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

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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 5th July 2020

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Mass Intentions from this Saturday are as follows:

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

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

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

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

Our church will be open from

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

Please note the changes to weekend Mass.

Saturday Vigil Mass at 6.00pm.

Sunday 9.30am and 11.00am.

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

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

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

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

deaconjim@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

or **Tel: 07746743921**

Please give my request some thought.

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

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

LIVE STREAMING OF SERVICES include:

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A message from the office

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

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

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

Thank you from Edith and many others Joe.



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Reflection by Tony Topping - written Thursday 2nd July

SAINT PETER AND SAINT PAUL

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

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

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

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

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

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



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





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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 12th July 2020

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Mass Intentions from this Saturday are as follows:

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

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

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

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

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

Please note

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

Also, Sunday Mass obligation remains suspended until further notice.

Let us pray that all will go well.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Fr Paul.

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Jayne Shakespeare – Parish Office

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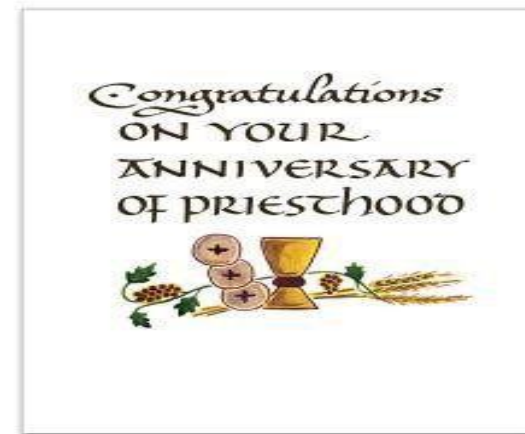
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A BIG CONGRATULATION TO FR CHRIS LIGHTBOUND WHO CELEBRATES 65 YEARS A PRIEST TODAY FRIDAY 10TH JULY 2020.

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

A SPECIAL CELEBRATION AND PRAYERS TO YOU ALL.



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

THANK YOU

Reflection by Tony Topping - written Thursday 9th July

DOUBT

Now that the daylight fills the sky,

We lift our hearts to God on high,

That he in all we do and say,

Would keep us free from harm today.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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LAKESIDE CROWDS SOWER

SEEDS BIRDS SOIL

EARTH SCORCHED ROOTS

WITHERED THORNS CROP



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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 19th July 2020

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Saturday 18th 6 pm Mass	Dr Marioth	Sunday 19th – 9.30 am Sunday 19th – 11 am	Parish family Anne-Marie McLean
Monday 20th	Iris Christian	Tuesday 21st	Judith & Roy Howard - Anniversary
Thursday 23rd	Moira Griffiths-Parr	Friday 24th	Frances Smith
Saturday 25th 6 pm	James Cubbin	Sunday 26th - 9.30 am Sunday 26th - 11 am	Parish family Hilda Davidson – Congratulations

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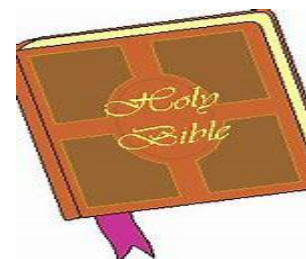
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This week private prayer continues on Sat 18th, Mon 20th, Thurs 21st and Sat 25th July 1.30 - 2.30 pm but no midweek Masses.

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



EXCITING WEEKEND

**CHURCH IS OPEN AGAIN
FOR MASS.**

**IT MAYBE VERY DIFFERENT TO THE NORM,
BUT AT LAST WE ARE ABLE TO CELEBRATE
MASS TOGETHER.**

Please note the new times of Mass

Saturday - 6.00 pm

Sunday - 9.30 am and 11.00 am

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Regards Fr Paul

READERS / EMHC / CHURCH CLEANERS

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

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

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

Keep us Good Lord under the shadow of your mercy

In this time of uncertainty and distress

Sustain and support the anxious and fearful

And lift all who are brought low

That they may rejoice in your Comfort

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Amen



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News from St Winefride's

National Sports' Week Success at St Winefride's

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

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



St Winefride's welcomes all pupils to school

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

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

Reflection by Tony Topping

THE DARNEL

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

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

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

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

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

Psalm 85

The Guardian Angel Prayer

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

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

Dear Guardian Angel,
go for me to the church, there kneel down at the mass for me.
At the offertory, take me to God and offer him my service;
What I am, what I have I offer as my gift.
At the consecration, with your seraphic strength,
Adore my saviour truly present,
Praying for those who have loved me'
For those who have offended me
And for those who are now deceased,
That the blood of Jesus may purify them all.
During communion, bring me the Body and Blood of Jesus,
Uniting Him with me in spirit
So that my heart may become his dwelling place.
Plead with him, that through his sacrifice,
All people throughout the world may be saved.
When the mass ends, bring home to me and to every home,
The Lord's blessing.
Amen.

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

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

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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 26th July 2020

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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
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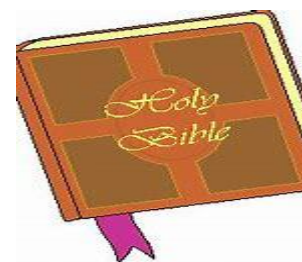
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password: AveMaria



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.

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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.

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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.

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MESSAGE FROM FR DAVID LONG

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

Reflection by Tony Topping

MY TREASURE

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

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

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

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

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

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

This is what the Lord asks of you:

Only this, to act justly,

To love tenderly

And to walk humbly with your God
(Micah 6:6-8)

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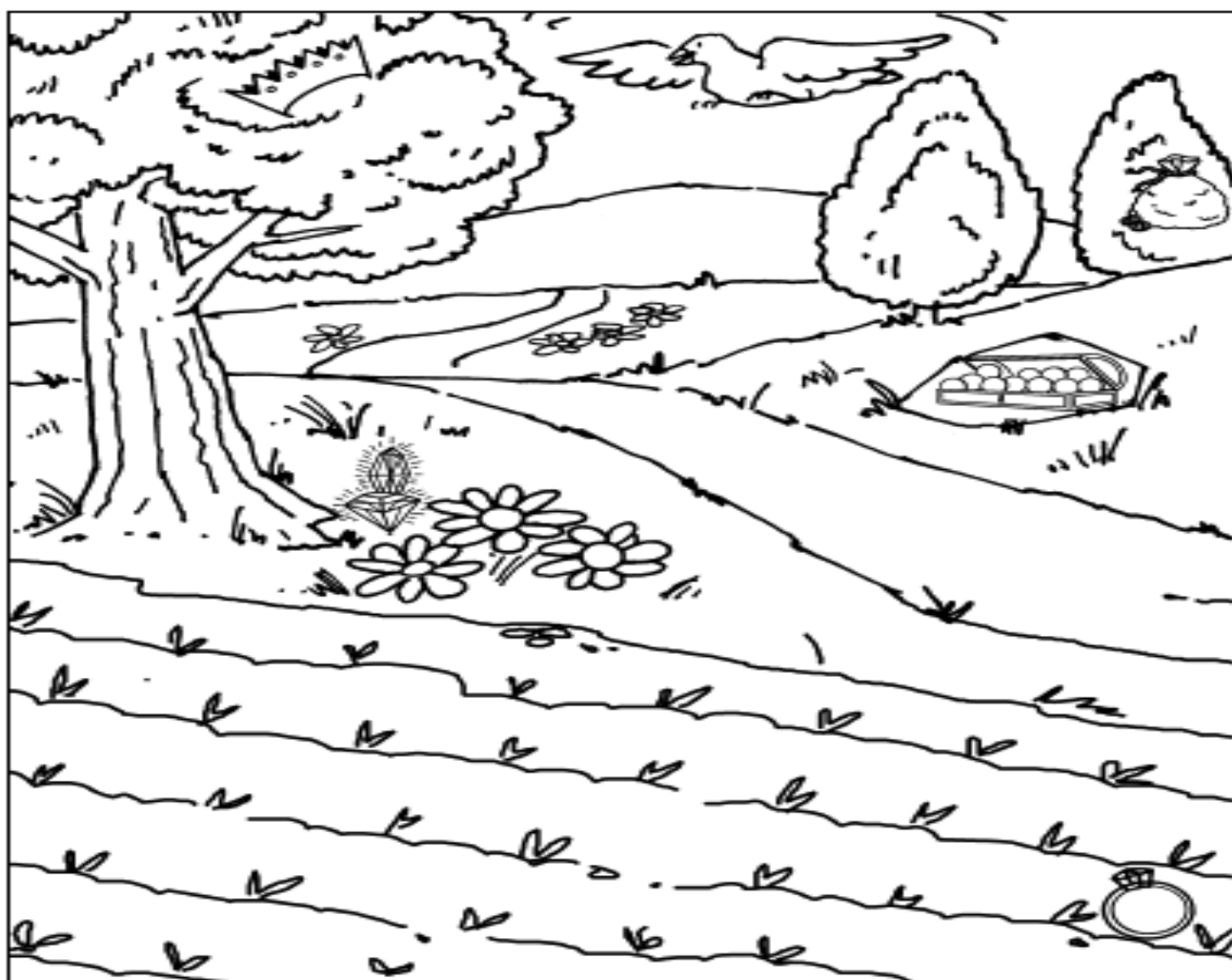
Today Jesus tells us some more about what the Kingdom of Heaven looks like.

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

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

The kingdom of heaven is like a hidden treasure.

Find these treasures hidden in the field below.





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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 2nd August 2020

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Bible study – Joe Tunstall will lead the bible study this **Wednesday, 5th August**. It will be about the gospel reading for the following Sunday 8/9th August i.e. the 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A).
Access as usual on Zoom or on 079824 76559 for audio only.

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Fr Paul writes.....

It has been a great joy to be able to celebrate Mass with those of you who have been able to come and from next week **Mass will also be open to all on Monday and Friday at 10.00 am.** I am conscious that we begin “our summer holidays”. These are difficult days and it is perhaps difficult for some of us to think in terms of a summer holiday.

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

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

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

Congratulation to Paul and Carolyn Bainbridge on the birth of their grandchild, Charlie. And also to Tony Bainbridge, Charlie’s great grandparents.



This is our final newsletter until the beginning of September. I am most grateful to our Parish Deacons, Jayne, our Parish Secretary and John Kane our Health & Safety Representative for

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

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

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

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

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Reflection – by Tony Topping

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

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

1st letter of St John 4:11

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

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

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

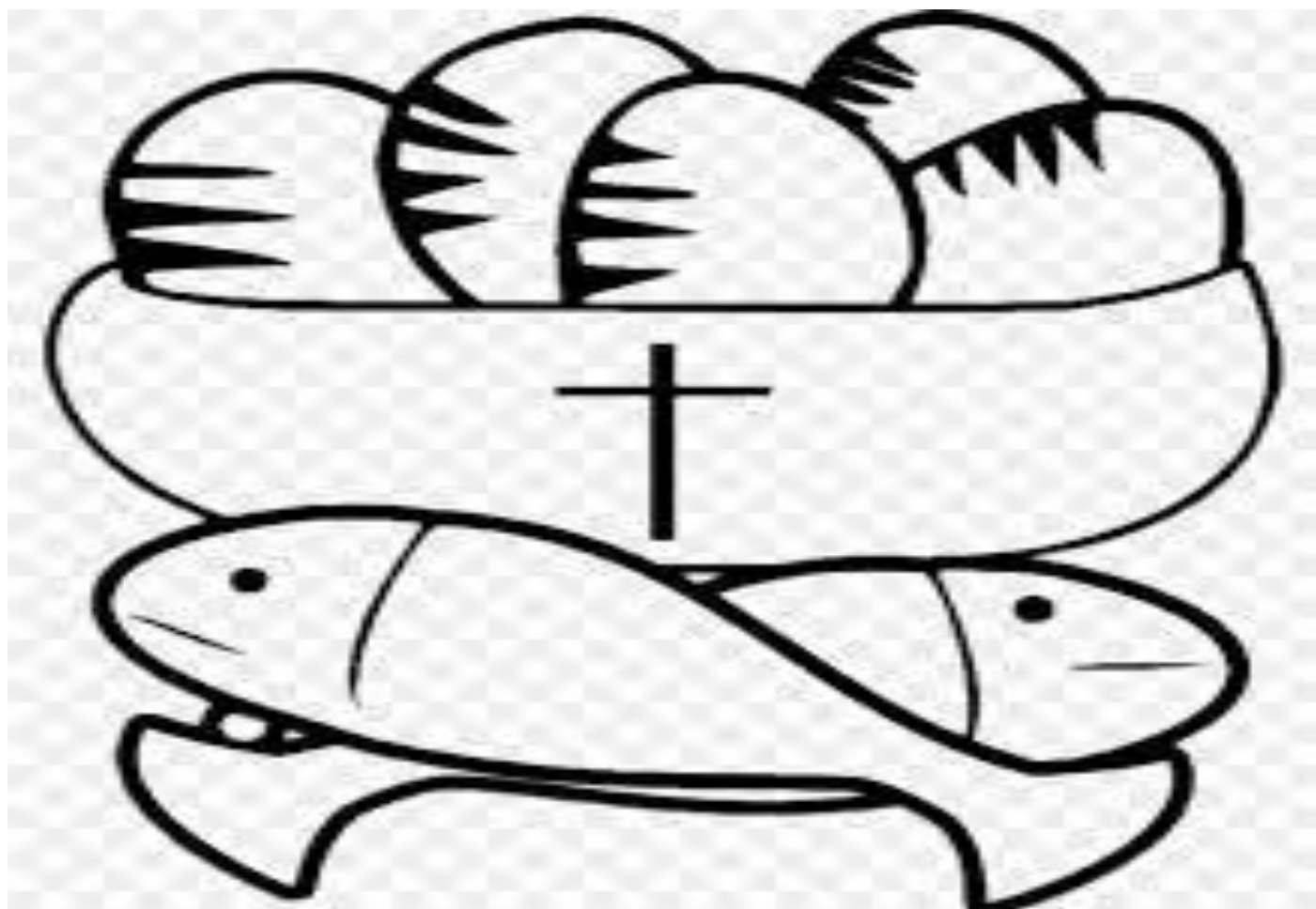
My God, I confess that you can enlighten my darkness, I confess that you alone can. I wish my darkness to be enlightened. I do not know whether you will, but that you can and that I wish are sufficient reasons for me to ask. I thereby promise that by your grace which I am asking, I will embrace whatever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

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

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



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XXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 7th September 2020

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Fr Paul writes.....

Our youngsters have returned to school, let us pray for their well being and the staff of the school.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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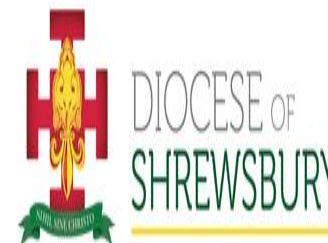
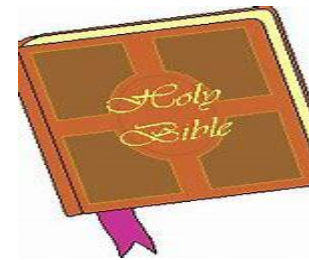
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READERS – As Fr Paul has mentioned, we are hoping to have a new rota up and running by the last weekend in September, 26th/27th. If you do not want to be included on the rota, if you could let the office know either by calling or e-mailing the parish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

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



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PRAYER, PENANCE AND MEDITATION

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

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

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

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

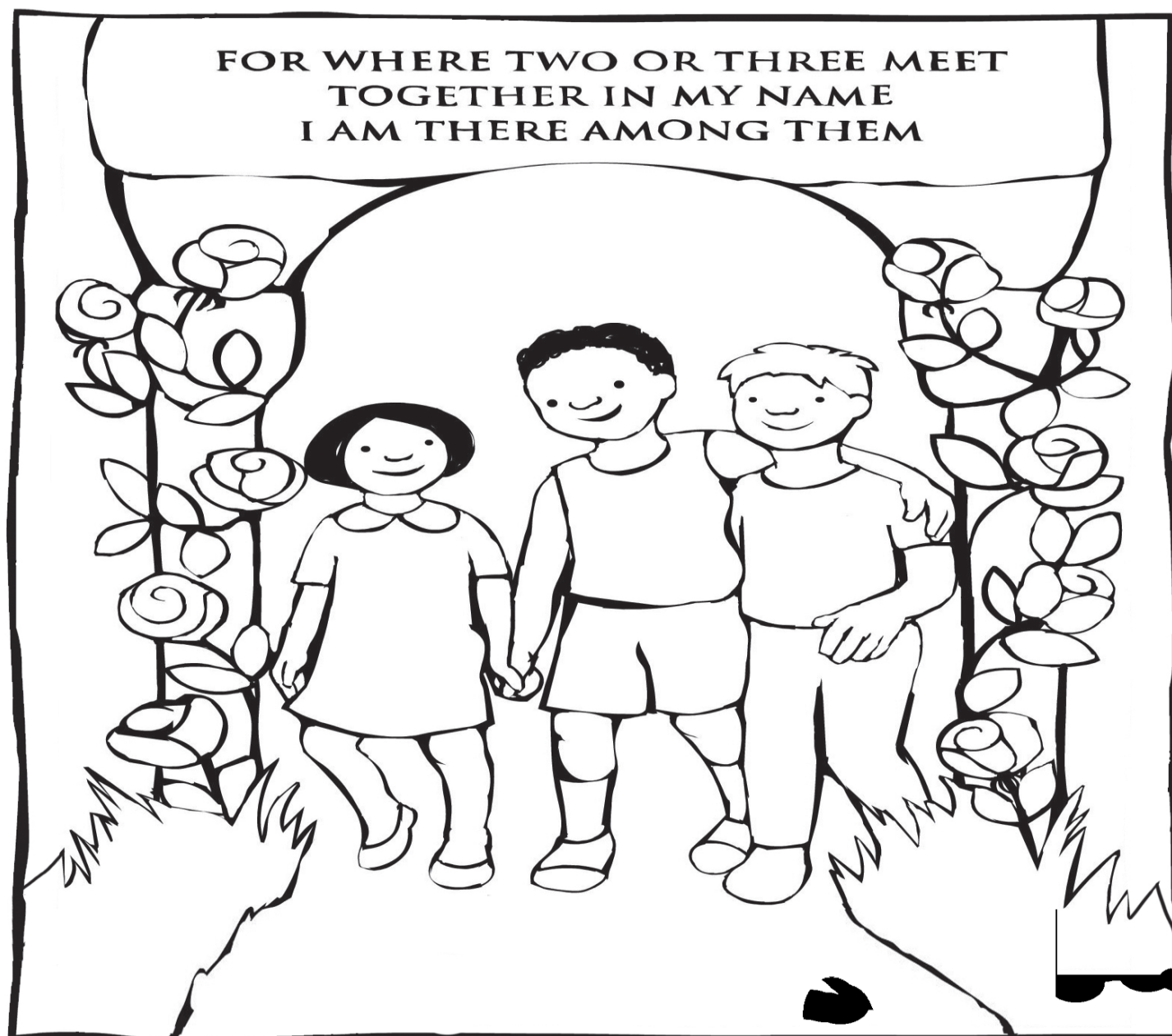
When Our Lady appeared to the children at Fatima in 1917, she clearly foretold the events of the 20th century; the end of WW1 but warning us of another great war, the rise of communism and the persecution of the church. She told the children that these things could be prevented if we stopped offending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

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

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





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16 th Sept	Wednesday 4.30 pm	Bible Study	via Zoom see newsletter
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18 th Sept	Friday 10 am	Funeral and interment for Rodney Halewood	Family and close friends only
19 th Sept	Saturday 2pm	Wedding – Blaithin Settle & Edward Wardell-Yerburgh	
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Can I ask that you also keep in your prayers the family of Rodney Halewood, his wife Katherine and their two daughters Sian and Rhian and cherished granddaughter Libby. Rodney sadly passed away last Sunday 6th September, and his funeral is this Friday, 18th September, followed by a burial in the cemetery. Family and close friends only.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Jesus makes it clear that when God forgives, He forgives from the heart. It is as if the wrong had never taken place. The BIG question for us is whether we believe in God’s forgiveness or do we continue to wallow in our sins. Of course, Jesus is asking us in turn to forgive from the ‘heart’ as God does!

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

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

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

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

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



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



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

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TURN TO ME AND BE SAVED

Man Of little faith, why did you doubt?

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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





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XXV Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 20th September 2020

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19th Sept	Saturday 2pm	Wedding – Settle & Wardell-Yerburgh Bill Williams aka Mon Oncle	Wedding 2pm - Blaithin Settle & Edward Wardell-Yerburgh Invited guests only
	Saturday 6pm		
20th Sept	Sunday 9.30 am	Fred Doyle	
20th Sept	Sunday 11.00 am	Parish Family	
21 Sept	Monday 10 am	Lily Rose Maryniak	
	Mass in church		
22 Sept	Tuesday	The parish	<i>Private prayer 1.30-2.30pm</i>
23 Sept	Wednesday 4.30 pm	Bible Study	via Zoom see newsletter
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Monday Mass – 10.00am in church
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Macmillan Cancer Support national coffee morning on September 25th 2020

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

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SIX MONTHS INTO LOCKDOWN

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

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

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

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

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

O Lord, Have mercy on this broken world!

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Matthew 21: 33 - 43, 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle A).
Access as usual on Zoom or on 07746743921 for audio only.

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.



Monday Mass – 10.00 am in church
Tuesday – Private prayer 10.00 - 11.00 am
Wednesday – Bible study 4.30 pm via Zoom
Thursday – Private Prayer 10.00 - 11.00 am
Friday Mass – 10.00 am in church

Please note the new times for Private Prayer
With effect from 29.09 - Tuesday and Thursday 10.00 – 11.00 am

The weekly average for standing orders as at 31st August is now £451. Offertory envelopes/loose plate average and online giving up to the end of August are £107 and £96 respectively.

Please do read on the website “How Covid 19 has changed Mass - FAQ”.

TRACK AND TRACE IN CHURCHES: The way we do this is church likely to be changing very soon. In the meantime, if I can ask you to continue to bring a note detailing the following to church.

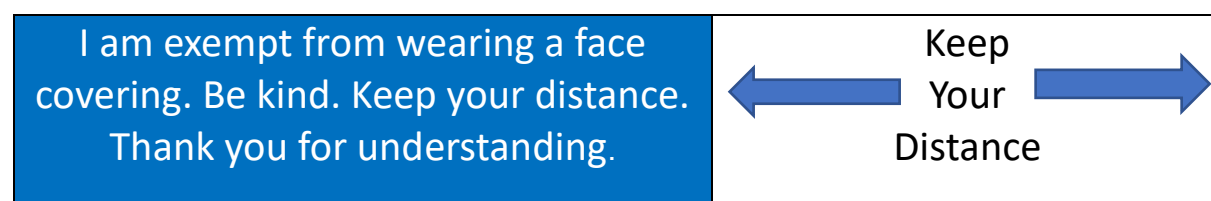
Date and time of mass attended	
Full name or names in your group	e.g – John Gracey x 3
Contact number or	
E-mail address	

With the NHS track and trace app now available we have put a number of QR codes in church and outside church. If you have registered and can scan, please do so either before entering or as you leave church. More details can be found by visiting. <https://www.nhs.uk/apps-library/nhs-covid-19/>

At weddings, funerals and baptism a form will be left for attendees to complete as they come into church. This information will be kept for 21 days.

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

FACE MASKS – As you are aware Face Masks must be worn by those attending church. However, please be aware that some people are exempt from wearing masks for a variety of reasons. Some people may wear a badge or lanyard stating this, others may not. It will look similar to the information below.



LIVE STREAMING OF SERVICES include:

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

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

This week's readings	
First reading	Ezekiel 18:25-28 When the sinner renounces sin, he shall certainly live
Psalm 24 4-9	Remember your mercy, Lord
Second Reading	Philippians 2:1-11 Be united in your love
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my father will love him and we shall come to him Alleluia!
Gospel	Matthew 21:28-32 Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you

A message from the office:

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

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

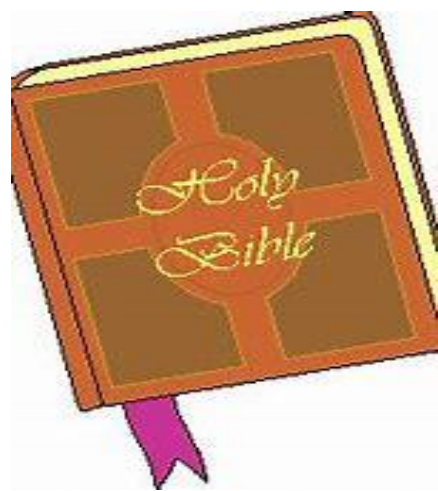
Sign up for the weekly parish newsletter via email. To join send an email to the office at

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.



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



FOODBANK - 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.

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

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

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



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

"My Memory of the Shoeboxes" – Dorothy

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

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

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

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

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

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

Shoe Box Appeal - The COVID-19 global pandemic has disrupted everyday life for millions of people around the world. Yet, Samaritan's Purse continues to share the eternal hope of the Gospel and to serve in Jesus' Name.

This year you are still able to donate but this can be done in the traditional way or online. Samaritan's Purse are grateful if you plan to join them this year **in packing traditional boxes, building a shoebox online, or both**. With careful modifications to shoebox packing they want to ensure that children around the world are still blessed with great joy and the Good News of Jesus Christ.

If you would like to donate items for the Shoebox appeal. We are asking for items to be left at the back of church in a plastic bag with handles, clearly labelled **shoe box appeal**. **We have chosen just two particular weekends, 26th/27th September and 3rd/4th October.**

Items that can be included; cuddly toys, doll, truck, musical instrument, eg harmonica, skipping rope. School items, pencil, crayons, picture books, writing paper. Hygiene items, flannel, toothbrush, bars of wrapped soap, hairbrush. Other items, hat, gloves, scarf, jewellery, hair items. More information can be found online.

**MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT**

**Macmillan Cancer Support national coffee morning on
September 25th 2020**

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

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

Thank you for your support. CWL



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

We have all felt the impact of this terrible disease and CAFOD want people to come together to help the poorest and most vulnerable people in the world **survive, rebuild and heal**. Details of how you can donate will be given next week.



St Anselm's College, Birkenhead have asked if we would announce that their entrance exam is on **Tuesday 13th October at 9.30am**.

There normal open evening which would take place around now is not happening this year due to the coronavirus. However, they will be having a virtual evening, so please do check out their website for more info. www.st-anselms.com.

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

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

Join Zoom Meeting – 18th October – 6.30pm

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

Meeting ID: 870 5988 9023

No password is required



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-donor/page/StWinefrideNeston2218>

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



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

