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Lent II

25 February 2018

24 Feb	SATURDAY	2 nd Sunday of Lent	6.30 pm	Sr Anthony Willison
25 Feb	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish Family Harold Thelwell
26 Feb	MONDAY		10.00 am	Intention [Rourke]
27 Feb	TUESDAY	St. Gabriel	10.00 am	Sp William Hanaway
28 Feb	WEDNESDAY	St. Oswald	10.00 am	Service of Word and Eucharist
1 Mar	THURSDAY	St. David – Patron Saint of Wales	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Holy Souls
2 Mar	FRIDAY	Way of the Cross	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Fr Gerald Courell
3 Mar	SATURDAY		10.00 am	Peter White
3 Mar	Next Weekend SATURDAY	3 rd Sunday of Lent	6.30 pm	Fr Stephon Dwyer
4 Mar	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish Family Nicola Evans

Weekdays: Adoration from 9.00am; Morning Prayer 9:40am; Rosary following 10.00am Mass
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 10.30am and 5.45-6.10pm

RIP: Fr Stephen Dwyer

	24 February / 25 February			3 March / 4 March		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
Readers – Readings	P Flanagan	Larty Family	T Topping	D Davies	Clark Family	M Slater
Readers - Intercessions	A Flanagan	R Pisarek	Jones Family	P Flanagan	T Nolan	V Casey
EMHC	M Branch M Green D Davies K Powell	M Davies S Ety	M Slater J Tunstall A Cropper D Barber	C Haimes J Gordon M Branch K Powell	T McGlynn R Pisarek	D Pover, K Holden G Barber T Topping
Counters	Dee and Steve			Paulo, Tony and Rick		
Cleaners	Louise and Fran			Liz and Peter		

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

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

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

Last Sunday's Offering: Thanks for your support!



ECUMENICAL LENT COURSES 2018: "Come, Learn, Ask, Listen" with warm fellowship. Details of all courses and locations are available on the notice boards in both porches.

LENT LUNCHES – at 12:30pm ALL ARE WELCOME	
Fri 2 March	Neston Parish Church High Street, Neston (Stations of The Cross at 12:00)
Wed 7 March	Little Neston Methodist Church, Mellock Lane, Little Neston
Wed 14 March	Burton Parish, Vicarage, Vicarage Lane, Burton
Wed 21 March	Neston Christian Fellowship, Burton Road, Little Neston

Fr Paul writes

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

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

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

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

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

Fr Paul

PARISH

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

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

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

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

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

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

EMHC/Readers: A new rota for March - June is currently being prepared. If there any dates that you are unavailable email Karl at readers@stwinefridesneston.org.uk or emhc@stwinefridesneston.org.uk . If you would like to be

a Reader or Eucharistic Minister, please contact Tony Topping on the same emails or after morning Mass.

SPUC: White Flower Appeal raised £451.80 for our pro-life work; plus 80 postcards were completed to send to our MP Justin Madders re the decriminalisation of abortion. Many thanks for your support for the unborn child.

DIOCESE

Symposium on The Eucharist: Sat 3 March 2018, St Ambrose College Hale Barns and Sunday 4 March, Shrewsbury Cathedral Parish Room: *The Eucharist, Maelstrom of Love: Source and Centre of the Sacramental Life*. Registration helen.jones@shrewsburydiocese.org or via the website.

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

ECUMENICAL

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