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Ordinary Time Week I

12th January 2020

11 th Jan	SATURDAY	The Baptism of the Lord	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	St Hilary	10.00 am	Sister Mary Salmon
15 th Jan	WEDNESDAY		10.00 am	Mass or Service of Word and Eucharist
16 th Jan	THURSDAY	Funeral	2.30pm	Mary Anne Day
17 th Jan	FRIDAY	St Anthony	10.00 am	Jack Henesy
18 th Jan	SATURDAY		10.00 am	Monsignor Peter Cookson
18 th Jan	Next Weekend SATURDAY	2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time	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.

SVP Music Night: The SVP music night is on **Friday, 31st January** at St Columba's Parish Hall, Chester, CH2 1SA with the Chester Catholic High School, City Jazz Orchestra and Singers. Tickets are £10 and will be available after Mass or from Mark Branch (336 4287); the proceeds raised will go towards the upkeep of the SVP holiday home at Talacre Beach.

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The God Who Speaks: Bishops are encouraging the faithful to pick up their bibles and open them! Please have a look at the following website.
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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.

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.

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	<i>St. Francis de Sales</i>	10.00 am	Guy Lincoen		
25 th Jan	SATURDAY	<i>St Fabian, Pope and St. Sebastian</i>	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 offing 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 alter 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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SVP - BIG THANKYOU to all who supported our parish SVP HALF PRICE sale; we made a large amount of cash for our SVP which means a large amount of difference to people in need. If you missed the 2019 sale you can catch our next one, weekend 8/9th Feb after all Masses in our church hall. Items can be pre booked on 336 1261!

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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Ordinary Time Week 3

26th January 2020

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26 th Jan	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	MaryAnne Day Parish family
27 th Jan	MONDAY	St Angela Merici, Virgin	10.00 am	William Hannaway
28 th Jan	TUESDAY	St Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor of the Church	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	St John Bosco, Priest	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
2 nd Feb	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Maureen Bainbridge Larry Duggan

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St Winefrides Primary school: The children are looking forward to enjoying some new play equipment. The trim trail on the school playing fields has recently been extended helping to encourage the children to keep active. Reception children and those from Key Stage 1 will soon be able to play in a new boat that has been funded by the wonderful PTFA. This equipment supports creative and active play.

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.

SPUC: Many thanks for your support for our White Flower Appeal last weekend, we raised **£394.11** and we had 108 cards completed to send to the Prime Minister.

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Bible study – Please do join us on Tuesday after 10.00am mass in the church hall.

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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2 nd Feb	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Maureen Bainbridge Larry Duggan
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
9 th Feb	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish family Jack Henesey

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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 thing 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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Lent lunches: Soup and sandwiches will be on **TUESDAY'S** (not Mondays as previously mentioned) during lent and are due to start on **Tuesday 3rd 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.

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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

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

	8/9 th February			15/16 th 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.

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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 fcjcentresthughs@gmail.com

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Ordinary Time Week VI

16th February 2020

15 th Feb	SATURDAY	6th Sunday of Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Dr Marioth
16 th Feb	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	Parish family MaryAnne Day
17 th Feb	MONDAY	Seven Founders of the Order of Servants of the Blessed Virgin Mary	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	St Peter Damian	10.00 am	Marceline Hewitt
22 nd Feb	SATURDAY	Chair of St Peter	10.00 am	Gerard (Gerry) Topping
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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.

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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
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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 be 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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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.

First Forgiveness and Holy Communion: The first meeting for parents is this **Monday 2nd March, 6.30pm** in the church hall. Mass of enrolment will be on **Sunday 8th March**.

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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.

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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

7 th Mar	SATURDAY	2 nd Sunday of Lent	6.30 pm	Dr Marioth		
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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		
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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

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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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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 everyone's support for the Neston Fairtrade events. Over £570 was raised.

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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)	
20 th Mar	FRIDAY		10.00 am 7.00 pm	Cormac Murphy-O'Connor Way of the Cross – led by SPUC group	
21 st Mar	SATURDAY		10.00 am	Dot Davies	
21 st Mar	Next Weekend SATURDAY	4 th Sunday of Lent	6.30 pm	Dr Marioth	
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Following the Bishops Conference we have received recommendations that all parishes and communities now move to Stage Two of the published advice. There is 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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