



## St Winefride's RC Church

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### Ordinary Time Week XIII

26 June 2016

25 June I	SATURDAY	13 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: Peter's Pence	6.30 pm	Brian Wainwright
26 June	SUNDAY	Baptism	8.45 am	Parishioners
27 June	MONDAY	St Cyril of Alexandria	10.45 am 12 noon	Raymond Williams William Kevin Walker
28 June	TUESDAY	St Irenaeus	9.00 am 7.00 pm 7.30 pm	Catherine Nickson Bernard Joseph Morris Prayer Service Parishioners
29 June	WEDNESDAY	Ss Peter & Paul – Holy Day of Obligation	9.00 am 11.15 am 7.30 pm	Int: Josie & Doug Rowland Margaret 'Peggy' Warde Mary Henesy
30 June	THURSDAY	The First Martyrs of the Church of Rome	9.00 am	40 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Ann: Sue & Barry Lyonette
1 July	FRIDAY	St Oliver Plunkett	9.10 am	School Special Intention
2 July	SATURDAY	Wedding Baptism	9.00 am 1.00 pm 4.00 pm	Int: Irene & Derek Pover Corrine B Lisboa & Craig R Smithson Eliza Jemima Aldwinckle
2 July I	SATURDAY	Next Weekend 14 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	TG: K & J Kirby
3 July	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Parishioners 95 <sup>th</sup> Birthday: Bette Rodrigues

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<sup>\*</sup>2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month only during July, August and September

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

Congratulations to our First Holy Communion Children and Confirmation Candidates as they celebrate their Thanksgiving Mass this Sunday.

### From Fr Ravi... Parish Census

I am most grateful to all those who have completed our parish census cards. Over 300 cards have been returned which include about 50 new families that have registered for the first time. We extend a hearty welcome to them; they help our community with their presence bringing newness and fresh perspectives. We are enriched in every way.

I am also told that more than 500 cards have gone out and that many of our regular parishioners, whom we see at our weekend masses may not have completed or returned their cards still. In case you have misplaced your card, please do take another from the box near the Book of Remembrance. It is important for a parish like ours to have updated records of all our parishioners.

Derek Pover has started the work of compiling the data and it is important that we make it easier for him by returning the census cards as soon as possible.

We have three young people - Alex, Charlotte, Dominic - joining the Bromborough team to be part of the diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes in July. They have assured me that they will remember all of us at the grotto of our Lady of Lourdes. We hope many more will join them in the years ahead.

May God bless us all.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Taizé:** Our regular Taizé prayer service on the last Tuesday of the month will take place on 28 June at 7pm in church before our Vigil Mass.

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**Little Church:** There will be no Little Church at 10.45 mass this week (26 June).

**EMHC/Lectors Rota:** New rota now available in the Sacristy and online.

**St Winefride's School Summer Fair:** Sunday 26 June 12.30-3.30pm. Any donations of cakes and bric a brac would be most welcome if they can be delivered to school that would be great. This year we have decided not to have a book stall so do not wish to have any donations of books.

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20 June	MONDAY	St Alban	9.00 am	Private Intention
		School	9.10 am	First Communion Children
21 June	TUESDAY	St Aloysius Gonzaga	9.00 am	Kenny Mac
22 June	WEDNESDAY	Ss John Fisher & Thomas More	9.00 am	Dorris Morris
23 June	THURSDAY	St Etheldreda	9.00 am	Int: Margaret & Geoff Davies
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### From Fr Ravi... St Winefride's is Proud of you!

We are delighted for our 22 of First Holy Communion Children - Amber, Amy, Cameron, Ceol, Ellie, Ethan, Freya, Grace, Gregory, Isobelle, Joseph, Liam, Lydia, Martha, Millie I, Millie W, Murray, Niamh, Pauline, Poppy, Sam, Zack - and with Jesus in their hearts and lives, they could be happy children of God, knowing that the church will always remain a warm and welcoming place for all our children, where they could 'feel at home' in God's house. The Parish is grateful to all their parents, family and friends, Liz Dolley, Kathleen Roberts and Mrs Ormes for their generous help and support.

We congratulate our 15 Confirmation candidates - Abigail, Aislin, Beth, Charisse, Christian, Chryzler, Daisy, Daniella, Kate, Kim, Laura, Lean, Leila, Niall, Nicki - and their sponsors for their courage to walk the Christian journey, filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit, to witness to God's love for humanity. Suzanne Loyden deserves special appreciation for accompanying our candidates in their preparation.

We welcome our First Communion children and Confirmation candidates to a Thanksgiving Mass on Sunday 26 June at 10.45am. We look forward to seeing them and their parents actively involved in the life of the parish in the near future! I am sure you will welcome them all with open hearts and encourage them to be valued members of our parish family.

May God bless us all.

**Happy Father's Day:** With love we congratulate all our fathers and with gratitude we remember those who are now deceased.

**New Holy Water Stoups:** Based on suggestions given by our regular church cleaners amongst others, our holy water fonts have been replaced with new ones, though care has been taken to retain the feel of the previous fonts. We are grateful to the family of the late Margaret Harris for their generous contribution. The old stoups have been sent for cleaning and will be used appropriately. Blessing ourselves with holy water on entering a church reminds us of our Baptism.

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**Esmé's Kitchen:** Jo and the staff at Little Gems Pre-School (at St Winefride's Primary School), recently secured funding, with the help of a parent, from My CSP community fund to help them create a lasting memorial for their pre-school friend, Esmé Weir, who tragically passed away at the beginning of this year. Parents, grandparents, cousins and other family members were in attendance on Tuesday for the opening of 'Esmé's Kitchen'. Fr Ravi led the children in a short prayer whilst blessing the kitchen. Some photos of the kitchen are in the porches and online.

**Thank you from Charlotte Bailey:** A big thank you to everyone who was involved in making our open mic night such a fantastic evening! We raised £215.62 for Nordoff-Robbins music therapy. It meant so much to me to be able to share the work that we do through music therapy with the lovely people here at St Winefride's and for the whole evening to be so well received. A message from the charity: *A huge thank you for getting involved and getting loud for Nordoff Robbins. Thousands of people sang along and danced along. You are all superstars and your support will help us bring the power of life-changing music to even more people in more locations.*

**Deeside Art Group Annual Art Exhibition:** 24 - 26 June Westbourne Hall, Westbourne Rd, West Kirby including Neston paintings.

**St Anselm's College:** Open Evening for boys in Years 4 and 5 on Tue 21 June from 5pm - 8pm.

### DIOCESAN EVENTS

**Cathedral News:** On Sat 18 June pilgrims will begin a walking pilgrimage of 80 miles from Shrewsbury to Holywell in celebration of the 600<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Henry V's pilgrimage and hope to initiate a 'St Winefride's Pilgrim Way'. Our pilgrims' arrival will coincide with the National Welsh Pilgrimage on Sat 25 June and the service of commemoration is jointly hosted by the Abbey and Cathedral in Shrewsbury, and on Sat 2 July by St Winefride's Shrine, Holywell.

**Relic of St Anthony of Padua:** The Cathedral is hosting the Relic of St Anthony for prayer and veneration on Friday 24 June, 11am - 7:30pm. The Relic will then continue its journey to St Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham.

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### A prayer to deepen our wonder at the gift of life

All powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.  
You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.  
Pour out upon us the power of your love,  
That we may protect life and beauty.  
Fill us with peace, that we may live  
as brothers and sisters, harming no one.  
Amen

from *Laudato si'* by Pope Francis





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12 June	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Int: Agnes & Arthur Graham
		Wedding	10.45 am	Parishioners
			2.00 pm	Hannah E Topping & Matthew J Wightman
13 June	MONDAY	St Anthony of Padua	9.00 am	Mary Percy
14 June	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Int: Tony Topping
15 June	WEDNESDAY	Confirmation	9.00 am	Int: Tony Wright
			7.00 pm	Our Lady & St John, Heswall
16 June	THURSDAY	St Richard of Chichester	9.00 am	Int: Joan Braidwood
17 June	FRIDAY	School	9.10 am	Frankie Irvine
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#### For the Queen on her 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Almighty God, we pray, that your servant Elizabeth, our Queen, who, by your providence has received the governance of this realm, may continue to grow in every virtue, that, imbued with your heavenly grace, she may be preserved from all that is harmful and evil and, being blessed with your favour may, with her consort and the royal family, come at last into your presence, through Christ who is the way, the truth and the life and who lives and reigns with you- in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

#### From Fr Ravi... You are What You Believe!

A look at our mass table for this week shows that this is going to be an action packed one for our parish community. Deacon Mike's daughter is getting married this Sunday; 13 of our young people will be confirmed by Bishop Mark on Wednesday; 23 of our children will be celebrating their First Holy Communion on Saturday; and two of our babies will be baptised next Sunday... never a dull moment at St Winefride's!

Recently, while celebrating a funeral, I spoke about the difference that the deceased person had made to humanity. As a believer, she certainly believed in life-after-death. And as person of faith, hope and love, she also strongly believed in life-before-death. They say, you are what you believe! Certainly, so many wonderful women and men we know, have touched our lives simply by 'putting others first'.

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**First Communion:** The First Communion celebrations are on Saturday 18 June at 10am. Please note 9am morning mass will not take place on that day. We are grateful to Liz Dolley and Kathleen Roberts for preparing our children and to Helen Jones for producing the weekly saints card for our new project, Small Sunday Steps with the Saints of Our Islands.

**Confirmation:** The confirmation celebrations take place on Wed 15 June at 7pm at Our Lady and St. John. Candidates and Sponsors to be seated in their place by 6.45pm. Bishop Mark presiding, all are welcome.

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**CWL:** Meeting Thursday 16 June at 7.30pm in the church hall. Guest speaker will be Marie Branch on her recent visit to India on behalf of the SVP. All welcome

**SPUC Meeting:** Tuesday 14 June at 7.30pm in the church hall.

**Reflections of a Parishioner:** Written by Tony Topping. Copies of a new booklet (4) are now available in both porches.

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**Justice and Peace:** *Mouthpeace* latest issue now online.

**Catenian Association:** There will be a short presentation after communion at all masses by the Catenian Association to encourage people to join them. The Catenians are an association of Catholic laymen who are committed to their Faith, their families, to those in need and to each other. Our primary purpose is to establish a network of friends, which enhances their family life, strengthens their Faith and sustains them in difficult times. We support each other, the Catholic Church, young people and those in need. Our friendships are developed through meeting together locally once a month and enjoying a varied programme of social events together with our families and the widows of members. For more information, please contact the Membership Officer Joseph Sanderson on 608 4339.

### DIOCESAN EVENTS

**Day to help Clergy and Laity who encounter domestic abuse:** Mon 13 June, 10 for 10.30am - 3.00pm, Our Lady's, Shaw Heath, Stockport, SK3 8BQ. Cost £20 including light lunch. Booking: Margaret Hinton, margaretmfl@hotmail.co.uk or 0788798809.

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**Inter-Diocesan Fuel Management Limited** is a Catholic organisation currently recruiting an Administrator. The Company purchases gas, electricity, fuel oil and biomass for the majority of Catholic Dioceses in England and Wales. The role is working with others in the department processing invoices, collecting data and general administration duties.

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### Ordinary Time Week X

5 June 2016

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5 June	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Parishioners
			10.45 am	Frankie Irvine
6 June	MONDAY	St Norbert	9.00 am	David James Barry
		Requiem	12.30 pm	Mary Percy
7 June	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Int: Eileen Miller
8 June	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	Int: Brenda Anderson
9 June	THURSDAY	St Ephrem of Syria, St Columba	9.00 am	Anne Gambon
10 June	FRIDAY		9.00 am	Canon Briscoe
		Pilgrims for Servant of God T Higginson	11am-4pm	Private Devotion
11 June	SATURDAY	St Barnabas	9.00 am	Ellen Sellers
		Baptism	12 Noon	Amelia Caroline & Quinn Gerald Pearson, Archie James Lloyd
11 June	Next Weekend SATURDAY	11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Arthur Almond
12 June	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Int: Agnes & Arthur Graham
		Wedding	10.45 am	Parishioners
			2.00 pm	Hannah E Topping & Matthew J Wightman

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### From Pope Francis

O God,  
 who wish all people to be saved  
 and to come to the knowledge of the truth:  
 send we beg you,  
 labourers into your harvest.  
 Grant them grace  
 to speak your word with boldness  
 so that your word may be spread and glorified  
 and all nations may know you,  
 the only God and Jesus whom you sent.

Amen





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### Corpus Christi / Ordinary Time Week IX

29 May 2016

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	SUNDAY	<i>Benediction</i>	8.45 am	Parishioners
30 May	MONDAY		10.45 am 4.00 pm	Jacqui Keating Corpus Christi
31 May	TUESDAY	<i>The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> <i>Taizé</i>	10.00 am	Int: Marian Morris
1 June	WEDNESDAY	<i>St Justin</i>	9.00 am 7.00 pm	Frank Jones Prayer Service
2 June	THURSDAY	<i>Ss Marcellinus &amp; Peter</i> <i>Requiem</i>	9.00 am 10.30 am	Marie Shaloo Fred Dutton Frankie Irvine
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#### Communion Hymn Refrain

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

#### ANIMA CHRISTI

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.  
Body of Christ, save me.  
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.  
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.  
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.  
O good Jesus, hear me.  
Within thy wounds hide me.

Suffer me not to be separated from thee.  
From the malicious enemy defend me.  
In the hour of my death call me,  
and bid me come unto thee.  
That with thy saints  
I may praise thee  
forever and ever. Amen.

Anon, 14<sup>th</sup> century

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**Benediction:** To mark the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, all are invited for Benediction at 4pm in church this Sunday, 29 May 2016. Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament has a special place in the Catholic tradition and many of us remember the solemn Corpus Christi processions of yesteryears. At St Winefride's, we have prayer before the Blessed Sacrament every day and Benediction is organised at least twice a year - on this solemnity and on the 31 December, in thanksgiving for God's blessings. All are welcome!

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**Volunteer Gardeners Needed:** We are blessed with a dedicated team of volunteers who keep our grounds so tidy and beautiful. We thank all of them for their generous commitment. During this growing season, they need more help and support. If you can spare an hour, once a week to keep our gardens beautiful, please contact David McNulty on 3361959. Please could our current team of gardeners contact David to let him know of their availability. The amazing flowers we see in the garden are due to the hard work of Clare Jones. Thanks everyone!

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22 May 2016

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	SUNDAY		Baptism	8.45 am
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### From Fr Ravi... Being drawn into the Circle of Love

As Canon John turned 90 this week we are delighted to welcome him, together with his family and friends, to our 10.45am mass this Sunday. Canon John, the longest serving priest of the diocese, is the first to respond to a request for ministry or a sick call. You are all are invited for light refreshments in the church hall after mass.

We thank St Winefride's School, especially the First Holy Communion Children, for organising the May procession so beautifully. We are privileged that we continue this noble tradition in our parish and thank the ever reliable Fr Chris for leading the Service.

The banners of the Holy Spirit and the Holy Eucharist that you see in the sanctuary, serve to remind us to keep our Confirmation candidates and our First Holy Communion children in our thoughts and prayers as they prepare for these Sacraments in the coming weeks.

The solemnity of the Holy Trinity reminds us that every time we bless ourselves with the Sign of the Cross, we are drawn into the circle of love to experience God's limitless love and infinite mercy. May God bless us all!



### Caim

The Holy Three  
Protecting be  
Enfolding me  
In eternity  
To shield  
To save  
To circle  
To surround  
My house  
My home  
My work  
My play  
Each night  
Each day  
Each dark  
Each bright  
In your light  
Forever  
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15 May 2016

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15 May	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Parishioners
		Confirmation Candidates	10.45 am	Harry Matthews
16 May	MONDAY		9.00 am	Jim Roebuck
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**Thank You:** Last week we celebrated Communications Sunday. Our special appreciation and gratitude to our effective communication team: our newsletter editors and web managers, for their enthusiastic commitment to maintaining an updated website and a readable, 'professional' parish newsletter!

**Canon John Marmion:** We are pleased to welcome Canon John with his family and friends to the 10.45am mass next Sunday (22/5) as he turns 90 this week. Canon John, the longest serving priest of the diocese, is the first one to respond to a request for ministry or a sick call. All are invited for light refreshments in the church hall after mass.

### LITANY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth, *Have mercy on us.*

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, *Have mercy on us.*

O God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of the faithful, *Have mercy on us.*

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God, *Have mercy on us.*

Spirit, intercede for us with sighs too deep for words, *Pray for us.*

Holy Mary, Mother of God, *Pray for us.*

Holy Spirit, who is equal to the Father and the Son,

*Keep us in eternal life.*

Holy Spirit, who proceeds from the Father, *Enter our hearts.*

Holy Spirit, who has spoken through the Prophets, *Open our ears.*

Holy Spirit, who enlightens and strengthens us for your service,

*Dwell in us.*

Holy Spirit, who in the beginning moved and brooded over the face of the

waters, *Move and brood over our lives.*

Holy Spirit, who is God's life-giving breath, *Breathe in us.*

Holy Spirit, who blew through the Valley of Dry Bones giving life,

*Enliven us.*

Holy Spirit, who overshadowed Mary that she might give birth to the Son

of God, *Grace us to give birth to the divine in our time and place.*

Holy Spirit, who rested on Jesus at his baptism,

*Rest upon us and renew our baptismal life.*

Holy Spirit, who as a tongue of fire rested on and filled the apostles,

*Burn in us with the power of your love.*

Holy Spirit, who descended on the day of Pentecost,

*Teach us and lead us into all truth.*

Holy Spirit, who descended on the day of Pentecost,

*Unite us in the confession of one faith.*

Holy Spirit, who descended on the day of Pentecost,

*Empower us to serve you as a royal priesthood.*

Holy Spirit, who descended on the day of Pentecost,

*Encourage us to preach the gospel to all nations.*

Come Holy Spirit, *Our souls inspire.*

Spirit of understanding, *Come.*

Spirit of counsel, *Come.*

Spirit of fortitude, *Come.*

Spirit of knowledge, *Come.*

Spirit of piety, *Come.*

Spirit of Godly fear, *Come.*

With the fruit of love, *Fill us.*

With the fruit of joy, *Fill us.*

With the fruit of peace, *Fill us.*

With the fruit of patience, *Fill us.*

With the fruit of generosity, *Fill us.*

With the fruit of gentleness, *Fill us.*

With the fruit of self-control. *Fill us.*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,

*Send us the Advocate.*

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*Send us the Spirit of Truth.*

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Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful,

*And kindle in them the fire of your love.*

Send forth your Spirit, Lord, and they shall be

created,

*And you shall renew the face of the earth.*

O Heavenly King, Comforter, Spirit of Truth who are

present everywhere, filling all things, Treasury of

Good, and Giver of Life,

*Come and dwell in us, cleanse us of every stain, and*

*save our souls, O Good One.*



**Parish Census 2016:** Please return cards by this Sunday

**Choir Practice:** Please note that our choir rehearsal time from this week (Sunday 15 May) will be 7-8pm in church.

**CWL Meeting:** Thurs 19 May at 7.30pm in the Hall. Enjoy a wonderful evening with Pat Wood, flowers and humour. Proceeds from Pat's demonstration will go to 'Cameo' Neston. All welcome.

**SVP:** District annual Theatre Night "No Dinner for Sinners" on 8 June at the Gladstone Theatre Port Sunlight. Tickets £8.00 proceeds towards the running costs of the holiday home in Talacre. Contact Peter on 0151 336 1269 or any SVP member.

**SPUC:** New guidelines are now being followed in NHS hospitals which put the sick and elderly at risk of Euthansia. Please will you sign our petition (copies & pens in both porches) which calls upon the Chief Executive of NHS England to ensure that the practice of assessing that patients have only 3 days to live and giving them no food or fluids, causing death by dehydration, is eliminated from all our NHS hospitals.

**Cleaning Rota:** The new rota is online and in the sacristy.

**St Winefride's School PA 200 Club:** Congratulations to the winners of our April 200 Club draw. The numbers were drawn at the Holy Communion Parent's Meeting on 4 May 2016. Winners were Mrs D Ormes (#106) & Mr I Trotman (#129). Both receive £50.

**May Procession:** 20 May 2016 – 2pm. The children of St Winefride's Catholic Primary School would like to invite parishioners to join them in their annual May Procession for Mary, our mother. Try to come along and join the children, as they present readings and sing hymns in honour of Our Lady. The procession around the church and grounds, weather permitting, will be led by the school's Holy Communion group.

**Open Mic Night:** Please join us on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm in the church hall for an "open mic" night in aid of Nordoff Robbins music therapy. If you would like to perform a few songs or play an instrument please sign up using the form in the porch, or see Charlotte or Louise after mass. It will be a great chance to get together, share music and of course we'll need an audience so all are welcome!

**Pause for Hope:** A service at St Columba's, Chester, on Sunday 5 June 2016 at 3pm for all those who have been affected by cancer. Led by Bishop Mark with the speaker, Carol Elgin-Edwards.

**Healing Masses:** for families affected by mental illness and those that work with them. St Mary's, Telford, TF7 5AH, 5pm Sat, 21 May and St Alban's, SK11 8DJ, 7pm Wed 25 May.

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### Easter Week VII

8 May 2016

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11 May	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	Eileen A Devonald
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13 May	FRIDAY	<i>Our Lady of Fatima</i> School	9.10 am	Fred Dutton
14 May	SATURDAY	<i>St Matthias</i> Thanksgiving Service	9.00 am 3.30 pm	Lesley Anne Peachey TG: Mary Henesy Sophie & Kurt Whitfield
14 May	Next Weekend SATURDAY	<i>Pentecost Sunday – Special Prayer for the Church</i>	6.30 pm	Brian Wainwright
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As the Football world acknowledged the rise of Leicester last week, the painful memories of Hillsborough too came to the fore in the context of recent developments. On this Communication Sunday, we welcome Liam Fogarty, a journalist, who will reflect on the media, on Hillsborough and his Catholic faith. Liam was BBC Radio Merseyside's News Editor at the time of the Hillsborough tragedy and worked for BBC Radio Four and BBC North West as a reporter, producer and editor. He teaches journalism at the University of Central Lancashire in Preston.

The feast of the Ascension we celebrate this Sunday invites us to see the paschal Mystery (Death & Resurrection of Jesus and his Ascension) as one event marking the culmination of the mission of Jesus (Gospel) as well as the beginning of the New Age of the Holy Spirit in the Church (1st reading). It also reminds us of an inherent desire in human beings 'to fly into the heavens', to transcend. The words of Charles Ghigana comes to my mind: "Do not let fear confine your life inside a shell of doubt. A turtle never moves until his head is sticking out." May God bless us all!

#### World Communications Day Prayer

O God,  
whose Word is truth  
and in whose light we see light,  
guide those who tell the story  
of our times through word and image.

Make them seekers after truth  
and advocates of human dignity.

Grant discernment to all who rely on their labours,  
and, as we confront the pain and promise of this world,  
awaken in us a sense of wonder at your presence  
and of longing for your peace.  
Through Christ our Lord,  
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			8.45 am	Parishioners
			10.45 am	Myra Rich
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At St Winefride's, our faith-formation, faith-celebration and faith-action come together to help us realise our vision of being 'firm in faith, joyful in hope and active in love'. Two recent events reinforce this approach to our parish life. Many came together last Tuesday evening, to pray. The Taizé model of praying with chants, silence and meditative scripture texts; with candle lights beneath the Taizé cross and on the altar; a beautiful setting for a peaceful and prayerful evening led by Lizzie McManus.

Last Saturday was another coming together; to celebrate our friendship, share fish and chips, sing old folk songs and try like St George, to make Christ, the centre of our lives here in England. This pleasant experience was made possible by our generous volunteers, Sheila O' Neill, Helen Jones and Louise Wilkinson and our talented singers, Peter Dolley and Tony Wright. May God's grace touch and transform all aspects of our lives, even as we witness the beautiful transformation of nature all around us! May God Bless us all!

#### PRAYER OF ST FRANCIS

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

O, Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled as to console;  
to be understood as to understand;  
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24 April 2016

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24 Apr	SUNDAY	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection for the People of Ukraine	8.45 am	David Penrice
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#### From Fr Ravi... Our Remembrance Board

Many of our visitors have commented about the welcoming, inclusive and friendly nature of our parish and the family-spirit that is felt in our community. It is also true however, that when we read the names in the RIP column of our newsletter, we may find it difficult to immediately identify the deceased, as most of us remember faces rather than names. To help us in this, we now have a new 'Remembrance Board' in the car park porch, where the pictures of those of our recently deceased can be displayed. As we do have quite a few funerals - as a matter of fact, I have celebrated over 90 of them in the last 4 years - it is suggested that a photo or Order of Service can be displayed for the two Sundays after the funeral.

When guiding our RCIA candidates, I take them around our churchyard and share with them the inspiring story of a person buried in the 'A' section of our Cemetery. The inscription, which is now clearly visible due to the good 'cleaning' work of Geoff Davies, reads: *Pray for the Soul of Catherine Lundi, aged 67, who died on 17 April 1918, from injuries received in the act of saving a child from danger from a passing motor car in Neston.*

'May angels lead you into paradise' reads the prayer of final commendation at funerals. May this, then be our prayer when we see the face of a loved one on our new parish remembrance board and remember with gratitude all those resting in peace in our churchyard.

Happy St George's Day everyone!

#### FROM OUR BISHOPS: SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE HUMANITARIAN CRISIS IN UKRAINE

After the recitation of the Regina Coeli on Sunday 3 April 2016, the Holy Father, Pope Francis, launched a humanitarian initiative in favour of a special collection to be taken in all of the Catholic Churches in Europe on Sunday 24 April. The Holy Father expressed his faith in the Churches of Europe who would unite to this, his initiative.

The armed conflict in eastern Ukraine began in Spring 2014 and, notwithstanding the ceasefire of September 2015, continues still, resulting in casualties caused by a vast number of landmines and constant artillery fire. The number of dead ascertained is approximately 9,000, and many other people are displaced or imprisoned, often illegally. Instability, the continual threat of conflict, and widespread armed gangs which go unchecked are creating grave hardships for local populations, not only in areas directly affected, but in the whole of the country. Conditions are worsened by the general economic situation, gripped by high inflation which has dramatically reduced purchasing power: more than 500,000 people are in urgent need of food. There are over 1.5 million people displaced throughout the country.

In the area most affected by the war, the greatest need is for health care: over 120 health centres have been damaged or destroyed. Pregnant women and those in childbirth are particularly at risk, and the potential for the spread of AIDS and tuberculosis is high. There is a lack of anaesthesia, leading to operations often being performed without it. Where medicines are still available (many pharmacies have been closed), they have become too expensive to purchase.

Presently there are approximately 3 million people living in conditions of extreme hardship in those regions most affected by the conflict. Most of these are elderly residents who were unable to leave the combat zone.

Regarding housing, from 12,000 to 15,000 homes have been damaged, and more than 1,000 completely destroyed. The situation will be particularly dire during autumn and winter due to severe weather.

A great number of children are unable to attend school. 200,000 have found safe haven in regions of Ukraine outside of conflict areas: one out of four, therefore, is displaced. Many are affected by serious psychological traumas caused by the violence they have witnessed and themselves experienced: some have even lost the ability to read and write.

The ongoing conflict is the primary obstacle to a solution to the humanitarian crisis. In particular, limits on importing commercial goods are in force, including the importing of medicines, and it is very difficult for international aid to reach those zones most affected by the conflict.

Faced with such massive problems, communities are demonstrating an extraordinary resilience. The networks of aid groups that are most successful are those of religious organizations. Among these are Catholics who, while only 10% of the Ukrainian population and a small minority of those in conflict areas, have been fully engaged in assisting those who require help, without being able to meet the most pressing needs which are immense.

The Holy See is organizing, therefore, special forms of aid for the benefit of the whole population, regardless of religious affiliation, with a view to addressing this humanitarian crisis, especially in the most critical sectors. To assist in this effort, a mechanism for gathering funds and for selecting projects to finance is being established by means of a special Commission in loco, which will be charged with examining proposed projects. The Pontifical Council Cor Unum will be responsible for approving and evaluating the practical management of these funds, which will be subject to necessary financial accountability.

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**Community News:** Cynthia Wainwright and family wish to thank Fr Ravi, the Choir, Mrs Powell, Patrick (Altar Server) and everyone for their support, cards, Mass Cards, letters, flowers, attendance at Brian's funeral and donations to Claire House.

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## Easter Week IV

17 April 2016

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17 Apr	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Rachel M Irvine
			10.45 am	Sandra Sally
18 Apr	MONDAY		9.00 am	Joan Cleary
19 Apr	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Sr Margaret McGrath – 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday
20 Apr	WEDNESDAY	<i>St Bueno</i>	9.00 am	Health: Paul Docherty
21 Apr	THURSDAY	<i>St Anselm</i>	9.00 am	Marian Morris – 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday
			7.00 pm	Thanksgiving
22 Apr	FRIDAY		9.10 am	Sr Margaret Cringion
23 Apr	SATURDAY	<i>St George</i>	9.00 am	Virginia Bowes
23 Apr	<i>Next Weekend SATURDAY</i>		6.30 pm	Parishioners
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**From Fr Ravi....Parish Census 2016!** Among many other things in Britain, I greatly admire your sense of history and an appreciation of tradition. Partly, this is aided by meticulous record keeping at all levels. As we have successfully compiled our cemetery records, we thought it is time to update our records of the 'living'. Hence the 'Parish Census 2016'.

Being registered is important, not only in terms of knowing the size of our parish and for communication, but it helps the community, especially the priests – both present and future - when celebrating key family moments, like baptisms, first communions, weddings, funerals etc. Additionally, it can also help in pastoral planning and effective ministry. So even if you have given your details before, we ask you to fill in the Parish Record card, found near the Book of Remembrance. Please give details of those in your family living at your address including any family members who are living elsewhere (e.g. for study purposes etc.) and include any contact numbers and email addresses in the spaces provided. Please return the completed cards by posting them in the labelled box next to the Remembrance Book at the back of church by Sunday 15 May.

Also, if you know of anyone who belongs to our parish or has attended mass here and have not been able to be with us recently, please encourage them to fill in a Parish Record card. I also request those who visit the sick and housebound (including those in care homes), to take a card and help them complete it. Our 'archivist' Derek Pover will then compile the information for the parish office. There's never a dull moment at St Winefride's, Neston!

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11 Apr	MONDAY	St Stanislaus	10.45 am	Int: May Williams (104 <sup>th</sup> Birthday)
12 Apr	TUESDAY	Requiem	9.00 am	50 <sup>th</sup> Wed Ann: Rose & Mike Wild
13 Apr	WEDNESDAY		St Martin	9.00 am
14 Apr	THURSDAY	School	2.00 pm	Brian Edwin Wainwright
15 Apr	FRIDAY		9.00 am	Leonard Irvine
16 Apr	SATURDAY	Baptism	9.10 am	Virginia Bowes
16 Apr	Next Weekend SATURDAY	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter – Prayer for Vocations	9.00 am	Don Miller
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Last Sunday, we saw the four different interpretations of the same Gospel text concerning the apostle Thomas - from doubting Thomas to thinking Thomas; from the relationship of God and me to God and we; from seeing is believing to believing is seeing; and the coexistence of the twin emotions of love and fear leading to God among us.

This week, we are presented with the story of Peter. Peter who is often portrayed in recent time as one with 'the keys', was, in the early church, shown with a rooster by his side, to remind the community of his own struggles in discipleship. But today's Gospel tells us, that unlike Judas, Peter firmly believed that nothing, not even his own sinfulness, could come between him and the love he had for the one who called him. In other words, God's mercy caught up with Peter.

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1. 23 June: An academic symposium, Living Fully 2016: Disability, Culture and Faith.

2. 24-26 June: A creative and vibrant conference, Living Fully 2016: Disability, Culture and Faith.

Information and how to book can be found on www.livingfully2016.com or by calling Cristina Gangemi on 01883372114 or cgangemi.kairos@gmail.com





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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**First Communion:** We thank our children and their parents for actively participating in our Sunday Eucharist and for enjoying our project; *Small Sunday Steps with Saints of our Islands* (the list of saints is at the end of the newsletter). All our children celebrated the Sacrament of First Forgiveness in a most meaningful way during the Holy Week. The celebration of First Communion will be on Saturday 18 June at 10am.

Please note the following dates for those preparing with Liz Dolley: Fridays, 6pm in the presbytery on April 15 and 29; May 13 and 27; June 10.

The session for parents will be on Wednesdays 7pm in the church hall on 13 April, 4 May and 1 June. We are grateful to our catechists, Kathleen Roberts and Liz Dolley.

**Confirmation:** We encourage those who have registered for this Sacrament to participate in preparatory sessions on Sundays at 9.45am on April 10 and 24; May 8 and 22 in the presbytery. Our candidates will be involved in various liturgical ministries at the 10.45am mass on the Solemnity of the Holy Spirit (15 May). The confirmation rehearsal is on Sunday 12 June at 6pm at Our Lady and St John, Heswall for which sponsors need to be present. The celebration will be in Heswall on Wednesday 15 June at 7pm. We thank Suzanne Loyden for accompanying our candidates in their preparation.

**St George's Day:** If you are free on Saturday 23 April at 7.30pm, you are most welcome to enjoy fish & chips (£6) with your fellow parishioners in our church hall. You are can bring your own drinks (and glasses!) There will be an assortment of English "folk" songs that you may like to sing (and dance?) along to! Please sign up on the forms in our two porches by Sunday 17 April.

**Taizé Prayer:** The first prayer session will be on Tuesday, 26 April, at 7pm in church. Depending on the interest shown, further monthly sessions may be planned.

Taizé is a style of prayer providing opportunity for silence, stillness and meditative singing. The songs of Taizé are well known, short and simple, with their few words usually repeated many times. The meditative quality of the singing – which is always punctuated by periods of silence – offers a way of listening to God. A Taizé service enables personal prayer and reflection.

Taizé prayer originates from the ecumenical monastic community of the same name in France. Taizé, in Burgundy, has become an internationally renowned site of Christian pilgrimage, with over 100,000 visitors arriving each year for prayer, Bible study, sharing and communal prayer.

"A community where kindness of heart and simplicity are at the centre of everything." Brother Roger (founder of the Taizé community).

**Piety Stall:** Rota for April - December 2016 is now on the website and hard copies are in the sacristy.

**Little Church/Teas:** Rota for April - July 2016 is now on the website and hard copies are in the sacristy.

**Catholic Voice:** Copies in both porches, please take one!

**Divine Mercy Devotions:** At Holy Family, Pensby on Sunday 3 April from 2:30 – 4:15pm. Adoration, Benediction and Confessions from 2:45 – 4:00pm. Blessing of the Divine Mercy picture and Divine Mercy Mass at 5pm. Contact Margaret Robson 648 2998.

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## SAINTS OF OUR ISLANDS PRAY FOR US

Nov	29	St John Plessington (Jul 19)
Dec	6	St Margaret Clitherow (Oct 12)
	13	St Richard Gwyn (Oct 17)
	20	St Margaret Ward (Aug 30)
	22	St John Roberts (Dec 10)
Jan	3	St Edmund Campion (Dec 1)
	10	St Philip Howard (Oct 19)
	17	St Alban Roe (Jan 21)
	24	St Henry Morse (Feb 1)
	31	St Werburgh (Feb 3)
Feb	7	St Ambrose Barlow (Sep 1)
	14	St Alexander Bryant (Dec 1)
	21	St Robert Southwall (Feb 21)
	28	St Anne Line (Feb 27)
Mar	6	St David (Mar 1)
	13	St Nicolas Owen (Mar 2)
	20	St Patrick (Mar 17)
	27	St John Payne (Apr 2)
Apr	3	St Thomas of Hereford (Oct 5)
	10	St Henry Walpole (Apr 7)
	17	St John Houghton (May 4)
	24	St George (Apr 23)
May	1	St Richard Reynolds (May 4)
	8	St Peter of Alcantara (Oct 19)
	15	St John Stone (May 12)
	22	St Oswald (Aug 3)
	29	St Luke Kirby (May 30)
Jun	5	St Andrew (Nov 30)
	12	St Milburga (May 19)



Lord, help me to know that you love me always. Amen.

Fr Ravi

## EASTER II

3 April 2016

2 Apr   3 Apr	SATURDAY	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday	6.30 pm	David James Barry
	SUNDAY		Baptism	8.45 am
4 Apr	MONDAY	The Annunciation of the Lord	10.45 am	Int: Angela McDevitt
5 Apr	TUESDAY	St Vincent Ferrer	12 noon	Louis James Perrin
6 Apr	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	TG: Margaret & Geoff Davies
7 Apr	THURSDAY	St John Baptist de la Salle	9.00 am	Vic Rhodes
8 Apr	FRIDAY	Funeral Service (Blacon) Requiem	9.00 am	Jane Haines
9 Apr	SATURDAY	Baptism	9.00 am	Thomas Sargent
9 Apr   10 Apr	Next Weekend SATURDAY	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter	9.00 am	Fr Gerry Courell
	SUNDAY		10.00 am	Matthew McSevney
			2.00 pm	Virginia Bowes
			9.00 am	Int: Emily, Suzanne & Jamie Hoskinson
			12 noon	Edward Francis Price
			6.30 pm	Parishioners
			8.45 am	Joan Cleary
			10.45 am	Int: May Williams (104 <sup>th</sup> Birthday)

**Weekdays:** Adoration from 8.00am; Morning Prayer 8.40am; Rosary following 9.00am Mass  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday 11.00-11.30am and 5.45-6.10pm

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

**RIP:** Matthew McSevney, Mary Virginia Bowes, Brian Edwin Wainwright (Requiem: 12/4 at 2pm)

	2/3 April			9/10 April		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
<b>Lectors Readings</b>	D Davies	T Nolan	I Trotman	K Powell	AM Miller	Jones Family
<b>Lectors Intercessions</b>	P Flanagan	T McGlynn	O'Cleirigh Family	A Flanagan	R Pisarek	M Slater
<b>EMHC</b>	M Green J Gordon	M Davies K Ankers	T Topping M Slater	D Davies C Haines	S ETTY T McGlynn	A Cropper D Barber
<b>Counters</b>	Kevin and Roy			Andrea, Wyn and Marie		
<b>Cleaners</b>	L Wilkinson, T Davies			W Morgan, A-M McLean, B Anderson		

### REGULAR ACTIVITIES

**Mon:** SVP 7.30pm in hall; **Wed:** Communion Visits - mornings; Read, Reflect, Respond 7.30pm in presbytery;  
**Sun:** YSVP 10am in hall; Choir 4-5pm in church. **2<sup>nd</sup> Tues of month:** SPUC 7.30pm in hall, **3<sup>rd</sup> Thur of month:** CWL 7.30pm in hall  
**Last Sunday's Offering:** Thank you for your generous support.

### From Fr Ravi... Easter 2016!

This year's Easter had its own unique characteristics - it was the earliest Easter in a decade. Indeed, in some years it could be as early as 22 March! Also 'the leap forward into spring' on Easter Sunday added to the excitement (or confusion?) The number of people who attended the Holy Week Services, especially the Easter Vigil, was truly impressive. We were also delighted to welcome Liam Campbell and Nikki Ryan into our faith community during the Easter Vigil. We are grateful to all those who helped us during Lent and Holy Week: our altar servers, church cleaners, flower team, choir and musicians, sacristans, readers and Eucharistic ministers, liturgy sheet producers, ushers, money counters, not forgetting Fr Chris and Deacon Mike. We are indeed a happy community: firm in faith, joyful in hope and active in charity!

Now that the hectic (liturgical) days are over, besides our preparation for First Communion and Confirmation, I thought we could use the remaining weeks before summer, to update our parish records and meet with all the groups, associations and ministries that are active in our community. Also, if you have any matters you wish to discuss regarding the cemetery (Certificate of Title Deeds, burials, cremations etc.), please do see me in the weeks ahead, after any mass or make an appointment.

As the beautiful spring is upon us, may we also experience the warmth of God's love in prayer and through our care for one another.

*The Lord is risen! The Lord is risen indeed!*