He told them to "love, shepherd your flock, and prepare oneself for the cross" and not to fall into the temptation of "sticking their nose in other people's business. His advice was drawn from the Gospel of John, which recounts the last encounter between Jesus and Peter: 'Follow me'.

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'Carry you where you don't want to go'

PARISH

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The successful applicant must be able to respect and be mindful of the ethos and teachings of the Catholic faith ensure that highest standards in all areas are maintained. Please send CV to Pauline.mcculloch@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

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Corpus Christi/Ordinary Time IX

3 June 2018

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4 June	MONDAY		10.00 am	Holy Souls
5 June	TUESDAY	St Boniface	10.00 am	Private Intention
6 June	WEDNESDAY	St Norbert	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
7 June	THURSDAY		10.00 am	Our young people who are engaged in public exam
8 June	FRIDAY	Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	10.00 am	Maureen Bainbridge
9 June	SATURDAY		10.00 am	Pope Francis
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The Eucharist - The source and summit of the Christian life.' CCC1324

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Over the last 18 months several repairs and updates have taken place in our church building and Hall. I thought it would be a good time to update you upon these works. In the Church, the window up in the loft has been repaired. several outside electric boxes have been placed around the church. This helps our 'Christmas Elves' in putting up the lights around the church. I hope we will be able to connect to these electric boxes lights to light up the church building. As you enter the church the lights automatically turn themselves on. This is particularly useful for the group of parishioners who open and close the church in the winter months. A hot water heater has been placed in the sacristy; the coping stones on the church roof as well as broken slats have been replaced. We are replacing the fittings of the church lights from halogen to LED lighting. The out lay for these fittings cost nearly £150 so we replace them when the halogen stops working. Once all the lights have been renewed the electric bill for the church will dramatically come down in price. The security lights around the building, including the car park will be up and running by September.

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The Parish graveyard: The Diocese has taken control of the graveyard and grounds. The main reason for this is health and safety. The gardeners come from spring to autumn twice a month and then in the winter they come every three weeks. I would like to thank the 'band of gardeners' who in recent years have worked hard in keeping the church land in a very good state.

I requested the committee from the diocese to come and look at some issues re the graveyard. After their visit a company has been given the job of putting pathways into the graveyard. This work will start this Monday. So, if you are wishing to visit the graveyard please be careful where you walk. It is hoped that the work will be finished by the end of the month. This work is costing around £12000. This money will be paid by the Diocese cemetery Fund.

I will keep you and your families in my prayers remembering especially our young people who have Public Exams over their next month.

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Theatre Night: The Bebington Dramatic Society (BDS) will be performing "Dial M for Murder" a classic Hitchcock thriller on Wednesday 6 June, 7:30pm at Gladstone Theatre, Port Sunlight. All proceeds go towards the upkeep of the SVP Holiday Home; this is an amazing opportunity to send families on holiday who otherwise would not get one. Tickets are £9 and will be available after mass or by contacting Mark Branch 336 4287.

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10 June 2018

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11 June	MONDAY	St Barnabas, Apostle	10.00 am	Peter Curtis
12 June	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Trever Haywood
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You may have noticed that the new pathways in the grave yard are well on the way. Over the last few months our PA system in the church has been failing. At times such as a wedding it has been embarrassing to say the least. I have arranged for a whole new system using Wi Fi. This system is lockable and can only be changed through I Phone or Tablet. The cost of this work will be around £5,500. I hope to have this work done by the end of the month.

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21 June	THURSDAY	St Aloysius Gonzaga	9.10 am	Mass in School
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23 June	SATURDAY	St Ethelreda	10.00 am	Gladys Moreton
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The school is also proud to announce that one of the Year 6 boys, Tom Jones, has recently been selected to play cricket for Cheshire County. Congratulations to him and his family for this amazing achievement.

Fr Paul writes...

At our 10.45 Mass this morning we welcome the last of this year's First Holy Communion class. Please keep them in your prayers: **Ashleigh Leach, Olivia and Lucy Medlam, Mollie Carr, Ollie Robinson, Bradley Ince, Ciara Whitfield, Oscar Cheetham, Ewan Unsworth, Reuben Perry, Luca Pritchard, Ella Seddon, Lexi Boyd, Jessica Ward, and Quinn Pearson** along with their family and friends.

Pray too for our Young people who are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop Noble at Our Lady and St John in Heswall this Wednesday evening. As I said in last week's newsletter, Bishop Mark visited our Primary School on Friday. He gave a wonderful assembly and spent some time with the children. He met the Head teacher along with the staff and some members of the governors. He promised the children that before they break up for the summer he would give them a treat of some ice cream. He did not go on to say who was going to pay for it!

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Birth of John the Baptist

24 June 2018

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24 June	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish Family Ken Hardman and Derek Pover
25 June	MONDAY		10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist Funeral Service Edith Jordan 10am Landican
26 June	TUESDAY		10.00 am	
27 June	WEDNESDAY	St Cyril of Alexandria	1.20 pm	Funeral Mass for Mary Rowles
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			11.00am 7.00 pm	Funeral service for Elsie Maines Kenneth George
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St Winefride's Primary school would like to congratulate all the children in the Parish who have made their First Holy Communion over the last few weeks.

Help!



We are looking for help to plan and design a beautiful quiet place for children and adults at St Winefride's School to spend some time reflecting and sharing together. We hope the garden place will be used every day and offer many opportunities for all our community to find some peace in a busy world.

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Once we have the ideas and have agreed a plan we will pass the work to some volunteers who are waiting to get started. If you would like to help, please email suelyonette@gmail.com
Thank you.

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Foundation Governor

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5 July	THURSDAY	St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest	10.00 am	Rachael and Louise
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Fr Paul writes.

This weekend we will welcome our Bishop Mark to our parish. He will be celebrating both Masses of Sunday. You will get a chance to have a few words with him as we leave the church. After our 10.45am Mass there will be a reception in the parish hall. This will give the Bishop a greater opportunity to meet as many parishioners as he can. Please do come along to the Hall as there will be a few treats for us all including cakes and an odd glass of wine.

At our 10.45am Mass Bishop Mark will confer the Ministry of Lector/Reader upon Jim Kay as he continues his journey to ordination as a Deacon for our Diocese and Parish. During this ceremony Jim will receive the Book of the Scriptures as a gift from our Parish community. Please keep Jim and his family in your prayers.

During these hot days let us look out for one another making sure that we keep as cool as we can. Drink as much as you can, and I mean WATER!!

Please keep in your prayers Clement Haines' brother Christopher who has died.

Be assured of my prayers for you and your family.

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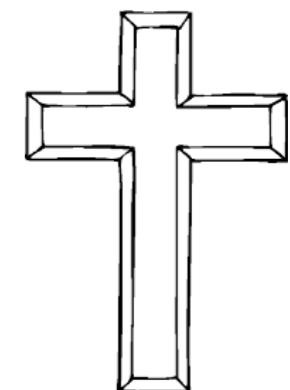
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Sunday 1 July 12:30pm - 3:30pm

Come and support us and have a fun day out with family and friends, Chester Catholic High School Band, fairground for the children, cake stall, donkey rides, piety stall, tombola, raffle prizes and much much more!





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Ordinary Time XIV

8 July 2018

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8 July	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish Family Kenneth George Rodrigues
9 July	MONDAY	Funeral Service	10.00 am	Christopher Haimes
10 July	TUESDAY		10.00 am 2.00 pm	Karl Pissarak Leslie Thomas Cooke
11 July	WEDNESDAY	St. Benedict	10.00 am	Frank Clark
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The Year 6 children made an incredible profit of £540!!! They have bought a new set of goal posts for the school, which should save some arguments on the playing field (as there was only one set before). The rest, and majority, of the money has been given to the Charles Thompson Mission charity. Congratulations to Year 6, Mrs O'Gorman and Mrs Roberts, and thank you to all of the staff and children who supported them by sampling their wares.

Fr Paul writes.

Bishop Mark told me how much he had looked forward to visiting our parish. He spoke of how much the parishioners sustain this prayerful community. He enjoyed meeting as many parishioners as he could. During the Bishop's visit he conferred the Ministry of Lector/Reader upon Jim Kay. We congratulate Jim and looking forward to him taking on some pastoral ministries in the Parish. Bishop Mark will be with us again in October to confer the Ministry Acolyte upon Jim. More information will come later. We wish him well in his office as Shepherd of our Diocese. Please keep him your prayers and maybe use the prayer card which you received last weekend. These cards will be available for our Saturday evening Mass and in the church porches. Many thanks to all the volunteers who cleaned the church, prepared the music, the flower arrangers, all who provided the refreshments in the parish hall. Thanks to Deacon Michael and the altar servers.

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Please keep in your prayers Chris Henderson aged 39 who died suddenly. Remember also his parents, partner and children in your prayers.

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15 July 2018

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17 July	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Funeral Mass for Yvonne Morgan
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Fr Paul writes.

The days and weeks seem to fly away. It is just over a week before our children break up for their summer holidays. I do hope that this good weather will last for their holidays but may be a little cooler! We are living in very uncertain times. The issue of Brexit is dominating our news. There seems to be a polarisation in Westminster, EEC and between North and South of our country. Let us not forget that many people are suffering with a lack of support re home care for the elderly. The reliance on the 'Food Bank' for many of our parishioners who need this support, several of them are suffering with the delay in receiving child care and the cut in allowance benefits. Several of our parishioners are working with no reassurance of work. Many of our parish are on 0 hours contracts. Yet in the darkness of these times we have seen community at its best. In particular the 12 boys and their coach who have been brought safely. Let our prayer be to the Holy Spirit who can make all things new.

With my prayers,

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22 July	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish Family Alf Alecock
23 July	MONDAY	St Bridget, Patron of Europe	10.00 am	
24 July	TUESDAY		9.10 am 11.00 am	End of term Mass in School. All are welcome! Funeral Mass for Joan Balshaw
25 July	WEDNESDAY	St James, Apostle	11.00 am	Funeral Mass for Chris Henderson
26 July	THURSDAY	SS Joachim and Ann, parents of Blessed Virgin Mary	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
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Thank you to them and to all the staff for their hard work in getting the show ready on time.

Fr Paul writes:

On Tuesday we will be celebrating the funeral Mass of Joan Balshaw. She was a woman of great faith, who was the strength behind her family. She always made me smile seeing her in her bright coats. We entrust her to the Lord and offer her family our heartfelt prayers. On Wednesday we will celebrate the funeral of Christopher Henderson who died suddenly at the age of 39 years. Once again, we make our heartfelt prayers for his parents and family. We pray too for Alison Clynch and their daughter Poppy. Alison and Christopher were preparing to celebrate their wedding here later this year.

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The school also bid farewell to Miss Jones, who is setting off to Dubai, Mrs Lisboa, who will be enjoying retirement and Mrs Hill, who is moving back to her home town. Mrs Larty also recently departed for pastures new. We would like to thank all of them for their hard work and dedication to St Winefride's and wish them good luck for the future.

We hope all the children and staff of St Winefride's enjoy a wonderful Summer break. See you back in September!

Fr Paul writes:

On Wednesday afternoon along with Carol Lawrence, our diocesan H.R. and Financial Director, we interviewed four very strong candidates for the post of part time secretary for our parish. Three candidates were from the parish. After the interview and discussion which followed, Jayne Shakespeare has been appointed to the post. Jane is a mum with two children Thomas and Kathryn and along with her husband Martin have been members of our parish for a long time. If you see Jayne and family at Mass do say hello. Jayne will take up her post in September.

This week we are going into holiday mode. Firstly, this will be the last Newsletter until September. I would like to thank Karl Ankers for editing the Newsletter over the last few months. The choir are having a break and also the leaders of the Children's liturgy group. You never know Mass might even be a bit shorter. I must have a word with the preacher and see what I can arrange!

Let's enjoy this break whether you are staying at home or off flying away for a well-earned rest. Do keep an extra eye on our senior parishioners during the hot weather. And may our children enjoy these weeks of no school. May the children play well and look out for the safety of their little brothers and sisters. Throughout the break I will keep you and your families in my prayers.

Fr Paul

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bishop Mark has asked every parish, who are served by local hospitals, to print the following:

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CWL: Would like to thank everyone who supported their fund raising events in the past year where £2610 was raised as follows: CAFOD £200, Mary's Meals £200, Aid to the church in need £100, Northern lights £100, White Fathers £100, Stick 'n step £100, Water Aid £50, Autism together £100, The Ark £100, Newspapers for the blind £50, Barn Owl Trust £50, Maggie's at Clatterbridge MacMillan £500, St John's Hospice £200, Teams 4 U £100, Flying for life £100, Cancer research £100. Two dates for your diary Friday 10 August at 2pm and Friday 28 September 9am – 12 noon. More information will be available nearer the time.

Mass Intentions: If you have handed in a request for a Mass to be offered and it has not been celebrated yet, can you print their names at the time of Mass that you have requested and

place them in the Mass box by St. Anthony? Moreover, if you would like a Mass to be said for a family or friend's birthday, or their personal intention, or would like to have a Mass celebrated for your intentions you will find the Mass box by St Anthony's statue. Please print the name of the person you wish to have the Mass for along with a proposed date and time.

SPUC: Our group will be doing the teas/coffees in the Hall after the 10.45 Mass for the summer months. We will also be running a raffle and a bring and buy stall to raise funds for our pro-life work, all contributions gratefully received. No SPUC meetings in August.

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See Fr Paul for Booking Form and pick up an itinerary or if you have any questions see him after Mass.

Summer Holiday's: Over the holiday period, you will find the times of Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist on both notice boards in the church porches.



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Ordinary Time XXII

9 September 2018

8 Sep	SATURDAY	23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	
9 Sep	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	
10 Sep	MONDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
11 Sep	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
12 Sep	WEDNESDAY	Most Holy Name of Mary	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
13 Sep	THURSDAY	St John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor of the Church	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
14 Sep	FRIDAY	Exaltation of the Holy Cross	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
15 Sep	SATURDAY	Our Lady of Sorrows	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
15 Sep	Next Weekend SATURDAY	24th Sunday of Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Lilian Rabbitt
16 Sep	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish Family Betty Neal

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News from St Winefride's Primary School:

The children and staff of St Winefride's Primary School started the new school year this week. The school welcomed all the children back after the Summer break and also the new children joining reception class, who are beginning their school journey. A warm welcome, as well, to new staff members: Mr Shipton, the new reception class teacher, Mr Stallard, teaching assistant and Mr Bailey and Miss Nall who are both trainee teachers.

St Winefride's Primary School would also like to congratulate Mrs Hoskinson and her husband on the arrival of their new baby daughter, Grace Catherine, on 20th August, a sister for Emily.

Fr Paul writes:

It has been a very busy August. And what a hot summer.

Firstly, I would like to welcome Jayne Shakespeare as our new Parish Secretary. She will be working in the parish on Monday, Thursday and Friday from 10.30am until 2.30pm. So, don't be surprised when you hear her voice upon answering the telephone. It will make a change from that Paul O'Grady the TV personality!

A few weeks ago, Pope Francis wrote a letter to every Catholic in the world. This has, in the church's history, never happened before. He is speaking of grave reality of sexual abuse within the Ordained ministry of the Church. I will be saying a few words about the letter after the Gospel this weekend.

The Poor Clares have left Wales and are beginning to get used to their new home. They have been a source of prayer for our parish for many years. I would like to thank Joe Tunstall and the many others who have given them support for many years.

I am very grateful to Theresa Wallace who in a recent trip to Ireland's National Shrine in Knock has enrolled our parish in the Association for one year. Two Masses every day will be offered for our intentions. Theresa was very blessed in attending Mass celebrated by the Pope in Dublin. Once again thank you for this wonderful gift. You will find this card by Our Lady's altar.

It was good to be able to celebrate the beginning of Term Mass in our school. I think several of the pupils were placed on a rack during the summer holiday as they are so tall! It was also good to meet the new members of staff along with all their colleagues. Please keep our Head Teacher Dawn in our prayers along with her staff and the Governors who support them in her work. Over the next week may the Lord keep you safe and bless you and your loved ones.

Fr Paul

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LPA pilgrimage: The three parishes in our LPA (St Winefride's, Holy Family and OLSJ) are visiting Harvington Hall, near Kidderminster, which contains a number of priest holes from the Reformation (see www.harvingtonhall.com). This day trip will now be taking place on Thursday, the 20th of September. Final timings to be confirmed but provisionally leaving at 9am and returning at around 6pm. Cost is £15 which will cover the entrance fee and afternoon tea. Please make payment to your parish representative (Jean Jenkins: Holy Family; Derek Pover: St Winefride's; Bernard Larkin: OLSJ) by 9 September. Cheques payable to "Our Lady and St John", please. Any queries to Bernard Larkin on 0151-342-5517.

SPUC: Meeting next Tuesday 11 September 7.30pm in the church hall. All are welcome to attend and help us in our pro life work. Many thanks to all who supported our teas/coffee, bring and buy and raffle during the summer. With donations we made £216.

Poor Clares: We say good bye after over 20 years when Fr Gerry put out an appeal for food for this Hawarden 'Powerhouse of Prayer' as Fr Gerry often named them. At first it was a fish and cheese club; this evolved to our present day fruit and veg delivery each month. They are now in Nottingham saying prayers as always.

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18 Sep	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
19 Sep	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
20 Sep	THURSDAY	<i>Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gön, Paul Chông Ha-sang, and Companions</i>	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
21 Sep	FRIDAY	<i>St Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist</i>	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
22 Sep	SATURDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
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On Friday 7th September the school celebrated the start of the school year with a lovely mass led by Father Paul and organised by Mrs Bannister. Thank you to them both for marking the return to school in such a wonderful way.

On Monday the parents were given the opportunity to meet the teachers of their children's classes. This event was well attended, thank you to all staff involved.

Congratulations to reception class who have settled in so well that they all started attending school full-time on Monday, ahead of schedule.

S.V.P. KERALA FLOODS APPEAL

We have received a huge thank you from the St Vincent De Paul Society for our generous donation. We raised a total of £603.24 over the bank holiday weekend which was fantastic. Next SVP collection – 29/30th September.

Fr Paul writes:

I would like to thank you for the positive way you listened to me last weekend. I feel very humble. Upon my return I will make available Pope Francis talks and homilies he used while he was in Ireland celebrating Family Life. Please pray for the survivors both young and old of this dreadful darkest sin.

I would like to thank all those who were able to join in the conference on the Eucharist in Liverpool last weekend. A special thanks to Helen Jones, Diocesan Coordinator, for all her hard work. With my prayers for you and your families.

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SPUC: We will be giving out a very important edition of Spuc Pro Life Today after all masses this weekend. This edition is devoted entirely to a special campaign to get at least 45 letters to every MP in the country to oppose the decriminalising of abortion. Please, will you help us by just writing a simple letter to our MP Justin Madders, all the information you need is in the Pro Life Today.

CWL: This Thursday September 20th at 7-30pm in the hall. Pat Wood will demonstrate her floral skills "To there and back", her holiday in flowers.

In aid of Cancer Research UK. on Friday September 28th from 9.00 -12.00 in the hall, we are taking part in the world's biggest coffee morning. Home-made cakes, biscuits, tea, coffee, sales table and raffle. Parishoners and friends welcome to both events.

Adoremus 2018: Our gratitude to all of you who supported Adoremus with your time, enthusiasm, presence and especially your prayers. About 10,000 Catholics were in Liverpool last weekend for three inspirational days which deepened our understanding and relationship with the Eucharist and culminated in the Blessed Sacrament procession on Sunday. A very special thank you to all those who came into Liverpool for the procession and braved the rain which only seemed to enhance the atmosphere and singing! Adoremus is still available for all to experience with video keynotes and highlights at www.shalomworldtv.org/videos/index/2590 and sound files along with downloadable copies of the talks at <http://catholicnews.org.uk/Home/Special-Events/Adoremus-National-Eucharistic-Pilgrimage>. Our thanks to the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales for their vision and organisation of this historic event. Do contact Fr Pat Munroe or Helen Jones should you need further information or have any comments regarding Adoremus: pat.munroe@btinternet.com or helen.jones@dioceseofshrewsbury.org.

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23 September 2018

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This week the children of St Winefrides were able to start attending after school clubs. A huge variety of clubs are available for the children to take part in: basketball, football, design and technology, art, science, film, nature and board games. If that was not enough the older children can have the opportunity to play football twice weekly under the supervision of a sporting coach. All the children will also be taught dancing by a specialist dance teacher in PE lessons this year.

Several members of staff attended a Diocesan mass this week, at Our Lady's in Ellesmere Port, to celebrate the beginning of the school year.

CWL: In aid of Cancer Research UK on **Friday September 28th** from 9.00 -12.00 in the hall, we are taking part in the World's Biggest Coffee Morning. Home-made cakes, biscuits, tea, coffee, sales table and raffle. Parishioners and friends welcome.

Fr Paul writes: John Darby has asked us to remember his mother Bernice Darby who recently passed away. Bernice lived in Neston for over 40 years and was an active member of the parish before she moved to Oxfordshire five years ago to be nearer her family. A memorial mass will be held for Bernice in October.

Also please keep in your prayers the late Brigid O'Brien who died last weekend. Brigid was over from Ireland visiting her daughter in Willaston when she took ill. Her funeral will be held next month.

Fr. Paul

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SVP walk: The SVP invite parishioners to come and join us on a sponsored walk on 30th September, starting @ 13:30 from Parkgate Old Baths car park, North Parade. We will be walking to Gayton and returning to Parkgate via Backwood Hall Farm a distance of 4 miles, there is a shorter version of 2.5 miles. For more details please contact Mark Branch (0151 336 4287).

SVP collection: There will be a second collection for the SVP after mass on 29th/30th September, the SVP are grateful for your continued generosity and keep you in our prayers

SPUC: Many thanks for the fantastic response to our SPUC Pro Life Today last weekend and for all who promised to write to our MP Justin Madders about the decriminalising of abortion. If you haven't got around to it yet, there is still plenty of time to write. MP's do take note when their constituents write to them and we are hoping for at least 45 letters to be sent to each MP. Any questions please phone Margaret on 336 2050

CAFOD: On Family Fast Day, CAFOD invites us to share in the abundance that God has given us. We are asked to fast, pray and give to help people like Longora, who lives in a remote village in Uganda. The area is so hot and dry, people used to struggle to get enough clean water to survive.

Thanks to the generosity of parishioners in England and Wales, **CAFOD** has made sure Longora and her neighbours now have a reliable supply of clean, safe water.

On Family Fast Day, **Friday 5 October**, **CAFOD** invites us to eat simply – perhaps having a bowl of soup instead of a meal – and give the money we save to help people like Longora.

Envelopes will be available next week in church.

SONGS OF PRAISE: You are warmly invited to a special free music recording for Songs of Praise at Christ Church, Oxton this October. All are welcome and we are especially keen for enthusiastic singers to join us and lead the viewers at home in the singing. This recording will be marking the 100 year anniversary of the death of the poet Wilfred Owen, on the 4th November, 1918. When Wilfred Owen and his family relocated from Shropshire, they attended Christ Church, Oxton for several years. Owens father went on to become a Sunday school teacher at the church.

Recording: Thursday 18th October, 6:30pm – 9:30pm

Where: Christ Church, Bessborough Road, Oxton, Birkenhead, CH43 5RW

To apply, please send your name, postcode, contact phone number and number of people taking part to SOPcongregations@avantimedia.tv If you are a keen singer, please also include your voice part (SATB). Please include 'Birkenhead Recording' in your subject header. If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact the team at SOPcongregations@avantimedia.tv or call 0161 873 7073.

SOUP AND SANDWICHES: First Monday of the month, starting **Monday 1st October**. Volunteers please let Brian, Fran or Jayne, parish secretary know if you are willing to help.

GDPR: On 25th May 2018, a new EU Regulation came into force, called the **General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)**. The purpose of the new Regulation is to strengthen and unify data protection for all individuals within the European Union.

Last Thursday Jayne attended one of the training sessions, run by the Diocesan Solicitor, Sarah Williams. Sarah has written a couple of very helpful guides for all parishioners who may handle Personal Data for the Parish (collecting sponsorship money, writing rotas, organising trips, running groups etc). These can be accessed from the Diocesan website.

<http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/parish-docs>
 This web page also contains a comprehensive list of all forms and documents that Parishioners may need, all of which have been standardised across the Diocese and updated in light of the new GDPR regulations. Please do take time to look at them. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.
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30 September 2018

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30 Sep	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Priest's intention Kenneth McMahon
1 Oct	MONDAY	St Therese of the Child Jesus	10.00 am	Fred Cropper and family
2 Oct	TUESDAY	The Holy Guardian Angels	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
3 Oct	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	Michael Walsh
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This week the whole school enjoyed a celebration of modern foreign languages.

Year 6 helped **Year 2**, with a number of activities based around France and its language including writing, art, numbers, colours, music and food tasting.

Year 2 also studied a little Spanish and tried some Spanish food. **Year 3** wrote prayers in French. **Reception** class learned some French phrases. **Year 5** went outside in the beautiful autumn sunshine for a French picnic sampling French biscuits and cakes. They also listened to French pop music!!

SVP: Sponsored walk this Sunday 30th September at 1:30pm from Parkgate Old Baths car park. We will be walking to Gayton and returning to Parkgate via Backwood Hall Farm (4 miles), with a shorter version of 2.5 miles.

Second collection for the SVP after mass this weekend.

Soup and Sandwiches: First Monday of the month, starting this Monday, 1st October. Volunteers please let Brian, Fran or Jayne, parish secretary know if you are willing to help.

Dear Pope Francis!

Letter from a Brazilian Priest to the Pope

Actually, you're guilty!

You're guilty of being a man and not being an angel!

You're guilty because you have the humility to accept that you're wrong and ask forgiveness. Ask forgiveness for you and for us. And that for many is unacceptable.

You're guilty because you didn't want to be a judge, a man of law, and you're an example and a testimony of mercy.

You're guilty because you abandoned the tradition of living in palaces and chose to live like ordinary people.

Guilty because you left the sumptuousness of Saint John of the Lateran and preferred to visit the poverty of prisons, orphanages, hospitals, etc.

You're guilty! You stopped kissing the perfumed feet of the eminences and you kiss the "dirty" feet of convicts, women, sick, people of other religious denominations, people "different"!

You are condemned because you opened the doors to the refugees and because in front of painful and waiting subjects you simply answer: "who am I to judge?"

You are doomed because you assume your fragility by asking you to pray for you while many require you to be dogmatic, intolerant and regulatory.

Pope Francis, you are guilty of so many so-called "infidels", "excommunicated" and "impure" who have rediscovered, thanks to you, the beautiful face of Christ full of tenderness and mercy.

You're guilty because "you call things by their names" and you don't stop reminding the bishops that they're not airport pastors but must wear "the smell of their sheep".

You're guilty because you tore the pages of intolerance, Sterile And Ruthless Morales, and you offered us the beauty of compassion, tenderness and sincerity.

You're guilty because you opened our eyes, those of intelligence and reason, but especially the eyes of the heart.

You are guilty of wanting to carry the cross of the church instead of diverting the look, being indifferent to the pain and tears of the men of our time.

You're guilty because you can't stand the heinous crimes made in the name of God and those who speak of God but live against him.

You are guilty because you seek truth and justice, by mercy, instead of silence, hide, minimize or ignore.

You're guilty because you don't want a church of privileges and benefits, glories, and you teach us the strength of the service, the wealth of the foot enema and the greatness of simplicity.

Pope François let you blame for these "crimes". you know that by your side they are countless these men and women who, like you, are not angels, but fragile people, sinners, who hope that Christ watches over us and for us.

You know that with you there is a huge procession of hearts that pray for you every moment; for you they would risk their lives.

They follow you like sheep who trust their pastor.

It was Christ who put you on the stand of this "boat" that is the church.

Christ will give you the strength to pursue this path of "guilt" that has done so well in the world and church.

Dear Pope François Thank you for being "guilty" to make the church beautiful as the dream Jesus.

Father Antoine Teixeira
 Brazil

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vigilance: We have been informed by St Nicholas' Burton that on the afternoon of Sunday 9th September two guitars and a data projector were stolen from the church. St Nicholas' church want to alert all local churches of the situation. We will be reviewing our security especially as it is left open, like most other churches for visitors.

Choir Rehearsals: The music group will resume weekly rehearsals in church from Wednesday 3rd October between 7 - 8pm. We would love to welcome new singers or instrumentalists to our group. If you would like to join us just for Christmas, we are happy to have 'occasional' members.

EMHC/Readers Rota: A new rota for October to January is now available online.

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CAFOD Family Fast Day: Envelopes will be in both porches this weekend. Please do take one before you leave. This year's focus is on providing clean water supplies for some of the poorest most hard-to-reach people around the world. The envelopes can be handed in on the offertory plate at any Mass during October. **FAMILY FAST DAY - FRIDAY 5TH OCTOBER.**

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DIOCESAN EVENTS

Mass for Persecuted Christians: Saturday 6th October at 12 noon, Shrewsbury Cathedral.

ACN Talks: On the Suffering Church in Iraq & Pakistan, Sunday 7th October, St Columba's, Chester at 3pm. Please join Bishop Mark and the Catholic charity Aid to the Church in Need for these events focussing on the plights of Christians in Iraq and Pakistan. All welcome.

Mass for Celebration of Grandparents: Saturday 13 October at 12 noon at St Hugh's and St John's, Altrincham WA14 5NB.

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Ordinary Time XXVII

7 October 2018

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7 Oct	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Priest' intention Fred Cropper and family
8 Oct	MONDAY		10.00 am	Mass
9 Oct	TUESDAY	St Denis & Companion; St. John Leonardi; Blessed John Henry Newman	10.00am	Sally Ward
10 Oct	WEDNESDAY	St Paulinus of York	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist.
11 Oct	THURSDAY	St. Canice; St. John XXIII, Pope	10.00 am	Mass
12 Oct	FRIDAY	St. Wilfred	1.00 pm	Funeral service for Brigid O'Brien
13 Oct	SATURDAY	St. Edward the Confessor	10.00 am	Christopher McParlin
13 Oct	Next Weekend SATURDAY	28 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	All the sick
14 Oct	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish family Michael Walsh

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News from St Winefride's Primary School:

There is a new PTFA (Parents, Teachers and Friends Association) at St Winefride's Primary School. It is open to all parents, friends of the school and staff. A new elected committee has been formed by enthusiastic volunteers who will be using their time and skills to organise fun events for the children. These events will raise funds for the school and enable the provision of extra resources to improve the children's learning experience. The committee would be grateful for any help you can provide whether it be attending meetings, baking cakes or manning a stall at the fair. The next meeting is to be held at The Royal Oak pub on Tuesday 16th October at 7pm. All are welcome!!

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CWL – Thank you for your support at the MacMillan Cancer Care coffee morning which raised **£380**. Next committee meeting this **Thursday 11th October at 7.30pm** in the church hall.

SYMT Youth Leader's Training day – Saturday 13th October. 10.00am – 2.30pm at St Joseph's, Hope Rd, Sale, M33 3BF

Fr Paul writes:

It is good to be home. I've had a very good rest. I even managed a prayer or two. The weather was good except three full days of continuous rainfall. Over the past two days we have had the experience of earth tremors. I think the good Lord is telling me to get home

On Friday this week at 1.00pm, we will be celebrating a funeral Mass for Brigid O'Brien. Brigid was over from Ireland for a holiday visiting her daughter in Willaston along with many other members of the family and friends in London. During her visit she discovered that she had cancer with only a few days to live. I would be very grateful if you were able to come along to her funeral Mass in support of her family.

I thought you might like to read an interview from the Vatican website re the Synod on young people which has just started in Rome:

SYNOD OCTOBER 2018

Pope Frances and Young People of the World

Giving young people a voice

As the Church gears up for the Synod of Bishops, Youth Ministry worker, Megan Cox who participated at the Pre-Synod meeting in March says "young people were at the forefront of that conversation."

By Lydia O'Kane

The countdown maybe on to the Synod of Bishops on Young People, the Faith, and Vocational Discernment which begins on Wednesday, but it was in March that the youth of the world came together in Rome to have their say. Youth Ministry Development Worker, Megan Cox represented the Archdiocese of Birmingham in England at the Pre-Synodal meeting.

Speaking about her experience to Vatican News, she says, "automatically the attention was turned straight to young people, with the idea of, if we are going to talk about young people, we probably need to ask them." "That really impressed me to start with, that the point of the Synod wasn't lost from the get go and actually young people were at the forefront of that conversation."

Megan herself works in Youth Ministry and points out that although youth ministry in her own diocese is very active, that can't be said for other parts of the UK. She adds, that it is in a "revolution period" and is gaining speed but, it hasn't yet reached its full potential.

Global Youth Issues

The Pre-Synod, Megan notes, saw participation from all over the world and she describes this as very important. "If we're talking in terms of a universal Church, it needs to be universal; we need to have the opinions of young people from across the globe. She goes on to say, that it is clear from the document that came out from the Pre-Synod meeting, that there are "issues shared by young people across the world, things that we all have in common."

Social Justice and Social Media

Megan recalls that during the meeting, what came out strongly was the theme of Social Justice and what it meant to young people, depending on where they were from. Another key theme, she says, was the issue of social media in the lives of young people. Megan comments "it is such a great tool but can also be so damaging, so where is the balance...?" What came out of discussions was that, "if you've got a generation looking down at their phones all the time rather than looking up at what is going on around them, what can you do about that?" She says, if that is the case, let's harness that and let's use it as a resource for the Church.

Asked what she would like to see coming out of the upcoming Synod of Bishops, Megan expresses the hope that, they will "remain faithful to what they've heard young people say, the documents that have been given to them from the Pre-Synod meeting, the conversations that have been held around the world, that when they eventually produce their document that it is just true to what they've been told..."

Megan says, the Catholic Church has had its trials and tribulations, but despite that it is an amazing community to be a part of with enthusiastic young people who want it to thrive.

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Also **NDCT** will be holding their **One World Week Service** at St Winefride's on **Sunday 21st October @ 6.30pm**, please come along and celebrate with our Christian brothers and sisters from across Neston.

Songs of Praise: This October. All welcome to join us and lead the viewers at home in the singing. Recording to take place on **Thursday 18 October**, 6:30pm-9:30pm at Christ Church, Oxton, CH43 5RW. To apply, please send your name, postcode, contact phone number and number of people taking part to SOPcongregations@avantimedia.tv.

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SVP – Thank you once again for your kind generosity last weekend.

DIOCESAN EVENTS

Diocesan Mass to celebrate Grandparents: On Saturday 13th October at 12 noon there will be a mass at St Hugh's and St John's, West Timperley, Altrincham, WA14 5NB. All grandparents and families are welcome to celebrate and give thanks for the part grandparents play in the lives of their grandchildren. Refreshments will be provided afterwards in the Parish Centre. Posters on the noticeboard.

Three Catholic Schools: A Musical Evening. On the **11th October at 7.00 pm** Our Lady and St John, Heswall will be hosting this event as part of the Wirral Arts Festival. **Ladymount Primary School, St Anselm's College,** and **Upton Hall School** are performing an evening of music, comprising both choral and instrumental pieces. There will also be a guest appearance from pupils of the **Little Actors Theatre**. All are welcome. Admission is FREE, but a collection will be taken during the evening for donations to CAFOD. Do join us and see the outstanding talents of our young people.

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14 October 2018

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15 Oct	MONDAY	St Teresa of Jesus Virgin, Doctor of the Church	10.00 am	Alfred Campion
16 Oct	TUESDAY	Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Mass
17 Oct	WEDNESDAY	St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, Martyr	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
18 Oct	THURSDAY	St. Luke, Evangelist	10.00 am	Sister Mary Rose
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This week Year 6 have enjoyed their residential visit to Conwy. The children were accompanied by Mrs O'Gorman, Mrs Dee and Mr Stallard. The children took part in many different outdoor activities and also completed an art project that they have brought back to school to display.

At the time of writing the school are looking forward to Friday when the children will be planting spring bulbs outside the school with local councillor, Louise Gittins, and local MP, Justin Madders, with the aim of brightening up Neston. St Winefrides is also proud to announce that they have been awarded the School Games Gold Mark Award 2017/2018 academic year. This rewards schools for their commitment to the development of sporting competition across their school and community. Congratulations to all the children and staff, especially Mrs Davies, PE subject leader.

CWL: Meeting this **Thursday 18th October** at 7.30pm. Also **"Knit and Natter"** at 2pm in the church hall on **Friday October 19th**. Everyone Welcome.

Fr Paul writes:

The one thing that happens to us all when we have a holiday, is that it's hard to crank up and get back into the swing of things. I feel as if I had never been away.

I ask you to remember in your prayers Ethel Woodburn and Wayne Consalvez who died this week. As we remember them also remember their family and friends at this difficult time of loss.

As promised you will receive a copy of Pope Francis' talks and homilies that he gave at the World meeting of Families in Dublin. I hope you will find this useful particularly for the victims and survivors of abuse, be they adults or young people.

Pope Francis has so much to say about Mercy and Mission. He is perhaps one of the few popes who are very rooted on the ground. He has a very difficult respond ability. His wish of the church, especially those who have authority like bishops and priests, that they are called to be servants of the Gospel. They should never use their authority to burden the faithful be they a member of the church or a fellow traveller on the road to salvation. It is not sufficient for them to call themselves 'Shepherds'. By serving the community of faith they must not care if they are called to 'smell like the sheep.' The Lord gave his life so that we can be reconciled with the Father. In turn all the clergy, religious orders and the baptised must put the loving service of others and follow the path that the Lord has made.

So, pray for the Pope. Maybe saying the rosary at your morning and night prayers or in the silent moments of our inward silence.

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I'll keep you all in my prayer over the coming week. **Fr Paul**

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Cleaning Rota: The new rota from October 2018 to April 2019 is now available online.

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SPUC - As we feared an abortion bill is being introduced on Tuesday 23rd October which seeks to remove criminal sanctions for abortion i.e. in other words decriminalise abortion. This could

lead to changes in the law which would remove any effective legal protection for unborn babies and their mothers. Please, will you help by taking a postcard today as you leave Mass, fill it in and send it to Justin Madders our MP as it is vital that we win the vote on the 23rd October.

DIOCESAN EVENTS

At Easter time 2019, the **HCPT** group will once again be taking a small group of vulnerable and disadvantaged children on a pilgrimage to Lourdes. Following on from the success of the Irish Dancing Afternoon Tea fundraiser last January and due to public demand, we are holding another event at **St Anne's Parish Centre, Rock Ferry on Sunday 4 November, 12-4pm**. Tickets will be available @ £8 for adults and £5 for accompanying children.

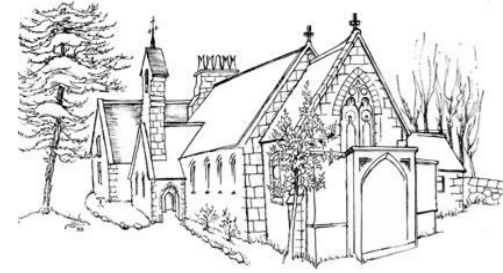
We understand that Christmas is just around the corner, but we would really appreciate any support for this event. It would make a lovely Christmas gift for a Grandparent!!

Please contact Erin on 07473311235 or by email erinmcculloch6@hotmail.co.uk if you are interested or know anyone who might be!! All proceeds from the fundraiser will go towards expenses for the trip. Join us for a fun afternoon of Ceili dancing, Afternoon Tea, Irish Bingo, a raffle and traditional Irish dancing!!

ACTS' ('ADULT CATHOLICS TOGETHER SPIRITUALLY') 2018 residential retreat will take place on **Fri 26 Oct - Sun 28 Oct**. Fr Tony McGrath will lead the retreat entitled 'Living the Eucharistic Mystery' to coincide with 'The Year of the Eucharist'. Each Sunday the Church gathers together to celebrate the Eucharist, "the source and summit of the Christian life" and Fr McGrath will help us explore what this means for our daily life. Venue: St Winefride's Guest House in Holywell, North Wales (lifts may be available). Attendees will be invited to give an anonymous donation (suggested £100). For further information contact Siobhan Cartwright (Tel: 0161 477 2783 / mobile 07761 138947) or email siobhanc@gmail.com.

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21 October 2018

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21 Oct	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish family Betty Neal
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23 Oct	TUESDAY	Funeral	10.00am	Wayne Consalvez
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Do you have a child due to start school in September 2019?

If you have a child with a birth date between 1st Sept 2014 and 31st Aug 2015 you need to register with Cheshire Admissions and Transfer Team at www.cheshire.gov.uk/admissions or use the Registration Form that should have been sent directly to your home during July. If you have not received a form, please speak to Mrs McCann in the school office.

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Fr Paul

I thought you may like to read one of the homilies that Pope Francis gave during this week.

Pope at Mass: Be careful around rigid Christians

"Salvation is a gift from God," He gives us "the spirit of liberty."

Pope Francis based his homily on the day's Gospel, which tells how Jesus did not observe the prescribed cleansing when He was invited to dine at the home of a Pharisee. The Gospel relates the harsh response of Jesus at the "amazement" of the Pharisees. Doctors of the Law scandalized by Jesus. The Pope emphasized the difference between the love of the people for Jesus, who loved Him because He touched their hearts, and a little bit because of their own interest; and the hatred of the doctors of the Law, the scribes, the Sadducees, the Pharisees, who followed Him in order to catch Him in an error. They were the "pure": They were truly an example of formality. But they lacked life. They were, so to speak, "starched." They were rigid. And Jesus knew their soul. This scandalizes us, because they were scandalized by the things Jesus did when He forgave sins, when He healed on the Sabbath. They rent their garments: "Oh! What a scandal! This is not from God, because He should have done this" [instead]. The people didn't matter to them: The Law mattered to them, the prescriptions, the rubrics." Whiteness sepulchres.

Jesus, though, accepts the invitation of the Pharisee – because He is free – and He goes to him. The Pharisee was scandalized by His behaviour which went beyond the rules. But Jesus says to him, "You Pharisees cleanse the outside of the cup and the dish, [but] inside you are filled with plunder and evil."

They are not beautiful words, eh? Jesus spoke clearly, He was not a hypocrite. He spoke clearly. And he said to them, "But why do you look at what is external? Look at what is within." Another time He said to them, "You are whiteness sepulchres." Nice compliment, eh? Beautiful on the outside, all perfect... all perfect... but within, full of rotteness, therefore of greed, of wickedness, He says. Jesus distinguishes between appearances and internal reality. These lords are "doctors of appearances": always perfect, always. But within, what is there?

Hypocrites interested only in appearances

Pope Francis recalled other passages in the Gospel when Jesus condemned such people, as He did in the parable of the Good Samaritan, or when He denounced their ostentatious manner of fasting and almsgiving. This, he said, is because they were interested only in appearances. "Jesus describes these people with one word: hypocrites." They are people with greedy souls, capable of killing: "capable of paying to kill or calumniate, as happens every day. It happens today: they are paid to give bad news, news that smears others. "Behind rigidity there are grave problems".

In a word, Pope Francis continued, the Pharisees and doctors of the Law were rigid people, not disposed to change. "But always, under or behind rigidity, there are problems, grave problems," the Pope said. We intend to have the appearance of being a good Christian; we intend to appear a certain way, we put make-up on our souls. However, Pope Francis said, behind these appearances, "there are problems. Jesus is not there. The spirit of the world is there."

Do I open my heart?

Jesus calls them "foolish" and advises them to open their souls to love, in order for grace to enter. Because "grace is a freely-given gift from God. No one saves himself, no one. No one saves himself, even with the practices of these people. "Finally, the Pope warns us to be careful around those who are rigid. Be careful around Christians – be they laity, priests, bishops – who present themselves as so "perfect," rigid. Be careful. There's no Spirit of God there. They lack the spirit of liberty. And let us be careful with ourselves, because this should lead us to consider our own life. Do I seek to look only at appearance, and not change my heart? Do I not open my heart to prayer, to the liberty of prayer, the liberty of almsgiving, the liberty of works of mercy?

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Cleaning Rota: The new rota from October 2018 to April 2019 is now available online.

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The Hoylake Pro life group are organising an Ecumenical Pro Life Service on **Sunday 28th October at 2 30pm** in St Catherine and Martina Church, Hoylake Road, Hoylake. All are welcome and there will be refreshments afterwards.

SVP: There will be a second collection for the SVP after mass next weekend 27th/28th. The SVP are grateful for your continued generosity.

DIOCESAN EVENTS

LEGO CHURCH: Thursday 1st November, 3.15-4.30pm at Little Neston Methodist Hall. Sessions will start with a period of free play with Lego, and then there will be a Bible story. The children will then make Lego models to illustrate the story. See noticeboards for more info.

ACTS' ('ADULT CATHOLICS TOGETHER SPIRITUALLY') 2018 residential retreat will take place on **Fri 26 Oct – Sun 28 Oct**. Fr Tony McGrath will lead the retreat entitled 'Living the Eucharistic Mystery' to coincide with 'The Year of the Eucharist'. Each Sunday the Church gathers together to celebrate the Eucharist, "the source and summit of the Christian life" and Fr McGrath will help us explore what this means for our daily life. Venue: St Winefride's Guest House in Holywell, North Wales (lifts may be available). Attendees will be invited to give an anonymous donation (suggested £100). For further information contact Siobhan Cartwright (Tel: 0161 477 2783 / mobile 07761 138947) or email siobhanbc@gmail.com.

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Remembrance service – Our Time to Remember service will be next Sunday 25th November at 2.30pm. All welcome. Refreshments will be available in the hall afterwards.

Remembering our loved ones.

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The names of parish volunteers who need to renew their Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) certificates are listed in the church porches. Kindly collect an application set from the table in either porch and sign the list on the noticeboard to confirm collection. You may choose an online or paper application according to preference. Please come to the Parish Hall on **Wednesday, 12th December** at any convenient time between 7pm-8pm. Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator, Andy O'Brien and Parish Safeguarding Representative, Terry Nolan will be on hand to complete the process. In the meantime, if you have any queries please contact Andy on 652 9855 or Terry on 336 3890.

SVP: Flatpack Music present Yuletide Jubilations, a spectacular two-hour celebration of Christmas Music and Operatic favourites, come along and get into the festive spirit on **Friday 7th December, 7:30pm** at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Church, Ellesmere Port, CH65 8BY. Tickets are £10 and available from Mark Branch or call 07540 655749. Ticket proceeds will go to the St Vincent De Paul Society.

SVP: Next weekend, 24th/25th November there will be a second collection for the SVP. SVP are grateful for your continued generosity and keep you in our prayers.

Building work – On Monday 26th November work will begin on changing the internal doors on the back porch. It is likely to take 3 days, so mass on those mornings will be in the house.

DIOCESAN EVENTS

Dowry Tour – On the weekend of the 29th Nov-1st Dec the Dowry Tour will be visiting Shrewsbury Cathedral. Posters and leaflets are in both porches. If you would like to attend at any point during the weekend, there is no need to book, nor is there any charge.

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4 November 2018

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4 Nov	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Tom & Sean McKeown Betty Neal		
5 Nov	MONDAY		10.00 am	Fred Barber		
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DIOCEASAN EVENTS

HCPT group will once again be taking a small group of vulnerable and disadvantaged children on a pilgrimage to Lourdes next Easter. Following on from the success of the Irish Dancing Afternoon Tea last January, we are holding another event at **St Anne's Parish Centre, Rock Ferry** on **Sunday 4 November, 12-4pm**. All proceeds from the fundraiser will go towards expenses for the trip.

LOURDES 2019

If you are 17 years or older and interested in being a Youth Helper in Lourdes to assist the sick and disabled of Shrewsbury Diocesan Pilgrimage next Summer, then come with us! Christ the King Youth group, Bromborough will be travelling by coach on 25th -2nd August 2019. Please contact us for further details: Sarah Kimpton - sarah@kimpton.ltd.uk Tel: 07966501742 Pamela Kimpton - pamanderickimpton@btinternet.com Tel: 07802407388

CLERGY EDUCATION & TRAINING FUND – Next weekend the annual collection for the training and formation of priests will be held. Special envelopes will be available at all masses that weekend.

Message from the Parish Office:

We would like to put together a new **prayer list**. The current one we have is now out of date. The prayer list will then be left in the lady chapel. If you would like to be included on the list or would like a friend or family member prayed for then please either e-mail the parish office, post a note through the presbytery door or leave details with Fr Paul at mass. My aim is to update it monthly. Thank you.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you: Peter and Laurie Walsh would like to thank the parishioners for all their support during Laurie's recent illness. We are happy to report that the chemotherapy has been successful. God bless you all.

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Open Day: St Winefride's Primary School would like to invite any prospective parents to an Open Day at the school on **Thursday 15th November**. Visitors are welcome to attend at either 9.30am or 1.30pm.

Soup and sandwiches: First Monday of the month, next session Monday 5th November. 12-1.00pm. Volunteers please let Brian, Fran or Jayne, parish secretary know if you are willing to help.

CWL: Committee meeting at Angela's this **Thursday 8th November** at 7.30pm. **Annual Bereavement Mass:** Thursday 15 November at 7.00 pm. We remember all our deceased CWL Members and those of the parish.

MISSION TOGETHER: Thank you for your on-going support of **Our Mission Together**. Your generosity is giving us ways and means with which we can support and foster the mission of our church here at St Winefride's. Our plan is to use the funds we retain to refurbish both the parish hall and parish church. Plans are currently being made to ensure we can undertake this project with confidence in the months ahead. We look forward to keeping you updated as our plans develop. Please continue to support **Our Mission Together** and to pray for our clergy, our parish and those in need around us.

Hymn to St Winefride

(To the tune of 'All through the night')

Winefride, of Wales and England,

For our world, we pray.

Seeking Christ with understanding

For our world, we pray.

Calm the strife of warring factions,

Save our poor from drought's destruction -

Water from the well of healing

For our world, we pray.

Succour those who suffer violence

In our world, we pray.

Love, not hatred or indifference

In our world, we pray.

Time and space for education,

Leisure to enjoy creation -

Share with us the fount of healing

In our world, we pray.

Plant the seeds of hope and faith, to

Change our world, we pray.

Help us all, in great or small ways,

Change our world, we pray.

May young people join together,

Overcoming troubles, with the

Water from the well of healing:

Change our world, we pray.

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Ordinary Time XXXII

11 November 2018

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12 Nov	MONDAY	St. Josaphat, Bishop	10.00 am	Sister Dominica
13 Nov	TUESDAY	Interment of Ashes	10.00 am 1.00 pm	Special Intention Yvonne Morgan
14 Nov	WEDNESDAY	St. Dyfrig; St. Laurence O'Toole	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
15 Nov	THURSDAY	St. Albert the Great, Bishop	7.00 pm	CWL Bereavement Mass
16 Nov	FRIDAY	St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude; St. Edmund of Abingdon	10.00 am	Karl Pisarek
17 Nov	SATURDAY	St. Elizabeth of Hungary; St. Hugh of Lincoln; St. Hilda	10.00 am	Geoff Wylie
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News from St Winefride's Primary School:

All the staff and children of St Winefride's went back to school this week after the half-term break. Over the holiday three staff members spent their free time re-organising the library and making its new location inviting and welcoming to the children. Many hours were spent organising fiction books into alphabetical order and non-fiction books into categories! Thank you very much to Mrs Roberts, Mrs Dee and Mrs Jeacock for their time and dedication to the school.

The school would like to ask for donations of good quality, modern, children's books to increase the choice available to pupils. If you are able to donate, please bring the books into school, or alternatively leave in the porch at church. Many thanks in advance for your kindness.

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SPUC: The date and time of SPUC meetings have been changed to a Thursday morning, the first being **this Thursday 15th November at 10.45 am in the church hall**. We will be serving tea and coffee after the Mass and then if anyone wishes to stay and attend our meeting they will be most welcome. Christmas Cards now on sale in the church hall. Lovely cards and all with the traditional Christmas message.

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Shoebboxes: Thank you to all who helped with items and assembly of the shoebboxes. 48 were collected by Teams4u and will be taken to Romania for children and families.

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The CWL has sponsored the Remembrance Day flowers this year. They are accompanied by a prayer for the armed forces which is said at all meetings.

A PRAYER FOR THE ARMED FORCES AND THEIR CHAPLAINS

Father of us all,
whose Son uncovered faith in a soldier under obedience,
keep close to you the serving sons and
daughters of this country
who put themselves in harm's way for the sake of others.

Be a shield around them and a courage within. Invest them
with persistence in duty and a thirst for what is right.

Be the words of their Chaplains and the touch in their
hands.
Inspire these pastors to be channels of your grace.

We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.



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The Spiritans (Holy Ghost Fathers): We welcome to St Winefride's **Fr James Mchamungu** who will be taking the masses this weekend, 17th/18th November and there will be a second collection after mass for their Mission Appeal. Your support, and contribution will greatly help the in their missionary work abroad.

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Remembrance service – Our Time to Remember service will be next Sunday 25th November at 2.30pm. All welcome. Refreshments will be available in the hall afterwards.

Remembering our loved ones.

Parish Volunteer Safeguarding: Parish Volunteer Safeguarding: Renewal of DBS Certificates, **Wednesday 12th December (7pm-8pm).**

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Ordinary Time XXXIV

25 November 2018

24 Nov	SATURDAY	Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King	6.30 pm	Bertie Maguire
25 Nov	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am 2.30 pm	Heinz Pisarek Eileen Perryman – 90th Birthday Time to remember
26 Nov	MONDAY	Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00 am	Deceased of Rathbone and Woodhead families Mass will be in the house
27 Nov	TUESDAY	Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist – in the house
28 Nov	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist – in the house
29 Nov	THURSDAY		10.00 am	Sister Veronica Holy Souls
30 Nov	FRIDAY	Weekday in Ordinary Time	10.00 am	Antony Kay Lucie MacKinnon
01 Dec	SATURDAY		10.00 am	Bernice Darby
01 Dec	Next Weekend SATURDAY	35 th Sunday in Ordinary Time First Sunday of Advent	6.30 pm	Parish family
02 Dec	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Jane Kendall Hugh Schofield

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Year 3 shared knowledge of the meanings of the different coloured poppies that are seen, red, purple, white and black. Year 4 brought their home learning in to school including artefacts from WW1 like medals and **Year 5** used the book "Poppy Fields" by Michael Morpugo to express their understanding of remembrance. The assembly concluded with the playing of "The Last Post" and a 2 minute silence.

Everyone agreed that it was a beautiful way to remember the fallen of both WW1 and later conflicts.

Fr Paul writes:

A big thank you for your generosity last weekend for the Mission Appeal collection on behalf of the Spiritans. Over £700 was raised.

Please also remember in your thoughts this week the families of Kevin O'Brien and Dr Kevin Bunting, both of whom have recently passed away.

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Advent I

2 December 2018

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2 Dec	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Jane Kendall Hugh Schofield
3 Dec	MONDAY	St Francis Xavier	10.00 am	Sister Theresa Special Intention Mass will be in the house
4 Dec	TUESDAY	St John Damascus	10.00 am	Sister Hannah Mass will be in the house
5 Dec	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	NO MASS TODAY
6 Dec	THURSDAY	St Nicholas Funeral	12.00 pm	Kevin O'Brien
7 Dec	FRIDAY	St Ambrose	10.00 am	Marie Pugh Karl Pisarek
8 Dec	SATURDAY	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	10.00 am	Ruth Brookes
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Last week Year 5 enjoyed making lanterns with the help and support of the Neston CAN group. Mrs Milner, Chair of governors and Year 5 class governor, also came into school to help the children and get to know them. All the children's lanterns were amazing and some of the children will be taking theirs to the parade in Neston on 1st December.

Fr Paul writes: Neston Civic Society entered Neston and Little Neston in the Cheshire Best Kept village competition, jointly with Neston Town Council. At an awards ceremony in November they were runner up in their category. Each village is also given a Little Gem Award and the judges chose the gardens of St Winefride's church, in particular, the church floodlighting. I want to say a big thank you to Claire Jones for her continual hard work in making the front of the church so welcoming.

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Advent II

9 December 2018

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9 Dec	SUNDAY	<i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	8.45 am 10.45 am	Peter William Edward Stowe Sister Laurice McMullan
10 Dec	MONDAY	<i>St John Roberts – Human Rights Day</i>	10.00 am	Colin Beardsworth
11 Dec	TUESDAY	<i>St. Damasus, Pope</i>	10.00 am	Monica & Frank McKey Special Intention
12 Dec	WEDNESDAY	<i>St. Finian; St. Jane Frances de Chantal; Our Lady of Guadalupe</i>	12.30 pm	Funeral - Dr Kevin Bunting
13 Dec	THURSDAY	<i>St. Lucy</i>	10.00 pm	Partridge family
14 Dec	FRIDAY	<i>St. John of the Cross</i>	10.00 am	Kevin O'Brien
15 Dec	SATURDAY		10.00 am	Bill Murray
15 Dec	Next Weekend SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Elizabeth Williams
16 Dec	SUNDAY	<i>Third Sunday of Advent</i>	8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish family Rob Barber Kevin Bunting

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News from St Winefride's Catholic Primary School: This week the children of Year 3 took part in the Deaf Active Concert held at Neston High School. For the past 10 weeks the children have been learning British Sign language including greetings, sports and feelings. They also learnt to sing and sign to some pop songs. In celebration of their learning the children joined other local primary schools to perform in a concert for their families. Year 3 were amazing and all the teachers were very proud of them.

Last week two girls' football teams (Year 3 and 4, and Year 6) took part in a competition between schools from Neston, Ellesmere Port, Frodsham and Helsby. It was the first time the Year 3 and 4 girls had represented St Winefride's in any competition. The girls put on a fantastic performance finishing second! The Year 6 girls team qualified for the final after finishing in first position in their group. The final ended in a draw with the girls facing a penalty shoot-out which they won!! This marvellous team will now represent our area in the Cheshire County finals in January! Congratulations to both teams on their magnificent achievements. The school is very proud of you.

Fr Paul writes: As is our custom the blessed sacrament is exposed on the alter before all our weekend masses and I will be available for private confession. **Next weekend** I will be offering the sacrament of anointing of the sick at all our Masses. There will be an opportunity to come before the Lord and seek healing from sickness and forgiveness of sins.

Poinsettia Week. In helping with the decorating of our church for Christmas, if you are able, it would be wonderful to give the 'Flower Ladies' a Poinsettia to enhance the wonderful work these ladies do. Thank you also for your kind generosity in helping raise £275 for the flower collection last weekend. Just to let you know that we have been without a phone line for the last 5 days and it will be Tuesday before an engineer is able to come out to us.

Back porch - work on the porch continues, but all being well it should be finished by Wednesday!

Fr Paul

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EMHC/Readers Rota: A new rota for January - April is currently being prepared. If there are any dates that you are unavailable, please email readers@stwinefridesneston.org.uk or emhc@stwinefridesneston.org.uk. Also if you wish to be added or removed from the rota, please let us know via email.

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Advent III

16 December 2018

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			10.45 am	Rob Barber Kevin Bunting
17 Dec	MONDAY	Weekday of Advent	10.00 am	Doherty & Southwell family
18 Dec	TUESDAY	Weekday of Advent	10.00 am	Dow family
19 Dec	WEDNESDAY	Weekday of Advent	10.00 am	Mass or Service of word and Eucharist
20 Dec	THURSDAY	Weekday of Advent	10.00 am	Cropper intention
21 Dec	FRIDAY	St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church	10.00 am	Keith Walker
22 Dec	SATURDAY	Weekday of Advent	10.00 am	Special Intention
22 Dec	Next Weekend SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Geoff and Margaret Davies
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			10.45 am	Doherty and Southwell families Larry Duggan

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Fr Paul writes: It has been a very busy time for both staff and children at St Winefride's Primary school. Lots of preparation for the annual nativity play for the infants and carol concert for the juniors. The infants have already performed and next week is the turn of the juniors. Here at church this Monday 17th, from 6.30pm will be the junior Carol Concert. All welcome to come, but arrive early as it's a popular event!!

In addition to this the school were also visited by Ofsted at the beginning of the month. The visit was a success and St Winefride's continues to be classed as a "Good" school by Ofsted.

Friday is the last day of term at St Winefride's and I would like to wish all the children, teachers, staff and governors a lovely Christmas break. Please enjoy the holiday and remain safe.

Christmas Mass times – We have produced a leaflet with all the times from Christmas Eve to Sunday 6th January which will be given out after mass this weekend. Please make sure you get a copy. The masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day are as follows:

24th December 6.30 pm Carols and vigil mass
 24th December 11.00 pm Mass leading to midnight
 25th December 8.45 am Dawn mass
 25th December 10.45 am Day mass

Back porch - Work on the porch has now been completed and I am sure you will agree looks great and will also make access for funerals and weddings much easier.

Fr Paul

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Christmas Masses – If you are a reader or a Eucharist Minister and are attending one of the masses on Christmas Eve or Christmas day and are able to help, then please let me know in the parish office. Either by e-mail on parishoffice@stwinefridesneston.org.uk or call the church Monday morning if possible, 721 3035. Thank you. Jayne

Piety Stall: Open after each Sunday Mass in the church hall. Cards are also available in the back porch.

Is any parishioner willing and able to assist Margaret with a view to taking over responsibility for running the Stall? It would be very much appreciated. Margaret and Geoff wish to thank everyone for their support over the years. All profits go to the Children' Society. If anyone has a Children's Society collection box, please return it to the stall on a Sunday.

Wirral Ark: Christmas cards can now be purchased from Wirral Ark. This charity raises much needed money for homeless people across the region. Full details are on the noticeboards.

CWL: The C.W.L will be selling raffle tickets for two luxury Christmas food hampers this weekend **15/16 December**. The draw will take place after the 10.45am mass on the **23rd December**. Tickets are £1.00 each and all proceeds will be given to local charities. Thank you so far for your support.

Soup & sandwiches: We will start again Monday 4th February 2019.

SVP Sudan Appeal: If you would like to support the appeal this year perhaps as a Christmas present, please complete one of the leaflets (available in the porch) and return to Marie Branch: 87 Burton Road – 336 4287. It costs less than £1 a day to feed a baby in one of the feeding centres in Khartoum or Juba. Certificates can also be provided.

SVP: There will be a 2nd collection this weekend, 15/16th December. The SVP thank you for your continued support.

Prayer list: A list for the sick is by the prayer book in Our Lady's Chapel. If you would like to be added or indeed add someone to it, then please do and I will update it monthly. Thank you.

Advent booklet – Reflections of a parishioner Advent booklet is now available and copies are available in both porches.

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Advent IV

23 December 2018

22 Dec	SATURDAY		6.30pm	Geoff and Margaret Davies
23 Dec	SUNDAY	Fourth Sunday of Advent	8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish family Doherty and Southwell families Larry Duggan
24 Dec	MONDAY	Carols and Vigil Mass Mass leading to Midnight	10.00 am 6.30 pm 11.00 pm	FOR THE PARISH
25 Dec	TUESDAY	Dawn Mass Christmas Day Mass	8.45 am 10.45 am	FOR THE PARISH
26 Dec	WEDNESDAY	St Stephen	12.00 pm	Cardinal Cormac Murphy O'Connor
27 Dec	THURSDAY	St John, Apostle	10.00 am	Fr Jim McGrath
28 Dec	FRIDAY	Holy Innocents	10.00 am	Michael Halley
29 Dec	SATURDAY	St Thomas Becket	10.00 am	Fr Gerry Courell
29 Dec	Next Weekend SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Hugh John McPolivi
30 Dec	SUNDAY	Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph	8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish family Alan O'Sullivan Sister Damian of the passion

Weekdays: Adoration morning prayer from 9.00am; then Mass at 10.00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 10.30am and 5.45-6.10pm

	22 Dec / 23 Dec			29 Dec / 30 Dec		
	6.30pm (Vigil)	8.45am	10.45am	6.30pm (Vigil)	8.45am	10.45am
Readers – Readings	C Haimes	Clark Family	M Slater	P Flanagan	T McGlynn	M Unsworth
Readers - Intercessions	F Byrne	T Nolan	V Casey	K Ankers	AM Millar	T Topping
EMHC	J Gordon C Haimes	T McGlynn R Pisarek	D Pover K Holder G Barber T Topping	M Branch M Green	K Garrod K Hughes	M Slater J Tunstall A Cropper D Barber
Counters	Paulo Lisboa, Rick Settle			Fran and Brian Byrne		
Cleaners	Liz Dolley & Peter Higgins			L Dee, A Williams, D Roberts		

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

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

2nd Thurs of month: SPUC 10.45 am in hall; **3rd Thur of month:** CWL 7.30pm in hall

Last Sunday's Offering: Thanks for your support!

News from St Winefride's Catholic Primary School:

I am delighted to share with you the report of our primary school's recent Ofsted inspection, which recognises that St Winefride's continues to be a good school. I encourage you to read the report, which is now published on the Ofsted website, which celebrates the many positives of our school community. We are especially pleased with the inspector's remarks that our school is 'welcoming and caring' and finds that the children are well behaved and take a pride in their learning.

The children of Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 celebrated the true meaning of Christmas at their Carol service, held in church, on Monday evening. It was a wonderful occasion with readings telling the story of Christmas as Year 3 acted out the nativity, lots of singing, some beautiful prayers and even a dance. Congratulations to all the children and thank you to the hard working staff for organising the service and preparing the children.

Fr Paul writes: I don't know about you, but the days leading to the Festival of Christmas are getting faster and faster and we are almost there and still so much to do. The church is looking beautiful so thank you to all who have helped make our parish family stronger and grow in faith.

Fr Chris, Jayne our parish secretary, myself and St Winefride's primary school would like to wish you a lovely Christmas. This time of year can be very lonely for some people, so please look out for one another and remain safe.



Our next full newsletter will be the weekend of the 12/13th January, so any announcements to be received by Wednesday 9th January 2018. Thanks you.

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SPUC: Our Group would like to thank you for all the help you have given to us over the past year, especially for writing to our MP Justin Madders re the Decriminalising of Abortion. We wish you all a very Holy Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year. PS We still have a few Christmas Cards available for those last minute cards.

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Mass intentions for masses after Christmas and New Year are as follows;

1st January 2019

12.00 Noon

Fred Cropper and family

Thursday 3rd January 2019

10.00 am

Ken McMahan

Saturday 5th January 2019

6.30 pm

William Mars and Eileen Mayne

Sunday 6th January 2019

10.45 am

Aaron Reading

Beatrice Barker

GDPR:

The parish of St Winefrides sometimes collects personal information about parishioners. All personal information is collected, processed and stored in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulations. This is retained only as necessary and used by the Parish/Diocese for the benefit of the Parish and for legitimate reasons such as administrative and religious purposes. You can read our full privacy notice at www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/privacy-notice.