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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 26th July 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 25th 6 pm	James Cubbin	Sunday 26th - 9.30 am	Parish family
Monday 27th Mass 10.00 am	Anthony Hewitt	Sunday 26th - 11 am	Hilda Davidson – Congratulations
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
		Sunday 2nd - 9.30 am	Parish family
		Sunday 3rd - 11 am	Marceline Hewitt – Anniversary

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:

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



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

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.

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

**PLEASE NOTE CHANGE TO ROSARY TIME DUE TO MORNING MASS
TAKING PLACE AT 10.00 am**

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; For the next 2 weeks it will be led by Joe Tunstall.

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

password: [AveMaria](#)



Bible study – Joe Tunstall will lead further reflection on the Our Father on Wednesday 29th July at 3pm. All Zoom log on details remain the same.

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.

**Church is open this week for private prayer on Tuesday and Thursday
Times 1.30pm – 2.30pm**

From Monday there **WILL BE morning Mass at 10 am on Monday and Friday** via LIVE STREAM this week. Private prayer sessions in the afternoon will move to Tuesday and Thursday each week 1.30 - 2.30pm.



Monday Mass – 10.00am via live stream this week
Tuesday – Private prayer 1.30pm – 2.30pm
Wednesday – Bible study via Zoom
Thursday – Private Prayer 1.30pm – 2.30pm
Friday Mass – 10.00am via live stream this week

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

Please do read the separate **UPDATED** attachment that has been e-mailed to you and will be on the website. "How Covid 19 has changed Mass - FAQ".

Fr Paul writes.....

It was a wonderful weekend Celebrating Mass with the congregation of “the Parish Family”. It was good to have so many calls, e-mails and cards expressing joy in receiving the Lord through His Word and the Eucharist. Yes, there are a few lessons which need our attention. It is often hard to realise that we are human and not some robot. Remembering the old adage, that it is only in recognising our vulnerability as human beings that we can enter into the perfection of God.

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**

LIVE STREAMING OF SERVICES include:

- Walsingham: walsingham.org.uk
- St. Anthony's, Wythenshawe: churchservices.tv/stanthonyswythenshawe
- Fr Denis McBride: rpbooks.co.uk/holy-mass-online
- Bishop Robert Baron: wordonfire.org/daily-mass/
- Shrewsbury Cathedral: dioceseofshrewsbury.org
- CAFOD Children's Liturgy: cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy
(This is a fantastic resource for children.)

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

A message from the office:

Newsletters **will not be 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. Thank you.

Mass intentions for August will be sent out next week. If you have an intention that you want including during August, then please do contact the office by e-mail.

Contact details – If you have moved home in the last three or four years and are not sure if we hold your correct contact details, please either telephone or e-mail the office with your up to date information. Thanks. Jayne Shakespeare – Parish Office

Ways to Stay in Touch with Parish News - Visit the parish website

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.



FOODBANK - In this time of lock-down and social distancing please do not go out especially in order to obtain food donations for us. Text and on-line financial donations are just as welcome.

Food items we are currently high-lighting a priority for:

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

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

There are items of food that have been left in the church porch. Can I ask that you take any donations you have to Sainsburys in Neston as the Foodbank are not collecting from us at the moment. Thank you

Update – I have heard back from Foodbank who are going to collect the current items on Thursday this week that we currently have in our porch. They will recommence proper collections from September. So please can I ask that you continue to take any donations to Sainsburys until collections resume again in September. Thank you.

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

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**.
- * Please also be aware that donations appear on the bank/credit card statements of the donor with the narrative “Invest My School”.

Any questions please do not hesitate to contact Mike Jevons – mike_jevons@hotmail.com

Thank you for your continued support

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

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)

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



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.

