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Ordinary Time Week I

12th January 2020

11 th Jan	SATURDAY	<i>The Baptism of the Lord</i>	6.30 pm	Agnes & Stanley Jones
12 th Jan	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Dominic Connelly Carol Saunders
13 th Jan	MONDAY		10.00 am	Larry Duggan
14 th Jan	TUESDAY	<i>St Hilary</i>	10.00 am	Sister Mary Salmon
15 th Jan	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
16 th Jan	THURSDAY	<i>Funeral</i>	2.30pm	Mary Anne Day
17 th Jan	FRIDAY	<i>St Anthony</i>	10.00 am	Jack Henesy
18 th Jan	SATURDAY		10.00 am	Monsignor Peter Cookson
18 th Jan	Next Weekend SATURDAY	<i>2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>	6.30 pm	Peter McGeoghan
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The Year of the Word 2020: Meeting the God who speaks in his word must surely be a priority for all of us. The National Organising Team has drawn up an impressive range of events, activities and resources in which people can participate around the country.

A brochure presenting the diocesan programme of events is available at the back of the church. It can also be accessed on the diocesan website, under New Evangelisation. Please have a look at the variety of these activities, many of which will take place in three different parts of the diocese. They are for the general public; everyone is welcome, no prior study is needed.

Fr Paul writes.... Happy New Year to you all from myself, Fr Chris, Deacon Mike and Deacon Jim, Sister Laurice and our secretary Jayne. May I also say a big thank you for all the kind cards and gifts that you have given to me.

On Wednesday this week Mary Anne Day sadly died. Her funeral will be here on Thursday next week at 2.30pm. Please keep her husband Michael and their son and daughter in your prayers.

There are still some diaries for 2020 left, so please do take one. Our school went back on Tuesday this week and we wish the staff and governors all the best for new term and new year.

I will keep you all in my prayers as we start this New Year of 2020.

Fr Paul

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank You: Brenda Anderson gives her thanks to all concerned for their very kind cards, prayers and good wishes for her move to Solihull. She will never forget St Winefride's.

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SPUC meeting Thursday 16th January at around 10:45am in the Church hall. All welcome.

Saturday 25th January a Little Feet Coffee morning in the Church Hall. 10.30 am till 1pm. Crumpets, Hot toasted tea cakes, bring and buy raffle and much more. All welcome.

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Bible Study: After 10.00am Mass this Tuesday Bible Study will resume in the church hall. Please come along and do bring your Bible.

Car Park: Please note both yellow boxes which state **DISABLED DROP OFF are for disabled drop off only**. After dropping off your passenger, please then park in the main car park. Thank you.

DIOCESAN AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

NDCT: Neston District Churches Together will be holding their annual Christian Unity Service on Sunday 19th January at 6.30pm in Burton Parish Hall. All our welcome.

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Stop Human Trafficking – A New Year Resolution: Join forces with other local organisations to learn about Human Trafficking and what you can do to help recognise and combat it in your parish. Kevin Hyland OBE, who was the UK's first independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner and is a member of the Pope's Santa Marta Group to combat Human Trafficking will be giving the Annual Memorial Lecture on Modern Day Slavery at LACE, Croxteth Drive, Liverpool L17 1AA on Sunday 19 January from 2.00-4pm. Please come along to see what impact you can have locally. Info: s.atherton@rcaol.org.uk 0151 522 1080/81.

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23 rd Jan	THURSDAY		10.00 am	Fr Colin's intentions
24 th Jan	FRIDAY	St. Francis de Sales	10.00 am	Guy Lincoen
25 th Jan	SATURDAY	St Fabian, Pope and St. Sebastian	10.00 am	Margaret Davies
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Week of Christian Unity – Join us for Evening Prayer with Neston Churches Together this **Friday 24th Jan at 7pm** followed by refreshments in the hall. Details of all NDCT events taking place next week are on the noticeboards.

Fr Paul writes.....I find the month of January not the best month of the year. We have had our Christmas decorations taken down and the dark days of winter seem to drag on.

To help uplift our spirits Deacon Jim is offering is offering an opportunity for us to reflect on 'God's Word' Tuesdays, after the 10am Mass. Please come along it will not cost you anything expect your time.

As a number of you know Mary-Anne Day's funeral took place on Thursday. The church was full and it was a great expression of how Mary-Anne was held and loved by her family, friends and parishioners. I would like to thank Victoria and James her wonderful children who looked after their mum day and night. She was truly blessed with Michael and his children for their support throughout the many months of Mary-Anne's illness. Michael is a very quiet and gentle man and was a good husband to Mary-Anne. May she rest in peace. Please keep the family in your prayers.

Last week I heard of the news of Mrs Marceline Phyllis Hewitt who died. Her funeral will be here at 10.00 on Friday 31st January.

The Book of the Gospel: As you have probably noticed at our weekend Masses the Deacon carries the 'Book of the Gospel.' This carrying of the book of script in procession brings us back to our Jewish origins. When the Tora is brought into the synagogue the people stand sing and touch the outer casing for a blessing. Then the Scripture is proclaimed to the faithful. Our brothers and sisters in the orthodox church have always adorned the Book with many icons and incense and in recent year the Latin Church - that's us. At the end of the gospel when the Deacon says 'this is the Gospel of the Lord' the book should be placed in a place of honour. From the start of February, the 'Book of the Gospel' will be placed near the statue of St Joseph. Over the next weekends the Book of the Gospel will be left upon the altar for you to come and see the Icons that adorn God's Word. With my constant prayer for you and your families. Fr Paul

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CWL: The next knit and natter get together will be this **Thursday 23rd January** from 1.30pm in the church hall.

St Winefride's School: Children and staff of St Winefrides have all returned to school after the Christmas break and the regular news update will return to the newsletter next week.

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Annual Formation Day for RCIA teams is Saturday 25 January at Our Lady's Parish Centre, Enfield Road, Ellesmere Port, CH65 8BY. 10am Registration to 1pm finish. The day is led by Reuben Purchase and Caroline Farey (Diocesan Mission Catechists) and Father Chris Matthews (Diocesan Liturgy Office). To book a place, please contact Anthony on anthony.timothy@dioceseofshrewsbury.org or 0151 652 9855.

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26th January 2020

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26 th Jan	SUNDAY	3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time	8.45 am 10.45 am	MaryAnne Day Parish family
27 th Jan	MONDAY	<i>St Angela Merici, Virgin</i>	10.00 am	William Hannaway
28 th Jan	TUESDAY	<i>St Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor of the Church</i>	10.00 am	Joyce & Maurice McAsey
29 th Jan	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
30 th Jan	THURSDAY		10.00 am	MaryAnne Day
31 st Jan	FRIDAY	<i>St John Bosco, Priest</i> Funeral Mass	10.00 am	Marceline Phyllis Hewitt
1 st Feb	SATURDAY		10.00 am	Parish family
1 st Feb	Next Weekend SATURDAY	Feast of the Presentation of the Lord	6.30 pm	Cynthia Wainwright
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This week **three children from Year 5** took part in the Cheshire public speaking event held at The Story House in Chester. This competition involved children making a speech on the theme of "What is it like to be an outsider?" The children from St Winefrides spoke about refugees as they have recently been learning about them. Mrs O'Gorman was very proud of them all.

Fr Paul writes... It is hard to believe that this weekend it is a month since the festival of Christmas! I find the month of January quite dull and dark. I suppose that the Christmas lights being put away makes it seem like Christmas has never happened. When we take our own house decorations and place them away until Christmas 2020, we must be very careful not to put away the gifts that the Christ Child has given us of peace, empathy and Justice.

Last Tuesday, after the 10.00am Mass, Deacon Jim continued the discussions about the "Word of God". It was great to see so many of our parish being able to come. If you have the time this group is a good one to join. I am grateful that Deacon Jim has put it together.

We welcome back home this weekend the statue of the Sacred Heart.

In last week's newsletter I explained we treat the 'Book of the Gospels' in a dignified way. For when the Gospel is proclaimed, we believe that the Lord is speaking to us today and gives us an opportunity to take His Word as our guardian to live the Christian way of life. As the 'Book of the Gospels' are taken to its place we will sing the Alleluia once more.

Please can ask I for you to keep in your prayers the family of Marceline Hewitt whose funeral it is this Friday at 10.00am.

With my continued prayers for you and your family and friends. **Fr Paul.**

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First Forgiveness and Holy Communion: Dates have been put together for parent meetings and the enrolment mass and will be available shortly. If you have a child who is not at St Winefride's school and wants to receive the sacraments of reconciliation and holy communion, then please download a form from the parish website or contact Jayne in the parish office for more information. 721 3035.

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Lent lunches: Soup and sandwiches on Mondays during lent are due to start on Monday 2nd March. However, volunteers are needed urgently, especially to make the soup. If you can and would like to help, then please let Fr Paul or Jayne in the office know. Thank you.

Retired Priests Fund: There will be a collection on Sunday 23rd February, envelopes will be given out before.

Theresa Higginson: On Friday 14th February is the anniversary of Theresa Higginson and a day of private devotion. There will be a mass here at noon in honour of the Sacred Head of Jesus, as the seat of divine wisdom. More details of the event that is held here annually is on the noticeboard.

Neston Singers: They are an Ecumenical Choir recruiting new members. Please come along on Monday evenings at 7:15pm to the URC Church, Parkgate Road. Male and Female singers will be most welcome. For information contact Jennifer Ricketts 0151 336 3348.

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2nd February 2020

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3 rd Feb	MONDAY	St Werburgh	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
4 th Feb	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
5 th Feb	WEDNESDAY	St Agatha	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
6 th Feb	THURSDAY	St Paul Miki and Companions	10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
7 th Feb	FRIDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
8 th Feb	SATURDAY		10.00 am	NO MASS OR SERVICE OF WORD
8 th Feb	Next Weekend SATURDAY	5 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Special intentions – Chris and Nick
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The panel of judges included the Lord High Sheriff of Chester and the Dean of Chester Cathedral. Mrs Ormes and Mrs Taylor were very proud of all the children who took part and spoke calmly, confidently and with knowledge. Congratulations to all the children who took part, particularly Evelyn in Year 6 who won the Year 6 age group.

Fr Paul writes... I hope this past week has been a good one with not too many things to worry about. Some information; the Diocesan Insurance Company together with the Diocesan Health and Safety officer have insisted that a barrier be placed at the top end of the car park. This is to prevent vehicles coming to park overnight and thereby making the church and house unsafe. The diocese is insisting that the barrier be put in place both for my personal safety and to ensure that the church is secure – preventing intruders taking whatever they feel is of value to them.

On Monday of this week our oldest parishioner Ellie Finn sadly passed away. Her funeral will take place on Monday 17th February at 2pm. Please keep her family in your prayers.

This weekend we welcome Fr Sean O'Brian whose parents came to live in our parish a couple of years ago. I would like to thank Fr Sean for enabling me to attend a family occasion over the weekend. The following weekend we welcome Fr John Kirwin who will be celebrating our weekend masses.

Be assured of my prayers for you and your families in the coming week. Keep well and let us look out for one another in our prayers. **Fr Paul**

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The Annual Diocesan Mass to Celebrate Marriage will be celebrated by Bishop Mark at 12 noon in St Joseph's Church, North Road, Birkenhead, CH42 7JY on Saturday, 8th February, 2020. All married couples and their families are welcome. Details on the noticeboards.

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Ordinary Time Week 5

9th February 2020

8th Feb	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Special Intention Chris and Nick
9th Feb	SUNDAY	5th Sunday of Ordinary Time Racial Justice Sunday	8.45 am	Parish family
			10.45 am	Jack Henesey
10th Feb	MONDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
11th Feb	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
12th Feb	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
13th Feb	THURSDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
14th Feb	FRIDAY		10.00 am 12.00 noon	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist Holy Mass-Theresa Higginson anniversary
15th Feb	SATURDAY		10.00 am	NO MASS OR SERVICE OF WORD
15th Feb	Next Weekend SATURDAY	6th Sunday of Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Dr Marioth
16th Feb	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Parish family
			10.45 am	MaryAnne Day

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

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

	8/9th February			15/16th February		
	6.30pm (Vigil)	8.45am	10.45am	6.30pm (Vigil)	8.45am	10.45am
Readers – Readings	S Davies	T McGlynn	V Casey	D Davies	R Pisarek	M Unsworth
Readers - Intercessions	M Green	AM Millar	J Braidwood	P Flanagan	Larty Family	J Tunstall
EMHC	C Haimes J Gordon	K Garrod R Pisarek	T Topping J Tunstall A Cropper D Barber	M Roles M Green	K Hughes M Branch	D Pover K Holden G Bsrber C Joseph
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St Winefrides Primary school: On Friday 31st January reception class enjoyed a visit from Mr and Mrs Brennan who helped the children to learn about looking after God's world. The children were given a power point presentation, experienced various practical activities and went outside to see God's wonderful world. Mr and Mrs Brennan had baked the children heart shaped biscuits which everyone enjoyed! Six beautiful flowers were also planted in the bee garden. Thank you to Mr and Mrs Brennan - the children had a great time.

On Monday Mrs O'Gorman took Year 5 to Neston High school where they were introduced to the Anne Frank exhibition. Several Year 9 students acted as guides, presenting talks and delivering activities to the children about the background of the Holocaust and the Second World War. It was very informative and the children enjoyed their visit.

Deacon Jim... We are looking to find a parishioner who would like to take on the challenge of health and safety for the church and become a volunteer Health and Safety Rep. If you have had some experience in this area, perhaps from a previous role you have held and would like to help out, probably for half a day a month, then please let either myself or Jayne in the office know. Julie Tinsley is the Health and Safety Officer employed by the diocese and she is always on hand for help and advice. Thank you.

HYMNS – The hymn numbers for 10.45am mass are 301, 821, 348 and 398.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

EMHC/Readers Rota: A new rota for February to May is now available online and also on the noticeboards. **Please note this rota includes all newly commissioned EMHC and Readers. If you are not listed at your preferred Mass, please email the parish office.**

Little Church: If you would like to volunteer to help with Little Church, then please speak to a leader on Sunday morning or let Jayne in the office know. Thank you.

SVP - If you missed the Christmas 2019 sale you can catch our next sale, this weekend **8/9th February** after all Masses in our church hall.

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SPUC: SPUC Monthly meeting will take place on Thursday 13th February at 10 45am in the Church Hall. All are invited to come and let more about our pro life work and how you can help protect the unborn child.

“Taking Holy Communion to the sick and housebound”: Would ministers of Holy Communion able to carry out this important ministry or if you are already doing so, please come to a short training session after morning Mass on Saturday 15th Feb, at 10.30am in the hall. Please reply to Jayne in the office or Deacon Jim. Thank you.

Bible study – ‘Year of the Word’ Bible study continues after Mass in the hall. The meeting will now be on a **Monday from this week, 10th Feb.**

CWL: Committee meeting at Angela's house this Thursday 13th February. Section meeting on February 20th February at 7.30pm. At this meeting Angela Klabou will talk about a visit to the Holy Land. Visitors most welcome.

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FCJ Bicentenary Theatre Production – “Faithful Companions”: This is a very special year for the FCJ Sisters and for our schools and past pupils. The FCJ Sisters are celebrating two hundred years since the founding of the Society of the Faithful Companions of Jesus.

As part of these celebrations, an original theatre production on the life of Marie Madeleine and the ongoing FCJ story has been commissioned by the FCJ Sisters and will be performed by Rise Theatre. It promises to be an exceptional performance and celebration of the life of our foundress and of the FCJ family. The play is touring all FCJ Schools in 2020.

The play will be performed for the public on **Tuesday 11th February 2020 at 7pm at Upton Hall School FCJ, Wirral.** We would like to invite you to join us, see the play and celebrate with us. In both venues, the play will be followed by light refreshments and an opportunity to see some of the ongoing work of the FCJ family across the world.

If you would like to attend book your free tickets on Eventbrite: Upton Hall FCJ, Tuesday 11th February 2020 at 7pm - <http://bit.ly/FCJ200Upton>

Seats are limited, so please book early. If you know friends or family who have a connection with the FCJ sisters, past or present, please do share this information with them.

If you are local to Liverpool or Wirral and are interested in volunteering with the FCJ sisters in Liverpool, or would like to attend the events that they organise, or simply want to keep in touch, please contact Sr Lynne fcj or Sr MaryAnne fcj on fcjcentresthugs@gmail.com

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Ordinary Time Week VI

16th February 2020

15 th Feb	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Dr Marioth
16 th Feb	SUNDAY	6th Sunday of Ordinary Time	8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish family MaryAnne Day
17 th Feb	MONDAY	<i>Seven Founders of the Order of Servants of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	2.00 pm	Funeral Mass – Eleanor Finn
18 th Feb	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Hudak/Davies Thanksgiving
19 th Feb	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
20 th Feb	THURSDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
21 st Feb	FRIDAY	<i>St Peter Damian</i>	10.00 am	Marceline Hewitt
22 nd Feb	SATURDAY	<i>Chair of St Peter</i>	10.00 am	Gerard (Gerry) Topping
22 nd Feb	Next Weekend SATURDAY	7th Sunday of Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Chris and Nick – special intention
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ALL WELCOME**

Deacon Jim... The first 'Year of the Word' talk at St Columba's, Chester is this Wednesday 19th February from 6.30pm. Fr Nick Kern will present Dei Verbum/ The Word of God. One of the principle documents from Vatican II. Meet in our church car park at 6pm if you want a lift.

At the beginning of the week Gerard (Gerry) Topping died, brother to Tony and Uncle to Mike. Please keep Tony and Mike along with his wife Phil, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren in your prayers.

HYMNS – The hymn numbers for 10.45am mass are 22, 377, 677 and 37.

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Catholic Voice: We have a small supply of this booklet. Please do take a copy.

St Winefrides Primary school: On Friday the children and staff of St Winefrides said farewell to Mr Booth who is leaving after ten years of teaching at the school. We would like to thank him for all his hard work and wish him all the best in the future. Next week is half-term so we hope everyone enjoys the break.

SVP half price sale last weekend: Thank you to all who came to help its success; a significant amount was raised again. Enjoy your purchases. Our next sale is on **Sunday March 15th 11.30-12.30** in our church hall. It is the week before Mother's Day.

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Barbara Logan: Her funeral is on Monday 24th Feb, 11.30am at Landican. Barbara wasn't a catholic but used to come with her husband Tony to church here at St Winefride's. Tony Logan was an SVP member.

Wirral SVP: An AUCTION in aid of Wirral SVP homeless project and SVP family support projects is to be held on **Friday 28th February 7.30 pm** in the Parish Centre at Sacred Heart Church, Moreton Cross.

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Ordinary Time Week VII

23rd February 2020

22 nd Feb	SATURDAY	7 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Chris and Nick – special intention
23 rd Feb	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish Family Marceline Hewitt
24 th Feb	MONDAY		10.00 am	Dave Hughes
25 th Feb	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Dot Davies (health)
26 th Feb	WEDNESDAY	Ash Wednesday – Fast & Abstinence	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Fr Cormac Murphy-O'Connor Maureen Bainbridge
27 th Feb	THURSDAY	St. Gabriel	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Renee Dodd Thomas Lafferty
28 th Feb	FRIDAY	St. Oswald	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Marceline Hewitt Way of the Cross
29 th Feb	SATURDAY		10.00 am	Nicholas Keogh
1 st Mar	Next Weekend SATURDAY	1 st Sunday of Lent	6.30 pm	Alice Wright
2 nd Mar	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am Noon	Malcolm Ledward Parish family India Walker

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	22 nd /23 rd February					
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Fr Paul writes: Last Thursday the Bishop invited the clergy to a day of recollection. On hearing this news I suddenly realised that the season of Lent was nearly upon us! Yet it feels that Christmas was only a few weeks ago. This year Pope Francis has asked us to reflect on "The Word of God" - To help us on this journey there will be several ways that we can celebrate and support one another. On Ash Wednesday there will be two Masses one at 10am with the later Mass at 7.00pm.

Our children will be having their service in school. This service has been put together by a member of staff and Deacon Jim. On Monday's at 10.30 am we will continue the discussion on the "WORD". On Tuesday we will be having our soup and sandwich lunch from 12.00 noon to 1.00pm. This lunch is open to all, especially our brothers and sisters from our fellow churches. On **Friday evening at 7.00 pm** Deacon Michael will be bringing together various parish groups to lead us through a celebration of the Stations of the Cross. On Saturday and Sunday the blessed Sacrament will be placed upon the altar for 30 minutes for Adoration before the weekend Masses - a chance for us to spend a little time in silent prayer. During this time, I will be available for the Sacrament of Recollection. On **Sundays** through lent there will be **Benediction at 3pm** in church.

Also at our weekend Masses we will be using two of the Stations of the Cross as part of our Penitential Rite of forgiveness. Over the next few weeks I will be placing other suggestions for our celebration of the "Word" that I hope will encourage us through these days of Lent. With my prayers for you and the many members of our parish family who are not well at this time.
Fr Paul

Hymn Numbers at 10.45 Mass: 398, 399, 4 and 156

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SVP: There will a 2nd collection next weekend for SVP.

Also, the next half-price sale is on **Sunday March 15th 11.30-12.30pm** in our church hall. It is the weekend before Mother's Day.

CWL: Knit and natter in the hall is this **Thursday, 27th February**. 1.30pm – 4.00pm. All welcome to join in.

Foodbank: Can you help with items for the foodbank? The following items are needed urgently, UHT milk, packet soup, tinned fruit, tinned custard, tinned spaghetti, tinned meat, jam and coffee. Collection day is Thursday.

We have just received a thank you from the Foodbank to say in 2019 we **donated 1322 kg** and **supported 102 people**.

Retired Priests Fund: This weekend **22nd/23rd Feb** there will be a Special Collection for the Priests Retirement Fund after all Masses. Gift Aid envelopes were given out last week for you to return this week. Spare envelopes are available. If I could ask you to place your donating envelope or just a donation in the collection bags after Mass. Thank you.

World Day of Prayer 2020: Friday 6th March

2.00 pm - All Saints Church, Raby Road, Thornton Hough and the Neston District Churches together service will be here at St Winefride's at **7.30pm**. The theme is "Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk". All welcome. Refreshments afterwards at both services. More details on the noticeboards.

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Lent Week I

1st March 2020

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5 th Mar	THURSDAY		10.00 am 7.00 pm	Maureen Conlon Dot Davies
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	29 th February/1 st March			7 th /8 th March		
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Fr Paul writes: Many thanks to all of you who were able to join us for Mass on Ash Wednesday. It is good that we can pray for one another during this Holy Season. Please have a good read of the Newsletter to see our Lenten Masses services and discussions on the Word. Just a little reminder that there will be an **extra Mass on Thursday evening at 7.00pm** throughout this Lenten journey. Please also remember on **Sundays** through lent there will be **Benediction at 3pm** in church.

Bishop Mark's pastoral letter asks us to pray the Angelus through Lent. There are some copies of Bishop Mark's letter in the porches along with a prayer card, a prayer dedicated to Our Lady.

I have been asked, by a number of parishioners about parking issues. Please note that we are operating a **ONE WAY** system. It is important we follow this rule as there was a near miss where two cars that nearly collided. It is also important for us to park between the white lines and not take up two parking spaces. The areas marked in yellow are drop off points for parishioners who need close access from the car park/church door. Please also note that the first yellow area has a kerb fitted ramp so that wheelchairs have easy access to the car park/church door.

On the weekend of the **14th/15th of March** the St Patrick's missionary society Known as the "Kiltegan Fathers" will be making an Appeal. This religious order has been given permission by Bishop Mark to do so in all the parishes of our diocese.

Can I say a big thank you to the ladies at "Knit and Natter" last Thursday who kindly washed all the bowls, cups and glasses ready for Lenten Lunches which start this Tuesday, 3rd March.

Let us keep our parish in all our prayers remembering especially those who are sick and those who live alone. **Fr Paul**

Hymn Numbers at 10.45 Mass: 536, 40, 143, 91

EMHC/Readers Rota: A few changes have been made to the current rota and it will be online this week. Please to check the new rota as you may have an extra date.

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SVP: There will a 2nd collection this weekend for SVP. Also, the next half-price sale is on **Sunday March 15th 11.30-12.30pm** in our church hall. It is the weekend before Mother's Day.

Foodbank: Can you help with items for the foodbank? The following items are needed urgently, UHT milk, packet soup, tinned fruit, tinned custard, tinned spaghetti, tinned meat, jam and coffee. Collection day is Thursday.

Retired Priests Fund: A big thank you as usual for your generosity and raising £740.02 for this charity.

Sacrament of Confirmation 2020: This year it will be held on Wednesday 10th June at St Winefride's. If you are Year 8 or above and would be interested in exploring your faith and finding out about the Sacrament of Confirmation, then please give your details to Fr Paul. There will be a meeting on the 5th April at Holy Family, Pensby and classes will start on Sunday 19th April.

World Day of Prayer 2020: Friday 6th March

All Saints Church, Raby Road, Thornton Hough at 2.00pm and the **Neston District Churches together service will be here at St Winefride's at 7.30pm**. The theme is "Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk". All welcome. Refreshments afterwards at both services. More details on the noticeboards.

The women of Zimbabwe have prepared the service this year, sharing the difficulties they have faced during the last turbulent years. They encourage us to face our own challenges as we work towards peace and reconciliation in our own countries around the world.

CAFOD – On Friday this week, **6th March** it is Family Fast Day. We will be holding a collection for CAFOD at the end of March.

Mouthpeace: The spring edition is now on the website.

Year of the Word Spring Talks: "YEAR OF THE WORD" 3rd talk is this Wednesday, 1900-20.30, registration 18.30 at Our Lady Star of the Sea. The Language we use to speak of God.

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Lent Week

8th March 2020

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8 th Mar	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am 3.00 pm	Parish family Jack Henesy Benediction
9 th Mar	MONDAY		10.00 am	Marceline Hewitt
10 th Mar	TUESDAY		10.00 am	Ruth Murray
11 th Mar	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
12 th Mar	THURSDAY		10.00 am 7.00 pm	Gerard Topping Teresa Keogh
13 th Mar	FRIDAY		10.00 am 7.00 pm	Terry Saunders Way of the Cross – led by SVP group
14 th Mar	SATURDAY		10.00 am	No Mass or Service
14 th Mar	Next Weekend SATURDAY	3 rd Sunday of Lent	6.30 pm	Barbara Logan
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Fr Paul writes: It has been a busy week going from one thing to another. Like all of us we get so involved in our work that we forget to spend a little time for the Lord. One method I sometimes use to help me keep focused is to put the kettle on. I sit down, closing my eyes and call on the Lord's name. As I sit down with my hot drink, I simply thank the Lord for his love and mercy. Then it's back to the grindstone. You may have a few insights of your method of prayer that you might pass on to others. If so please, you can e-mail them to Jayne or post them through the door. If we print your insight, we will not print your name. Go on have a go and help us to grow in faith.

Jo (Isabel) Freeman celebrated her **100th birthday** on Wednesday last week. Jo lived for many years in Wellesbourne Close and is now a resident at Hinderton Mount. She was an active member of the parish and did a lot of voluntary work with the SVP. Her family would like to say thank to the parishioners for their kindness towards Jo and ask you to remember her in your prayers.

Lent moves very quickly. At our 10.45am this weekend we will be welcoming our youngsters who are preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please keep them in your prayers.

Next weekend A Kiltegan Missionary will be celebrating all Masses and will tell you of the work of his society of St Patrick. I'm sure he will find a great welcome here at St Winefride's.

We have number of parishioners who are not so well at this time. Pray also for their families, and for the doctors and nurses who look after them. I will keep you in my prayers. **Fr Paul.**

Hymn Numbers at 10.45 Mass: 301, 862, 72 and 388

First Forgiveness and Holy Communion: It is the Mass of enrolment this Sunday at 10.45am.

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St Winefride's School: On Wednesday the children celebrated World Book Day with a visit from a famous children's author, Damian Harvey. All the children attended an assembly where Damian explained what is needed to create a marvellous story. The children then took part in workshops throughout the day to help them with their creative writing. At the end of the day the children had the opportunity to buy a personally signed copy of one of Damian's books.

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Flowers: We would like additional help arranging and maintaining church flowers. No experience is necessary and you could work with another person every 4-6 weeks. If you want to know more, please contact Angela on 336 4347 or leave your details with the parish office.

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SVP: Half-price sale next weekend, **Sunday March 15th 11.30-12.30pm** in our church hall.

SPUC: Monthly Meeting is this **Thursday 12th March 10:45am** in the Church Hall. Last weekend was the Youth and Student Conference and our group sponsored Christina and Josephin Joseph from our parish. They are coming to the meeting to tell us all about the conference. All are welcome to come in have a cup of tea and hear all about how young people from all around the country are becoming active in the pro life movement and promoting the Gospel of Life.

Prayer list: A new list has been left out for March/April.

Gift Aid Scheme 20/21: Envelopes will be ready for collection next weekend. New envelopes start 4/5th April.

CAFOD: It was Family Fast Day last Friday, and we will be having a collection for **CAFOD** on the **28/29th March.**

Fairtrade fashion event: Many thanks for everyones support for the Neston Fairtrade events. Over £570 was raised.

Singing the Word! Proclaiming The Word through Music
Singing the Word is a day offered by the Diocesan Liturgy Commission for cantors, singers, instrumentalists, clergy and congregations. A day of singing, reflection and sharing ideas, with keynote speaker composer and liturgist Martin Foster at St John Plessington Catholic College, Old Chester Road, Bebington, Wirral, CH63 7LF. **Saturday 21st March 10 am-3.00pm.** Please bring your own packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided. £5 fee to cover expenses is payable on the day (£25 for a group of 6). Please register with anthony.timothy@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

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Lent Week III

15th March 2020

14 th Mar	SATURDAY	3 rd Sunday of Lent	6.30 pm	Barbara Logan			
15 th Mar	SUNDAY		Baptisms (Not Mass)	8.45 am Parish Family 10.45 am Sister Mary Salmon Noon/1 pm Ava Rose Leighton / Florence Maloney 3.00 pm Benediction			
16 th Mar	MONDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist			
17 th Mar	TUESDAY	St Patrick	10.30 am	Margaret Davies			
18 th Mar	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist			
19 th Mar	THURSDAY	St Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Louis O'Sullivan Rosemary Southwell (health)			
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21 st Mar	SATURDAY		10.00 am	Dot Davies			
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Fr Paul writes: Please welcome this weekend to St Winefride's Fr Henry from Nigeria who will be visiting us on behalf of St Patrick's Missionaries. Fr Henry has worked for 12 years in the North of Nigeria before being appointed here in the UK.

Following the Bishops Conference we have received recommendations that all parishes and communities now move to Stage Two of the published advice. There are a copy of the guidelines for everyone, so do please take one if you haven't already picked and they will be on the website. The Bishop has also sent a letter which will be read out at the end of Mass.

Fr Paul

Hymn Numbers at 10.45 Mass: 757, 401, 54 and 233

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CWL: CWL section meeting. We have decided that it is sensible to cancel this month's meeting.....we would hope to have our annual review soon.

17th March: Please note Mass on Tuesday is at 10.30am.

CAFOD: We will be having a collection for **CAFOD** on the **28/29th March.**

Gift Aid Scheme 2020/21: Could all Parishioners who use weekly envelopes please collect their new boxes for 2020/2021. They are on the shelves on the right, just as you come into church through the back porch. They are in surname alphabetical order. The new purple envelopes start on Saturday 4th / Sunday 5th April 2020 for the new tax year. **Please do not use before this date.**

If you are no longer paying Income Tax please let Jayne, Parish Secretary (0151 721 3035) know as soon as possible. We must adhere to the Inland Revenue rules for operating our Gift Aid Scheme. Also, if you have changed address since the last tax year, could you also please let Jayne know so that we can keep the Diocesan central records up to date?

Do you pay Income Tax and donate cash each Sunday into the loose plate? If you do, please consider joining the Gift Aid Scheme as the Diocese can claim 25p back from the Government for every £1 you donate at no cost to you! There is at least £2,000 from the Loose Plate that we could potentially claim back each year. All you need to do is to sign one form declaring that you are a taxpayer and then decide whether to donate by a bank standing order (second form) or by weekly envelopes. The required forms are available to download from the St Winefride's website or directly from Jayne in the office. If you need any further information to help you to decide whether or not to join the Gift Aid Scheme please do not hesitate to contact the office.

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International Eucharistic Conference, Budapest, 14-21 Sept <https://www.iec2020.hu/en> There is a block booking with Tangney Tours for all pilgrims from England and Wales (<http://www.iec.tours>). Only 20 places for each diocese, staying in 4-star hotel near events. Two possibilities: 5 or 7 nights; prices are all-inclusive, except for the journey to Heathrow which will be arranged for those going with the diocese.

Registration by Easter directly via the Tangney website. Contact Barbara Davies: barbara.davies@dioceseofshrewsbury.org Tel: 07730 526 821.

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Palm Sunday

5th April 2020

Fr Paul is saying Mass behind closed doors and will continue to do so whilst the church is closed. Masses this week, are listed below.

Masses Intentions for this week from Sunday are as follows:

Sat 4th	Parish Family	Sun 5th	Theresa Keogh
		Sun 5th	Louis O'Sullivan
Mon 6th	Jane Haines	Tues 7th	Rosemary Southwell (health)
Thurs 9th	Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor	Friday 10th	For all those who are ill at home or in hospital
Sat 11th	Parish Family	Easter Sunday Sun 12th	For all the NHS workers and care staff

Parishioners who need our Prayers

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

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Frances Wright	Rosemary Southwell
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Pat Matthews	Dot Davies
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A note of Bible readings through lent has been put together and is on the website under the newsletter section. Please take a look along with a reflection from Tony called Covid.

Daily Rosary at 10.30am with St Winefride's parish

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

Fr Paul writes: We must now make full use of the opportunities of live streaming and of social communication, to continue being united in prayer and in the pastoral care of so many who are now isolated in their homes. May I also suggest that in the daily physical exercise which allows many people to leave their homes we might recommend the devotional practice that our parishioners greet the Real Presence of Christ in the Tabernacle from outside of our churches as they pass with a prayer, an act of spiritual communion or a simple Sign of the Cross.

Live Streaming can be found the Diocese website. The address is

<http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/>

Be safe and look out for our neighbours and offer help if you can.



Holy Week

Please take a look at the website <http://www.stwinefridesneston.org.uk>. This week, under Newsletter 5th April will be the Sunday Message and Holy Week readings. Regards Fr Paul

The Official Companion of the Rededication of England as Mary's Dowry

'This is your Dowry, O Holy Virgin'

"..Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord, let it be done to me according to Your Word". Mary's words at the Annunciation echoed into the heart of King Richard II when he declared 'This is your Dowry, O Holy Virgin, therefore, do thou rule in it.'

Today, as a people inspired by this dedication, we implore the protection and guidance of Mary, Mother of Jesus. We have devoted our hearts and entrusted our country to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. We have made our own Holy House where Christ may dwell, as Richeldis made in Walsingham. Now, we share in Mary's joy at the Annunciation in our isolation, until we come together again! We thank you for joining with us on this journey and we encourage you to carry this dedication and witness to Mary's guidance to Christ through continual prayer. Join us for the Walsingham Novena, as we pray for an end to the coronavirus pandemic.

'This is your Dowry, O Holy Virgin, therefore, do thou rule in it.'

With prayers from The Catholic National Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham.

Thank you to Barbara Rivers for reminding us of "Our Lady" during this difficult and challenging time that we are all experiencing. Masses and information can be obtained from the website below.

<https://www.walsingham.org.uk>

You can access what the pope has to say each day be heading to

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en.html>

Please also remember the coronavirus booklet with various information is on the website.

We have been offered some Easter materials to be able to use with your children as a virtual Sunday club. If you would like copies of the materials then please e-mail the parish office.



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Easter Sunday

12th April 2020

Fr Paul is saying Mass behind closed doors and will continue to do so whilst the church is closed. Masses this week, are listed below.

Masses Intentions from this Saturday for the next two weeks are as follows:

Sat 11 th April	Parish Family	Easter Sunday 12 th April	For all the NHS workers and care staff
Monday 13 th	Fr Gerry Courell	Tuesday 14 th	David Williams
Thursday 16 th	All those sick with Covid	Friday 17 th	Vincent Jevons
Saturday 18 th	Dr Marioth	Sunday 19 th April	Michael Halley
Monday 20 th	Parish family	Tuesday 21 st	Paul James Shakespeare
Thursday 23 rd	John Christopher Holden	Friday 24 th	Marie Jones
Saturday 25 th	Joan Kay	Sunday 26 th	Parish Family

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Please remember in your prayers the family of David Williams who was 79 and died a week last Monday. David had a huge impact on the spirituality of SVP and was an inspiration too many and best summed up in a letter from his daughter about his life and dedication to the SVP. For many years David played the music at St Winefride's SVP Christmas Lunch and was well known to many of our parishioners. A man who battled cancer twice in his life died just one week after developing symptoms of the coronavirus.

His daughter wrote; *there won't be a funeral at this time of crisis, but we will hold a memorial Mass and celebration of his life at some point in the future. In the meantime, if you would like to do something in Dad's memory, please no flowers, please donate to the SVP. Dad was a faithful and dedicated member of the Saint Vincent De Paul Society from the age of 16 until today, serving at several levels, from visiting local elderly and isolated people every week, to consulting on, writing and advising all 135 countries on the International Rule, (the legal operational and spiritual constitution of the international society). Sometimes even in his 70s, he would work through the night on his computer, and, when I asked him why he hadn't gone to bed, he would respond, "I just needed to get this back to Burkina Faso" or "I just needed to 're-write this letter from Saint Paul". Dad loved thinking writing. He wrote the book "The Mind And Heart of a Vincentian" and was working on a new edition.*

Dad early-retired from the Royal Insurance at 51 and dedicated himself to the SVP. As well as all the work on the Rule and his book, in his 60s he was the only lay person in a Vatican/SVP mission to China, during which he carried letters to a Bishop who had been imprisoned 28 years by the regime, and his group had to change their itinerary daily to stay one step ahead of the Secret Police, who pursued them everywhere they went. Last year he went to Rome to work with the Vatican lawyers to renegotiate the SVP 's legal relationship with the Roman Catholic Church vs Pope Francis' reforms. Dad believed in a universal God and fought to retain the membership of people of all faiths and none in the SVP, and the service to people of all faiths, and none, by the SVP.

Dad had a special regard for the Ba'hai and wrote a British Ba'hai wedding service. In India Dad will be remembered by our community in Kolkata every time my Brother Arindam sings Catholic hymns at Hindu pujas and parties - he learned them all from an iPod Dad gave him. Dad will be remembered by his friends worldwide for his hard work, his thoughtfulness, his fun cringy jokes, his brilliant piano playing and many lovely singalongs, through which he helped to raise thousands for charity, and which brought us all so much pleasure. ❤️ Dad was passionate in his interests, an avid reader and intellectual, collector of theological books, of music, of films.

Along with David Williams can we also pray for the families of Marie Jones, sister to Agnes, Nora and Rosalie and John Christopher Holden the late husband of Patricia who have also just recently passed away.

Please take a look at the website <http://www.stwinefridesneston.org.uk>. This week, under Newsletter 12th April will be the following documents:

- An Easter card
- Reflection on the Easter Sunday Gospel by Fr Paul
- Poster to print and display
- Sunday Message
- A reflection from Tony Topping called New Order

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

3rd May 2020

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and son John Robinson	



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We have some great news from Dot Davies who has been in contact. For those of you who don't know Dot she is a reader, Eucharistic Minister and one of the flower ladies.

"Can I thank everyone who is saying prayers for my recovery from acute myeloid leukaemia. I am feeling much better after the intensive chemotherapy and eating well. I am sure this is thanks to all your prayers so I would be very grateful if you would continue as I am not out of the woods yet and still attending haematology every week. Thank you all again".

Fr Paul Writes:

Another week goes by we must continue our prayer for all medical teams and scientist who are trying to find a drug to kill or prevent the virus. I also you to pray for Peggy Challis' brother who was killed while riding his bike in the Kilkenny region of Ireland.

We are also to remember in your prayers for Monica Ellis who is seriously ill at this time. We pray too her family and friends.

As you know the funerals of Ron and Maureen Jones took place at a graveyard service last Monday. When we are able to come back to church, we will have a Mass for all those who have died.

This week we have two letters for us to read. The first one is from Pope Francis the other from Bishop Mark. Both these letters call us to pray especially the Holy Rosary during this month of May. You can see the link from Deacon Jim to join the rosary group each day. With my remembrance at Holy Mass through this week.

Pope Francis letter

The month of May is approaching, a time when the People of God express with particular intensity their love and devotion for the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is traditional in this month to pray the Rosary at home within the family. The restrictions of the pandemic have made us come to appreciate all the more this "family" aspect, also from a spiritual point of view.



For this reason, I want to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home in the month of May. This can be done either as a group or individually; you can decide according to your own situations, making the most of both opportunities. The key to doing this is always simplicity, and it is easy also on the internet to find good models of prayers to follow.

I am also providing two prayers to Our Lady that you can recite at the end of the Rosary, and that I myself will pray in the month of May, in spiritual union with all of you. I include them with this letter so that they are available to everyone.

Dear brothers and sisters, contemplating the face of Christ with the heart of Mary our Mother will make us even more united as a spiritual family and will help us overcome this time of trial. I keep all of you in my prayers, especially those suffering most greatly, and I ask you, please, to pray for me. I thank you, and with great affection I send you my blessing.

Pope Francis

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Daily Rosary at 10.30am with St Winefride's parish

To join in please download **Zoom.us** either as an "app" on your phone or tablet or download from the **Zoom.us** website to your laptop. It is free and simple registration with your email and a password. When you have Zoom then type in or click the link below; 'If you prefer to join in over the telephone, please ring Deacon Jim just before 10.30am.

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If you would like to join in with reciting the **Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm** each Friday you are most welcome. Please use the same Zoom login details as for Rosary. Ron Jones had a strong devotion to the Divine Mercy and it would be a fitting tribute to him at this time.

A message from the Bishop to the people of the Diocese during the public health crisis, 26th April 2020



I send this short message to you as we continue to walk day by day through this crisis. I know that tens of thousands have been able to join me in the Cathedral via livestream, yet I am conscious that I have not been able to speak personally to many others in the Diocese. I want to assure you, whether you find yourself today in our hospitals and care homes; in self isolation at home; or living amidst the many restrictions of this time, that we remain united in prayer.

Be assured that you have a place in my prayer every day. I particularly want to thank your priests and deacons who have continued to serve in so many generous ways, not least in the care of the sick and dying and above all by the daily offering of the Mass celebrated alone. I know you are held in their daily prayer. I also want to record our gratitude at this moment in history to all the doctors, nurses, care workers, cleaners, our police and shop workers and all of the essential services together with so many volunteers. I know many others are praying and interceding hidden from human sight. Pope Francis reminds us, it is all of you who are quietly and heroically writing the story of this time. In the Gospel, we hear how even in the most desolate and bewildering moments, the Risen Jesus walks with us even when we fail to recognise Him. He allows our hearts to once more burn within us and inspires the prayer, "Stay with us, Lord Jesus." I hope the re-opening of our churches will not be too long delayed so that we can recognise Jesus Himself as the first disciples recognised Him in the breaking of the bread – in the mystery of the Holy Eucharist with all joy renewed. In the meantime, let us continue to pray wherever we find ourselves: Stay with us, Lord Jesus as we walk through these days. May God bless you and all your loved ones,

+ Mark Bishop of Shrewsbury

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THIS WEEKS REFLECTION FROM TONY TOPPING **"CONFUSION"**

If we Christians are what we should be, we will set this world on fire. St. Catherine of Sienna

As Cleopas and his companion walked along the road to Emmaus, they felt confused and angry. All their hopes and expectations were shattered. How could this happen? Why did it happen? They were so disappointed. They felt let down. They were angry with God, why did he let it happen? What had they done to deserve this? Most of all they were angry with Jesus. They had given up everything for him because they believed him; they believed that he was the Christ, that he would save and deliver Israel, yet he gave in without a word. He did nothing to defend himself. He could have roused the people to revolt against his arrest. Pilate would have taken notice; he would have released him but Jesus said nothing. The disciples did not understand and were annoyed when this stranger approached them, how did he not know what had been happening in Jerusalem yet they told him all about it and the stranger listened.

The other evening, I watched a drama on television, I should say half watched as I was doing something else while it was on; I can't even remember the title of the drama, but I think I got the idea of it. It was about a man who was left a diary in the will of someone he knew thirty years previous. He remembered clearly all that went on in his life at that time. As he delved further and talked to others who were around at that time, he realised that his memory of events did not correspond with theirs. When he learned the truth, he became a changed man. I think the idea behind the story is that the way we interpret the past is influenced by how we are in the present.

We only see an event from the perspective of the role we played in it. It is only when we hear other interpretations of the event that we begin to understand it from a broader perspective.

The disciples were bewildered yet this stranger who spoke so eloquently and so knowledgably about the scriptures made them feel the way they had when they first met Jesus. The fire in their hearts was rekindled. The stranger gently reproached them for their lack of understanding and began to explain to them all the passages in the scriptures which were relevant to what had been going on over the last few days. They were so fired up they insisted that the stranger should stay and eat with them. They wanted to hear more.

I think I have sympathy with the disciples. When I think about the present situation, I too am bewildered. When I watch the press conferences and hear the statistics of how many have contracted the disease and how many have died from it, I am angry and confused. I ask why? How? Could it have been prevented? Jesus listened to the disciples. He is listening to us now. Only through listening to him will we find answers. Then perhaps our lives will be changed. The fire within us will be rekindled. We will no longer take things for granted We will praise and thank God for all his gifts and learn to cherish them.

***Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us,
Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.***

Lord watch over us and bring us safely through this crisis. Grant a speedy recovery to those who are suffering and eternal rest to those who have died. Bless and reward all those who have valiantly worked to keep us safe; the doctors, nurses, carers and all the front-line workers. Help us to learn from this experience and be better prepared if there is another pandemic.



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Fifth Sunday of Easter

10th May 2020

Fr Paul is saying Mass behind closed doors and will continue to do so whilst the church is closed. Masses this coming week, are listed below.

Mass Intentions from this Saturday are as follows:

Saturday 9th	Sheila and Thomas Topping	Sunday 10th	Ron and Maureen Jones
Monday 11th	Daniel Healy	Tuesday 12th	John Butcher
Thursday 14th	Pat Matthews	Friday 15th May	Roger Harris
Saturday 16th May	Monica Ellis	Sunday 17th May	Parish family

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Good News - We have been advised by Clem that his granddaughter Emily, who is a nurse and was suffering with Covid, has recovered and returned to work.

Fr Paul Writes: Another week! This weekend we pray for the Repose of the Soul of Monica Ellis who died at home. We pray for John and his family and for all who are grieving during these difficult days. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.

As I write to you, I do not have any new news on Covid-19 and the eventual opening of churches. As soon as the bishops receive this information from Government, they will inform the Parish Priests. Thank you for your patience.

As we remember V.E. Day we give thanks for our freedom. We also remember those who worked in the "Land Army" and all who served and sacrificed for the nation.

Regina Coeli: Pope prays for vocations and Covid sufferers

During his 'Regina Coeli', Pope Francis recalled Vocations Sunday and invites international cooperation to deal with coronavirus pandemic.

Courage to respond to God's call

He commented that this Day reminds us of what Jesus said, "that the field of the Kingdom of God requires much work, and we must pray to the Father to send labourers to work in His field." The Pope noted that "Christian existence is always a response to God's call, in any state of life." He also stressed that "priesthood and the consecrated life require courage and perseverance; and without prayer one cannot continue along this path."

"I invite everyone" said Pope Francis, "to ask the Lord for the gift of good labourers for His Kingdom, with hearts and hands open to His love."

Closeness during pandemic

During his words following the recitation of the Regina Coeli, the Pope again expressed his closeness to those who are suffering from Covid-19, and to those caring for people stricken by the virus at this time. Pope Francis also expressed his support for an international collaboration that is taking place with various initiatives to respond adequately and effectively to this serious crisis.

It is important, he said, "to bring together scientific capacities, in a transparent and impartial way, to find vaccines and treatments and to guarantee universal access to essential technologies that will enable every infected person, in every part of the world, to receive the necessary health care."

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Underlining the importance of prayer at this difficult time, the Pope said he encouraged, on this coming 14 May, “believers of all religions to unite spiritually for a day of prayer and fasting, to implore God to help humanity overcome the coronavirus pandemic.” Pope Francis also remembered Our Lady in this Marian month of May and encouraged the faithful to spiritually visit Shrines dedicated to Mary during this health emergency.



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Message from a parishioner:

Dorothy Barber has e-mailed to say that she has found the Mass at Christ the Prince Peace” in Weybridge most uplifting. They say Mass in the week at noon and on Sunday at 10am. If you would like to take a look the link is www.cpp.org.uk/

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THIS WEEKS REFLECTION FROM TONY TOPPING “THE GOOD SHEPHERD”

At the start of lockdown, to keep my mind active, I decided to write down my thoughts, my reflections, on what was happening during this crisis. Drawing inspiration from the daily mass readings, I have managed to write five reflections, one a week but this week I had seemed to run out of inspiration, my mind was blank. But then, on Monday the feast of English Martyrs, I read a text from St. Matthew's gospel (10:19) telling me not to worry, the Spirit would tell me what to say. I decided to just scribble whatever thoughts came into my mind. The following is the result. I hope it is acceptable.

At the beginning of WW2, Winston Churchill promised nothing but “blood, toil, sweat and tears” but he inspired the country to fight them on ‘the beeches- we shall never surrender’. In the present crisis, the government has promised difficulty and hardship but has urged us to stand together and help each other for we are all in this together, we are not alone.

It is true, we are not alone. Sunday was Good Shepherd Sunday. In the Old Testament, God is referred to as the shepherd of his people. Jesus is the Son of God and he himself claimed to be the Good Shepherd. Saturday was the feast of St. Athanasius, who attended the Council of Nicea and, as bishop of Alexandria, fought vehemently and ceaselessly against Arianism. For me, if Jesus was not wholly God, he could not have redeemed us for only one who is consubstantial with God the Father, creator of all things, could wipe away our sins and only one who is wholly man could atone for the iniquity of mankind. I believe that Jesus is the Christ, both God and man. He said, “I, the light, have come into the world, so that whoever believes in me need not stay in the dark” (John 12:44-50). Jesus is the light of the world, not a created light but one which is divine.

During this Corona tragedy, there are people who want to personally gain from the crisis and are working in the dark to prey on the weakest and most vulnerable but the light has shone brightly on those who are valiantly and courageously putting themselves forward to help those who are suffering. There is so much love and appreciation shown by all good people; all the ordinary people who are showing so much care for their neighbours. When Betty and I go for a short walk around the block for exercise, those we meet give us a wide berth, not to show contempt for us but to show us love and respect. When those who are taking advantage of the weather by working in their gardens, when they see us, they smile and say hello. People are so much more friendly. Family members are so much closer and supportive of one another. I am moved when I see on the news the stories of good people who are making isolation more bearable for the lonely and the needy. We are not alone! The good shepherd never takes his eyes off us.

Stay with us, and then we shall begin to shine as You shine: so to shine as to be a light to others. The light, O Jesus, will be all from You, none of it will be ours, it will be You who shines through us upon others. O let us thus praise You, in the way which You love best, by shining on all those around us (St. John Henry Newman).



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Seventh Sunday of Easter

24th May 2020

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Saturday 23rd May	Parish Family	Sunday 24th May	Pauline McNulty
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Over the last few weeks, the Catholic Bishops of England's and Wales have written to the Prime Minister requesting for our churches be opened for the Sacraments. If the answer no, then a further request was added, that the churches be open for private prayer while all the safety guidelines would be implemented.

"Cardinal Vincent Nichols spoke to presenter Justin Webb on BBC Radio 4's Today programme on 14th May about how Catholic Churches can be safely re-opened for private prayer as the UK government eases its lockdown restrictions to combat the spread of COVID-19.

Justin Webb (presenter's cue)

Is it right that you can go to a garden centre or to the council tip, but not to church? Faith leaders are meeting ministers on Friday to try and change this. Cardinal Vincent Nichols, the Archbishop of Westminster and President of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales.

Cardinal Nichols

What we want to say (to ministers) is that the issue of how people are able to practice their faith are profound and are sensitive and we would like a bit more sensitivity from the government. And we would like to remind them that the Catholic Church certainly has put forward already detailed protocols, agreed with Public Health England about how we can start the process, step by step, of making churches available for people.

We want to do this for a couple of reasons, one is because they offer a private, quiet space for individual prayer and that helps people's inner stability, and also because the faiths are a terrific motivator for aspects of the service that are given in society today. Within a mile of here there are two Catholic institutions that feed 300 people every day and that is motivated, in a good part, by their faith.

Now, in these last weeks, we've been creative, we've been faithful. Mass has been celebrated every single day in Catholic churches. People have joined in online but there's something, a big, big feeling in the religious communities, of wanting to get back to a fuller practice of their faith, as long as we can do it safely.

Justin Webb

What would it involve in practical terms?

Cardinal Nichols

Well, to begin with, I would like churches available for people to go and kneel and say their prayers, privately, individually. It would mean a routine of supervision; a routine of social distancing; a routine of cleansing. And all of that we believe we can do.

There's another thing it needs. It needs an understanding of what goes on in places of worship is quite different from one to another. So, a personal, individual prayer in a Catholic church is not something that is much done in Pentecostal churches, which tend to concentrate on big gatherings, and it's not what's done in mosques where people pray side by side. So we need a bit of differentiated thinking.

If I could use the analogy of sport... At the moment, it is okay to play tennis with your family, in a while it will be okay to have a kick around with your mates in the park. It will be quite a time before we can go to formal football matches. It's all sport, but we need to differentiate. We are talking about the practice of faith, but we also need to differentiate to make things safe – step by step.

Justin Webb

You can see, can't you, why the government is so ill-equipped to do that in a sense. They don't want to get involved in one faith being allowed to do something that another isn't. But you are saying, if you are going to be literate about religion, you have to grasp the nettle, if i can mix up all sorts of metaphors."

Cardinal Nichols

Yes and probably be stung a bit as well.

Justin Webb

Well, that's the point isn't it?

Cardinal Nichols

This is why the task-force that meets will bring together these perceptions and the religious literacy that is needed to take this forward. But I think it can be done. We have to do it in a very co-operative way, reflecting Lord Blunkett's comments. But we've got plans; we've got preparation and we know the depth of peoples' feeling and their need, so that they can live their faith well and safely. That's what we are looking for.

Justin Webb

It was that last point I was going to finish with if we may. What have you heard from people about the need that they feel in themselves physically to be in Catholic churches?"

Cardinal Nichols

The Catholic faith has a particular structure and pattern which is built around sacraments and sacraments are explicit moments in which we are contact with the Lord. People have been distanced from their sacraments. They have been able to follow Mass every day and hundreds of thousands of people have joined in online. But every single one of them wants to be able to receive Holy Communion.

It's a fast for us = it's quite a painful fast – and that's true for other faiths. I was talking to four Imams yesterday and they would say the same. Think of the patterns of Ramadan and the sacrifice of the Muslim community is making by never meeting outside their families during Ramadan, and at the end of the big feast.

So there is a great deal of deep spiritual sacrifice being made and, okay, we're willing, but we want to know that we are appreciated and the sensitivities are recognised and that we have these opportunities to open up – safely, step by step.

Justin Webb

Cardinal Vincent Nichols thank you very much for speaking to us.

Fr Paul writes: Please the Cardinal and our own Bishop, Bishop Mark in your prayers.

Please keep in your prayers the family of Jacqueline Williams and Monica Ellis whose funerals are next week for Monica and the week after for Jacqueline. Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Be assured of my prayer at Mass for your family. Please pray for Father Chris and the many members of our Parish who live on their own. **Fr Paul**

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We have had some lovely news from Tony and Betty Topping.



"Betty and I are celebrating as we have a new Great-grand granddaughter. She was born yesterday, Wednesday 20th May. Baby, parents, grandparents and Great-Grandparents are all well and very happy. Thank God!"

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WHAT IS LOVE?

“Rivers do not drink their own water; Trees do not eat their own fruit. The sun does not shine on itself and flowers do not spread their fragrance for themselves. Living for others is a rule of nature. We are all born to help each other. No matter how difficult it is...Life is good when you are happy, but much better when others are happy because of you.” Pope Francis.

On Monday, my sister sent me this quotation by Pope Francis. It helped me to make some sense of the jumbled thoughts that were crowding my mind over the weekend. What is love? St. John tells us that God is love but God is infinite, unfathomable, immeasurable and beyond human understanding, so how can we know what love really is? I love you! Only three little words but such a big statement. What do we mean when we say it? When we are young and we meet someone to whom we are attracted we say we are in love. We like being with him/her and we enjoy the feeling it gives us when we spend time with that person. But is it not a self-centred satisfying of our own desires? It may be the beginning of love but, at this stage, it is certainly not a perfect love.

In recent days, I have seen on television stories of women and men carers who continue to do what they do, despite the danger, not because of the money they earn, for they are grossly underpaid for what they do, but because they love the ones they take care of. Perhaps love is a giving of oneself. During these last few crisis months, there have been many who have courageously displayed unselfish and unconditional love.

God has given us all we have. He gave us life. He gave us water to drink, food to eat but most importantly, he gave us himself. Jesus, who was divine, did not cling to his divinity but humbled himself to be as we are. He was born in poverty and lived in humble obscurity until it was time to reveal himself.

He then, for us, allowed himself to be tortured, publicly humiliated and put to an agonising death. The night before he died, he prepared his disciples for all that was about to happen. He assured them that he would not leave them orphans but would send an advocate, a spirit of truth. Nowadays, when people hear the word spirit, they seem to think of ghosts and ghouls, vampires and zombies. The Holy Spirit is God; God is love and as St John tells us, “There is no fear in love, perfect love drives out fear. Fear has to do with punishment and so one who fears is not yet perfect in love.” *1Jn 4:16-19.*

The young couple who fall in love, if their relationship develops, their love will grow into a giving relationship. They will learn to put the other's need before their own. As we get older, like our bodies, the passion of our youth seems to fade a little but not the love. Like good wine, with age, love matures and improves. I thank God, for He gave me a wife who has put up with me, loved and cherished me for the last fifty-nine years.

O Jesus, help me to learn to love, not for my own sake, but let me recognise you in all the young and old, the sick and the dying, the poor and the lonely and all who are in need. Help me to love you with a perfect love.





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Pentecost Sunday

31st May 2020

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Fr Paul writers....

Another week passes by. The government have begun to allow small groups of friends to meet up but not to be in each other's houses. Hopefully all will go well and in time will you be able to come to our church for silent prayer. The celebration of Mass, I hope that soon we will be able to gather once more in celebrating the passion, death and resurrection of the Lord and to receive him in the Eucharist.

As soon as we are given the lights to move forward by the government and the bishops of England and Wales. I will pass the information onto our website to keep you abreast of these changes. Please do keep in your prayers Sheila Trimmer from Avon Close who died on Thursday, may her family be consoled by your prayers. Please also pray for all the senior members of our parish who are still 'locked down' at home.

You will find below a letter from the bishops of England and Wales with the issues of opening the church. As a number of you will know I do you celebrate Mass every day during this lockdown for all the parishes intentions but especially those who have requested a message to be said for them or their family or friends. Once more be assured of my prayers and remembrance in Mass.

Please keep Bishop Mark in your prayers. Along with his brother bishops of England and Wales.

PREPARING TO EMERGE FROM LOCKDOWN

As we await an announcement regarding the re-opening of churches for private prayer, we have been asked by the Bishop's Conference to begin considering who in each of our parishes might be nominated to serve as a "COVID-19 Safety Lead" to help assist with the implementation of safety policies as our churches re-open.

I would be grateful if you begin giving thought as to who might be able to undertake this task at parish level. I would also be grateful if you could begin to give some consideration to those parishioners who might be approached and subsequently trained in public health requirements to serve as stewards facilitating this long-anticipated reopening. It will be important to be conscious that parishioners who fall into a "risk category" could not be invited to volunteer for these roles. The risk categories include those aged 70+, pregnant women, and anyone with underlying health conditions. As part of this process, risk assessments will need to be drawn up and appropriate PPE purchased along with cleaning materials. The Diocesan Health and Safety Officer, Julie Tinsley, will return to work next week to begin drawing up guidance and advice which will be issued in due course.

At diocesan level, we have been able to secure some limited supplies of PPE (face masks, gloves, disposable aprons and hand sanitiser along with barrier tape and floor marking tape) which we will be seeking to increase in the coming weeks working with "churchmarketplace". However, this will be a good time to consider ways of securing more readily available supplies of domestic cleaning materials such as household disinfectant; disposable cloths, disposable or kitchen "rubber" gloves and disposable aprons. Hand sanitiser will also be needed which should be at least 65% alcohol in order to be effective.

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Update - Rosemary Southwell, who is a member of the CWL. We now have details of the nursing home in Prenton where she is currently staying. Her family and close friends tell me that she is continually improving but missing all her friends here at St Winefride's. If you would like to contact Rosemary by letter or send a card then contact the parish office for details. Thank you.

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Reflection by Tony Topping

RENEW THE FACE OF THE EARTH

Come o Holy Spirit, renew the face of the Earth

As I sit each day and watch the press conference from Downing St., I get the feeling that many feel the same frustration that I feel. Day after day, ministers repeat the same warnings, stay at home, stay alert, help the NHS, save lives. When will we be able to go out? When can we go back to work? When will we see our families again? When will life get back to some kind of normality? The impatience shows when the Question is asked, why did this happen? Could it have been prevented? Was the government prepared for it? Did they act as quickly as they should have? Did world governments co-operate with each other? How are we going to make sure that it won't happen again? We are all sitting at home watching and waiting and worrying.

When Adam tasted the forbidden fruit, God promised to send a Christ, a redeemer. From then, the history of the chosen people in the Old Testament was a time of waiting for the one who would save the people of Israel. Jesus was the Christ who would save the world, but he was rejected and put to death. So, began, for the disciples, another time of watching and waiting and worrying. Jesus had promised to send an advocate to guide them. I can imagine how, like us now in lockdown, Mary and the disciples must have felt, gathered together in that upper room, frightened and frustrated, waiting and Questioning. They, too, were asking why did it happen. Why did God let it happen? Could they themselves have done anything to prevent it happening? But they also had faith and hope for Jesus had promised to send his Holy Spirit. We, too, can believe and hope, For Sunday is the feast of Pentecost. The Holy Spirit is with us still. After He had descended on the apostles, they had faith, love and courage to go out and spread the good news throughout the world.

Our world today is in crisis and I am not talking of just the virus for I think that is the result of all the serious issues we have not found solutions to. Scientists tell us that global warming is coming to a point of no return. Every day, species are becoming extinct. During world lockdowns, carbon emissions have reduced dramatically but as restrictions begin to be relaxed, they will rise again. Throughout the world, people are dying from a lack of food and water and from disease. Even in our own country, people are living on the streets without homes, jobs or food, yet, during the crisis shelter and food have been found for them. We must find a way to convince world leaders that these are the problems that need to be solved. Like the apostles, we are being asked to spread the word of God. If we have faith, The Holy Spirit is there to help us.

Excerpts from the Morning Prayer of the Church: -

Make us generous, warm hearted and unselfish; - Help us always to think of the needs of others. Lord, may your spirit come to our aid.

The apostles waited and prayed for the coming of the spirit. Gathered together in their company, we pray for his coming tonight and joyfully proclaim the goodness of God- Father, send us your Spirit.

On the day of Pentecost, the church is filled with joy. Strengthened with measureless hope, we pray to Christ, who is calling the church together in the Holy Spirit; - Lord, renew the face of the earth.

Holy Apostles and Martyrs in Wallasey

I have received a message with a link to **Holy Apostles and Martyrs in Wallasey** on their celebration of Laudato Si. I thought you might like to see the video of what their parish has put together to celebrate the 5th anniversary of Laudato Si.

More than 70 parishioners contributed poems, photos, artefacts, poems etc to show God's creation. They say "it isn't a super-slick production" and they adhered to social distancing throughout but it shows what can be done under lockdown.

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Pentecost

Find the hidden words

Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them.

Acts 2:3

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7th June 2020

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Bible study - At the above same Zoom address on **Wednesday 10th June at 3pm** please join in for bible study and discussion. This week's bible reading is the **Book of Revelation Ch 1-11** inclusive. There will be a quiz **on Wednesday, 17th June**. No Quiz this week!

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Fr Paul writes.... Over the last few weeks, I have been involved with the funerals of several members of our parish community. Death comes to each and every one of us. Yet our faith lets us experience the Lord Jesus, the One who is the cause and summit of the fullness of life. This reality is open to all. It is the meaning of the feast we celebrate this Trinity Sunday. As Jesus says it is the 'will of my Father that I should lose nothing that my Father has given to me'. In these days we remember the Fathers unconditional love, transforming us into Children of light. We are closely united with the Son who has endured pain and suffering in his powerful love and who has conquered death in rising from the dead.

The Holy Spirit consecrates and makes us holy and unites us in the eternal love of God. In these testing times, when suffering is so widespread and beyond our understanding, the power of God will fill our lives with hope and courage.

Please keep Sheila Trimmer and her family in your prayers. Sheila's funeral takes place on Wednesday this week. Can you also keep in your prayers Fr Stephen from OLSJ. His Mum Theresa Coonan died on Thursday. We understand she had been poorly for some weeks.

Please be assured of my prayer for yourselves and your families.

With all good wishes, **Fr. Paul**



Archbishop John wrote to the Prime Minister, Rt Hon Boris Johnson MP, over a week ago expressing his understanding of "a growing sense of dissatisfaction" particularly as our churches are not yet permitted to open where a growing number of retail outlet will soon open their doors.

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Archbishop John also wrote to all MP's with constituencies in the Archdiocese.

Letter of Archbishop John Wilson

27 May 2020

Dear Prime Minister

May I, first of all, say how pleased I was by your recovery from Covid-19, and also congratulate you and your fiancée on the birth of your son.

I write as the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Southwark, a Diocese which covers all the Greater London Boroughs south of the River Thames, the County of Kent, and the Medway Unitary Authority. The Diocese comprises 175 parishes and 169 schools, both primary and secondary. Our most recent statistics indicate that over 80,000 people attend church for Mass each Sunday and our outreach into local communities is considerable.

Since the Government's decision, on 23 March 2020, to close places of worship our churches have remained shut. We accepted this as part of the important strategic effort to save lives and contain the spread of Covid-19. Important Christian festivals during Holy Week and Easter all took place behind closed doors, each priest celebrating alone without a congregation.

As restrictions have been lifted, there is growing frustration that churches remain closed for private, individual, visits of prayer. This comes when restrictions on access to other 'non-essential' facilities are being relaxed. For Catholics, access to church buildings is spiritually essential, something recognised by other Governments internationally.

Respectfully, I believe that it is now time for churches to be allowed to open for individual visits for private prayer. Supervision and hygiene regimes can be put in place akin to those in supermarkets and any churches that cannot implement these would remain closed.

At stake here are two paramount principles. The first is freedom of religion and the second is basic equality and justice. Total church closure was justifiable in the initial weeks of the pandemic. However, to enable non-essential shops and services to open, while keeping churches closed for individual prayer, is an infringement of both religious freedom and equity.

I am not requesting special treatment for the Catholic Church. I appreciate that there is a Faith Task Force seeking to address the needs of religious groups and we are represented on this. There is, however, a growing sense of dissatisfaction. I ask that you please take seriously the needs of different religious traditions and, where their place of worship is necessary to their faith, you create parity of access consistent with that for retail outlets.

The long term mental health implications of Covid-19 are as yet unknown. Religious faith can help support people, both directly and indirectly, with respect to their wellbeing. Access to places of worship is integral to this.

I realise that you carry enormous responsibility at this time. I assure you of the desire of the Catholic Church to collaborate in ensuring our country recovers from Covid-19 in ways that are safe and secure. Respectfully, I ask, however, that you please act to enable those places of worship that desire to open, and are able to guarantee proper hygiene regimes, to be able to do so for individual visits for prayer. I receive letters and emails everyday asking for this, but the decision rests with you and I believe that it is now time to make this possible.

With the assurance of prayers

Yours sincerely

✠ John Wilson
Archbishop of Southwark

We have tonight (Fri 5th) received more news about church opening for private prayer, and details will follow shortly. John Kane our Health and Safety Representative has kindly volunteered to be our "COVID-19 Safety Lead role" but will need volunteers to serve as stewards. Below is the information we had received last week about how we will move forward as a church. Fr Paul

PREPARING TO EMERGE FROM LOCKDOWN – repeated from last week's newsletter

As we await an announcement regarding the re-opening of churches for private prayer, we have been asked by the Bishop's Conference to begin considering who in each of our parishes might be nominated to serve as a "COVID-19 Safety Lead" to help assist with the implementation of safety policies as our churches re-open.

I would be grateful if you begin giving thought as to who might be able to undertake this task at parish level. I would also be grateful if you could begin to give some consideration to those parishioners who might be approached and subsequently trained in public health requirements to serve as stewards facilitating this long-anticipated reopening. It will be important to be conscious that parishioners who fall into a "risk category" could not be invited to volunteer for these roles. The risk categories include those aged 70+, pregnant women, and anyone with underlying health conditions. As part of this process, risk assessments will need to be drawn up and appropriate PPE purchased along with cleaning materials. The Diocesan Health and Safety Officer, Julie Tinsley, will return to work next week to begin drawing up guidance and advice which will be issued in due course.

At diocesan level, we have been able to secure some limited supplies of PPE (face masks, gloves, disposable aprons and hand sanitiser along with barrier tape and floor marking tape) which we will be seeking to increase in the coming weeks working with "churchmarketplace". However, this will be a good time to consider ways of securing more readily available supplies of domestic cleaning materials such as household disinfectant; disposable cloths, disposable or kitchen "rubber" gloves and disposable aprons. Hand sanitiser will also be needed which should be at least 65% alcohol in order to be effective.

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Update - I now am able to update you with the nursing home Rosemary Southwell is staying in; Windy Knowe Nursing Home, 15, Waterford Road, Oxton, Wirral, CH43 6US. Tel 0151 653 3006.

	<p>Deacon Jim and Carolyn are overjoyed at the birth of their granddaughter Ffion Grace Kay on 30th May.</p> <p>Mother Rachel and their son Tom live in South Wales so Jim and Carolyn are unable to visit but thankfully modern technology allows lots of video contact.</p> <p>Prayers of thanksgiving for baby Ffion and for Her mum and dad!</p>
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From Dorothy Barber - Thank you to everyone who has contacted me after my fall. I broke 2 fingers in my right hand, which is now in plaster, up to below elbow with only my thumb free! So I am slowly becoming well practised in writing with my left hand!! I have some help in each day but I long for my independence!! Many friends have been very kind and I am extremely grateful for the help given.

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You have helped the food banks in our network achieve a great deal in the last few weeks as they face this increased need and adjust to new ways of working. We're proud to have you standing in solidarity with us, food banks, and people in crisis.

But no one should be struggling to keep their heads above water.

We have been seeing rises in food bank use for the past five years but this 89% increase - with the number of families coming to food banks doubling - is completely unprecedented and not right. People need to be able to put food on their table.



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Reflection by Tony Topping

PEACE

Peace I leave you, my peace I give you.

There is so much unrest in our world; unrest and mistrust between East and West and between neighbouring countries which often leads to war; unrest between religions which often leads to resentment and violence; unrest in families which sometimes leads to separation and divorce. It is always the innocent, the children and the poor, who suffer the most. During the first half of this year, there has been a great deal of anxiety and apprehension brought about through fear of a detestable virus that has killed so many and has isolated us from our family and friends and has even forced us to find a new way of worshipping. Many have experienced a deterioration in their physical and mental health.

The above phrase will be familiar to all who attend mass for it is part of the prayer which follows the Lord's prayer. It is a prayer addressed to Our Lord Jesus Christ asking him for peace and unity in accordance with his will. Every time we pray the Our Father, we say “Thy will be done.” These words are repeated countless times whenever we ask for God's help. Jesus himself, in the Garden of Gethsemane, prayed to his father that the chalice be taken from him but he ended his prayer with the words, “not mine but Thy will be done.” He surrendered himself to the will of his father.

Jesus bequeathed to the apostles and to us the gift of peace but not a peace that would banish suffering and persecution, trial and tribulation. It is a peace deep within us. A surrendering of our will to the will of God. St Alphonsus Liguori called it a conformity to the will of God. I know it is easy for me to say, me who has had such an easy life and never had to experience severe pain as others have, yet even so, it is hard for me to put into practice that renouncing of my own will and surrendering to God's. There are so many worldly things that tie us down and prevent us from soaring to that great height which will truly set us free. Each morning when I awake, I thank God for this new day and offer it up to him in thanksgiving and in reparation for my sins. Perhaps because of my age, I feel genuinely grateful and contrite, but as the day goes on there are so many distractions and I am weak, worldly things occupy my mind and I have to consciously turn my thoughts back to God. I think about the holy martyrs who suffered persecution, torture and death yet went to the scaffold singing praise to God. They were able to do so because of the faith and inner peace that Christ had bequeathed. I remind myself of the words from the morning prayers:

As the new day begins let us praise Christ, in whom is the fullness of grace and the Spirit of God.

We praise you Lord and we thank you for all your blessings

Give us peace of mind and generosity of heart, grant us health and strength to do your will.

May your love be with us during the day, guide us in our work.

Lord give us your spirit

Activities for the children - Lynne Vaughan who runs the Sunday school at St Michael's church has put together various activities for the children to get involved in each week. If you would like a copy of the materials or know a family who would like to receive them, then please get in contact with the office via e-mail and the information can be sent over.

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The Most Holy Trinity
Gospel: John 3:16-18



Show your love for the world. Find activities at cafod.org.uk/primary

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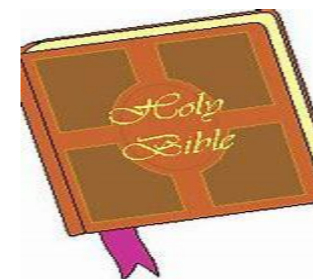
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An important message from Deacon Jim.... Feast of Corpus Christi marks the reopening of our churches!!

All being well we hope to have church re-open this week at St Winefride's for private prayer. This is great news and an answer to so many prayers. The control of the virus and protection of our community is still our highest priority though and so strict controls will be in place to help achieve this. John Kane is our Covid-19 health and safety coordinator and we are grateful to him and a team of volunteer Stewards helping us achieve this.

The church will open initially for an hour every day 1.30 - 2.30pm and will be supervised by two Stewards. The number of parishioners will be limited to no more than 10 in the church at a time and at busy times your visit will be limited to 15 minutes to allow others to pray in their turn. Limiting the use of benches, maintaining safe distance and regular cleaning of surfaces will also help keep everyone safe. All this will be kept under review but even with these restrictions, this is still great news and the beginning of a journey back towards fully opening our church and celebrating Mass once more some day soon.

Your prayers and patience will be needed in the weeks ahead but let's enjoy reopening our church especially at this time of celebrating who we are, the Body of Christ!

Thank you to those parishioners who have so far volunteered to help with the opening.

Fr Paul writes...

It is good news that the church can open for private prayer.

Please see Deacon Jim's and our Health and Safety Covid Leader John's invitation as to how we journey into the new 'norm' for visit to church. I am very grateful for the hard work they have done to make our church a safe and continual place of prayer.

Within the next two or so weeks we will be able to see and join in Mass from St Winefride's. There will be more information on our Website very soon.

May we remember all who are sick and those who have died, especially those who have died because of Covid 19. May the Lord bless them and send His Spirit of Balm upon those who are mourning in their loss.



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Bishop Mark has asked us to pray for;

DEACON BRIAN MCCARTHY

Canon Michael Gannon VG presided at the graveside funeral service at Southern Cemetery, Manchester, for Deacon Brian McCarthy earlier this week. May he rest in peace.

FATHER JOHN WRIGHT

The funeral service for Father John Wright also took place this week at Telford Crematorium. Let us remember John in our prayers. May he rest in peace.

THE WILSON FAMILY

I would be grateful if you could remember Mark, the son of Father Colin Wilson in your prayers, who begins hospital treatment tomorrow. We were also very sorry to learn of the death of Colin and Alison's dear granddaughter, Helen, in April. May she rest in peace. Please keep all the family in your prayer. With my prayers and remembrance at Mass throughout this week. **Fr Paul**



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OUR VERY OWN DEACON JIM IS CELEBRATING HIS 60TH BIRTHDAY ON MONDAY. THAT IS A LOT OF DAYS!!

A BIG HAPPY BIRTHDAY FROM EVERYONE WITHIN ST WINEFRIDE'S PARISH.



View from a teacher: Last week saw us begin the next stage of our Covid preparation for our Wirral primary school; namely the increase of number of children spending their day in school; the numbers increased from our steady 20 each day during full lockdown, to 70 last week with next week's numbers expected to surpass 140.

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in their children's school during this period. The coronavirus pandemic has forced teachers to operate completely out of their comfort zone and has caused me personally to reflect on the importance and relevance of the relationships we build up over the course of a school year.

We begin the academic year in September, eager to make a good impression with our children and parents; we make a point of engaging parents to ensure we have their trust and support; we take time to find out about our children's hobbies, interests and family lives, all of which help us to connect with the children in our care and all this before they are taught a thing! We work hard in developing the wellbeing and social and emotional provision for each child, only to see the fruits of our efforts brought to a happy completion in July.

As we near the culmination of what has been a highly unique academic year, I am reminded of the first letter of St Peter, which highlights to me, particularly at this time, the importance of good relationships and why the efforts of teachers should not be taken lightly. "Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, watching over them—not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not pursuing dishonest gain, but eager to serve; not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock."

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A VIRTUAL BIRTHDAY

On Sunday, 14th June, I will have been on this Earth for 80 years. However, because of the present situation, I have postponed my birthday until next year. I will stay at 79 for another year. As I cannot have a real birthday celebration with all my family around me, I still hope to have a virtual celebration thanks to modern technology. I am sure that all my loved ones will think of me and offer prayers for me. I look forward to seeing them one way or another.

During the past few months, I have thought a great deal about my family and realised How blessed I am to have been born into such a wonderful family. Apart from our children and grandchildren, over the last few months, I have been in touch with brothers, sisters, cousins and friends, some of whom we have not seen for quite a long time. It has been wonderful to catch up with so many. Some have continuing age and health problems and a few have suffered with Covid-19. I have been deeply moved by the many messages of love and support which have passed between all of them and the prayers that have been offered for each other. I know, too, that our parish family have also been very supportive of one another.

When I think in the present moment, I miss my family and friends and I wonder when it will end and I feel sad. I know that lockdown has been an ordeal for all of us, but when I think back, it seems that three months have flown by. Fr. Paul has said to me many times when I have been worried about someone or something, "What were you worried about this time last year?" Of course, I could never remember. We will get through this. During this period of crisis, there have been many stories of love and kindness by good people towards, not only their loved ones, but towards complete strangers. I think that people, during lockdown, have rediscovered their Christian values. Some bad things have happened and we've had time to reflect and realise that we must put an end to global injustice. So, I won't bemoan the things that I miss but thank God for the good things that have happened during this period and pray that we will all resolve to continue to be kind and generous to one another.



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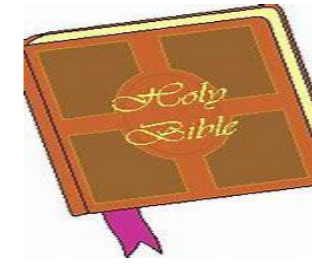
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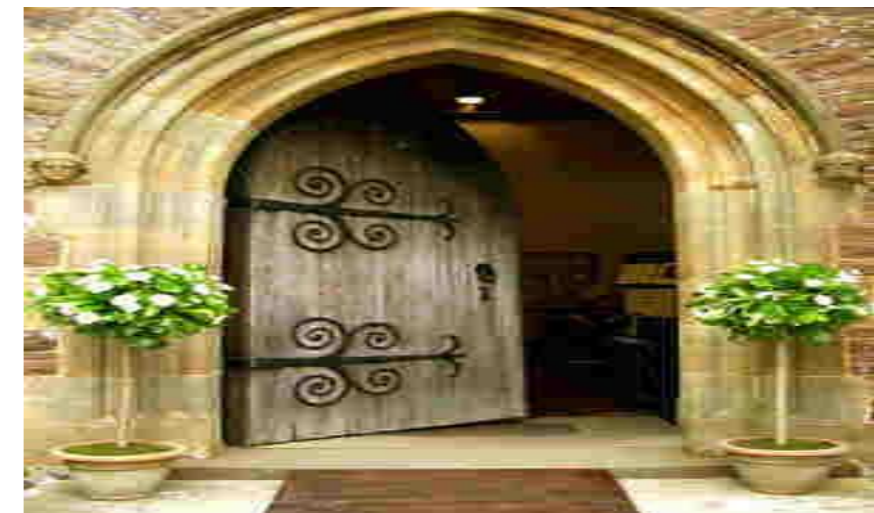
Fr Paul writes... Please keep in your prayers the families of Joan Hewitt and Gladys May Moreton who both died last weekend. Joan's funeral is this Friday. Gladys was 100 and resided at Hallwood Court in Neston. Her funeral is to be confirmed shortly.

Hoping that you are all well. The Government has given permission for places of worship to be open.

Cardinal Nichols, our own bishop Mark and all the Bishops of England and Wales have been petitioning the Government for this to happen. So, from this Monday 22nd June, our Church will be open 1.30pm-2.30pm as detailed above. Please be guided by the stewards who will be present in the church.

Sadly, I am not allowed to be with you at that time however I shall be celebrating Mass at 11 am each day for your intentions. Unfortunately, I shall be celebrating on my own in a locked church. However, we have a little light of hope that within two weeks you will be able to access Mass in your homes via a video link and so we shall be together again. More news next week.

All I ask of you is to pray for one another, especially those who have to make decisions on our behalf, be they secular or religious. With my constant prayer. **Fr. Paul**



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Teachers continue to do a great job ensuring that work is provided for the children at home; also, communicating with parents and children through the Dojo system (email) and telephone. Last week, all the children were sent a little message by 'snail mail', the first time some children have received a letter addressed to them.

Mrs Roberts and Mrs Davies have been working hard to keep up the morale of our school community with lots of wonderful events and activities. You may have seen some of these on our school Facebook page, on the CH64-About My Area webpage or even on the local news on television! From what I hear the whole of the parish has enjoyed Mrs Roberts's idea to share all our Holy Communion photographs through the ages.

On 22nd June, school opening will be extended to the children of Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 on a part time basis and we hope to be able to offer all the other children at least one afternoon in school with their current teacher to end the school year but this is all dependent upon the R rate.

Mrs Hoskinson will be leaving St Winefride's at the end of the summer term to spend more time with her two daughters while they are young. Mrs Hoskinson has been teaching at St Winefride's for 13 years and, I am sure she will not mind me telling you that, it was a very difficult decision for her to make but it is the right one for her family. We thank her and wish her and her family well for the future.

Other more joyful staff news - Miss Riley and her partner are expecting a baby in the autumn. Congratulations to them both! Mrs Ormes, Headteacher.

From Dorothy Barber - There is a lot of upset and anger in the world at the moment and I have a prayer which I say each day and I would like to share with you.

Lord grant peace to our troubled world

Grant understanding of our cultural differences

Grant respect for the dignity of peoples and nations everywhere

Grant recognition of our common humanity
Our equal citizenship
On the face of the earth

For we all live
in the one house
this earth this tent
among the stars

Lord guide us all
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Some parishioners who use Offertory envelopes have asked how they can contribute at this time.

* Your donation can be put into your envelopes as usual and then put into the collection once Masses recommence. You can just use one envelope to do this if you prefer.

If you have not received your box of new envelopes, please e-mail the parish office and from the beginning of July we can organise to get these to you.

* Alternatively, you could set up a Standing Order. Please contact the Parish Office for details of how to do this. The office can either send a form out or give details of the parish bank if you use online banking. parishoffice@stwinefridesneston.org.uk.

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THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Sunday was the feast of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, previously known as Corpus Christi. It was also my birthday. My sister said what a wonderful day it was to celebrate a birthday and so it was but it was tinged with a little sadness for it was the day that my great-granddaughter was meant to have her first Holy Communion. Of course, with lockdown, it had to be postponed, Still, we had a very joyful weekend with staggered visits from family groups, we followed all the distancing rules which was strange and very hard, and lots of phone calls and messages for which I am very grateful. Virtual hugs and kisses are not the same though. It is difficult for two- and three-year olds to understand why they cannot give Nana Betty and "Pops" big hugs.

The feast brought back a lot of memories for me. In his homily on Sunday, Fr Edmund said he has kept a record of every mass he has said since his ordination, where it was said, with whom and for what intension. I presume he must keep a daily diary. For the last thirty or so years, I have served as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. It has been a wonderful ministry giving me the privilege of taking communion to many people who were ill or nearing the end of their lives. All became very dear friends. I wish I had kept a record of all the people I have taken communion to. My memory does not serve me well these days and I cannot now remember all of them. My most recent one was Ellie, a real character and a true Liverpudlian. I visited her every Sunday, except when I was on holiday, for about twenty years. She was a hundred and two years of age and as bright as a button. She was spared lockdown for she died a few weeks before it started. It was a blessing for her for I think it would have been a terrible ordeal for her but I miss her a lot. Those I visited were always very grateful. They didn't realise what a great privilege and a joy it was for me. They truly inspired me and helped to deepen my faith. I hope they are all praying for me now.

Tomorrow, Friday, is the feast of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. In the house where I grew up, there was a statue of The Sacred Heart. It sat on the landing at the top of the stairs. It could be seen from the front door as you stepped into the hall. My parents had a great devotion to The Sacred Heart for one of the promises of displaying the image was that the family would stay close. All my siblings and most of their families live in our local vicinity. So, I have much to thank God for.

*Christ be near at either hand,
Christ behind, before me stand
Christ be with me where e'er I go,
Christ around, above, below*

*Christ be in my heart and mind,
Christ within my soul enshrined.
Christ control my wayward heart;
Christ abide and ne'er depart.*

*Christ my life and only way,
Christ my lantern night and day;
Christ be my unchanging friend,
Guide and shepherd to the end.*

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CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Church Visiting Rules as of 22nd June 2020

What do you mean by 'private prayer'?

Individuals may come to church to pray. Mass and Confessions will still not be available in church. There will be a 15 minute time limit on a person's time in church if there is a queue outside, to enable as many people as possible, the chance to come and pray.

Can I come with my friend or family?

People from the same family or household may come together and sit next to each other. If you are not from the same household, you must sit separately, observing the 2m social distancing rule. Seats will be shown to you by the Stewards.

Can I just turn up at church?

Yes, but there will be set times and days church is open. At the moment Monday, Thursday and Saturday afternoon. 1.30pm – 2.30pm.

You may have to queue outside, as the Diocese has advised that a maximum of 10 people (excluding stewards) are to be allowed in at any one time.

Do I need to wear a mask or gloves?

It is entirely up to you! The Diocese **have not stipulated** that visitors must wear any PPE. Please be reassured that all surfaces (handles, kneelers, seats etc) will be thoroughly cleaned at the beginning and at the end of each 1.0 hour prayer session, with appropriate cleaning materials.

Visitors will be asked to wipe down the seat and handrail they have used with wipes provided and adhere to the 2m social distancing rule whilst in church and follow the one-way system.

Visitors will also be asked to clean their hands using the hand sanitizer gel provided, on entering and leaving the church.

Will I be able to use the toilets whilst in church?

No, unfortunately access to all the facilities (toilets, kitchen etc) will be closed to the public.

Can I light a candle?

A limited number of votive candles will be available to light from a candle already alight. Please ensure that if someone is lighting a candle and you need to pass by them, that you maintain the 2m social distancing rule.

We are hoping that over the next couple of months, these rules will be able to be relaxed a little and more people will be able to come to church. We will keep you posted on any changes that we are made aware of.

We warmly welcome you to our church. To reduce the risk of spreading infection, please ensure that you take the time to read the following rules, when coming to pray in our church:

- * No more than 10 people are allowed inside the church (excluding Stewards) at any one time.**
- * Each person is allowed a maximum of 15 minutes inside the church.**
- * Hands should be sanitized on the way in and on the way out of church.**
- * Please observe the one-way system in place, when entering and exiting the church.**
- * Votive candles may be lit from a candle already alight**
- * Please note, that any statues or religious paintings etc. should NOT be touched.**
- * Please sit in the seat number allocated to you.**
- * When you are ready to leave, please wipe down the seat and handrail with the wipe provided and dispose of in the bin**
- * The normal social distancing rules apply at all times, when waiting outside and when inside the church. Please try to stay 2m/6ft away from another person.**
- * The toilet facilities are not available in church.**

Thank you for your patience and understanding in this matter. Hopefully, these measures will enable our churches to open for prayer to everyone. If these rules are not adhered to, the church will be forced to close its doors once more. Please stay safe.



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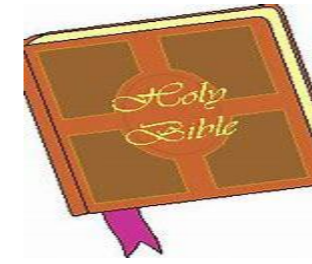
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Bible study – For bible study this week we are going to discuss the Our Father. In preparation please read the very last section of the Catechism, part 4 section 2 on Christian Prayer available online at https://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/_P9V.HTM

Wednesday 1st July, 3pm at the Rosary Zoom address or ring Deacon Jim to connect by 'phone.'

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13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 28th June 2020

Fr Paul is saying Mass behind closed doors and will continue to do so whilst the church is closed. Masses this coming week, are listed below.

Mass Intentions from this Saturday are as follows:

Saturday 27th	Pauline Tunstall	Sunday 28th	Chris Henderson
Monday 29th	Parish Family	Tuesday 30th	Kenneth Richards
Thursday 2nd	Gladys May Moreton RIP (11.00 St Winefride's - graveside)	Friday 3rd	Leslie T Cooke
Saturday 4th	All parishioners on our prayer list.	Sunday 5th	Carol Saunders

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

Parishioners who need our Prayers

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

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| Dorothy Barber | Patricia Davies |
| Frances Wright | Rosemary Southwell |
| Pat Cummins | Sarah Alouane |
| Pat Matthews | Dot Davies |
| Tony McDevitt | Ted Henesy |
| Dorothy Robinson | Sheila Burrell |
| John Kane | Judy Howard |
| Maureen Grace | |



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

Daily Rosary continues at 10.30am (apart from Sunday) with St Winefride's parish

To join in please download **Zoom.us** either as an "app" on your phone or tablet or download from the **Zoom.us** website to your laptop. It is free and simple registration with your email and a password. When you have Zoom then type in or click the link below; 'If you prefer to join in over the telephone, please ring Deacon Jim just before 10.30am.

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Fr Paul writes... I hope you are all well and safely enjoying these sunny days while always remembering that the **Covid 19** is still at our side.

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I will be celebrating a Mass on the day of Frances' funeral for the repose of her soul.

Pray too for Gladys Moreton whose graveside service takes place this Thursday 2nd July at 11.00am. May the Lord comfort her family and grant eternal rest to her soul.

I am hopeful that we will have 'live streaming' for Mass and quiet prayer in the near future. Considerable adjustments are being made in the church to allow for this. We will also be able to have some talks on the work of the Holy Father and the work of our Parish community.

You will see at **the end of the newsletter**, the information that Bishop Mark and his brother bishops have made re the opening of the Church for weekend Mass. I have a duty to ensure the safety of all who come to Mass and other occasions. In light of this, I feel it may take an extra week to prepare the church for the weekend of 11th and 12th of July. I feel that we need this time, to be given more advice from the Bishops and Government and also to adjust the church for this new phase.

At this time if the church were opened for weekend Masses, we could have only a maximum of 30 Parishioners for each Mass. You will understand that this will require very thoughtful preparations. I encourage you to read Bishop Mark's letter to the Priests and Deacons. Bishop Mark offers us a deeper understanding of the days and weeks ahead. Personally, I hope and pray that some sort of order will enable all of us to fill our spirits with the grace of the Holy Spirit. Let us keep Bishop Mark, with his Brother Bishops in our prayers.

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Love – I love spending more time with my family,
Often going out for a walk.
Chocolate is the only thing Grace eats.
Knocked into lockdown,
Doctors helping us to survive.
Ollie only playing computer games
We are running out of toilet paper.
NHS are heroes

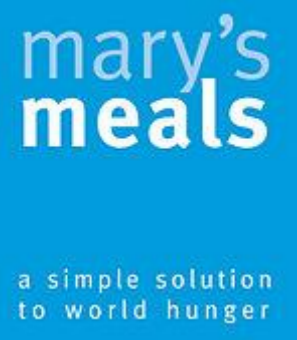
By Mollie – Year 5

Loved being with my mum,
Only allowed to go and walk.
Cea Cea's washing machine broke down in the kitchen
King Boris been bossing us all around,
Doctors help you get better.
Often we used to have sleepovers but not now!
Work, boo! My mum is still going to work.
Normally, all of the children are in school.

By Darcey – Year 3

Lockdown is terrible.
Overtime, coronavirus will disappear.
Carrots and vegetables are healthy to eat.
Knowing one day it will all end.
Do your best to keep safe.
Oh no! Coronavirus is still here!
When will this all be over?
Not seeing my cousins...so sad.

By Edward – Year 2



The coronavirus pandemic is causing challenges for us all, and we are very sorry that we cannot visit your church at this time to share the Mary's Meals story.

Until we can be together again, our founder, Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow, has recorded a special message for your parishioners.

You can find his message, filmed outside the shed in Argyll where it all began for Mary's Meals, [here](#). We hope you will help to spread the word about our beautiful mission by sharing it on your website or social media channels.

Do not hesitate to [contact us](#) if you need the message in another format, or if you would like a copy of one of our moving films, [Child 31](#) and [Generation Hope](#), to share with your parishioners. A children's activity pack, based on the story of Mary's Meals, is also available to download [here](#).

Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers, and we look forward to meeting you again soon. If you would like to register interest in hosting a talk from one of our volunteers when it is safe to do so, [contact us](#).

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ROCK AND SAND

*Grant us, Lord, a true knowledge of salvation, so that we may serve you faithfully,
all the days of our life.*

As I sit here in my office with my laptop in front of me and connect to the live stream mass from Shrewsbury Cathedral, recently, I have kept a pen and some paper handy in order to take a few notes of what Bishop Mark, or Father Edmund, has to say in his homily. I often find them inspiring. Of course, this is not something I can do when attending mass at church, I have to try to remember what the priest says. The other day, while speaking about Saint John the Baptist. The bishop mentioned Jansenism, comparing it to the present pandemic and said how the heresy had lasted for three centuries. I have to admit that my education is not good enough to fully understand it. I think it is about predestination and whether we ourselves have any input into our ultimate salvation. Later, I tried to google it but became even more confused. My faith is a very simple faith.

I cannot believe that our destiny is determined before we are even born. We do have a place in God's plan but we have a choice. We have free will. We may not know what God's plan for us is but we can choose to respond to his call and to whatever seems to be the path that he has put before us or we can choose to go our own way. When we sin, we are making a choice, we are not being forced into it although sometimes it might seem that we are. When we sin, we know we are doing wrong and we can choose to do the right thing although sometimes it is so hard to resist doing wrong. It is still our choice to make.

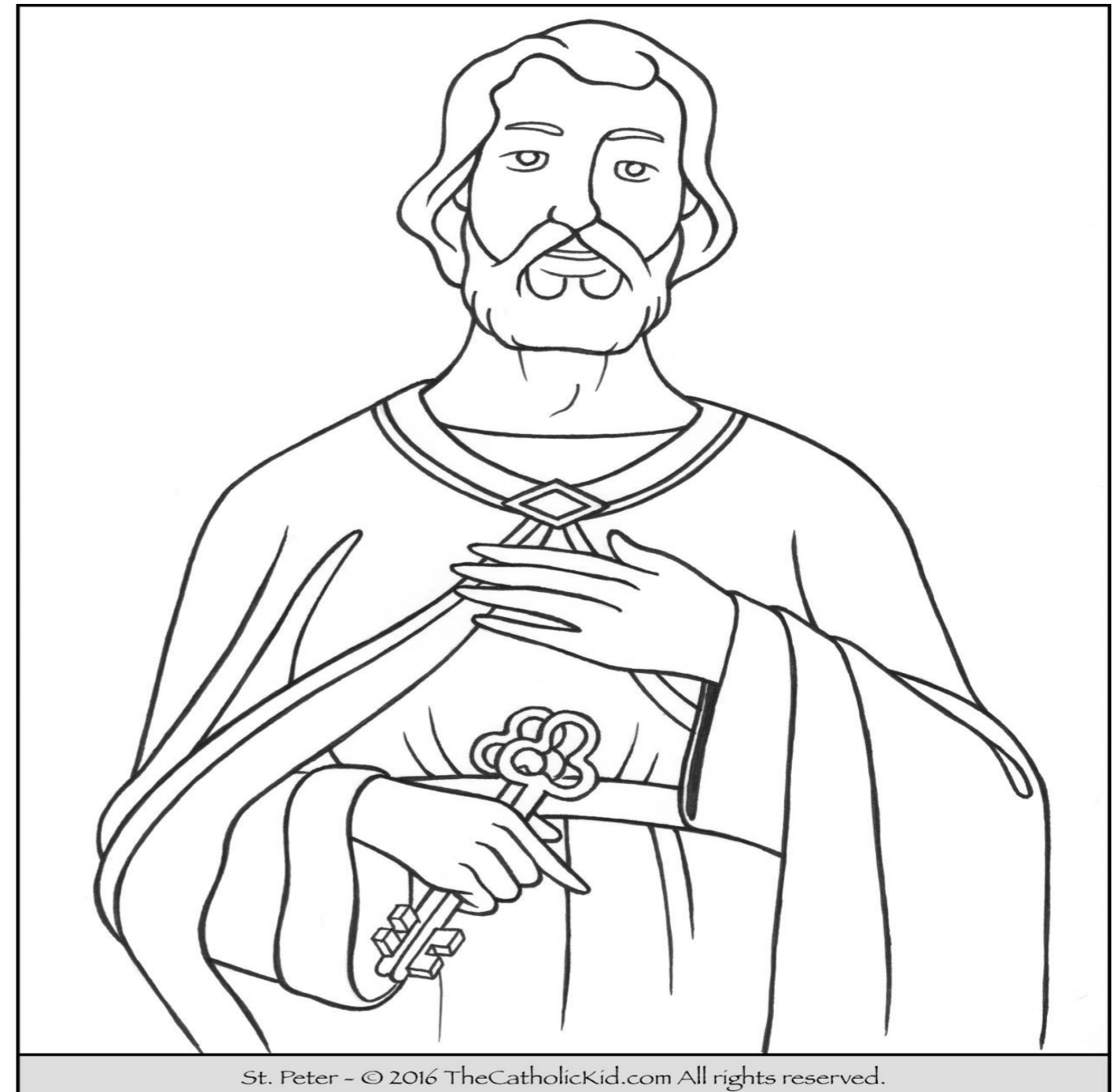
I was given a book written by Denis McBride called "Where does the Story of Jesus Begin". I have started reading it but have not yet read enough to comment on it, but on the back cover it asks, where does my own story begin? On reflection, I think it must start with my parents; the love they had for each other; their shared faith in God, in Jesus and his Holy Catholic Church. In my childhood, I absorbed that faith and devotion and although, at times during my life, I have questioned it, that faith has remained deep within me. As I have said many times, my faith is a simple one. If I have misquoted or misinterpreted what Bishop Mark said, I apologise to him and to those who read my reflection. I speak only the words that are in my heart and pray that they are what The Holy Spirit has put there. In this morning's gospel (Thursday), Matthew 7:21-29, Jesus talks about two houses, one built on rock and one built on sand. I pray that mine is built on rock.

The important thing is not to say beautiful words about God, but to do the will of the Father and so reveal God's will and his presence in the world. (From the app "Pray as you go".)

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Today we hear how Jesus gave Peter the keys to the kingdom of Heaven.



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Bishop Mark's letter to Priests and Deacons.

A MOMENT OF GREAT JOY We are about to embark on the next, decisive stage of our re-emergence from the state of national lockdown with the public celebration of Mass and the availability, at set times, of the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.

All is due to begin from Saturday 4th July however, **I wish to stress that every parish must feel free to go safely and surely at its own pace.**

The reports which you have shared with me of the joy that has marked the re-opening of church doors, came about thanks to all the hard work involved in the detailed preparation of some 60 of our churches to open for private prayer. I am very much aware of the pressure which the demands of COVID safety have brought. However, nothing can take away the joy of being able to assist many to return, in the weeks ahead, to Confession, Mass and Holy Communion. Amid the pressure of the many details of our compliance with standards of safety may we keep in sight the goal and great joy to be shared.

MESSAGE FROM THE METROPOLITAN ARCHBISHOPS

I attach a message of encouragement for this Sunday from Cardinal Nichols, together with Archbishops Longley, McMahon and Wilson on behalf of the bishops, which I would be grateful if you could share with your parishioners in every way you can. We are approaching a moment to be celebrated and also to be approached with care and caution. I think this is the note clearly sounded in the Archbishops' note to the Catholic faithful. SUNDAY AND HOLY DAY OBLIGATION The faithful continue to be dispensed in this national emergency from the obligation to attend Holy Mass on Sundays and Holy Days. We have not yet returned to a state of "normality" and there are parishioners who may remain shielded/isolated for many medical reasons. For this reason, I would want to encourage the livestreaming of Mass to be continued wherever possible and the encouragement of prayer in the home and acts of spiritual communion for those unable to attend Mass.

TWO GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS I always want to share the advice I have received and today I am pleased to share with you two documents issued this morning from the Bishops Conference. I should note that we are **expecting more general guidance from the Government at some stage**, however, the guidance prepared for the bishops takes into account the best advice and practice available. The guidance assumes that all the provisions for the safe re-opening of a church for private prayer have already been put in place. The documents place a great responsibility on us to ensure that the Mass and the Sacraments can be celebrated safely in the weeks and months ahead. I think it likely that we will receive additional guidance as new questions and issues inevitably arise:

- 1) Guidance for The Celebration of Mass In reading this document you will notice that a decision is to be made, **which I entrust to each Parish Priest who will best know the local situation: Safe Numbers a) To remain with the two-metre social distancing within the church and the number agreed in your risk assessment.**
- 2) To adopt the one metre plus social distancing provision and to consult with the Vicars General and Julie Tinsley our Health and Safety Officer to establish a new and significantly larger safe number for the church. The adoption of one metre plus will require the wearing of face masks for all who attend and the closure and cleaning of the church after every celebration of the Mass.
- 3) a) It may be possible for you to consider an outdoor Mass with all the vagaries of an English summer this would allow one metre plus social distancing without the use of face masks and would significantly increase the numbers able to attend. The Altar would of course need to be covered and shielded from wind, rain and even sunshine!
- 4) Distribution of Holy Communion

The national guidance leaves us with two choices: a) To distribute Communion silently at the traditional time for Holy Communion and in the traditional place in the manner described in the first option using a kneeler or perhaps a small table to create the social distance required of us

b) **To distribute Holy Communion** silently at the end of Mass from an established point with a kneeler or table allowing the faithful to depart from Mass immediately after receiving Holy Communion I think you will see that there are no easy options and we will need to find our way forwards in a way that is both reverent and safe for the parishioners.

Readers

I think you will note the requirement of single use gloves and the possible need to adjust face masks for the purposes of reading. I would wish to add that according to your judgement, I am happy in these extraordinary circumstances for the clergy to read all of the Scripture readings at Mass.

How Do We Regulate Numbers?

I dearly wish I were able to offer you a readymade solution to this most difficult question. I fear that it will be a source of upset when people arrive to take part in Mass and are not able to attend for safety reasons. It is the stewards who will most often be faced with this situation and a very unpleasant dilemma. I would suggest a clear and compassionate notice be prepared to clearly indicate at the entrance, that the safe number of participants has now been reached and it would be necessary to either attend Mass in the grounds of the church or to return for a later Mass. It may help the stewards simply to be able to point to this notice when the church has reached capacity.

Some dioceses are considering an on-line prebooking of places in church or a ticket distribution, however, this does not overcome the difficulty when people or entire families arrive at the church door without prior booking. One means to help overcome this problem would be to increase the number of Sunday Masses celebrated. The simplification of the Liturgy should allow us to do this more easily. At the Cathedral, this will be the approach that I will propose. I would ask you to seriously consider whether this would be possible. As already mentioned, it may also be helpful to consider the possibility of an outdoor celebration of the Mass which allows a greater number to attend.

2) Guidance for Confession In my previous Ad Clerum, I outlined the benefits at this time of hearing Confessions out of doors. In the guidance received today, we can now envisage Confessions within the church with social distancing and hygiene requirements Diocese of Shrewsbury - Ad Clerum 20/26 June in place, either in the church itself or with extra conditions within a confessional where there is an enhanced physical divide between priest and penitent. I commend all the advice to you in the light of your local circumstances. However, this is the time for us to begin announcing and making provision for the return of many to the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.

FUNERAL MASSES

I want to note that from 4th July, following the safety requirements for Mass, it will be possible to celebrate Requiem Masses once more. Again, **I leave the judgment as to whether this is possible to the local Parish Priest.**

FURTHER GUIDANCE

We might expect further guidance in the weeks to come on the pastoral care of the sick. I would want to record all of our thanks to Canon Chris Thomas, the General Secretary of the Bishops Conference, who has done such outstanding work in helping co-ordinate our response to this public health emergency. I have certainly been grateful for his availability to assist the bishops and dioceses through every difficult day of this crisis. FOR TODAY ... I think the documents attached will be sufficient for today! I hope you will be able to ponder the content over the weekend and then consider the next steps in the coming week. I am sure there will be many questions arising which I will do my best to address. Be assured of my understanding of the difficulties and complexities involved in taking these next positive steps forward in the parishes. With remembrance in my prayer and with my gratitude,

+ Mark Bishop of Shrewsbury



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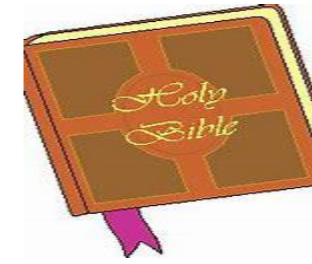
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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 5th July 2020

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Mass Intentions from this Saturday are as follows:

Saturday 4th July	All parishioners on our prayer list.	Sunday 5th July	Carol Saunders
Monday 6th	Francis Power (Frank) RIP Funeral 10.00am Blacon	Tuesday 7th	Joyce & Maurice McAsey
Thursday 9th	Jane Jeacock	Friday 10th	Parish Family
Saturday 11th	Marie Thelwell	Sunday 12th	Haimes family

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Fr Paul writes... I hope you are all keeping well and beginning to return to some form of normality. I ask you to keep in your prayers Frank Power who died on the 21st June and whose funeral will take place this Monday at Blacon Crematorium. May he rest in peace.

I am most grateful for the support and advice I have received from Deacon Jim and John Kane in putting forward our plans for the opening of our church for weekend Mass. Most people, including myself, could never imagine how much paperwork we need to prepare in order to request the opening of the church. This request has to be submitted to the diocese. We have also requested further information as to the numbers of people that can be in the church for our celebration of weekend Mass.

Our church will be open from

Saturday 18th of July and Sunday 19th of July.

Please note the changes to weekend Mass.

Saturday Vigil Mass at 6.00pm.

Sunday 9.30am and 11.00am.

This new schedule has been put together so that it will enable parishioners and Stewards a reasonable amount of time to prepare the church in advance for the next Mass.

We are *living in* extraordinary times. None of us can tell how long these restrictions to the 'old way' which we have followed in recent years will last. None of us has a clear map for the future.

All of us are having our ups and downs, some of our parishioners are feeling frightened by the fragility of life. So let us continue to pray for one another.

We are looking for some more Stewards for our weekend Masses. The job doesn't require too much. However, if we do not have sufficient numbers of Stewards we may have to close the church. What I am asking for is a little of your time. Please contact Deacon Jim either via his parish e-mail

deaconjim@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

or Tel: 07746743921

Please give my request some thought.

**As one our supermarket says,
'Every little helps.'**

I will have more information for you next week. With prayer and remembrance in my Mass throughout the coming week. Fr Paul

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- Bishop Robert Baron: wordonfire.org/daily-mass/
- Shrewsbury Cathedral: dioceseofshrewsbury.org
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A message from the office

Sunday Message – Please note that the complete set of bulletins for July will be on the website from today and you will have to scroll through after this week to see future weeks bulletins.

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Edith O'Sullivan would like to say a "Big Thank You" to Joe Tunstall for keeping lines of communication going over these last few months.

Edith like many parishioners who do not have a computer or smart phone have been even more isolated and Joe has very kindly been printing and delivering newsletters to those who needed one. This kind gesture has helped them keep in touch with the parish news.

Thank you from Edith and many others Joe.



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Thank you for your continued support

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Reflection by Tony Topping - written Thursday 2nd July

SAINT PETER AND SAINT PAUL

I have always liked St. Peter. He seemed to have been a down to earth sort of man who always said what he thought but did not always think before he spoke. He was a simple man, not in his mental capacity but in his faith and his outlook to life. He was uncomplicated and humble and honest. He had integrity and was well regarded in his community. He was also impetuous and, sometimes, Jesus rebuked him. “Get behind me Satan!” were the words Jesus used when all Peter wanted was to protect him from those who would harm him. The night before the crucifixion, when they came to arrest Jesus, Peter reacted violently and injured a servant of one of those who were taking Jesus into custody yet only a few hours later he denied knowing Jesus for fear of being arrested himself. When he heard the cock crow, he immediately recalled the words that Jesus spoke at supper, “you will deny me three times”. Peter was so ashamed and repentant he wept. He was obviously a passionate man, one who loved Jesus and would be prepared to die for him which he ultimately did.

Jesus knew Peter well and had great confidence in him. Whenever he tested his apostles and put to them searching questions, it was always Peter who answered for all of them. “Lord to whom shall we go, you have the message of eternal life.” “You are the Son of the living God.” After the resurrection, when Jesus appeared to the apostles for the third time, he asked Peter three times, “Do you love me?” By the third time, Peter felt hurt and annoyed. He said “You know everything, you know that I love you”. With this, Jesus gave Peter the great responsibility to look after his sheep.

Saint Paul was a very different character. Known also as Saul, he was a from a devout Jewish family in Tarsus. He had studied under Gamaliel, a pharisee and a highly esteemed doctor of Jewish law. I don’t know if he had ever met Jesus face to face before his experience on the road to Damascus but he must have known all about him and his teaching. He thought of Jesus and his followers as revolutionary anarchists. He wanted to get rid of them for he thought them dangerous. He attended and approved the killing of Saint Stephen, the first Christian martyr. I’m sure that must have had an effect on him, perhaps put doubts in his mind that what he was doing was not God’s will. After his conversion, he travelled extensively spreading the Good News of salvation and, of course, we have Paul to thank for making it accessible to us Gentiles.

Both of these great saints were forced to spend time in prison. I wondered what Saint Peter thought of his experience being locked in a dark damp cell. He was used to the open air. A fisherman who had spent much of his time at sea. All the while he was incarcerated the church prayed for him constantly. Saint Paul’s profession was a tentmaker, so he too would have been used to being out in the open. He was forced to spend years in house arrest yet he still carried on writing to the various communities with encouragement and support.

There are many who have felt imprisoned during lockdown, not being able to get out even to do the simplest things and who are now afraid to go out, who feel they are no longer safe. I know that I cannot compare my own experience of lockdown with the experiences of those great saints, Peter and Paul, nor can I compare with all the saints who have done so much for those who have suffered and died from this terrible disease, the doctors, nurses, carers, volunteers and all who are helping us to get through this crisis. I pray for an early end to it and pray that all who have sacrificed so much will be rewarded. May God bless them.

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This week, let's remember we can turn to God when things are hard. But also, let's look after others who are finding things difficult and do our best to help them. We can show them that they are not alone by the way we treat them.





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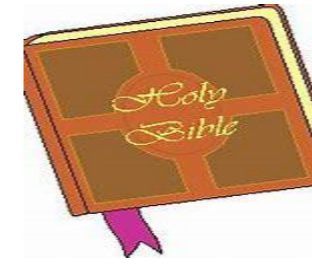
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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 12th July 2020

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Saturday 11th July	Marie Thelwell	Sunday 12th	Haimes family
Monday 13th	John Swann	Tuesday 14th	Valerie Foulkes RIP
Thursday 16th	Fr Chris	Friday 17th	Laurence Dorman
Saturday 18th 6 pm Mass	Dr Marioth	Sunday 19th – 9.30 am Sunday 19th – 11 am	Parish family Anne-Marie McLean

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Fr Paul writes..... Thursday 9th 2020

I hope you are well and able to make sense of this strange period we find ourselves in. We are in the process of installing a camera in church which will enable us to stream Mass and other services online. I will have more information by next week.

You may have noted that in last week's newsletter that I hoped to have Mass again on Saturday/Sunday starting next weekend, 18th and 19th. We have today, received approval from the Diocese for weekend Mass to restart. We are limited as to the number of people who can be in church at one time. So please look at the new Mass times and consider when you might come.

Places will be allocated by the Stewards on a first come first serve basis.

Please note

- **Everyone is required to wear a face covering.**
- **There is limited seating where people from the same social bubble can sit together**
- **Individuals who are currently shielding should continue to follow the government's advice on shielding.**
- **Please be aware that church will look very different with various notices, signs and tape in place for your safety.**

Also, Sunday Mass obligation remains suspended until further notice.

Let us pray that all will go well.

We are still looking for Steward helpers at the weekend Masses. If you are able to help please contact Deacon Jim either by e-mail or telephone. Contact details are at the top of the newsletter.

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

At the moment we will **not be** opening for Mass on weekdays. As soon as we get the go ahead I will let you know. We will have to have a little more patience. Although I have celebrated Mass every day, Mass is not open to any of our parishioners as the church is in lockdown. I cannot wait to have our parish family together.

On a lighter note, we Congratulate Fr Chris on being a priest for 65 years and Hilda Dobson reaching 90 years on this earth. May the Lord be their light and continue to hold them in the palm of His hands. Our Lady help of Christians, pray for them.

Please also remember, Deacon Mike and Deacon Jim who celebrated the anniversary of their ordination on the 6th July. May the Lord continue to bless and strengthen them.

Please be assured of my prayers and Masses for you, your families and friends.

Fr Paul.

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Jayne Shakespeare – Parish Office

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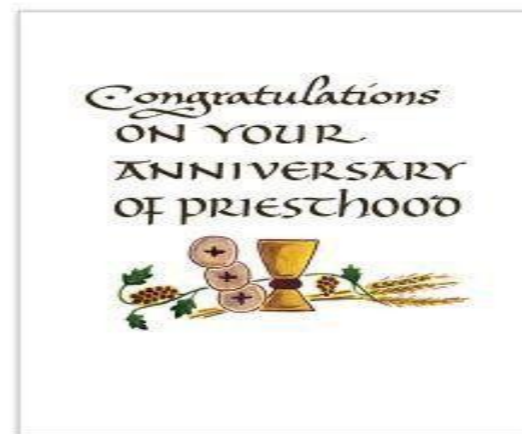
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THIS WEEK HAS ALSO BEEN THE ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION FOR BOTH DEACON JIM AND DEACON MIKE. IT IS JIM'S 1ST ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION TO A DEACON AND MIKE'S 7TH.

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We have just received notification of the funds received so far, which have been paid to the Parish account via the above Giving Page. I would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone who has donated to the church either via the Giving Page, continued to pay through standing order or put their Offertory envelopes through the church door.

THANK YOU

Reflection by Tony Topping - written Thursday 9th July

DOUBT

Now that the daylight fills the sky,

We lift our hearts to God on high,

That he in all we do and say,

Would keep us free from harm today.

When Lockdown first began, I had a conversation with Father Paul, who asked me to continue to write my reflections and said they would be included in the new online format for the weekly newsletter. I said that I would try but how often would he expect them. He replied every week if I could. I felt daunted and I said to myself, “no way, I can’t do that”. I am used to writing maybe one a month. However, I said I would try.

The first few weeks of Lockdown were not too bad. There was so much going on and so much to talk about, but as the weeks went by, it became more difficult. I began to have doubts; I began to question myself. Who am I to expect people to take the time to read my scribbles? What qualifications have I? An O level in English Language and an O level in Religious Education. At the beginning of each week, I felt that I had nothing to say but, always, at the last minute, a thought would spring into my head and the words would start flowing. Yet I still lacked confidence. Then, in one of Father Edmund’s homilies, he spoke about the devil and how his main aim was to make us feel demoralised, weak, dispirited and worthless. I began to understand that I am not worthless. I do what I do in the hope that it will please the God who made me and who loves me.

I began to think about all those who have been confined to their homes for the last three months; all those who feel abandoned, forgotten, lonely and miserable; all those who have loved ones who are sick and dying; all those who have already lost loved ones since the pandemic started. I have no right to feel downhearted myself.

As Lockdown restrictions are relaxed, it will bring some relief and consolation to many but it will also bring anxiety. Some are still reluctant to leave their homes for the virus is still there. When we see on the news bulletins people flagrantly disregarding the advice given by the government, we wonder if it is all happening too soon; will it undo the good that it has been achieved so far? Churches will be open for public services but will we who are in the older age bracket be allowed to attend and will we feel safe. Aught we to leave the spaces at the Saturday and Sunday masses for younger people? Perhaps there could be a mass or a Eucharistic service during the week for those who regularly attended the midweek masses before the crisis.

I know that we who are in the winter of our years have a great deal of experience and an awareness of God. Together we can be a powerhouse of prayer whether at home or in church. I pray that provision can be made for us to come together and pray together.

O Lord, come to our aid, O Lord, make haste to help us!

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Today Jesus tells us a parable about planting seeds. It shows us how important it is that the seeds land on the right kind of ground to grow, but it also tells us something about ourselves and how we should be. Let's listen and find out more.

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 19th July 2020

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

password: AveMaria



Bible study – There will be no bible study this week.

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Church is open this week for private prayer on Monday, Thursday and Saturday. Times 1.30pm – 2.30pm

This week private prayer continues on Sat 18th, Mon 20th, Thurs 21st and Sat 25th July 1.30 - 2.30 pm but no midweek Masses.

From Monday 27th July **there WILL BE morning Mass at 10 am on Monday and Friday** with the church open from half an hour before. Private prayer sessions in the afternoon will move to Tuesday and Thursday each week 1.30 - 2.30pm.



EXCITING WEEKEND

**CHURCH IS OPEN AGAIN
FOR MASS.**

**IT MAYBE VERY DIFFERENT TO THE NORM,
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MASS TOGETHER.**

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Fr Paul writes..... It is by the grace of God that I am pleased to say that you are able to visit our church by streaming on the internet. I know many of you have been following Mass from other parts of our Diocese and the World, but we would all agree that there is 'nothing better than home'. Deacon Jim will set before us the guidelines as to how to access this on you home device.

This weekend we are celebrating our first public Mass since March. It has been an exceptionally long time. As you know I have been celebrating Mass 'under lock down.' And I know how much you have missed the celebration of receiving the Lord in Holy Communion. I also hope and pray, that we will be able to bring communion to the housebound in the near future. We must always keep them close in our prayer.

You would not believe how much time was needed to put the protocol together to have permission for our church to open for Mass. We have followed the advice of the Government and the Bishops conference of England with their guidance. I would like to offer our prayerful thanks to Bishop Mark for the support of our parish community. Please keep him in your prayers.

I am most grateful to the band of volunteers for taking on the responsibility of keeping us safe while in the church for private prayer. They will also be here for the celebration of Mass at weekends. Please follow their instructions. All of us are living in a new world. Our way of life has been changed and for the safety of others and ourselves we need to walk gently together.

My thanks too to John Kane along with Deacon Jim and Julie Tinsley from the Diocese for all the time they have given.

This weekend we will celebrate the feast day of St John Plessington. In his time the faithful were deprived of the celebration of Mass and receiving the Lord in the Eucharist. In remembrance I will be wearing St John's vestments and using his chalice at the weekend Mass.

Our church was radically changed in St Johns day, to where we find ourselves today. Let us all have a humble and open heart and prepare to receive the Lord in Word and Eucharist.

We wish our Headteacher and whole school staff a restful time away from the school. I know how difficult it has been for them. Go with our prayers for all you do for our parish children.

I will continue to keep you and your families in my prayers while celebrating the Mass.

Regards Fr Paul

READERS / EMHC / CHURCH CLEANERS

Readers and EMHC, please bear with me at the moment, you will be required at some point, just as soon as it is advised safe to involve you within the Mass

Cleaners – Again, we will want to restart the rota, but I would like to have a short meeting first when everyone if possible is free, or perhaps even in two groups. Fr Paul

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From Dorothy Barber - I have found a lovely prayer from the Parish in Weybridge

Keep us Good Lord under the shadow of your mercy

In this time of uncertainty and distress

Sustain and support the anxious and fearful

And lift all who are brought low

That they may rejoice in your Comfort

Knowing that nothing can separate us from Your love.

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News from St Winefride's

National Sports' Week Success at St Winefride's

Staff, pupils and parents celebrated National Sports' week in style by competing in daily 60 second challenges. The week started with a shuttle run and children at school competed on the school field whilst children at home sent in their scores to school. Each challenge throughout the week was a 60 second challenge and a winner from each class was announced each day.

The children engaged in shuttle runs, speed bounce, skipping, keepy ups and plank challenges throughout the week. The children in school celebrated the end of the week with a socially distanced Sports' Day. It was a fantastic week - full of fitness and fun!



St Winefride's welcomes all pupils to school

St Winefride's has safely welcomed all pupils back to school to enjoy their last few weeks with friends and staff. The pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 were delighted to return to school and be with their friends and teachers. They have settled well, and the school has been full of life, laughter and learning.

Pupils from Years 2, 3, 4 and 5 have also enjoyed visiting school for a morning or afternoon session to spend time with their friends and teachers and bring the school year to an enjoyable end. Staff at St Winefride's are looking forward to welcoming all pupils back to school in September.

Reflection by Tony Topping

THE DARNEL

Over the last few months, I have noticed how good and generous people are; and how caring and brave they are. At the same time, I have become aware of how much evil is in the world. It would not be difficult to imagine that God is punishing us for allowing the world to become so corrupt, but I do not believe that God punishes us for He is a kind and gentle father, not one who abuses his children and cruelly punishes them for every misdeed. The first reading on Sunday is taken from the book of Wisdom and tells us that God does not judge unjustly, that He is lenient and ever ready to forgive.

God creates! He does not destroy the good things that he has created. It is the enemies of God who destroy and corrupt. The devil works in insidious ways making people think that killing and destroying is the answer to many of our problems; the end justifying the means; killing the unborn and euthanasia is simply being cruel to be kind; suppressing the poor and taking advantage of the weak; intolerance toward people of colour or of a different religion; supplying arms to corrupt governments, building weapons of mass destruction, these are but a few of the ways the devil is using people to destroy the world.

In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the darnel in the field where the good seed has been sown. Later in that passage, Jesus explains to his disciples, the meaning of the parable. He said the sower of the good seed is himself, the Son of Man. The field is the world; the good seed is the subjects of the kingdom; the darnel, the subjects of the evil one; the enemy who sowed them, the devil. Darnel is a poisonous weed that is very difficult to identify. I believe that most people are good at heart but the devil has many helpers who are constantly trying to distort the word of God and corrupt the minds of those who try to follow it. Like the good seed we live with good and bad people around us. It is very often difficult recognise the difference and it is not for us to judge who is good and who is bad. Those who do the devil's work often think that they are working for God. Even St. Paul, before his conversion believed he was doing right by persecuting the followers of Christ We must be constantly aware of the danger. I pray every day that God, The Father, will keep us free from temptation and deliver us from all evil.

I think the younger generation are more aware of the evils in our world and are prepared to fight against them. I admire their stand against racism and as long as it remains non-violent, I will try to support it in any way I can.

*But You, God of mercy and compassion
Slow to anger, O Lord,
Abounding in love and truth,
Turn and take pity on us.*

Psalm 85

The Guardian Angel Prayer

Tony Topping has sent through this poem - it is said every day before mass at Walsingham. It is a lovely prayer for those who cannot go to mass.

This is a traditional prayer which has fallen out of use, probably for centuries, and which was once said by people who were unable to go to mass. It has found new life and can be used to associate yourself with the mass offered in your parish that day, perhaps, saying it at the time you know mass is being celebrated, but it can be said at any time.

Dear Guardian Angel,

go for me to the church, there kneel down at the mass for me.

At the offertory, take me to God and offer him my service;

What I am, what I have I offer as my gift.

At the consecration, with your seraphic strength,

Adore my saviour truly present,

Praying for those who have loved me'

For those who have offended me

And for those who are now deceased,

That the blood of Jesus may purify them all.

During communion, bring me the Body and Blood of Jesus,

Uniting Him with me in spirit

So that my heart may become his dwelling place.

Plead with him, that through his sacrifice,

All people throughout the world may be saved.

When the mass ends, bring home to me and to every home,

The Lord's blessing.


Amen.

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



Jesus tells a parable – a special story - about the Kingdom of Heaven. He talks about a man who plants seeds of wheat in his field. But what happens next?

His enemy comes along and plants weeds in the field too. The man asks his workers to wait instead of pulling up the weeds straight away – he didn't want to lose any of his wheat. At harvest time though, it is easier to tell the wheat and the weeds apart and so the workers can burn the weeds and collect up all the wheat.

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Sunday 26th July 2020

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Thursday 30th	Roy Saunders - Birthday	Tuesday 28th	Joan O'Malley
Saturday 1st 6pm	Paula Tunstall	Friday 31st Mass 10.00 am	Fr Chris – 90 th Birthday
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Please keep in your prayers Eileen Pennington who is making her journey home to the Lord of Life. Let's keep her family in our prayers as they accompany their Mum with love and thanksgiving.

On Friday 31st July, The Very Reverend Monsignor Cannon Christopher Lightbound will celebrate his 90th Birthday. Fr Chris, as he is affectionately known, will celebrate a private Mass here at 12.00 noon with his close family. If you would like to pray with him, you can do so as the parish now has Live Streaming.

This week on Monday and Friday I will be celebrating Mass at 10 am. Both of these Masses **are not open to parishioners**. Once again, these Masses can be joined by way of streaming, I hope to open Mass on Monday and Friday starting the following week. Next week the E newsletter will be the last one until September. I will leave a notice on both doors of the church.

We are all called to keep safe. Looking out to one another. Let us in the words of St Paul 'Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in Prayer.

Be assured I will remember you and your loved ones and especially those who are unwell in my prayers and at Mass. **Fr Paul**

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MESSAGE FROM FR DAVID LONG

OUR DIOCESAN VIRTUAL PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: It was with great sadness that back in March we realised that in these extraordinary times it would be impossible to go ahead with our annual pilgrimage to Lourdes. We are very anxious, however, to reach out to our regular pilgrims and to all people around the Diocese to invite them to join us in a spiritual pilgrimage online during the time that we would have been in Lourdes. With this in mind we have created a Virtual Pilgrimage which includes a daily Mass led by the Bishop or different priest associated with the Pilgrimage As well as many regular devotions and activities that form our Pilgrimage. The programme can be downloaded from the Pilgrimage website www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk The Diocesan Website www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org Or the virtual Pilgrimage website <https://shrewsburylourdes.com>

Reflection by Tony Topping

MY TREASURE

We are only the earthenware jars that hold this treasure (Corinthians 4:5-7)

Solomon was a great king. When his father, King David, died, Solomon was still a young man and when his reign began, he was anxious for he felt inadequate. How could he, such a young man and so inexperienced, rule over such a great nation. He was not concerned with gold and riches and when he prayed to God, he asked for wisdom and discernment. God was pleased with his unselfish prayer and granted him great wisdom and many riches, so much so that the Queen of the South, who had heard of his great wisdom, travelled a long way to hear it herself. St Paul tells us that "God cooperates with those who love him, with all those he has called according to his purpose". (Romans 8:28-30)

For a long time, I have believed that if you do your job to the best of your ability and with good intentions, the rewards will follow automatically. They may not be as you expected; they may not be financial reward or an uplift in one's status, but you will be rewarded. I firmly believe that if I consciously do my best, God will see and remember. He has not made me rich or famous but he has always provided for my every need even in the most desperate of times.

I have known many converts to the Catholic faith and admired their devotion and their commitment and often felt that their faith was so much stronger than mine. I know that a convert's conversion is unlikely to be as sudden and miraculous as St. Paul's road to Damascus experience but I think it is possibly as dramatic. At some point in his life, he has had to make that decision to become a disciple of Jesus Christ; To take that huge and courageous step from one level to another.

For me, a cradle catholic, my progress has been a long, slow but steady incline, just one tiny step after another. Because of this, I think that I have, sometimes become complacent and taken things for granted. I think, perhaps the convert is like the man in the parable who finds treasure in a field and gives up everything he owns to buy the field. I think I have been picking up tiny nuggets all my life, keeping them safe and only now beginning to realise how valuable they are.

Over the last few months, during which I have been denied the right to attend mass in a church and to physically receive Holy Communion or even to enter a church, I have come to realise how precious my faith is. Yet I have not been afraid for I have known that God is still watching over us all. Jesus is still with me in my heart and in my soul. For all the times in my life that I have received him sacramentally, he will not desert me now. He has still been with me throughout. I have learned a lot during lockdown. One thing I have learned is that disciples are referred to as laity; not professional but amateurs. The actual meaning of disciple is one who is a disciplined learner. I like that better.

This is what the Lord asks of you:

Only this, to act justly,

To love tenderly

And to walk humbly with your God

(Micah 6:6-8)

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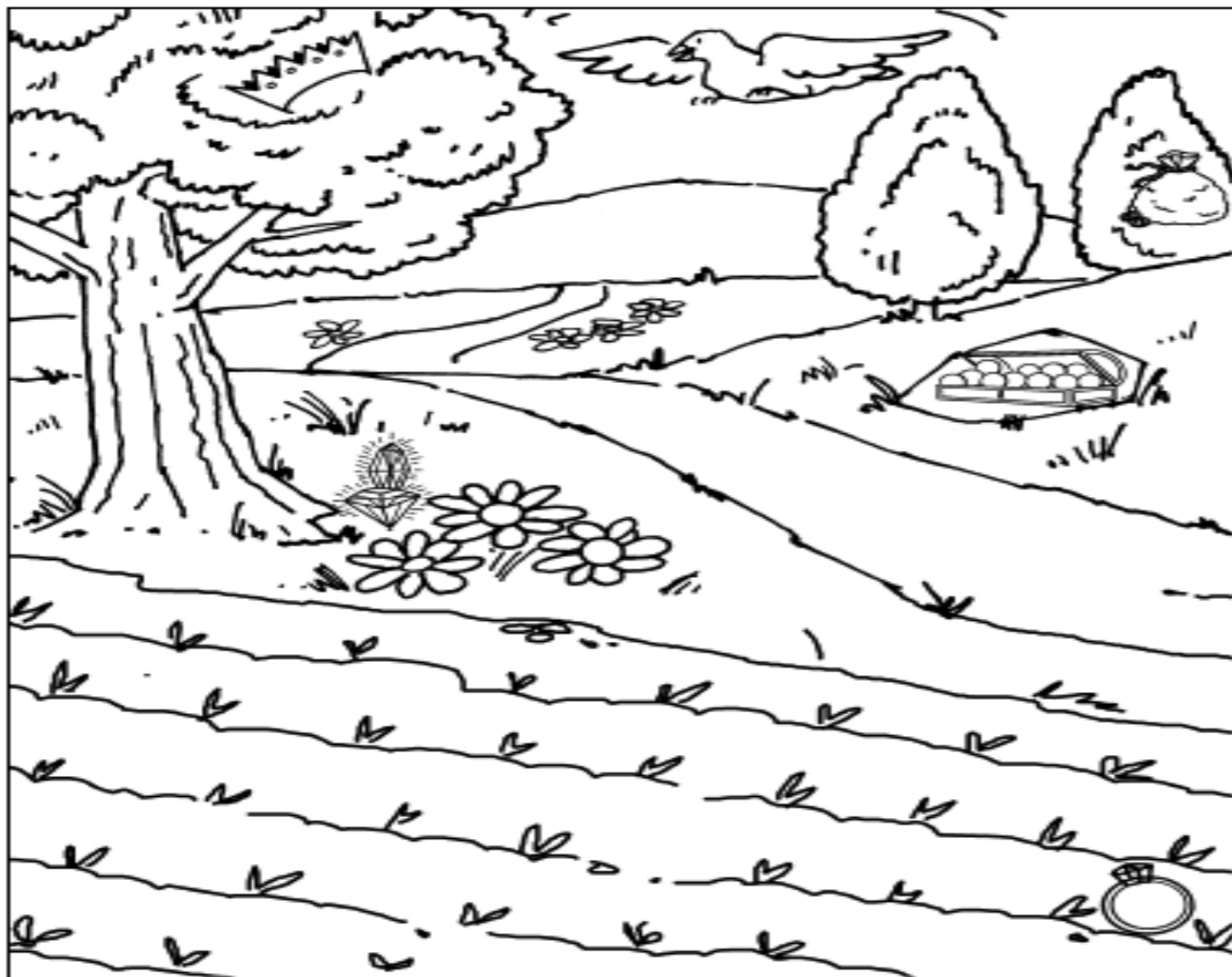
Today Jesus tells us some more about what the Kingdom of Heaven looks like.

“The Kingdom of heaven is like this. A man happens to find a treasure hidden in a field. He covers it up again, and is so happy that he goes and sells everything he has, and then goes back and buys that field.

“Also, the Kingdom of heaven is like this. A man is looking for fine pearls, and when he finds one that is unusually fine, he goes and sells everything he has, and buys that pearl.”

The kingdom of heaven is like a hidden treasure.

Find these treasures hidden in the field below.





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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 2nd August 2020

Fr Paul is saying Mass behind closed doors and will continue to do so whilst the church is closed. Masses this coming week, are listed below.

Mass Intentions from this Saturday are as follows:

Saturday 1st 6pm	Paula Tunstall	Sunday 2nd - 9.30 am	Parish family
Monday 3rd Mass 10.00 am	Anthony Hewitt	Sunday 3rd - 11 am	Marceline Hewitt – Anniversary
Thursday 6th	Fr Denis	Tuesday 4th	Iris Christian
Saturday 8th 6pm	Dot Davies	Friday 7th Mass 10.00 am	Carol Saunders
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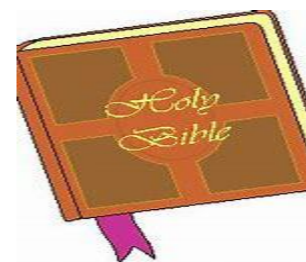
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Church is open this week for private prayer on Tuesday and Thursday Times 1.30pm – 2.30pm

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It has been a great joy to be able to celebrate Mass with those of you who have been able to come and from next week **Mass will also be open to all on Monday and Friday at 10.00 am.**

I am conscious that we begin “our summer holidays”. These are difficult days and it is perhaps difficult for some of us to think in terms of a summer holiday.

This weekend would have seen our Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes which unfortunately has not been able to take place. However, perhaps we could make a spiritual visit to the Grotto by daily praying the Hail Mary. If you look at the Diocesan website <http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/> you will find the timetable as it would have been, if we had been able to go. We can also visit the Grotto “virtually when we are able by logging onto the Lourdes website.

Please keep in your prayers **Eileen Perryman** who died last weekend. Also pray for her family at this time of sadness. Her funeral will take place at Landican Crematorium (Centre Chapel) at 12 noon on Monday 10th August. Because of social distancing this service is only open to close family.

I will be celebrating Mass for Eileen on Monday 10th August in church at 10.00am . You are welcome to come or to join us via our website.

<p>Congratulation to Paul and Carolyn Bainbridge on the birth of their grandchild, Charlie. And also to Tony Bainbridge, Charlie’s great grandparents.</p>	
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This is our final newsletter until the beginning of September. I am most grateful to our Parish Deacons, Jayne, our Parish Secretary and John Kane our Health & Safety Representative for

keeping us all on track in recent weeks. The times of Mass and intentions up to mid- September will be put on our Website and on the Church door by the carpark.

Lastly, Congratulations to Father Chris on celebrating his 90th birthday on Friday. He would like to thank many of the parishioners for their kind cards and gifts I will celebrate Mass for their intentions. God bless you all Father Chris.

Let us keep safe, pray for each other and that this pandemic may be kept under control. A reminder that our Parish website is: www.stwinfridesneston.org.uk I assure you of my particular prayer for you and your loved ones during the celebration of Mass. **Fr Paul**

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- CAFOD Children's Liturgy: cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy
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The tradition of celebrating a 60th anniversary came into popularity after Queen Victoria celebrated her Diamond Jubilee. ... As you may suppose, the gifts, colours, and gemstones associated with this **anniversary** are all linked to diamonds and I think both Anne and Cormac Davies both deserve diamonds after reaching such a milestone.

Anne and Cormac celebrate 60 years of Marriage on the 10th August. Congratulations to you both.



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UPDATE ON THE FOOD BANK COLLECTION. FOODBANK CAME TO CHURCH ON THURSDAY TO COLLECT THE CURRENT ITEMS THAT HAD BEEN LEFT IN THE PORCH. WE WILL START HAVING REGULAR COLLECTIONS AGAIN FROM THE 3RD SEPTEMBER.

PLEASE CAN I ASK THAT YOU DON'T START LEAVING ANY ITEMS IN THE PORCH UNTIL NEAR THE END OF AUGUST. THANK YOU.

IN THE MEANTIME ANY FOODBANK ITEMS CAN BE LEFT IN SAINSBURY'S BEHIND THE TILLS.

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

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Reflection – by Tony Topping

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

*My dear people,
Since God has loved us so much,
We too should love one another.*

1st letter of St John 4:11

I was deeply moved by a drama I watched on Monday. It was the story of a young man, Anthony Walker, whose life was taken from him at the age of eighteen. It was a racial killing of a wonderful and ambitious black boy who had great potential. He had planned to study law at university and become a lawyer. His aim was, after qualifying, to go to New York and work for civil rights. The story was not of the life he had before his brutal and vicious murder but of the life he might have lived if he had not been killed. It was his life in reverse from the age of twenty-five back to the time when he was slain by a mindless group of thugs. It was a joyful story of a good man who loved his wife and baby daughter, who loved and respected his parents, whole loved his brothers and sisters and who helped his friend who had become an alcoholic, to turn his life around. It was the story of what he could have done with his life but was denied the chance to live it.

It made me think deeply about what is happening around the world and I felt ashamed. I felt guilty, not because I have consciously abused anyone but because I have done nothing. Throughout my life, I have met many people who were of different race, colour, creed or sexual orientation and have not consciously treated them any different to anyone else but I have not been aware of or given a thought to their experiences. I cannot use ignorance as a defence for I have watched news reports and read the papers and I know that racial abuse is happening and has been happening for centuries all around the world but as I have not witnessed it in my own little world, I have taken little notice. That in itself is, I think, an abuse and I beg forgiveness of those who have suffered.

At my age, there is probably very little I can do except pray for a change of attitude in our society and try to encourage my grandchildren to be more aware and tolerant towards people of other race, colour, creed or sexual orientation but, in truth, I think that, perhaps, it is they who are teaching me. If I live long enough, perhaps I will be able to influence my greatgrandchildren.

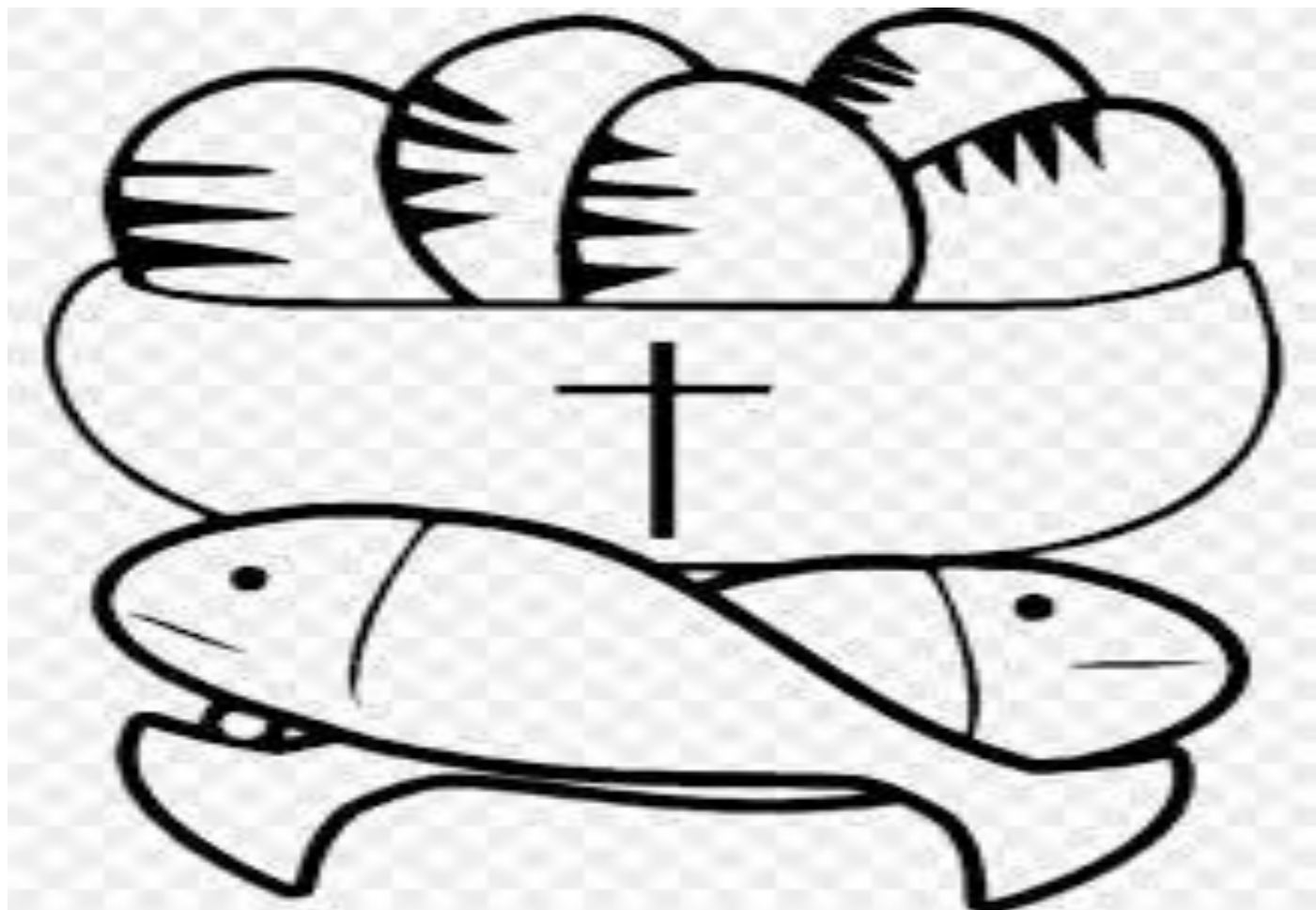
My God, I confess that you can enlighten my darkness, I confess that you alone can. I wish my darkness to be enlightened. I do not know whether you will, but that you can and that I wish are sufficient reasons for me to ask. I thereby promise that by your grace which I am asking, I will embrace whatever I at length feel certain is the truth. Saint John Henry Newma

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Today we hear about how Jesus shared the food that he had so that everyone had enough to eat. Let's think some more about this today.

Prayer - God of love, teach us how to share what we have so that no one goes hungry. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.



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XXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 7th September 2020

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	Sunday 11 am	Ken O'Leary	
7 th Sept	Monday 10 am Mass in church	Sheila Trimmer	
8 th Sept	Tuesday	Agnes Malone	Private prayer 1.30-2.30pm
9 Sept	Wednesday	Bible Study	3pm via Zoom see newsletter
10 th Sept	Thursday	Lilian & Joseph Rabbitt	Private prayer 1.30-2.30pm
11 th Sept	Friday 10 am Mass in church	Frank Morgan	
12 th Sept	Saturday 6pm	Parish family	
13 th Sept	Sunday 9.30 am	Thank You to parishioners	Thank you, for prayers from parishioners – Dot Davies
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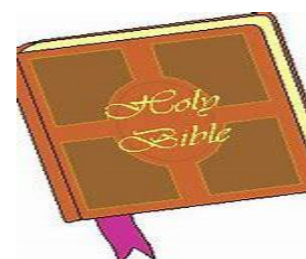
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Our youngsters have returned to school, let us pray for their well being and the staff of the school.

Below you will see a coming together of the reopening of our church. You will have seen most of the rules of safety in previous Newsletters or spoken by me over the recent months.

I would like to respond to some concerns which I believe you may have regarding our Celebration of Mass and prayer.

You will know that there are guidelines both from Government and our own Diocese which we have been asked to follow. Each Parish Priest is asked to ensure that the church is 'Covid' to prevent any infection. The physical layout of our church has been adapted for this purpose.

I can assure you that guidelines are being rigorously followed in full and this has been recognised by the Diocese.

Part of this was to limit the amount of time groups remain in an area. When we opened church for the celebration of Mass, we had no idea how many people would be coming and so we were planning for about half an hour in church.

We were also asked to ensure social distancing in the sanctuary area. This means rearranging the area and limiting movement within the sanctuary.

I am indeed anxious to include readings from the Old and New Testaments, but in order to do so we would need to ask Readers if they would be prepared to take part in the current situation. Hopefully, some will be willing and so we shall be able to include more readings and prepare the sanctuary accordingly. I am grateful to those who have volunteered to be Stewards as they play an important part in our safety procedures.

The times of Masses have also been amended to allow a reasonable time for cleaning and preparing the church before and after Mass. To start Mass at 8.45 am would mean asking Stewards to be at church for 8.15 am which I feel would be unreasonable. The same goes for the 11 o'clock Mass. Again, we are allowing time for these preparations.

As regards concerns about consecrated hosts being returned to the ciborium possibly by unsanitised hands, it would be a mistake to think that I would approach the celebration of Mass without thoroughly cleaning and sanitising my hands. This of course happens in the Sacristy and not in public view. Also, I or one of our Deacons sanitise our hands and put a mask on before administering Holy Communion so please be assured in this regard.

I want to assure you that, as your Parish Priest, I am making every effort to ensure your safety and the safe celebration of Holy Mass.

It is through the celebration of Mass that we strengthen our unity with Our Lord and with one another. It is He who binds us together in charity and compassion. Please say a prayer for our parish Deacons and for me as we try, through the Lord's Word as he opens the Scripture and as we all greet him in the 'Breaking of Bread'.

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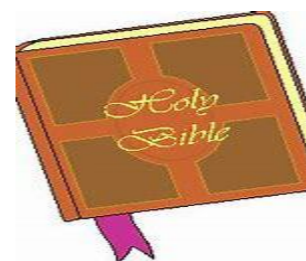
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READERS – As Fr Paul has mentioned, we are hoping to have a new rota up and running by the last weekend in September, 26th/27th. If you do not want to be included on the rota, if you could let the office know either by calling or e-mailing the parish office.



CCRS - Catholic Certificate of Religious Studies is resuming once again from 17th September. There is a course in Altrincham on a Thursday morning or a Saturday in Ellesmere Port, starting Sept 19th. People taking the course do not need to take the assessments, unless they want to gain the qualification. If you would like to any more information you can contact Fr Michael - fmichaelcourhlan@hotmail.com or ccrs@dioceseofshrewsbury.org



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PRAYER, PENANCE AND MEDITATION

*Father, son and Holy Spirit
Heaven sings your praise
Mary magnifies your name
Through eternal days.*

I listened to a beautiful homily about Our Lady and the Magnificat. The priest interpreted the word as to magnify, to enlarge, to make greater; “My soul magnifies the Lord”. At first, I was puzzled. Surely that was a contradiction for how can a being that is Omnipotent, almighty be made greater and how can we, mere human beings make God greater than he is? But then, as I have said once before, I think that God is a helpless God. His love is a love beyond our understanding; a love that is unconditional and freely given. He wants us to love him in a similar way but he cannot force us. He cannot make us love him for that would take from us the great gift he gave to us, the choice to love him or reject him. That is the choice we have to make. God loves everyone and wants everyone to be saved, but that depends on free will. The catechism teaches us that God “has created the human person to be free and responsible; And he respects our decisions. Therefore, it is the human person who freely excludes himself from communion with God if at the moment of death, he persists in mortal sin and refuses the merciful love of God”,

I do not believe that we can literally make God greater but we can help him in his plan to bring fallen mankind back to him. Mary, by her acceptance of God’s request that she become the mother of Jesus, made salvation possible. Her acceptance made God’s creation, mankind, greater for only Jesus’ birth, life, death and resurrection could atone for man’s initial rejection of God. In that sense, Mary magnifies the Lord. We too can magnify the Lord by turning to him with an open and contrite heart and a firm spirit of amendment.

During this dreadful pandemic, scientists have been desperately searching for a solution. They have been studying the virus under microscopes which enable them to see and examine what cannot be seen by the naked human eye. They have been testing and experimenting, trying to find a vaccine. I think that Our Lady is enabling us to find an answer to our human weaknesses and failings. Since the assumption of Mary, body and soul, to Heaven, she has appeared in numerous apparitions urging us towards prayer and meditation. She is like a microscope in reverse, not making God bigger but showing us aspects of God, which help us to see him more clearly, follow him more closely and love him more dearly. She has shown us the antidote to sin, prayer, penance and meditation.

When Our Lady appeared to the children at Fatima in 1917, she clearly foretold the events of the 20th century; the end of WW1 but warning us of another great war, the rise of communism and the persecution of the church. She told the children that these things could be prevented if we stopped offending God and prayed earnestly to him. I think, perhaps, during WW2 and for a time afterwards, people did take notice but soon the world became greedy and selfish again. I think that during this crisis, we have begun to realise the need for change. We must determine to keep in mind the good that has come from it and go forward with hope and the determination to bring about a new world.

Through the children of Fatima, Our Lady urges us to pray the rosary and to renew and practice the custom of celebrating the first Saturdays of five consecutive months. Because of the state the world is in, I think it is time to start listening to her.

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“If your brother sins against you, go to him and show him his fault. But do it privately, just between yourselves. If he listens to you, you have won your brother back. But if he will not listen to you, take one or two other persons with you, so that ‘every accusation may be upheld by the testimony of two or more witnesses,’ as the scripture says. And if he will not listen to them, then tell the whole thing to the church. Finally, if he will not listen to the church, treat him as though he were a pagan or a tax collector.





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XXIV Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 13th September 2020

Mass Intentions for this coming week

12 th Sept	Saturday 6 pm	Parish family	
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	Sunday 11 am	Fr Chris Lightbound	Belated birthday wishes
14 th Sept	Monday 10 am	Lilian & Joseph Rabbitt	
	Mass in church		
15 th Sept	Tuesday	Sr Anthony	<i>Private prayer 1.30-2.30pm</i>
16 th Sept	Wednesday 4.30 pm	Bible Study	via Zoom see newsletter
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Fr Paul writes..... I hope you are all safe and keeping well.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Fr Paul

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

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

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

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

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



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



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

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TURN TO ME AND BE SAVED

Man Of little faith, why did you doubt?

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

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

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

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

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

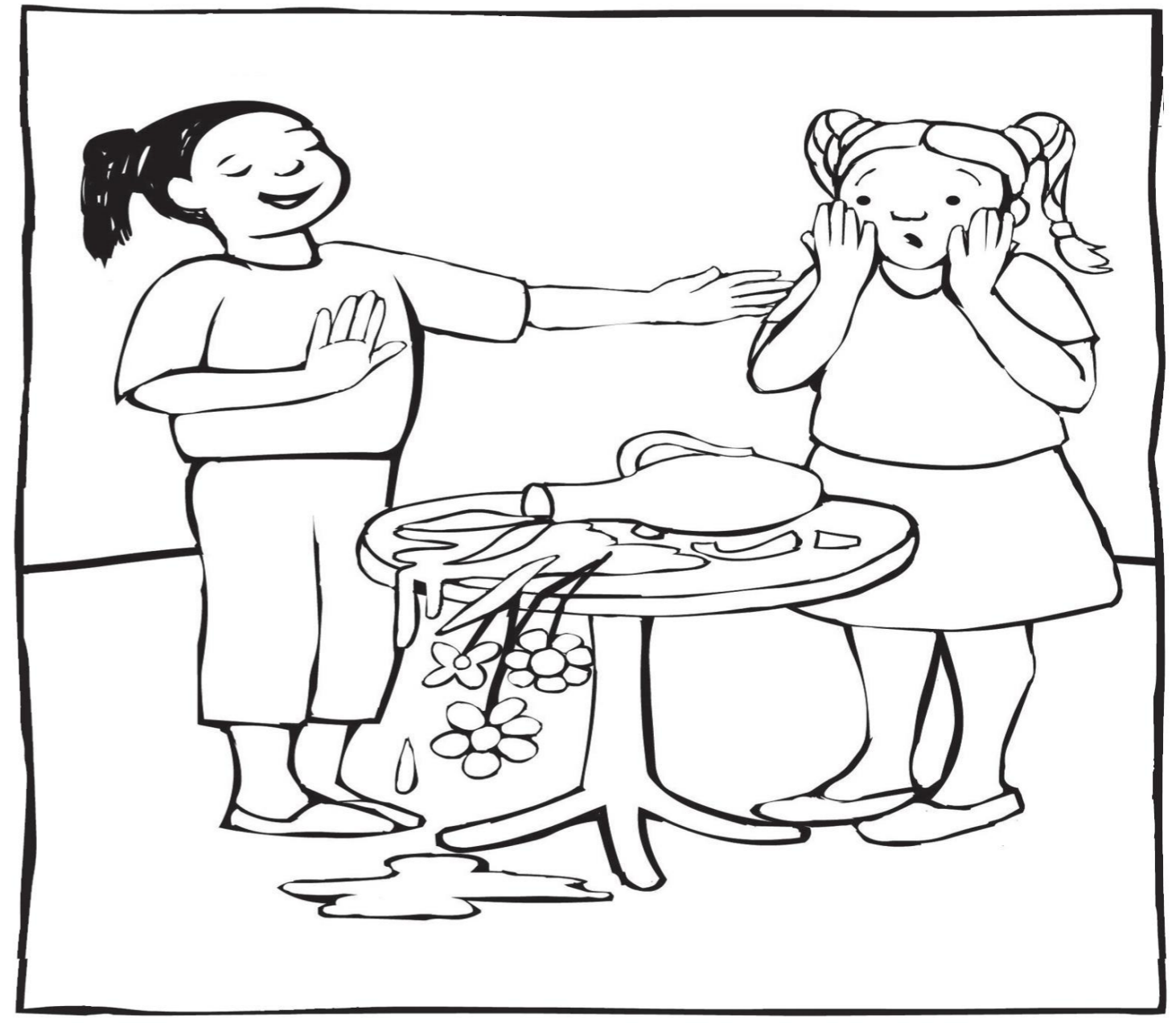
*There is no God but me,
A god of justice, a saviour.
There is none but me.*

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

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



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





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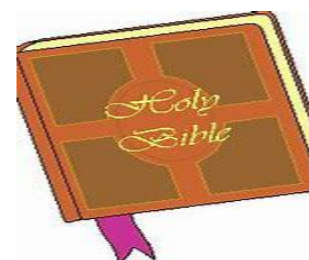
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SIX MONTHS INTO LOCKDOWN

*God sent his son into the world
Not to condemn the world,
But so that through him the world might be saved.*
John 3:17

Six months into lockdown and still here, reasonably well, for my age, and hopefully, still sane. I have borrowed that line from a columnist I started reading when I was in my late teens. I found his satire clever and amusing. I rediscovered him last year and his opening line was "102 and still...". At the age of 102, he is still writing his column, still gently satirical, clever and amusing. It encouraged me to continue with my scribblings.

I was baptised many decades ago. I received first forgiveness and Holy Communion when I was aged seven. I have no recollection of any of these events although I do have a vague recollection of my confirmation. I think I was then aged eleven or twelve. Throughout my life, I have attended mass regularly and must have listened to the scripture readings, both old and new testaments, many times over. In my eighty years, I must have heard countless homilies, so, you would think I should be well acquainted with all the passages from the Bible. However, I often feel I am reading or hearing a piece for the first time. Obviously, I will have heard it or read it before but, perhaps, it has not been absorbed into my spiritual awareness. This happened to me the other day. The reading at mass was from the letter of St Paul to the Corinthians and was about spirituality. Although I must have read it many times it somehow seemed new to me. St. Paul was explaining the difference between a spiritual person and an unspiritual person. The unspiritual person learns from science and philosophy and therefore can know only his own spirit and cannot know the spirit that comes from God. A spiritual person, through faith in Christ, is able to commune with the spirit of God. I think that it is a very unspiritual world in which we live. People have turned away from God and no longer call upon his name in times of need, instead they seek help from the Universe but the universe is God's creation and cannot stop the virus spreading and killing indiscriminately. Our leaders are relying on science. My faith does not come from science or philosophy for as St Paul says, "Man's wisdom is God's foolishness." Science is man's attempt to discover and understand what has been created by God. Man cannot improve on that creation; he can only use it for good or bad reasons. Unfortunately, I think that God's gifts have been misused so many times for selfish reasons and greed. God cannot create anything that is not good, but man's misuse of God's gifts has brought about all the problems our world is facing; Global warming, poverty and disease, war and destruction. It is time to turn back to God and plead for mercy and forgiveness for this will not be the last pandemic; The dreadful fires in America will not be the last disaster to strike the World yet many of our politicians are in denial.

We all have knowledge; yes, that is so, but knowledge gives self-importance-it is love that makes the building grow. A man may imagine he understands something, but still does not understand anything in the way he ought to. But any man who loves God is known by him (Cor 8: 1-3)

O Lord, as winter approaches and new restrictions are imposed, watch over us and keep us safe. We pray especially for those who are suffering with mental and financial problems; those who have become unemployed and are struggling to provide for their families; those who have underlying health problems. Help world leaders to understand how urgent is the need to change how we live. Help each one of us to change our lifestyle so that we can live simpler lives with more awareness of the needs of others. Help us to solve the urgent problems this planet is facing

O Lord, Have mercy on this broken world!

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Today Jesus tells us a story about some workers who all receive the same wages, even though some worked all day and some just worked for an hour. Does that sound right to you? Think some more about this today.





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XXVI Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 27th September 2020

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26 Sept	Saturday 6pm	Rodney Halewood	
27 Sept	Sunday 9.30 am Sunday 11.00 am 1.30 pm - Baptism	Parish family Greg Cropper Maxwell Nicholas Johnson	Private baptism – family only
28 Sept	Monday 10 am Mass in church	Rodger Hemmington	
29 Sept	Tuesday	School and college children	Private prayer 10 – 11 am Note new times from this wk
30 Sept	Wednesday 4.30 pm	Bible Study	via Zoom see newsletter
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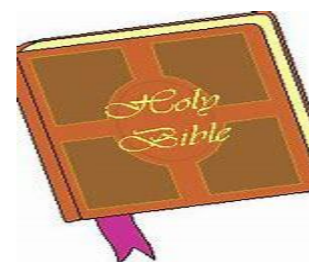
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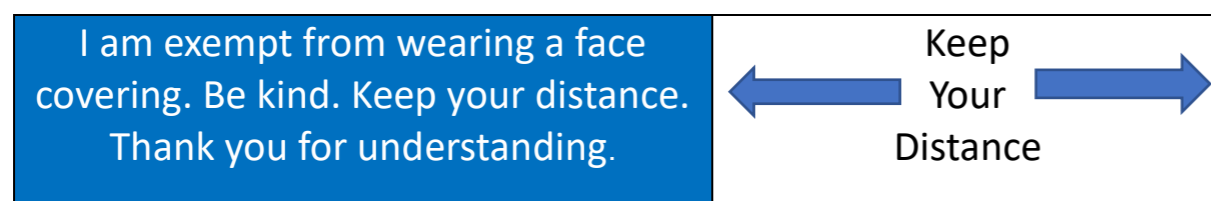
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Full name or names in your group	e.g – John Gracey x 3
Contact number or	
E-mail address	

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(This is a fantastic resource for children.)

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Psalm 24 4-9	Remember your mercy, Lord
Second Reading	Philippians 2:1-11 Be united in your love
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my father will love him and we shall come to him Alleluia!
Gospel	Matthew 21:28-32 Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you

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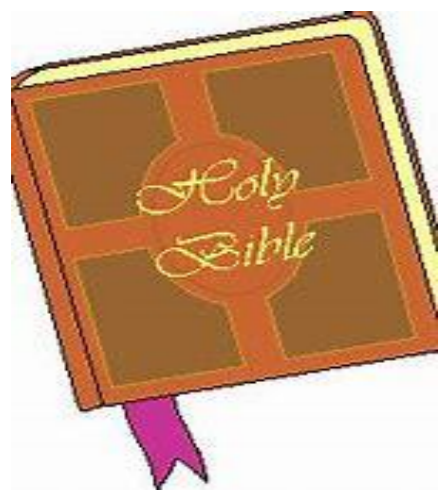
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READERS ROTA / APPEAL – A new readers rota has now been compiled which starts on **Saturday 3rd October**. I have e-mailed out to those individuals who are on the current rota. We would ideally, like it to be on a 6-week rota. This is the case for the 9.30 am Mass and, a 5-week rota for the 6pm but the 11.00am is only a 3-week rota as we are short of readers at this Mass. If you are able to and would like to read at this Mass, then please do let Fr Paul know or contact Jayne in the office on the parish office email. Thank you.



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

The food bank have been unable to collect the food for the last two weeks due to a vehicle breakdown the first week and a problem in the depot this week, but they tell me all should be back to normal next week – Thursday 1st October.

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



A note from Dorothy Barber about the appeal and how she started it here at St Winefride's.

"My Memory of the Shoeboxes" – Dorothy

When Anika Rice and her team visited Romania after the Revolution and exposed the plight of the children in the Orphanages to the world. How to help?

One suggestion was to "Put Love in a Shoebox" at Christmas. It was started by David Cook from the Wrexham area. People were asked to put items that were bright as well as soap etc. and toys into a shoebox and wrap it in Christmas Paper. These were collected and taken by lorry to Romania. Later as the scheme grew the parcels were sent by an Antonov Plane from Liverpool Airport.

The main collection point was at a retail park in Wrexham. I would go there to help with the checking of the boxes before sealing them for departure. On some occasions taking teenage members of the family to help out.

When I became Leader of the Youth SVP at St Winefride's I introduced shoeboxes as part of their work. Teaching young people how to cover a shoebox is no mean feat! Filling was a different thing. The children from Little Church would bring a toy and write a card for the box. When they came back to Church would bring a box to the Altar. It became a parish event and a group (mainly nurses) would cover boxes and pack them with goodies! Paying for transport was initially paid by Fr Courell, the tea money, then donations from Parishioners.

The organization was were taken over by an Evangelical Society and things changed. David Cook relaunched his own Charity called Teams4u and I use this along with most of the Wirral Churches. I work with the URC church who have preparation for shoeboxes all year! This time I have covered 30 boxes a good exercise for my fingers after breaking 2 of them and will fill the boxes with what donations given so far. These will be stored at the URC and will sent when the time is right to safely deliver the boxes.

Thank you to all who have supported this scheme over the years.

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Macmillan Cancer Support national coffee morning on September 25th 2020

It has been an annual CWL tradition to host a coffee morning in support of this worthwhile charity. Though unable to have a Coffee morning this year we hope that with parish support that our traditional gift will continue.

If you would like to give, please put your donation in an envelope marked. **CWL MACMILLAN** and post into the presbytery by **Friday 2nd October**.

Thank you for your support. CWL



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If you watch, they ask all participants to mute themselves on joining the service and only the designated speakers will unmute at the appropriate times. Details of how to join are as follows;

Join Zoom Meeting – 18th October – 6.30pm
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87059889023>
Meeting ID: 870 5988 9023
No password is required



NEW “Online giving to the Parish”

For those Parishioners who normally give in the collection at Mass and wish to help the Parish at this time, an online donation page, to allow you to donate to the Parish, has been added to the Parish website. There is a new Online Donation button on the home page of our website. By clicking on it, it will take you to the Online Donation website run by **InvestMyCommunity**.



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

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

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

Things to note:

- * You will need to use a password each time they donate – this is created the first time that they make a donation.
- * All donations made by Parishioners are acknowledged by an email from **InvestMyCommunity**.
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Any questions please do not hesitate to contact Mike Jevons – mike_jevons@hotmail.com

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Today we hear about two sons who are both asked to help their father. Let's think a bit about how we listen to what God is asking us to do and how we can help other people at home and around the world.





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Sunday 4th October 2020

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4 Oct	Sunday 9.30 am Sunday 11.00 am	Private intention Parish family	
5 Oct	Monday 10 am Mass in church	Christopher Howard Fr Michael Dyson	
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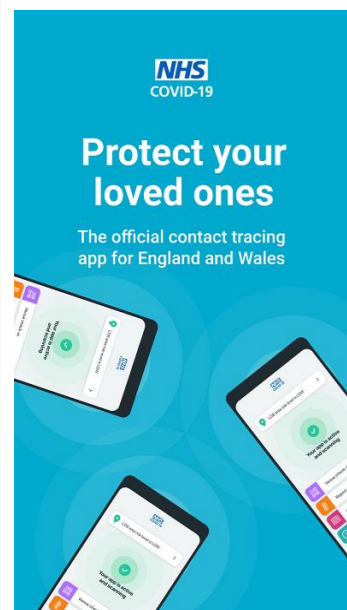
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How will it work?

A steward will welcome you as you come into church and ask you for your name (first or last and a contact telephone number). If there are more than one of you from one household attending, we only need the details of one member of the household. This information will be kept for just 3 weeks in the office and then will be destroyed.



Alternatively, if you have downloaded the NHS Covid-19 app, you can scan the QR code outside church. There is no need to give the steward your details too. The purpose of the NHS App is to alert people when they have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 – and, if necessary, ask them to self-isolate.

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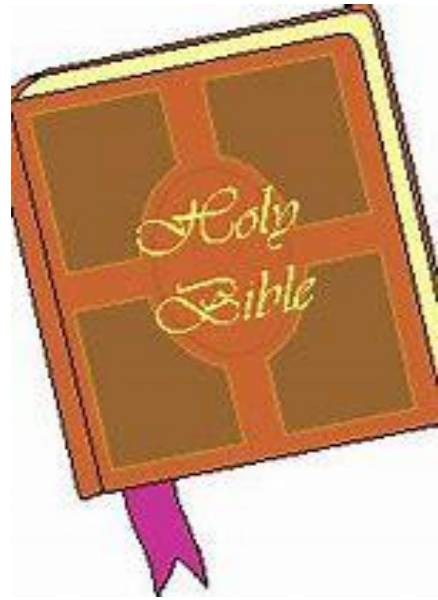
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Reflection by Tony Topping

LAW AND ORDER

*Love God with all your heart and soul,
And your neighbour as yourself*

It cannot be easy for a non-Christian to become a Christian. It means accepting principles that seem contrary to normal human rationality; Love your enemy; if someone strikes you, turn the other cheek. To someone who does not believe in God, this is madness. Goodness is Godliness but what is the point of being good if there is no God and no afterlife. He/she must first accept that God is. For someone who has reached adulthood without being introduced to God and has no knowledge of God, it is an enormous concept to accept: A being that is greater than and capable of creating this vast Universe: A benevolent Being that loves all that he has created: One who is beyond human understanding: A God who so loves us ,he became one of us, lived with us and died for us. To a non-believer, all this must seem impossible, a fairy tale, but to a Christian it is a wonderful consolation for all that is wrong in this broken world and a truth that brings us great joy.

For a family to live in harmony there must be rules. For a nation to survive it must have laws. For a world of different and diverse cultures to live alongside each other and to trade with one another they have to create an international law. However, unlike God's law which is perfect, manmade laws are far from perfect. When legislating, each nation puts the interest of its own people first and so it becomes a conflict to determine which is the strongest. It results in the wealthy becoming wealthier and the poor becoming poorer. The developed nations do not give enough to help the undeveloped countries unless it pays them to do so. Rather, they give them weapons of destruction which inevitably brings about conflict.

When Jesus, by the power of the Holy Spirit, was born of the Virgin Mary, he began his life in poverty, lived most of his life in obscurity and as an adult worked hard for a living. When he began his ministry, he taught us how we should live. He gave us just two perfect commandments, "Love God with all your heart and soul and love your neighbour as yourself". Whether we are believers or non-believers, these two laws are perfect on which to build a just and equal society.

During these days of crisis and lockdown, let us each reflect on what man's imperfect laws have brought about and what we as individuals can each do to follow God's perfect law. We can begin to do what is best for our neighbour rather than satisfying our own selfish desires and do what is needed to beat this dreadful disease.

Father,

You summed up the law as love of you and our neighbour, grant that by keeping this commandment of love, we may come to eternal life.

(Morning Prayer, Sunday 25 of the year)

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In today's gospel Jesus talks to us about a man who has real trouble with the tenants who are looking after his vineyard.





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Sunday 11th October 2020

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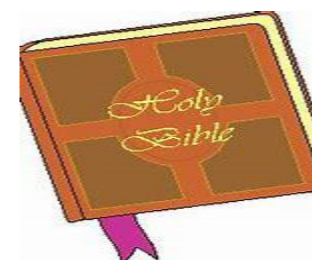
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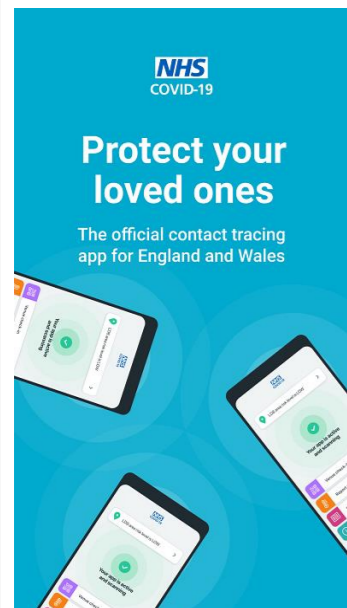
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Psalm	22
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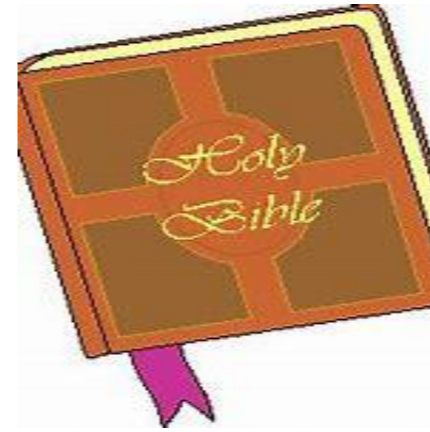
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Foodbank try to keep the "Most Needed Items" list on our website as up to date as possible so that you can consider including them.

I have been advised that they need are short currently of tinned mashed potato. They have plenty of rice, pasta and beans. With some churches collecting for Harvest Festivals this is having a knock on effect for the Foodbank.

Update - As you have read over the last few weeks Foodbank have had a few problems with collecting our food. However, they were able to come at last this Thursday and should be here now every week. Thank you again for your donations.

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



This year Family Fast Day was last **Friday, 9th October**. CAFOD want donations from this Family Fast Day to help people who are facing the worst of the coronavirus crisis.

We have all felt the impact of this terrible disease and CAFOD want people to come together to help the poorest and most vulnerable people in the world **survive, rebuild and heal**.

CAFOD donation envelopes were left out last week and you can still take one this week. If you want to return any donation you can do so on the way in or way out of church by putting in the offertory basket.

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MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT

Macmillan Cancer Support national coffee morning on September 25th 2020

It has been an annual CWL tradition to host a coffee morning in support of this worthwhile charity. Though unable to have a Coffee morning this year we hope that with parish support that our traditional gift will continue.

If you would like to give, please put your donation in an envelope marked. **CWL MACMILLAN** and post into the presbytery by **next Thursday 15th October**.

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Health and Safety

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A parishioner found this prayer on a small leaflet from the Mill Hill Fathers and thought it would be lovely to include in our newsletter as a response to Bishop Mark's request.

Dear St Joseph

You have shown love and care to the Son of God,

You looked after his mother Mary,

You worked hard for your family,

You led your family to safety,

You never questioned the will of God,

You dedicated your life to the service of God.

May we also show our dedication to the God's Son. May we honour Mary, our Holy Mother, may we work hard for our families and communities and may we strive for justice and peace as Kingdom builders in this world.

In Jesus' name. Amen.



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In today's liturgy we will hear a story about a king who invites lots of different people to the wedding of his son. They have a big feast with lots of yummy food. Let's also think a bit about food, the harvest and what God invites us to do in our lives today.

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God invites me to

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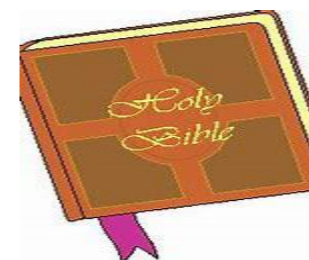
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I will be emailing out to all readers next week a volunteer form for you to complete as part of GDPR. I will arrange for some blank copies to be left in church next weekend, 24/25th. If you could take one and then return to the church office once completed. Thank you. Jayne – Parish Secretary

	<p>FOODBANK - Food items we are currently high-lighting a priority for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instant mash or tinned potatoes Tinned cooked meats, corned beef or ham Tinned meats such as stews, steak or hotpots Pasta sauce, tinned vegetables Cup-a-soup, Small bottles of cordial / UHT juice
<p>Foodbank try to keep the "Most Needed Items" list on our website as up to date as possible so that you can consider including them.</p> <p>I have been advised that they need are short currently of tinned mashed potato. They have plenty of rice, pasta and beans. With some churches collecting for Harvest Festivals this is having a knock on effect for the Foodbank.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">COLLECTION DATE – THURSDAY MORNING</p> <p style="text-align: center;">https://westcheshire.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donatefood</p>	

	<p>A big thank you for your generosity with the money raised so far for CAFOD. We have sent a cheque for £218 to CAFOD, which is the money banked this week. If you still have an envelope and would like to make a donation, please put in the offertory collection basket this weekend. Thank you.</p>
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Fr Paul writes

Please keep in your prayers John William McKinley who has died. John's Funeral Mass will take place on Tuesday 27th October at 10.00am. May he rest in peace.

Covid 19

From what we have been told by the Government, the Covid 19 virus is highly active. We are called to look after one another, keeping the rules that they have set before us.

I too have a duty of care for the Parish Family in keeping you safe. I am being well advised by the team that Deacon Jim has formed, and also supported by the Diocesan Health and Safety group and the Bishops Conference of England and Wales.

As from this Monday and Friday there will be an opportunity for us to have a period of silent prayer after the celebration of Mass until 11am. The church will close after this Mass and will not reopen until Friday. The times of our week-end Masses will not change.

May I remind you that if you are not feeling well and stay at home you may like to follow the Mass through live streaming. Some of you may like to come to weekday Masses where there are less people attending.

Can I say a big thank you to all our Stewards for making the opening of church possible. A special thanks also to Peter Higgins and Mike and Janice Jevons who have helped for the last few months, but are no longer able to. Please keep in your prayers the medical staff and all who work in our hospitals and hospices.

Let our prayers for each other help us through this difficult time. As always be assured of my prayers for you and your family.

Fr Paul



Diocesan In-House Solicitor

The Diocese of Shrewsbury are looking to recruit an **In-House Solicitor**, who will be required to provide legal advice and support on a range of matters including employment and HR (including sponsor management for overseas workers), commercial, probate, litigation, and academy conversion. Based at the Curial Office in Birkenhead.

Full details and application form can be found at <http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies>
Completed applications should be returned to recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org
Closing date Friday 6 November.



Mrs Ormes, has informed the board of governors of her decision to retire from St Winefride's at the end of the current academic year.

Mrs Ormes has been head teacher at St Winefride's for over 16 years and has a long and distinguished teaching career spanning 36 years. During her tenure St Winefride's has continued to grow and flourish with its family atmosphere and nurturing environment, putting the whole child first.

On behalf of the board, I'd like to thank Mrs Ormes for her commitment and passion to making St Winefride's a happy and vibrant school where pupils **Learn, Laugh, Listen, Live and Love.**

The board have now started a rigorous statutory selection process for her replacement. Mrs Ormes will continue to lead the school until the end of the academic year and retire at the end of August 2021.

The board express their best wishes to Mrs Ormes for a long and happy retirement and hope she looks back on her time at St Winefride's with joy and many happy memories.

Mark Branch, Chair of Governors

THIS SUNDAY 18th OCTOBER – ONE WORLD WEEK

Revd. Hilary Smith of Parkgate and Neston URC is planning a One World Week service from her house, via zoom on Sunday 18th October at 6.30pm.

If you watch, they ask all participants to mute themselves on joining the service and only the designated speakers will unmute at the appropriate times. Details of how to join are as follows;

Join Zoom Meeting – 18th October – 6.30pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87059889023>

Meeting ID: 870 5988 9023

No password is required



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

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

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Any questions please do not hesitate to contact Jayne Shakespeare, parish secretary.

Thank you for your continued support

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

How am I feeling today?

Over the last couple of weeks some parishioners or members of their immediate family have fallen ill to COVID-19. The ones that we have heard about have done the right thing but would you know what to do?

Just in case, this is what we’d like you to do if you come into contact with someone, or you yourself, show signs of COVID-19.

If you perform duties for the church, please get in touch by your normal means.

If you feel a little under the weather please don’t come to church on that day. There are five masses over the week which you could attend, or even watch one of the live feeds for Mass. There are some alternatives in the newsletter.

In all cases, if you test positive for COVID-19, or come into contact with someone who has, please stay away from church for fourteen days since your last contact or diagnosis. It is appreciated the guidebook says ten days but at church there are many parishioners who fall into the more vulnerable category for susceptibility for COVID-19, better to be safe than sorry.

Recent government guidelines have implemented movement restrictions. Some of our congregation travel from Wirral to attend our Masses, unfortunately this won’t be possible for at least the next four weeks. Neston and the surrounding villages that make up the CH64 postcode area are in the borough of Cheshire West and Chester, which will be under COVID Alert Level High (Tier 2) restrictions from this week.

Wirral is placed in the ‘very high’ alert level of the Government’s new three-tier system (Tier 3) of interventions to tackle the spread of Covid-19. People should try to avoid travelling outside their local area, or entering another area rated Very High other than for work, education, accessing youth services, or to meet caring responsibilities.

Please protect yourself, protect others.



Health and Safety

Hopefully, you will have spotted the new assembly point sign that has been placed in the field next to the car park. Did you notice it?



The assembly point is at the grassed area to the side of the cemetery in case of evacuation of the church.

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



God of all, you call us to love you and to care for one another. May we never forget what you ask of us. Help us to reach out to each other in love. Amen.

Today we hear how some people tried to trick Jesus. But he was too clever for them. Can you find out what happened and what message Jesus has for us.





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



On Thursday there will be an evening Rosary at 8pm. Conscious of people at work, who can't get to morning Rosary, we hope this new evening time will be well received.

To join in please download **Zoom.us** either as an "app" on your phone or tablet or download from the **Zoom.us** website to your laptop. It is free and simple registration with your email and a password. When you have Zoom then type in or click the link below;

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

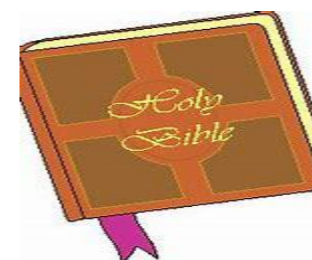
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XXX Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 25th October 2020

Mass Intentions for this coming week

24 Oct	Saturday 6pm	Ron & Maureen Jones	
25 Oct	Sunday 9.30 am Sunday 11.00 am	Charlotte, Helena & Raymond Pryce Williams Parish family	
26 Oct	Monday 10 am Mass in church	Thomas and Brenda Davison	Private prayer – after Mass until 11.00 am
27 Oct	Tuesday 10 am	Funeral of John William McKinley Following by interment at 11.00 am at Neston Cemetery	8pm – Come sing and Pray See opposite for details
28 Oct	Wednesday 4.30 pm	Bible Study	via Zoom see newsletter
29 Oct	Thursday	Bishop Brian	8pm - Evening rosary See opposite for details
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Patricia Davies
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Sarah Alouane
Dot Davies
Ted Henesy
Sheila Burrell
John Swann
Joyce & Maurice McAsey
Bill Williams aka Mon Uncle



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



Monday Mass – 10.00 am in church followed by private prayer

Wednesday – Bible study 4.30 pm via Zoom

Friday Mass – 10.00 am in church followed by private prayer

Daily rosary at 9.00 am (apart from Sunday) and also 8 pm on a Thursday evening.

Please note Private Prayer is now on a Monday and Friday after Mass.

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In line with the latest government guidelines, we are now asking anyone coming to church for Mass to sign in when they arrive. We are required by law to keep details (name and contact telephone number) of everyone that comes to Mass. You will have had to do this when visiting many restaurants, pubs etc.

How will it work?

A steward will welcome you as you come into church and ask you for your name (first or last and a contact telephone number). If there are more than one of you from one household attending, we only need the details of one member of the household. This information will be kept for just 3 weeks in the safe within the office and then will be destroyed.



Alternatively, if you have downloaded the NHS Covid-19 app, you can scan the QR code outside church. There is no need to give the steward your details too. The purpose of the NHS App is to alert people when they have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 – and, if necessary, ask them to self-isolate.

The government is encouraging businesses and organisations (including places of worship) to display official NHS QR code posters at their venue entrances to help support contact tracing. In light of this, we are now displaying QR Scan posters at the entrance to both our parish churches. We would like to encourage people who have downloaded the COVID-19 App, to scan the QR code on their way into church.

Please note signing up for the app is your choice and not compulsory.

Also, as we are now recording who is at each Mass you no longer need to bring your details written down as we had originally requested. You can now either use the app or we can record you at Mass manually.

Many thanks to those parishioners who did this for many weeks.

The information below may be helpful if you are concerned about using the NHS app

What data the app uses

The app has been designed to use as little personal data and information as possible. All the data that could directly identify you is held on your phone, is not stored centrally and is not shared anywhere else. Any data that is provided from the phone will always be anonymised or aggregated, to prevent us and anyone else from identifying you or others.

Your personal data

'Personal Data' is a term defined in law.

The following types of data are considered 'personal data' when they are on your phone, because they are being stored on a phone that is registered to you personally:

- the postcode district you provide when you install the app
- the symptom information you enter onto the app
- the QR codes of the venues that you scan into the app
- the 2 types of codes described above, which are generated every day and every 15 minutes respectively for contact tracing purposes

The app has been designed to ensure that before any of this data moves out of your phone, for example into the DHSC secure computing infrastructure (see below), there is no way of telling that it came from your phone or that it relates to you.

If you request a test code and obtain a test result, this information will be personal data both when it is on your phone and when held within the central DHSC systems. DHSC has established strict controls of security, access and systems to monitor and restrict who can have access to this information and prevent anyone from being able to identify you.

The status of your data

The data held on your app is considered personal data but is only accessible to you.

Data within the app's analytical data set has all direct identifiers removed and we aim to make your use of the app anonymous. As noted above, the IP address is removed and is not retained. The data items within the data set are a summary or count apart from Postcode District, Test results and the technical details.

The analytical data set supports all of the purposes outlined within this privacy notice with some data items supporting technical evaluation, others public health and many both.



Stewards are still needed to ensure we can open for private prayer or weekday and weekend Masses. If you would like to volunteer, **and you are under 70, are not pregnant and do not have any underlying health conditions** then please contact Fr Paul or Deacon Jim or the office. Thank you again to parishioners who are currently or have been stewarding.

[We really do need your help!!!](#)

LIVE STREAMING OF SERVICES include:

- Walsingham: walsingham.org.uk
- St. Anthony's, Wythenshawe: churchservices.tv/stanthonyswythenshawe
- Shrewsbury Cathedral: dioceseofshrewsbury.org
- CAFOD Children's Liturgy: cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy
(This is a fantastic resource for children.)

I have also been informed by a parishioner of another service available to those who do not feel comfortable or are not able to come to church at the moment.

“Church Services TV” on Google
There is a huge choice of Masses from Ireland and the UK. They start early morning and continue until 1pm.

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

This week's readings	
First reading	Exodus 22: 20-26
Psalm	17
Second Reading	Thessalonians 1: 5-10
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord: consecrate us in the truth Alleluia!
Gospel	Matthew 22: 34-40

A message from the office:

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

Ways to Stay in Touch with Parish News - Visit the parish website for information and livestream.

www.stwinefridesneston.org.uk

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

parishoffice@stwinefridesneston.org.uk



News items:

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

We would like to thank Mike Jevons for his dedication to St Winefride's in respect of all his hard work on the parish accounts. Mike with the support of his wife Janice have been invaluable to St Winefride's. However, Mike has decided the time has come to retire from these duties.

Thank you for all your time and support to the Parish over the last 27 years. You will be sadly missed by all. Thank you Mike and Janice.



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

- Instant mash or tinned potatoes**
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- Pasta sauce, tinned vegetables, instant custard**
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They have plenty of pasta, tea bags, rice and UHT milk

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ST WINEFRIDE'S COLLECTION DATE – THURSDAY MORNING

To follow is an abstract from their October newsletter.

2020, a Year of Difficult Circumstances

Hello everyone

Just a quick note to apologise for the lack of regular newsletters over the past few months. As I'm sure you can all appreciate we have all been experiencing a unique set of circumstances this year. But it is a year when the role of the Foodbank has been more vital than ever. Adapting to these changes as an organisation and individuals, not wanting to encourage any non-essential trips out or face to face interaction and keeping on top of our regular work, has been a bit of a balancing act.

Please bear with us as we try to keep up with communication as best we can. For more immediate and regular updates, make sure you are following our social media accounts:

COVID-19 & Foodbank Usage

We hugely appreciate the support and donations we have received during this difficult time. People's generosity continues to be remarkable. For some the pandemic has brought particular hardship and as such we have seen a rise in use of our Foodbank and we have been combining with other community organisations to ensure we help the most vulnerable get through this crisis.

From March to September 2019 we provided food for a total of 5,440 people. **This year and between March and September we have supplied food to 6,284 people, a rise of 844 people** since last year, which is just over a 15% increase. Although the figures are difficult to compare because other organisations have also been fulfilling a similar role.

We are unfortunately expecting demand to increase further in the coming months due to the the furlough scheme coming to an end this month, and increases in redundancies. We continue to see a new wave of virus cases spreading, especially here in the North West, leading to more need for shielding and staying home. Undoubtedly the prolonged nature of this crisis will stretch people's ability to maintain their support for others in the community.

These difficult times can feel even harder and more isolating as the days begin to get shorter and as we head into winter, so please continue to reach out for support for yourself or your loved ones if necessary.

A huge thank-you to anyone who has donated to or volunteered for us so far this year. So many people have made a real extra effort to help. You have made and continue to make a huge difference to those who are struggling. Please don't feel the need to make unadvised trips or compromise your own safety in order to help us, but of course all offers of safe support and donations are greatly encouraged and appreciated.



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Readers - You should now have received by e-mail a readers volunteer form to complete. I have also left some in church. If you can complete when next in church or complete and send back via e-mail. Thank you to Agnes for joining the 11.00 am team on a Sunday morning.



CWL News

As a result of our fund raising in 2019 we are able to donate £250 to each of our favourite charities.

- Marys Meals
- Macmillan cancer support
- St. Johns Hospice
- Claire House children's hospice
- "Maggies" Clatterbridge cancer care centre

In addition to this, following a recent appeal we are able to give a further £113 to Macmillan cancer care on behalf of Neston CWL and St Winefride's parishioners. Thank you everyone.



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Thank you for your continued support

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LIVE STREAMING - Please note that camera images and sound of services are now transmitted on the internet but not recorded. This is to help us share our faith with others who are unable to attend in person. If you have any concerns about the use of live streaming during a service or mass, then please speak to Fr Paul or Deacon Jim.

Tony Logan – We have been advised by a parishioner that Tony on the 17th September and was buried last week after suffering from Dementia. He was an active member of the SVP for many years. He used to attend 6.30pm mass on Saturdays and brought his wife Barbara along with him in her wheelchair, until she was hospitalised and died. The family have lost both parents in the last year. Please keep the family in your prayers.

Please also remember in your prayers **Jacqueline Leon Peers** who died in the week and resided on Burton Road. Her funeral takes place on Thursday 5th November at Blacon Crematorium.



Health and Safety – We are wanting to number all the keys to the church and the hall. In the first instance, can I ask if you can return to Jayne in the office any keys you have relating to the hall. Once this has been completed, we will then look at numbering keys to the church building. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

The next meeting of the Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality will be held on

Sunday 8th November 2020 at 2pm via Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting: Meeting ID: 925 6607 8129

<https://zoom.us/j/92566078129?pwd=bVI2L3B5alZKRnVm aE5pYU9JNFUrdz09>

You can also call in if you don't have access to zoom, on 0330 088 5830. Please send any requests for the password, apologies or items for the agenda to secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk or text/call 07451 214994.

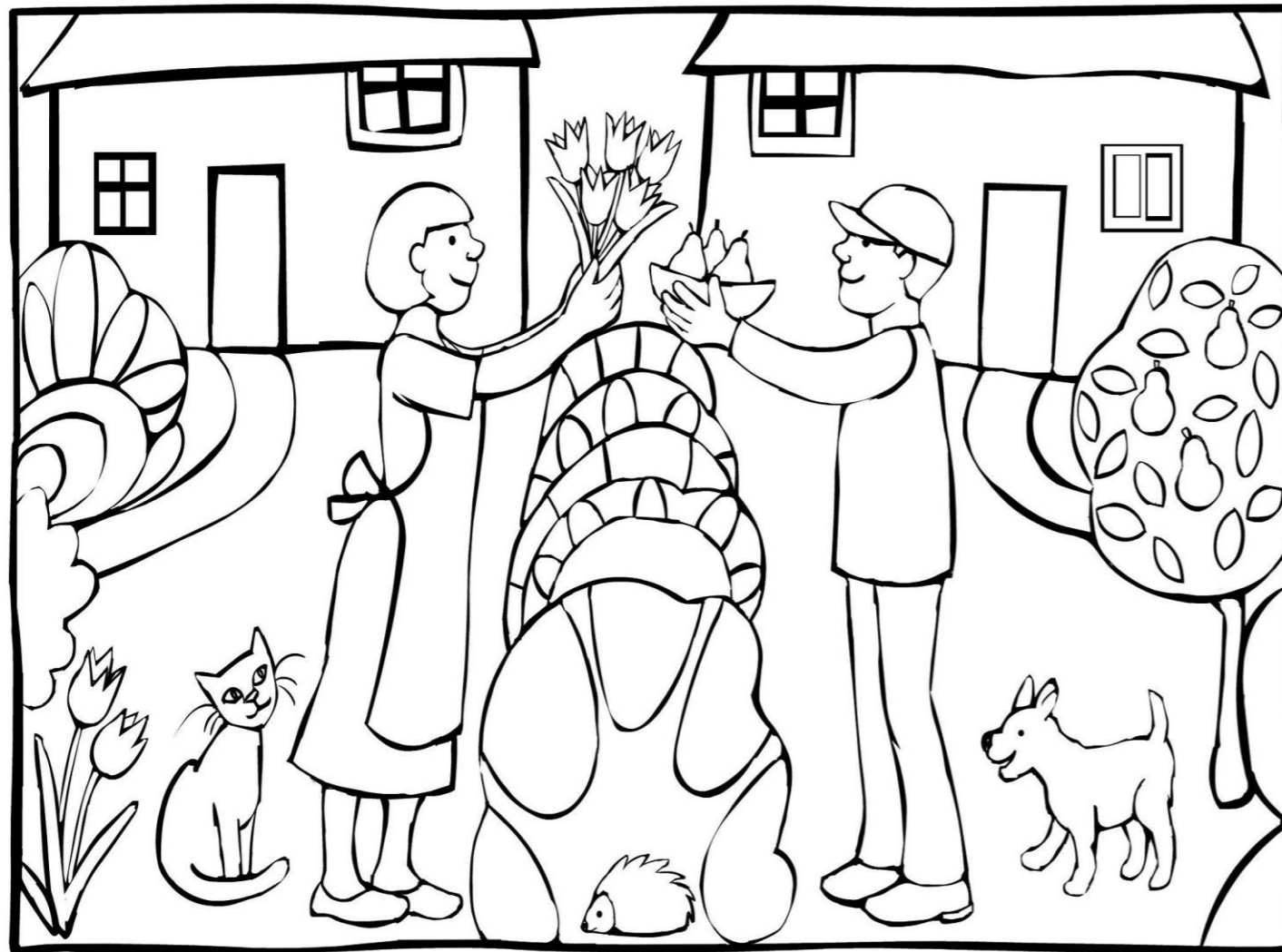
Please pass on these details to any hospitality members who may be interested in attending.



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Today, Jesus gives the disciples and us two commandments for how we should live our lives. Let's think a bit more about them and how we can follow them now.





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XXXI Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 1st November 2020

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	Monday 7 pm	Holy Souls	
3 Nov	Tuesday	Gary Rossiter	8pm – Come sing and Pray See opposite for details via Zoom see newsletter
4 Nov	Wednesday 4.30 pm	Bible Study	
5 Nov	Thursday	Fred Barbour	
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On Monday this week we celebrate the feast of the Holy Souls. I intend to celebrate an extra Mass on Monday evening at 7 pm for the deceased members of the parish family. Fr Paul

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**A great turnover last week, nearly 20 people via screen and phone.
The more the merrier as they say.**



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Daily rosary at 9.00 am (apart from Sunday)

The average received over the last 4 weeks for loose plate was £122.75 and gift aid envelopes 126.50. The weekly average standing orders is £440.77.

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If you are new to the church and we don't have your contact details, then we will ask you to complete a parishioner card. Also, if you think your details are out of date, then just ask to complete a new card. Thank you.



Stewards are still needed to ensure we can open for private prayer or weekday and weekend Masses. If you would like to volunteer, **and you are under 70, are not pregnant and do not have any underlying health conditions** then please contact Fr Paul or Deacon Jim or the office. Thank you again to parishioners who are currently or have been stewarding.

[We really do need your help!!!](#)

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Psalm	23
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Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened and I will give you rest, says the Lord Alleluia!
Gospel	Matthew 5: 1-12

A message from the office:

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I just wanted to say a big thank you to people who contributed items for the Shoe box appeal. There are 42 boxes from St Winefride's RC Church. They will be stored at United Reformed Church in Neston until they are collected at a later date.

Thank you. Dorothy Barber





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ST WINEFRIDE'S COLLECTION DATE – THURSDAY MORNING

VOLUNTEERS – STEWARDS AND READERS

Thank you to those who have already completed the "volunteer with rota form". Spare forms are on the table as you come into church. If I can ask you to take a form when you are next in church, complete and return to the office. Thank you. Jayne – Parish Secretary.



CWL News

As a result of our fund raising in 2019 we are able to donate £250 to each of our favourite charities.

- Marys Meals
- Macmillan cancer support
- St. Johns Hospice
- Claire House children's hospice
- "Maggies" Clatterbridge cancer care centre

In addition to this, following a recent appeal we are able to give a further £113 to Macmillan cancer care on behalf of Neston CWL and St Winefride's parishioners. Thank you everyone.

SCAMS – Please be vigilant with regards to telephone calls and e-mails. I have had a number of scam e-mails which look very real. Asking for you to possibly do a favour or buy vouchers. Please be very suspicious of these messages. Parish Secretary.



Diocesan In-House Solicitor

The Diocese of Shrewsbury are looking to recruit an **In-House Solicitor**, who will be required to provide legal advice and support on a range of matters including employment and HR (including sponsor management for overseas workers), commercial, probate, litigation, and academy conversion. Based at the Curial Office in Birkenhead.

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SPUC - The following information is from recent notices that **SPUC** have issued and they have asked us to update you on the current situation.

Protecting unborn babies and their mothers from abortion has been an ever more urgent task during the Coronavirus pandemic. Two specific measures are putting expectant mothers and their babies at particular risk. Firstly, the Government's home abortion scheme and secondly the move to outlaw pro-life vigils outside abortion clinics.

Help stop DIY abortions

During the Coronavirus pandemic unborn babies and their mothers have been at even greater risk of abortion. The Government's "pills through the post", brought in as Covid measure, means that over 23,000 women in England and Wales aborted their baby at home during lockdown. Please help us to spread the truth about DIY abortion and save women and babies from the tragedy of abortion.

Will you deliver pro-life information leaflets about DIY abortions door-to-door in your area? Every leaflet could make the difference to a vulnerable woman and save a baby's life. Please go to our [website](#) to learn more and order some leaflets. Or you can order leaflets by calling SPUC on 020 7091 7091.

Sign the petition to save the right to save lives

Pro-abortion MPs in Parliament want to stop pregnant women getting help outside abortion clinics by calling for buffer zones. SPUC is campaigning to save the right for peaceful pro-life vigils to take place. Hundreds of children are alive today in this country because their mother met a loving pro-life person just before they walked into the abortion clinic. We must protect this vital work.

Please sign our petition to save the right to save lives. It only takes a minute of your time, but it could mean a lifetime for an unborn baby. You can sign the petition here:

<https://spuc.org.uk/SaveTheRightToSaveLives>

Alithea Williams - Campaigns and Parliamentary Assistant
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Caritas at Christmas Appeal 2020: There will be a collection here next weekend, **7th/8th November**. Your donations will go to those most vulnerable within our Diocese, ensuring they have a Christmas meal and gifts to celebrate the Nativity of the Lord and to create happy memories in a time of crisis. Please put your donation in an envelope marked **Caritas**. Thank you for your support.

A message from Caritas

Christmas is hard for many in our communities which is why we need your support.

To help us provide food and gifts for those most in need in the Shrewsbury Diocese this Christmas, end of service collections will be taking place over the coming weekends.

Please give what you can, even the smallest contribution will make a big difference.

Give someone the unforgettable gift of kindness this Christmas.

Caritas Tel: 0151 652 1281

Health and Safety - As mentioned in our newsletter two weeks ago, government guidelines have implemented movement restrictions. Some of our congregation travel from Wirral to attend our Masses, unfortunately this won't be possible for another 2 weeks. Neston and the surrounding villages that make up the CH64 postcode area are in the borough of Cheshire West and Chester, which are under COVID Alert Level High (Tier 2) restrictions currently. Wirral is under Tier 3.

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Happy All Saints Day!





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XXXII Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 8th November 2020

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9 Nov	Monday 10 am	Rodney Halewood	Mass via live streaming
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Shrewsbury Cathedral: dioceseofshrewsbury.org

This week's readings

First reading	Wisdom 6: 12-16
Psalm	62
Second Reading	Thessalonians 4: 13-18
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia Stay awake and stand ready, because you do not know the hour when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!
Gospel	Matthew 25: 1-13

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MP Justin Madders

One of our parishioners contacted MP Justin Madders after Saturday's big government announcement, to ask about the closure of places of worship during the forthcoming second lockdown.

He received a swift reply but at the time the question about places of worship remaining open still had not been debated in the commons.

MP Mr Madders appreciated the request for places of worship to remain open and that during such a turbulent time as a pandemic, faith is an important thing for many, especially when Covid-secure measures are in place. However, since his response the Government has now made their decision.

Possibly the more letters he receives the more chance of churches being opened. Have your say!



Every year the nation unites to make sure that no-one is forgotten and to remember and honour those who have sacrificed themselves to secure and protect our freedom. It is remembrance Sunday this Sunday. Please remember the 2 minute silence at 11.00 am.

The traditional annual service at the Cenotaph will still go ahead this year, though it will be closed to members of the public for the first time in its century-long history.

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The foodbank came on Thursday to collect what you had kindly donated and I have asked them not to come back until mid December, when hopefully church will be back open. If you would still like to donate to the foodbank, items that are currently needed are listed below. Our nearest collection point is Sainsburys in Neston. As soon as church re-opens items can be left in the porch once again.



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Hopefully church will be re-open just as we celebrate the second Sunday of Advent.

“Online giving to the Parish”

For those Parishioners who normally give in the collection at Mass and wish to help the Parish at this time, an online donation page, to allow you to donate to the Parish, has been added to the Parish website. There is a new Online Donation button on the home page of our website. By clicking on it, it will take you to the Online Donation website run by **InvestMyCommunity**.



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

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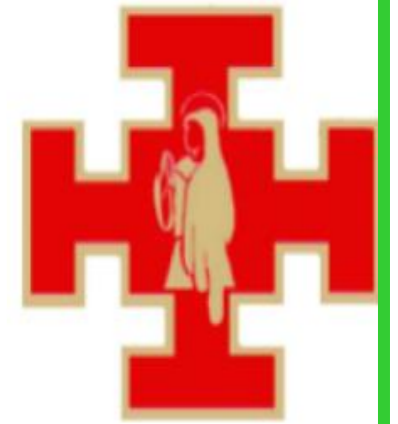
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TRAINING FOR THE PRIESTHOOD

CLERGY EDUCATION & TRAINING FUND - SPECIAL COLLECTION

Normally either this weekend or next weekend would see the annual Collection for the Clergy Education & Training Fund being held. On the training and formation of Priests, the future of our Diocese so much depends.

As church is currently closed, we are unable to hold the collection here. However, it will be possible to make a donation by going online, especially if you are able to Gift Aid your donation.

To donate Online please go to

www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/clergy-education-and-training-fund

An electronic version of a leaflet about the Fund is now available at

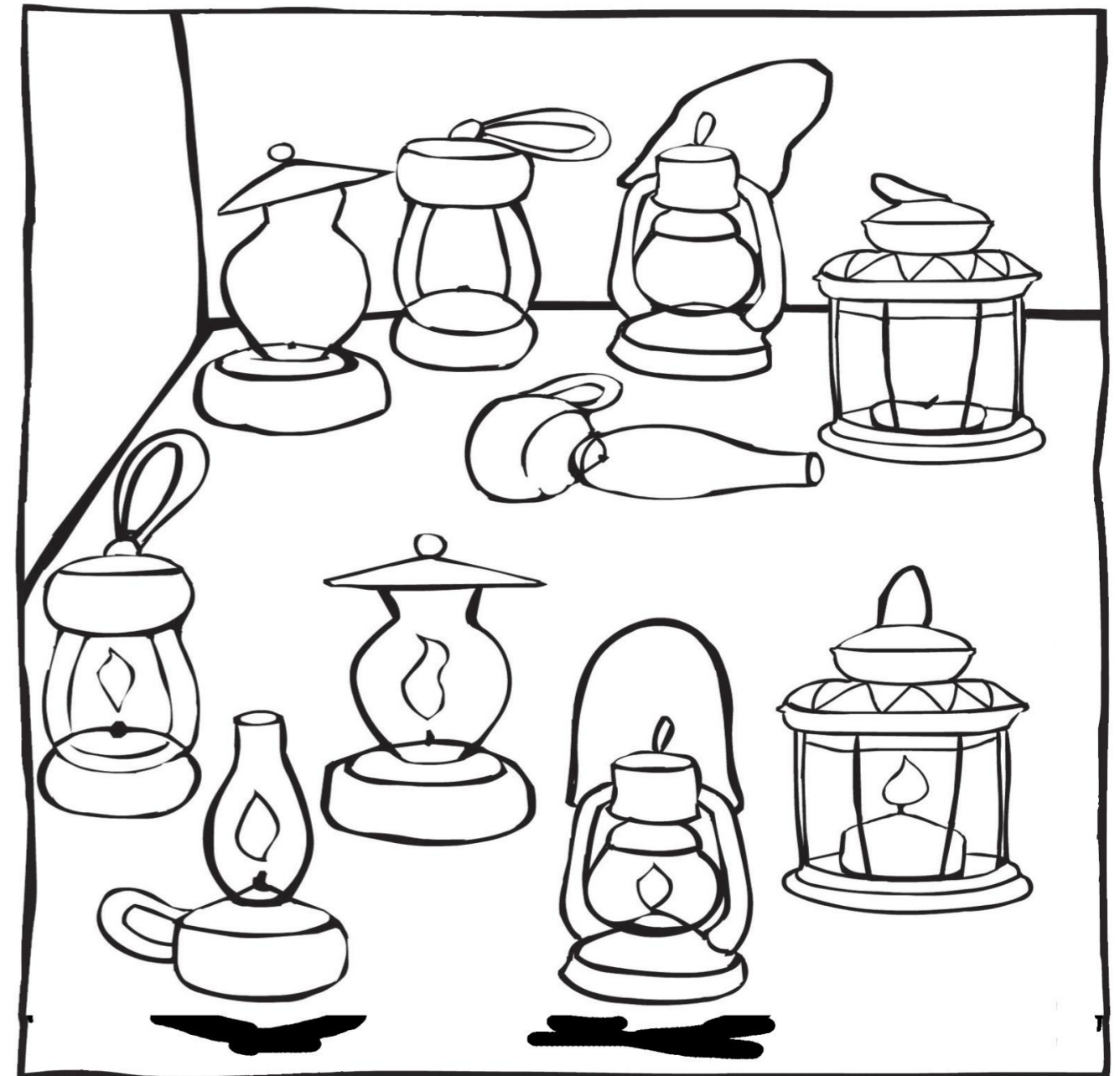
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Today Jesus tells us a story about how it is important to be ready and prepared for whatever will happen. Think a bit about being prepared today.





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XXXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 15th November 2020

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15 Nov	Sunday 10.30 am	Gary Rossiter	Mass via live streaming
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The children of **St Winefride's** have been remembering and honouring the brave men and women who have given their lives during the wars and those who are defending their country and loved ones and still fighting today. Year 5 showed their respect by collecting and painting Remembrance stones. They took their stones down to the war memorial in Neston and have laid them around the perimeter of the memorial.



During November, the children and staff of St Winefride's remember friends and family who have died. We have a Remembrance book and have set up a dedicated place for individual prayer at this holy time of year.

If you would like the children to remember members of your family or friends, send an email to school with their name and we will include them in our prayers.

Lord Jesus, please be close to those who mourn. Help us to know your light. Amen.



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I have been asked to reprint the prayer to St Joseph



Dear St Joseph

You have shown love and care to the Son of God,

You looked after his mother Mary,

You worked hard for your family,

You led your family to safety,

You never questioned the will of God,

You dedicated your life to the service of God.

May we also show our dedication to the God's Son. May

we honour Mary, our Holy Mother, may we work hard for

our families and communities and may we strive for

justice and peace as Kingdom builders in this world.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

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Today we hear that we must make the best use of the talents we have been given by God.

Prayer: Generous God, we give you thanks for the gifts and talents that you have given us. Help us to make the best use of them that we can and to serve you in all that we do. Amen.





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XXXIV Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 22nd November 2020

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CHRISTMAS AT ST WINEFRIDE'S

At the moment we are unsure what will be decided by the Government with regard to churches opening for Mass. If they are to open we will be informing you next weekend of how this will work here at St Winefrides.

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- Church Services TV" on Google

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This week's readings	
First reading	Ezekiel 34: 11-12 15-17
Psalm	22
Second Reading	Corinthians 15: 20-26. 28
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!
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Private Prayer – Church will now be open on a Tuesday and Thursday morning from 10.00am to 11.00am for Private Prayer sessions with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. As before, face masks need to be worn, unless exempt and track and trace information will be collected by a Steward.

REMEMBER: HANDS - FACE - SPACE



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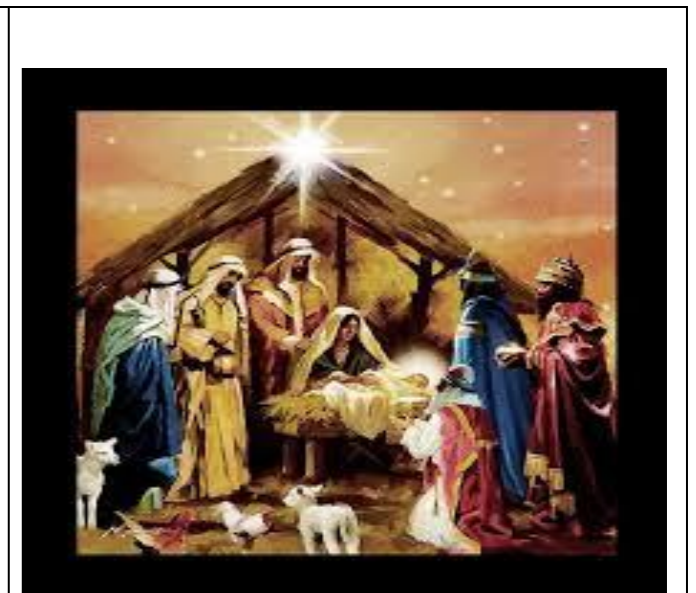
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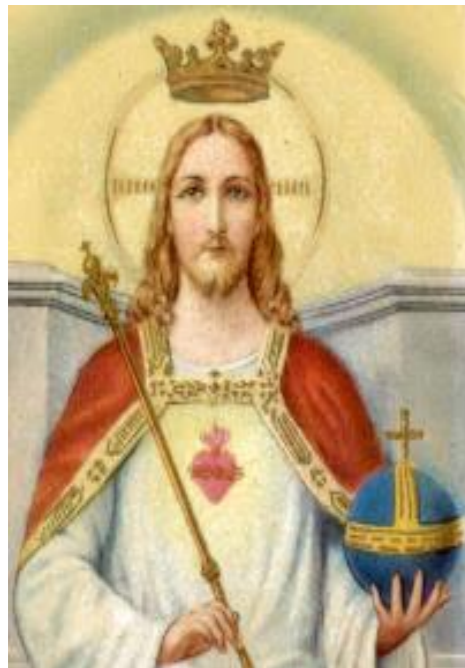
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A message from Wirral Charity Post 2020



We have rested our normal surface mail operation for 2020 to ensure that we can safeguard our Scouts, Guides, Parents, Leaders and Supporters. With your help, it can return when conditions permit.

This year we are excited to launch our new eCard venture which enables you to send electronic cards to your friends and family, both locally, but now for the first time since 1982, around the world! There is a selection of over 80 designs on our website and they will be delivered by email.

This year, the eCard scheme will be free but, to help keep the scheme running, we are asking for donations either online or by text (see website for details). With your help and support, Scouts and Guides within Wirral will continue gaining Skills For Life for the next generation of young people. The more you can donate, the more young people we can support.

www.wirralcharitypost.org

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Today Jesus tells us that he is in all people, and that when we help others or treat them badly then we are doing the same to him.

Opening prayer - Christ Jesus, help us to see you in every one of our brothers and sisters around the world. Inspire us to reach out to those who are hungry, thirsty, lonely, sick or in prison. Amen





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1st Sunday of Advent

Sunday 29th November 2020

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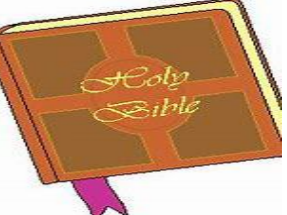


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For the Christmas Masses the number of places at each mass are limited due to Covid restrictions and therefore options of how places will be allocated are currently under discussion. We hope to give more information next week. The Masses times are likely to be as follows;

Christmas Eve 5.00 pm and 8.00 pm

Christmas Day 9.00 am and 10.30 am

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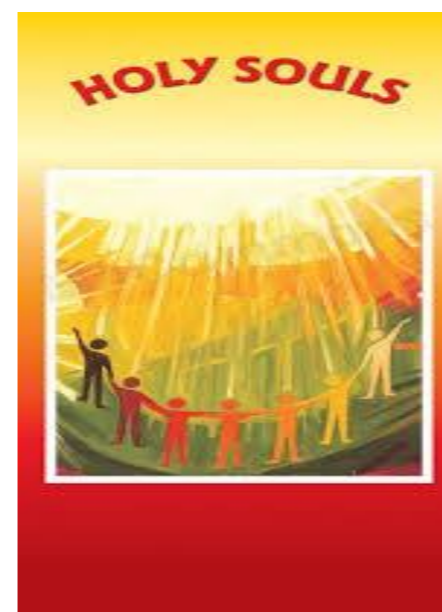
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mary's
meals

a simple solution
to world hunger

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*Now we are delighted to share with you a new opportunity to say yes and provide 43,000 hungry children in Bong County, Liberia, with a life-changing meal at school. From 2nd November until 31st January 2021, donations made to our **Double The Love campaign** will be matched by the UK government, up to £2 million. Please consider setting a place at our [Big Family Christmas dinner table](#) or buying a Christmas gift card on our [website](#). More information on how to support us can be found at www.marysmeals.org.uk/doublethelove. Thank you.*

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Christmas in Neston 2020



Bringing lights, love and lots of fun to our home and streets. This will be a Christmas like no other. Please check out the website to see how you can see the lights being turned on this Saturday 28th in Neston.

<https://www.christmasinneston.com/>

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Gift aid – Again, if you are a tax payer and would like to gift aid your contribution, then please let me know and we can arrange to do this by completion of a form.

Hope, comfort & joy. Really?

From the churches in Neston



Are you missing the simple things? Things you had always taken for granted, a hug, someone to sit with or a kind touch. At the end of a year like no other, 2020 probably wasn't what we had hoped for and Christmas will certainly be different. Many have lost loved ones, jobs, routines and the chance to see friends and family. So where will we find hope and comfort, let alone joy?

Well there is hope, and as people's christmas lights begin to shine we are reminded of that hope. Believe it or not, in the UK we spend £3.75 million every day powering Christmas lights to banish the darkness. Every time we turn on a light, switch on our headlights, light a candle or see the sky glow as a firework explodes everything changes.

We might not realise it but when Jesus was born, everything changed. His arrival was like a light exploding in the darkness. Jesus' birth isn't just a nice story, he changed the course of human history. So today, whatever our situation, whatever the darkness we find ourselves in, the beautiful and scandalous message of Christmas is that there is light in the darkness. Hope has come.

Today billions of people know that hope and comfort, as they go about their day to day lives. Jesus is present in every community and at work in the darkest of places. Everyday people discover the good news of Christmas, as they realise that God came to us. Far from being distant and uninterested, God left the comfort of heaven for the filth of a stable. He gave up his power to become weak, ultimately he chose to give up his life, that we might have life.

So when you look at your lights this Christmas, consider this, God wants to be with you. He wants you to know that you are not alone, that hope is here and nothing, no lockdown or restrictions can stop him. Jesus is the hope, the light that keeps on burning when everything else is stripped away.

So find out what the churches near you are doing this Christmas, discover for yourself the light and hope that Jesus brings. From all of the churches in and around Neston we wish you a wonderful, hope filled, joyful Christmas.

Visit christmasinneston.com/church or search for your local church online



How you can help the school – St Winefride's have registered their school PTFA with Amazon as a charity. This means now that if you shop using Amazon, the school PTFA will receive 0.5% of your purchase paid into their account. This is a fantastic fundraising opportunity so please spread the word between family and friends.

All you have to do is shop on www.smile.amazon.co.uk then search for St Winefride's PTFA and select it. The rest is sorted out by Amazon.

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Earlier this month we received a lovely letter from Cafod thanking us for our **donation of £218.00**. Since then we have sent them another **£25.00**. Thank you to everyone on behalf of Cafod. One particular Sister in Kibera, Kenya is distributing food and essentials to 300 vulnerable families. This includes a food basket with maize flour, wheat flour and cooking oil, as well as face masks, bars of soap and sanitiser.



Dear St Joseph

You have shown love and care to the Son of God,
You looked after his mother Mary,
You worked hard for your family,
You led your family to safety,
You never questioned the will of God,
You dedicated your life to the service of God.
May we also show our dedication to the God's Son. May we honour Mary, our Holy Mother, may we work hard for our families and communities and may we strive for justice and peace as Kingdom builders in this world.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

IN SPITE OF LOCKDOWN, LET US REJOICE!

This is what I pray:- Out of his infinite glory, may he give you the power through his Spirit for your hidden self to grow, so that Christ may live in your hearts through faith, and then, planted in love and built on love, you will with all the saints have strength to grasp the breadth and the length, the height and the depth; until, knowing the love of Christ, which is beyond all knowledge, you are filled with the utter fullness of God. (Ephesians 3:14-21)

Advent is a time for looking forward but it is also a time for looking back and reflecting. This year has been a year like no other we have experienced. Around this time last year, the bishops of England and Wales, launched their initiative-*The God that speaks: The year of the word*. A few weeks ago, week 26 in ordinary time, the weekday readings were from the book of Job. Job was a wealthy man. He had a wonderful family, cattle, sheep and camels but, suddenly, all were taken from him. He was a Godfearing man and could not understand why all that he loved so much was taken from him, yet he never lost his faith in a just God.

Throughout the months of lockdown, many of us must have felt like Job, lost and bewildered, worried about what was happening, wondering if God was punishing us or what he was telling us. In his letter to the Romans, Saint Paul tells us that “By turning everything to their good, God co-operates with all those who love him” (Romans 8:28). St Alphonsus Liguori says, “Tribulations enable us to acquire great merits before God, by giving us opportunities of exercising the virtues of humility, of patience and of resignation to the divine will.” He goes on to say, “By tribulations we atone for the sins we have committed much better than by voluntary works of penance.”

God has not abandoned us. He has not deserted us. He is still with us, still speaking to us, still laughing with us when we laugh, still comforting us when we cry. He still loves us. Governments may restrict us physically. Pandemic restrictions can stop us doing things we want to do, going where we want to go but our spirits are still free. Our spirits can still turn to God and be comforted by the knowledge that, as Saint Paul says, “God loved us with so much love he was generous with his mercy” (Ephesians 2:4). He gave us his son to live, suffer and die and to rise again for us. We have been redeemed. We need have no fear. That salvation began when Mary agreed to be the mother of Jesus. Just as Mary did, we have only to say yes to God’s eternal plan and we can look forward to Christmas with joy.

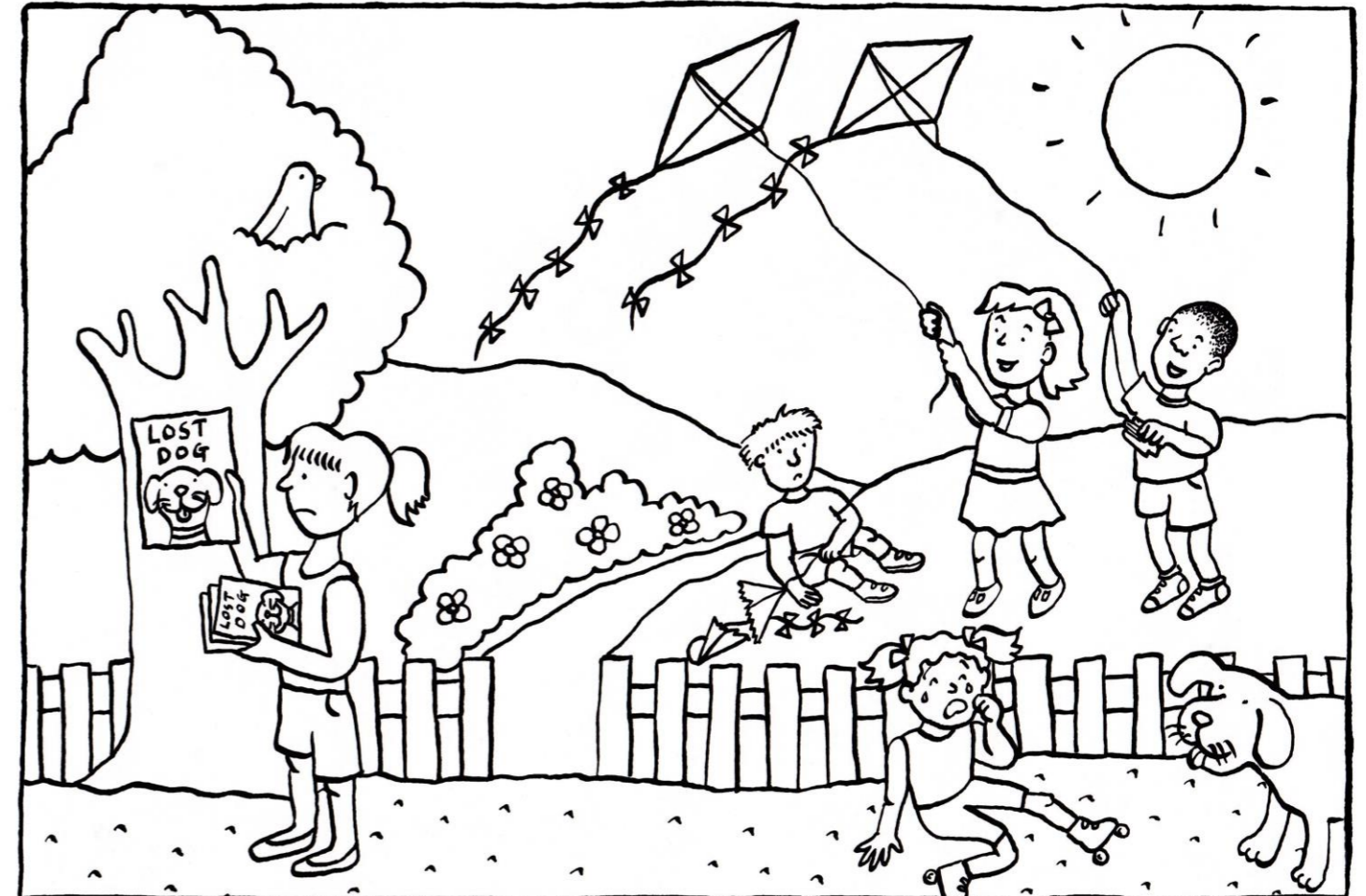
It may not be like any Christmas we have previously celebrated. There may be an absence of hugs and kisses from family and friends but our younger generation are very inventive. They will find new ways to express our love for one another. Instead of the usual crazy commercial build up to Christmas, we will have more time to reflect and appreciate the true meaning of Christmas; the beginning of our salvation. When we look at the baby Jesus in his mother’s arms with Joseph standing close by, let us remind ourselves that shortly after Jesus’ birth, The Holy Family was forced into exile, cut off from family and friends. When we feel sad that we are missing our loved ones, we can offer our sadness with theirs to our father in Heaven and what a wonderful prayer of thanksgiving that would be.

By the power of the Holy Spirit, Mary brought Christ into the world: - Through the church, may Christ be born again today in our hearts.

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



Look at the illustration. It is very busy with lots of things going on. Can you spot:

- The person who needs someone to be **kind** to them?
- The person who needs someone to **share** with them?
- The person who needs some **help**?

Think about what you would do to help one of these people and draw yourself into the picture.



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2nd Sunday of Advent

Sunday 6th December 2020

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CHURCH WILL BE OPEN AGAIN FOR YOU TO ATTEND MASS FROM THIS WEEKEND.

MASS WILL THEN RESUME AS BEFORE ON A MONDAY AND FRIDAY MORNING WITH PRIVATE PRAYER FROM 9.30AM.

MASS WILL BE SAID BEHIND CLOSED DOORS ON A TUESDAY AND LIVE STREAMED

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Fr Paul writes:

It is wonderful to have the opportunity to celebrate Mass within our church once again. These Masses would not be able to take place without the help of our dedicated stewards. You will be surprised by the amount of work that goes on just to get the door open.

At the moment some of our stewards have reached the golden age of 70 so can no longer offer their support. We are looking for new additional stewards which means we are still able to open for Mass and eventually be able to open on a daily basis.

If you can help then, please let myself or Deacon Jim or one of the stewards know. The time we are looking for would be from 9.30am for private prayer followed by Mass. I know this is a big ask with so many pressures upon us, but without your help we won't be able to open for Mass every day.

From now until Christmas church will be open for Mass on a Monday and Friday, unless there is a funeral and live streamed on a Tuesday.

You will find information on the newsletter for booking tickets for the festival of Christmas as we are restricted in numbers this year. If you are not able to view the newsletter online and print a form off, there will be a supply of forms here to enable you to apply. Please remember to pick up a sheet. All these procedures we are having to adapt to have come from the Bishops conference following government guidelines.

In the last week or so, **Fr Chris Lightbound** has moved to Nazareth House in Birkenhead. If you would like to send him a card or letter then his address is as follows; **Nazareth House, Manor Hill, Prenton, Birkenhead, CH43 1UG**. I have also been informed that **Rosemary Southwell**, who has been a member of the CWL for many years has also recently moved to Nazareth House. Again, I am sure she would love to hear from you.

Can I ask you to remember in your prayers the families of John Joseph Blain and Diana Philips who have both recently died. Their funerals take place on the 17th and 18th December respectively along with that of Joe Malone.

As we gather for the second Sunday of Advent, lets hold our head high and look for the one who is coming.

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This week's readings	
First reading	Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11
Psalm	84
Second Reading	Peter 3: 8-14
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia Prepare a way for the Lord, make his path straight and all mankind shall see the salvation of God. Alleluia!
Gospel	Mark 1: 1-8

A message from the office:

Newsletters - if you know someone **who does not have** access to e-mail or the internet and needs a paper copy then, please let me know and I will arrange for one to be sent out to them next week. Thank you. Jayne – Parish Secretary.

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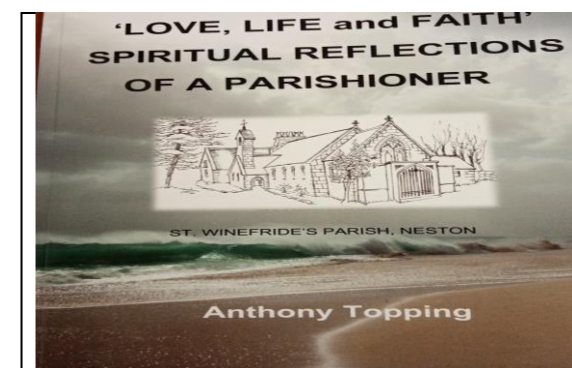
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A JOURNEY OF PRAYER FOR ADVENT 2020

The booklets have been placed in the porch for you to take a copy.

They are **£1.00 each** and there will be a collection box to place the money in.

We have also ordered a supply of children's booklet as well this year. These are priced at **50p**.



"Love, Life and Faith" - Spiritual Reflections of a Parishioner

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If you would like a copy then please contact the office. The books are £7.50 each. Cheques to be made payable to Winefride's Parish Church or you can pay by cash.

Christmas Masses at St Winefride's

Owing to the timing of the nation's lockdown it is very difficult to predict what limits will be in place over the Christmas period. To this end we have to work with what we have and adapt with time as new guidelines are issued.

Currently we have a maximum attendance of 64/70 people in church depending on the split of attendees. Initially we shall work to this number for each of the 4 masses offered for the celebration of Christmas Day and other Masses over the Christmas period. A revised risk assessment is being considered by the diocese for a doubling of these figures should future guidelines allow. If we are allowed to seat more we shall offer *you* additional seating which would be passed on as soon as available.

In order to do this, we have felt the need to use a booking system which will cope with the above. Please fill out the form and return as ASAP; seating will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Families attending in a group of more than six will be placed on **two** benches.

To prevent unnecessary queuing there will be an arrival time for you/your party on your ticket.

Catering for this potential increase in number we will be making a few changes, mainly in the way you will be ushered around the church. To this end please be mindful to the instructions given by the stewards. Communion will be given by two ministers from a single orderly queue, maintaining safe distancing, please be patient as you are released row by row.

Parishioners with mobility issues may be offered seating giving easier access and egress, the minister will also bring communion to you.

Unfortunately singing will not be allowed this year; Father Paul will be playing a selection of Carols as background music at appropriate places during Mass.

At the end of service, again please be mindful of the steward's guidance on exiting the church. Although it is Christmas please be wary on forming unnecessary holdups or form groups outside the church.

The **Mass times** for Christmas Services are as follows;

Christmas Eve	5:00 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
Christmas Day	9:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.

The duration of these Masses will be no longer than 40 minutes.
Please see the separate e-mail with the booking note and booking form.

John Kane - H & S Representative



Please find below the zoom link to our short service at the URC on Sunday 13th December at 6.30pm.

Parishioners from other churches are more than welcome to join us. Hopefully we will have enough Zoom space!
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Event Invitation

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Ann Clowes is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.
Description: Topic: Carols and Lessons Time: Dec 13, 2020 06:30 PM London
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The next collection by the Foodbank will be hopefully next **Thursday, 10th December.**

If you would like to start leaving items, this can be done when church is open for Mass either at the weekend or during the week.



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

Instant mash or tinned potatoes

Tinned cooked meats, corned beef or ham

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The staff of St Winefride's have made a charity video (a COVID version of Shakin' Stevens 'Merry Christmas') and are hoping to raise money for 4 charities which has supported and helped us over the last year – Caritas, Good Shepherd Hospice of the Good Shepherd, Claire House and PlaceToBe.

The video can be viewed on the school page of Facebook or there is a link on the school Twitter account. Please try to view it and spread the Christmas spirit and support these wonderful charities.

Grand Christmas Raffle – despite the pandemic, it would not be Christmas in a Catholic school without a Christmas Raffle. Tickets cost £1 a strip for which you can win a number of great prizes, including a fantastic Christmas Hamper. If you wish to buy tickets (or members of your family 'bubble' wish to), please email school office at admin@stwinefrides.cheshire.sch.uk

The raffle will be drawn on Tuesday 15th December and is being live streamed through Facebook. Winners will be contacted immediately afterwards.



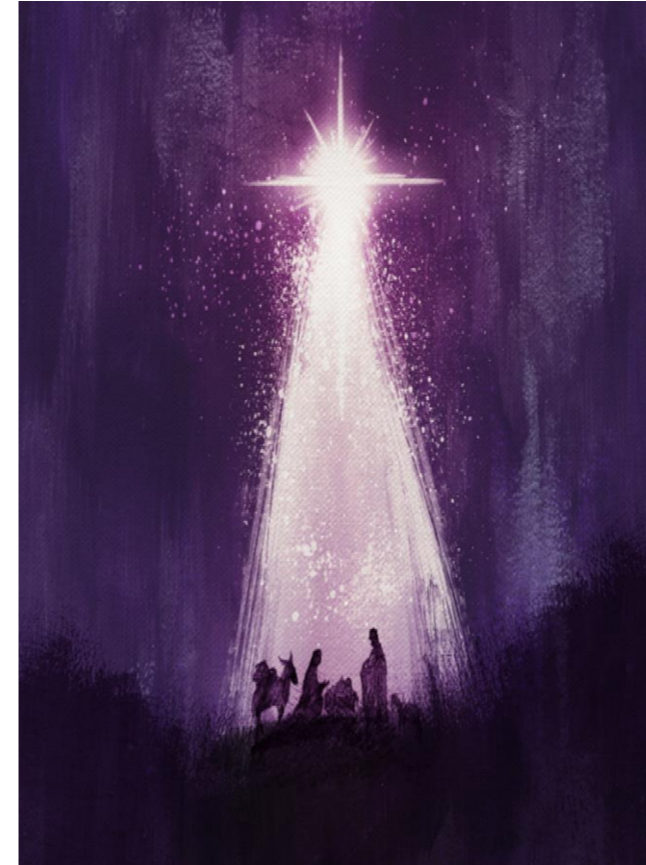
During Advent, the children and staff of St Winefride's Catholic Primary are spending time in prayer each day. At 3pm, the 'big' lights go off throughout school and our fairy lights go on, the Advent wreath is lit in each class and we are still together as class bubbles. We are sharing the Gospel of the day, together with other seasonal stories/poems and listening to music, both traditional and modern. Everyone is spending time in reflective prayer and using the space to be still, aware of the presence of God in our midst. This year, we have taken 'Emmanuel: God is with us' as our theme. We pray for our school, for our parish, for our families, for the world.

Here are some hymns/songs that the children will be using as part of their daily Advent reflection. You may like to use them as part of your Advent preparation or Advent prayer.

Unto Us: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xmpUQRiUW70>

Maranatha: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cgMtfz-6Btl>

Mary, Did You Know? <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Uki0dkthzl>



Advent Prayer

O Word of God, I come to say,
Thank you for blessing my heart today.

Thank you, Jesus, Emmanuel,

You came to us,

God's love to tell.

Help us to get ready

and to prepare the way,

Open our hearts

for Christmas day.

Amen

Readers Rota – The current rota which was organised in October is still current and takes us up to Sunday 20th December. If you can check the website to see when you are next reading and then like before just speak to a Steward for your gloves when you arrive. I have contacted this weekend's readers by e-mail.

Readers will also be required at the Masses at Christmas, can you let me know if you are available to read and at which Mass. Thanks. Jayne – Parish Secretary

Christmas Eve – 5.00pm or 7.30pm

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3rd Sunday of Advent

Sunday 13th December 2020

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14 Dec	Monday 10.00 am Mass	Jean Benson	Private prayer from 9.30am then Mass at 10 am
15 Dec	Tuesday 10.00 am	Patricia Brown	Church closed Mass via live streaming
16 Dec	Wednesday 11.00 am	Funeral Mass Joe Malone Family only	
17 Dec	Thursday Noon	Funeral Mass - John Joseph Blain Family only	
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Private prayer is from 9.30 am on Monday and Friday before Mass. On Tuesday, church is closed but Mass can be live streamed.

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Fr Paul writes: I hope you are all keeping safe and well. Please keep in your prayers the families and friends of Joe Malone, John Joseph Blain and Diana Josephine Phillips whose funeral Masses are next week. Please remember that the funeral is limited to 30 close members of the family.

If you haven't already completed a booking form for Christmas, can I ask that you do so and return to one of the stewards after Mass. Once all the forms have been processed, tickets will be issued.

Christmas Eve, especially 5pm Mass is proving to be very popular. We will endeavour to do our best to put your first choice, but this may not always be possible.

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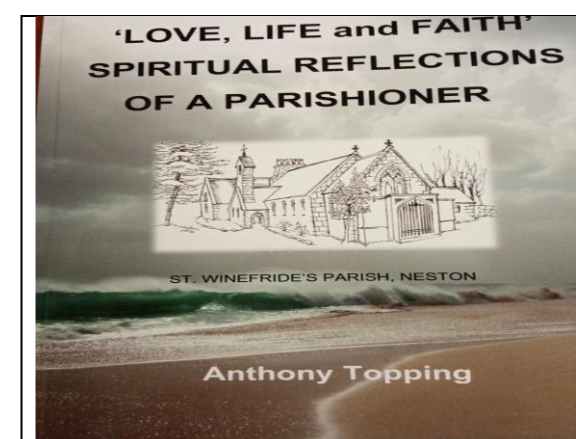
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The current readers rota finishes after the weekend of the 19/20th December. There will be Mass on **Sunday 27th, at 9.30am and 11.00am**. Again, if you are able to read at either of these Masses, if you could let Jayne in the office know and the new rota from January will follow shortly.

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Advent and Christmas is very different in school this year, but this fact has not stopped the children being very busy, engaging all the different events and preparation.

Although the members of our wonderful Parents, Teachers and Friends Association (PFTA) could not come into school, they have also been working remotely to ensure that the children of St Winefride's do not lose any of its Christmas celebrations. The Christmas Wrap, where children buy some gifts for family members, and pets, took place, with many staff members stepping in to help with the selling and wrapping, ensuring that this great tradition continued.

Christmas would not be Christmas without the Grand Raffle. There have been many brilliant prizes donated to school by parents and local businesses; so many that, this year we are running separate raffle for adults and children. Tickets are still on sale. Adult raffle tickets cost £1 a strip for which you can win one of several great prizes, including a fantastic Christmas Hamper or 20p a ticket for the children's raffle where children can win lots of treats! If you wish to buy tickets, please email school office admin@stwinefrides.cheshire.sch.uk

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Last Friday (4th December), the children, and staff, all took part in a 'Just Dance with Santa', raising a wonderful £170 for our chosen charities and community events. The children, staying within their class bubbles, danced all afternoon to a medley of Christmas songs and also had great fun.

On 11th December, the whole school took part in National Christmas Jumper Day, wearing their favourite Christmas jumper and seasonal headwear with their uniform. Any money raised will be split amongst our four chosen charities.

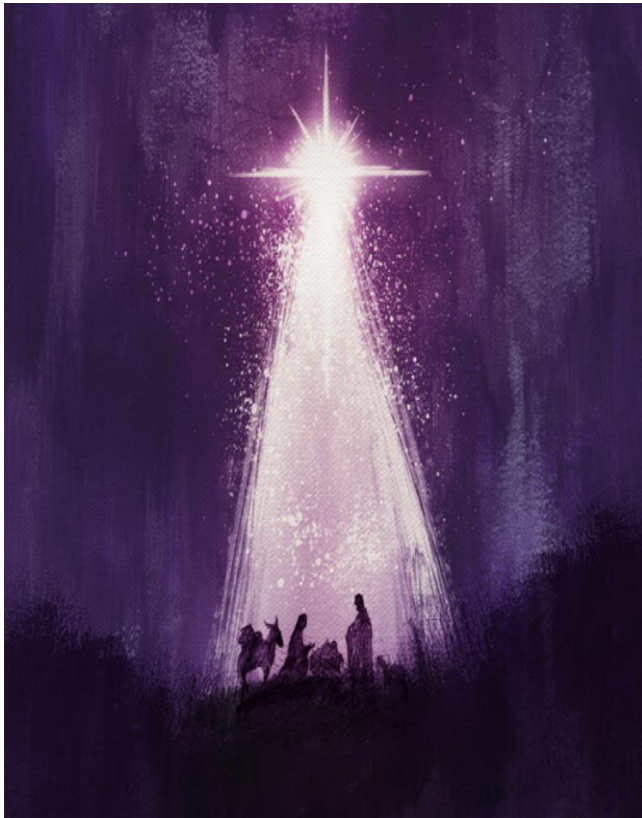


We could not mark the season of Advent without remembering the birth of the baby Jesus. Although, we have been unable to hold our usual Reception and KS1 nativity or the KS2, the school has adapted its practices to ensure that Advent and the true spirit of Christmas is remembered in a COVID friendly manner.

The reception, year 1 and 2 classes have been filmed, acting out their own class nativities. Links to these recordings will be shared with families next week.

KS2 have worked to produce a COVID-friendly carol service, which has been filmed in and around the school grounds and the year 6, so that they do not miss out on their final carol service, have been filmed in St Winefride's Church. A recording of this service will also be shared next week.

Hopefully, we will be able to share a link with parishioners in the newsletter next week, so that they too can join the children and staff in celebrating the true meaning of Christmas.



Advent Prayer

O Word of God, I come to say,
Thank you for blessing my heart today.
Thank you, Jesus, Emmanuel,
You came to us,
God's love to tell.
Help us to get ready
and to prepare the way,
Open our hearts
for Christmas day.
Amen

At this time of year, people are inclined to look back at times past. We think of how things were in years gone by, Christmas as it once was. We remember the decorations, the lights, the Christmas trees and roast turkey. When we look back to the gatherings to celebrate the birth of the baby in the manger, the singings of carols, the handshakes, the hugs and the kisses, we are reminded that alas, Christmas will be so different this year. Many of us will be unable to physically attend mass in church but will watch it on a screen. Some may not be able to even do that. Those who do attend mass will not be allowed to sing. The gatherings of family and friends will be electronic, groups of people zooming together. The handshakes will be elbow bumps, the kisses will be thrown to one another, but if we put aside these considerations, Christmas is still Christmas. It is the day we celebrate the birth of our redeemer.

Communication is such a wonderful thing. When I was small, the only device we knew was a radio in our front room to which my dad had connected a speaker in the kitchen so mum could listen while she worked. We listened to shows like, "The Billy Cotton band show", "Educating Archie" and "The Goon show". We didn't even have a telephone in the house. Nowadays there are a frightening number of devices that can be put to countless applications. Frightening because the internet is so powerful and often misused with evil intentions. On the other hand, it can be used wisely and with good effect. Pope Francis uses it daily to teach us.

In his letter to Titus, St Paul says, "God's grace has been revealed and it has made salvation possible for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do is give up everything that does not lead to God, and all our worldly ambitions; we must be self-restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing which will come with the Appearing of the glory of our great God and saviour Christ Jesus". (Titus 2:11-14)

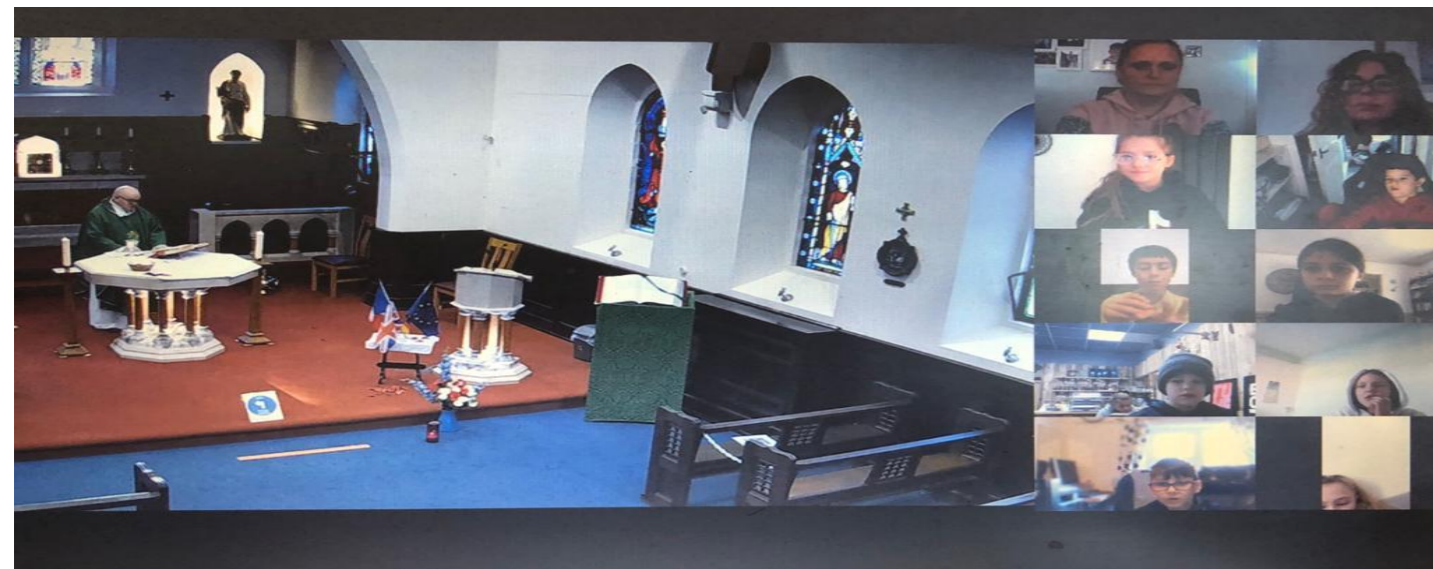
God is continually communicating with us in a quiet gentle voice. The trouble is, there is so much noise and distraction in our world today, so much misinformation, so much 'fake news' we find it difficult to hear him. The word of God is the one true word we can rely on. Jesus is the word of God who became incarnate in order to be one with us and teach us. As we celebrate his birth, let us find time to sit in stillness and silence and listen. As we stand before the crib, let us look down at the baby lying there with arms outstretched, welcoming us, let us turn our eyes upwards to the cross where he hangs, arms still wide, dying for us. Then let us close our eyes and bring to mind the risen Christ, arms still outstretched, calling us to him, waiting to embrace us.

Jesus did not have to suffer and die in order to redeem us. His birth alone, by becoming one with us, was sufficient to make salvation possible. His life, suffering, death and resurrection showed us how great is his love for us. A love which is beyond our human understanding. That love deserves to be returned. We have a duty to seek him. He will not be hard to find. He is with the poor and lonely; those who are cold and hungry; those who are sick either physically or mentally. May this Christmas be a new beginning for us. Let us learn to read the signs of our times. Pope Francis tells us that it is not enough to just keep the commandments, we must reach out to those all over the world who are in need; we must protect the world which God gave us to look after. May our gifts to God be gifts of humility and understanding, gentleness and love; generosity and acceptance of whatever lies ahead and may he grant peace on earth to all his loved ones.

May God grant us all a holy and peaceful Christmas and may the year ahead be one when we can learn to stand, look and listen to what God is asking of us.

Father, we praise you for your son, Our Lord Jesus Christ; through the Holy Spirit he offered himself in sacrifice to you, that we might be delivered from death and selfishness, and be free to live in your peace (morning prayer)

Reflection by Tony Topping



The children in year 6, with Mrs Davies and Mrs Roberts, attended Mass at St Winefride's church one morning through the church's live stream. They gathered together in the Google Classroom, where they have been learning all week, and celebrated Mass with Father Paul.

It was a calm and peaceful Mass and the children and staff are thankful that they were able to come together and celebrate the Eucharist in a very different way.

'God is spirit and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.' John 4: 24

'The Lord your God is with you wherever you go.' Joshua 1:9

Christmas Masses at St Winefride's - Repeated from last week

Owing to the timing of the nation's lockdown it is very difficult to predict what limits will be in place over the Christmas period. To this end we have to work with what we have and adapt with time as new guidelines are issued.

Currently we have a maximum attendance of 64/70 people in church depending on the split of attendees. Initially we shall work to this number for each of the 4 masses offered for the celebration of Christmas Day and other Masses over the Christmas period. A revised risk assessment is being considered by the diocese for a doubling of these figures should future guidelines allow. If we are allowed to seat more we shall offer *you* additional seating which would be passed on as soon as available.

In order to do this, we have felt the need to use a booking system which will cope with the above. Please fill out the form and return as ASAP; seating will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Families attending in a group of more than six will be placed on **two** benches.

To prevent unnecessary queuing there will be an arrival time for you/your party on your ticket.

Catering for this potential increase in number we will be making a few changes, mainly in the way you will be ushered around the church. To this end please be mindful to the instructions given by the stewards. Communion will be given by two ministers from a single orderly queue, maintaining safe distancing, please be patient as you are released row by row.

Parishioners with mobility issues may be offered seating giving easier access and egress, the minister will also bring communion to you.

Unfortunately singing will not be allowed this year; Father Paul will be playing a selection of Carols as background music at appropriate places during Mass.

At the end of service, again please be mindful of the steward's guidance on exiting the church. Although it is Christmas please be wary on forming unnecessary holdups or form groups outside the church.

The **Mass times** for Christmas Services are as follows;

Christmas Eve	5:00 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
Christmas Day	9:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.

The duration of these Masses will be no longer than 40 minutes. The booking form is on the website and copies are also available in church along with the booking details.



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Please note that we have just received a payment of £185.00 in respect of the online Giving Page in October. Thank you.



The next meeting of the Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality will be held on Sunday 13th December 2020 at 2pm via Zoom. Join Zoom Meeting: Meeting ID: 931 4203 0517

<https://zoom.us/j/93142030517?pwd=am5lWldUVFBzTUVSaFRhR25va1djQT09>

You can also call in if you don't have access to zoom, on +44 203 901 7895. Please send any requests for the password, apologies or items for the agenda to secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk or text/call 07441 456534. Please pass on the details to any hospitality members who may be interested in attending.

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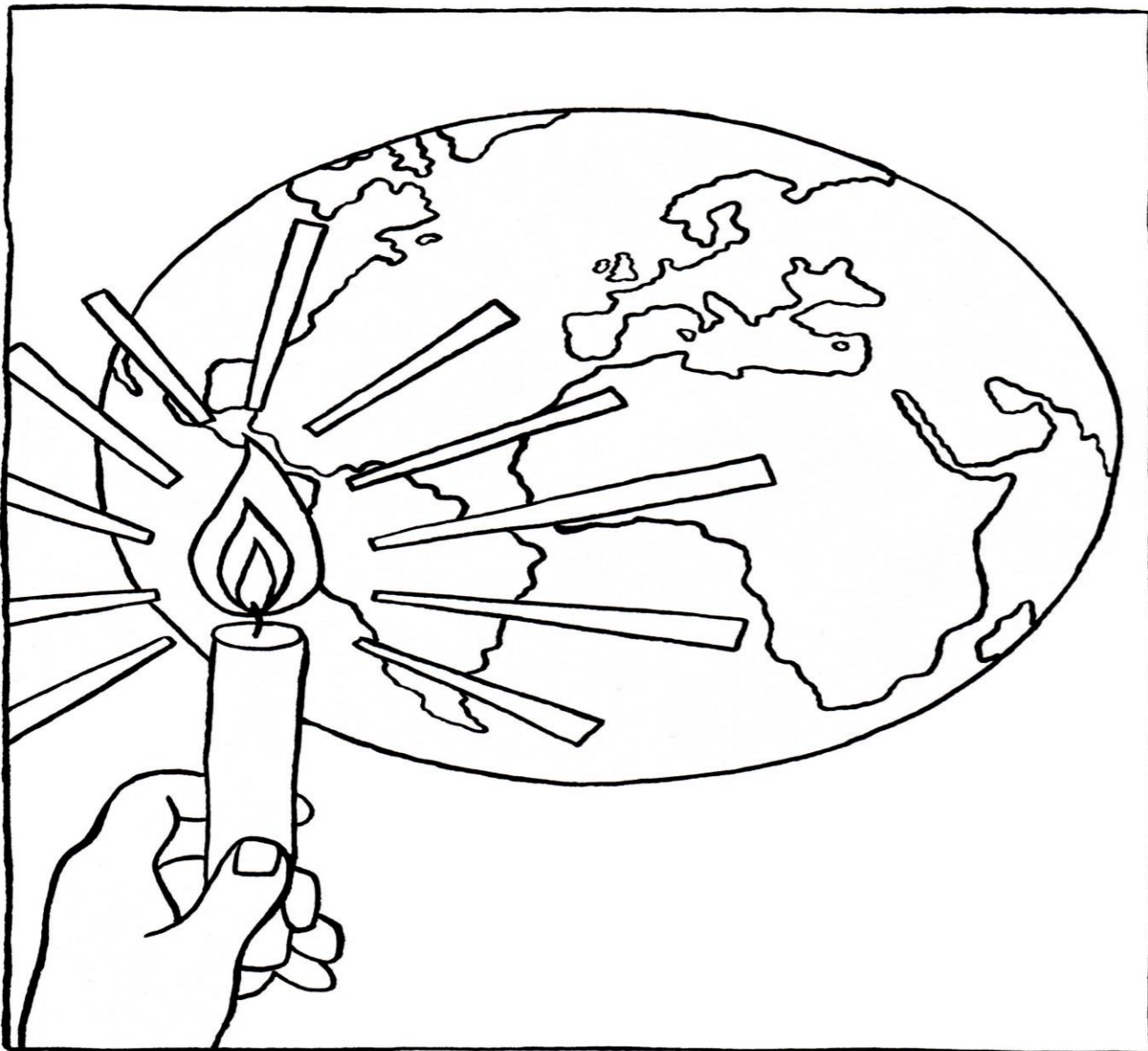


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God of light, shine brightly, show us how to bring hope to others. God of love, help us to comfort people and to share in their joy. God of hope, help us this Advent, to share your light with others. Amen





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4th Sunday of Advent

Sunday 20th December 2020

Mass Intentions for this coming week

19 Dec	Saturday 6pm	No Mass	
20 Dec	Sunday 9.30 am	No Mass	Thomas Smith *
20 Dec	Sunday 11 am	No Mass	Larry Duggan *
21 Dec	Monday 10.00 am	No Mass	Pat Hemington *
22 Dec	Tuesday 10.00 am	No Mass	Monica & Frank McVey *
23 Dec	Wednesday	No Mass	
24 Dec	Thursday 5.30 pm	Parish family	CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED TO PARISHIONERS. MASS AVAILABLE VIA LIVE STREAM ONLY
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Parishioners who need our Prayers

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

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



Please do get in touch via the parish office e-mail if you want anyone adding or removing from the prayer list or you have a Mass intention.

TIMETABLE OF ACTIVITIES WITH DEACON JIM AND FRIENDS

Daily Rosary at 9.00 am apart from Sunday	To join in please download Zoom.us either as an "app" on your phone or tablet or download from the Zoom.us website to your laptop. It is free and simple registration with your email and a password. When you have Zoom then type in or click the link below; https://zoom.us/j/252387114 password: AveMaria	
Come Sing and Pray Tuesday 8pm	'Come Sing and Pray' evening. This will be available at the same Zoom address and will be an opportunity on these darker nights to sing along a few hymns, join in prayer and reflection and enjoy the company of fellow Christians	
Bible study Wednesday 4.30 pm	This Wednesday 6th January at 4.30pm . We will discuss the gospel reading for the following Sunday 10th January, 3rd Sunday after Christmas. Baptism of Our Lord, Mark 1;7-11 Access as usual on Zoom or 07746743921 for audio only.	
Divine Mercy Friday 3 pm	If you would like to join in with reciting the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm each Friday you are most welcome. Please use the same Zoom login details as for Rosary.	
Coffee Morning Saturday 10 am	Come and join in St Winefride's coffee morning. 10.00am Saturdays at the usual Zoom address or by phone.	

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

SADLY CHURCH IS NOW CLOSED WITH IMMEDIATE EFFECT. FR PAUL HAS TESTED POSITIVE FOR COVID AND THE BISHOP HAS ADVISED THAT THE CHURCH IS NOT TO RE-OPEN FOR MASS UNTIL JANUARY 1ST 2021.

Covid helpline - Call 0808 196 3646 (open 8am to 8pm) to get help from NHS Volunteer Responders.



LIVE STREAMING - Please note that camera images and sound of services are now transmitted on the internet but not recorded. This is to help us share our faith with others who are unable to attend in person. If you have any concerns about the use of live streaming during a service or mass, then please speak to Fr Paul or Deacon Jim.

IMPORTANT UPDATE REGARDING MASSES

Following a positive Covid test for Fr Paul and after discussions with Bishop Mark today, the church is now closed until Mass at Noon on New Years Day.

Fr Paul would still like to celebrate Mass at Christmas and subject to him feeling well enough will hold two Masses. The first on Christmas Eve at 5.30pm and the second at 10.30am on Christmas Day. Both Masses will only be available via the live stream facility. Church will be CLOSED.

The website will be updated to advise this and all parishioners who have signed up to the newsletter will be notified and those who have provided e-mails on their booking form. Please do spread the word if you know someone who doesn't have internet access. Thank you.

LIVE STREAMING OF SERVICES include:

St Winefride's Parish Church - www.stwinefridesneston.org.uk

- Walsingham: walsingham.org.uk
- St. Anthony's, Wythenshawe: churchservices.tv/stanthonywythenshawe
- CAFOD Children's Liturgy: cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy
- Shrewsbury Cathedral: dioceseofshrewsbury.org

<https://www.churchservices.tv/shrewsburycathedral>

All times and details of services are available to read

- Church Services TV" on Google

You can also access what the pope has to say each day be heading to

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en.html>

This week's readings	
First reading	Samuel 7:1-5, 8-12,14,16
Psalm	88(89): 2-5,27,29
Second Reading	Romans 16: 25-27
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia I am the handmaid of the Lord: Let what you have said be done to me. Alleluia!
Gospel	Luke 1: 26-38

A message from the office:

Newsletters – if you know someone **who does not have** access to e-mail or the internet and needs a paper copy then, please let me know and I will arrange for one to be sent out to them next week. Thank you. Jayne – Parish Secretary.

Ways to Stay in Touch with Parish News – Visit the parish website for information and live stream.

www.stwinefridesneston.org.uk

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

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If you have any news to tell then please let me know. This is the last newsletter until the weekend of the 9th/10th January. So please e-mail the office by Thursday 7th January with any news items you would like to go in.

Readers – Thank you again for contacting me about reading at Mass over Christmas and Sunday 27th. Hopefully, I can take you up on your offer next year. C Haines, M Corcoran, J Tunstall and R Pisarek

	<p><i>“Love, Life and Faith”</i></p> <p><i>Spiritual Reflections of a Parishioner</i></p> <p>Tony's son has organised for all of Tony's reflections over the years to be put together in a book. The book has now been published and are now available to buy.</p> <p>If you would like a copy then please contact the office. The books are £7.50 each. Cheques to be made payable to Winefride's Parish Church or you can pay by cash.</p>
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WEEKLY UPDATE

The Food bank collected our items that you kindly donated on Thursday and will be back collecting at St Winefride's on Thursday 7th January 2021



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

Instant mash or tinned potatoes and UHT Milk

Tinned cooked meats, corned beef or ham

Tinned meats such as stews, steak or hotpots

Pasta sauce, tinned vegetables, instant custard

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

They have plenty of pasta, tea bags, rice

Foodbank try to keep the "Most Needed Items" list on their website as up to date as possible so that you can consider including them. <https://westcheshire.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donatefood>

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Mrs Ormes and the governors of St Winefride's would like to thank all members of the school community for the way they have adapted to, and supported, the changes that have been made in response to the ongoing COVID-19 situation.

Thank you to our brilliant, hard-working staff, who have worked hard decorating the school and making advent and the run up to Christmas special.

Thank you to all of our wonderful parents, who have supported their children, the staff, and the school throughout this difficult time. We would like to thank the members of our wonderful Parents, Teachers and Friends Association (PFTA), past and present, who, although they could not come into school, have also been working remotely to ensure that St Winefride's does not lose some of its Christmas celebrations.

Well done to all the children who have shared the Christmas spirit by making Christmas cards for residents of local care homes. A special mention to Year 6, who went along to one of the Neston care homes and sang carols (outside) to entertain the residents.

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Watch the KS2 Carol Service at <https://youtu.be/jMJpV7-Uw5Q>

Links can also be found on our school Facebook page

The staff and governors would like to wish all the parishioners of St Winefride's a very happy, holy, and safe Christmas and a healthy and peaceful 2021.

"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased." (Luke 2:14)





A message from the SPUC group. You have all been in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult year and although we have not been able to have our meetings or our usual events, we have kept up our Pro Life work where we have been able to, like informing our MP Justin Madders of things that have been concerning us. The main one has been the governments decision to give in to the Pro abortion lobby and allow abortion pills by post, so that women have had to have their abortion at home without any support, the resulting physical and mental repercussions of this decision will be felt for many years to come.

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If you want any more information or just want a chat and a catch up please ring me on 336 2050 or 07552188031 it would be lovely to hear from you. Love and prayers to you all from Margaret and All in our SPUC group.



A message from Neston High school – “A big thank you to all staff and students who donated items for the “Christmas Jumper Day” appeal. We were delighted to donate an amazing **1583kg (over 1.5 tonne)** of food to West Cheshire Foodbank. Thank you for your generosity”.

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Mass times and dates from January 4th onwards will be sent out next week.

BETHLEHEM

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie

During this advent, as I struggle on my pilgrimage toward that little town of Bethlehem, I am thinking of the humble circumstances concerning the birth of Jesus, the stable, the only accommodation that was available to the Holy Family, where Mary gave birth to the Son of God. It is difficult to understand why the Almighty God chose a such humble beginning for his only son's mission on Earth. Why did he not choose at least a clean and private room instead of a dirty, cold stable which he had to share with the animals. This was the son of the omnipotent God, but Jesus himself, before his conception, accepted those conditions.

What can it mean? It was not a denial of Jesus' divinity, rather an acceptance of our humanity. By being born to Mary through The Holy Spirit, God became man allowing us the opportunity to share in his divinity. But why, in such a lowly and impoverished way? There must be a message here. Surely it must have been a demonstration of humility. Humility leads to acceptance of who and what we are and what we have been given, but what did Mary and Joseph make of it all? Mary knew that she was to give birth to the son of God for Gabriel had explained it to her and Joseph, also, had been told but did they expect it to be like this? Yet they never complained but accepted without question whatever the Lord put before them. But it was not a blind acceptance. Mary, because of her love of God, said yes and Joseph, who was also close to God, agreed to take Mary as his wife and to accept Jesus as his own.

So, what can I learn from this? When we think of the nativity story, we tend to romanticise it. The nativity play is usually performed by cute little children. There are oohs and aahs at their interpretation. Christmas cards tend to depict the event as a kind of fairy story. The birth of Jesus was certainly a wonderful miraculous event but if we look at the harsh reality of it all, it was certainly no fairy story. The journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem must have been traumatic for both Mary and Joseph. Not being able to find accommodation when Mary was so close to giving birth must have been terrifying and then when they found the stable, what harsh conditions for a baby to be born in. What about the men from the East, who had travelled hundreds, perhaps thousands of miles to witness this event, what did they expect, surely not a baby lying in this hovel fit only for animals, yet they fell on their knees and adored him. They realised that, no matter how rich and powerful they themselves were, there was something greater here.

To be humble requires self-knowledge of who and what we are. I know that I can do nothing without God's help and I have nothing that has not been given to me. In my latter years I have discovered talents that I never knew I had and realised that I must use them to carry out God's purpose for my existence. If I can truly learn that lesson, as I journey slowly along that long and sometimes difficult road to salvation, I will carry with me faith in a loving and merciful God and that my pilgrimage will not be in vain; and hope that I will eventually reach my destination and that Jesus will be waiting there to welcome me home.

*How silently, how silently,
The wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of his heaven.*

Reflection by Tony Topping

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Today we are going to hear about how a very special messenger came to visit Mary to tell her that she was going to have a baby. Let's think how we can be God's messengers in the world too.



Find Advent and Christmas prayers at
cafod.org.uk/prayers