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Christmastide

27th December 2015

26 Dec	SATURDAY	<i>Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph – Special Prayer for Recently Married Couples</i>	6.30 pm	Jane Haines
27 Dec	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Parishioners
			10.45 am	Int: Frances Irvine
28 Dec	MONDAY	<i>The Holy Innocents</i>	10.00 am	For the Children of our Parish
29 Dec	TUESDAY	<i>St Thomas Becket</i>	9.00 am	25 th Wed: Sarah & Peter Wright
30 Dec	WEDNESDAY	<i>6th Day of Christmas Octave</i>	9.00 am	John Grealis
31 Dec	THURSDAY	<i>St Sylvester – Mass & Benediction</i>	10.00 am	Paddy Finneran
1 Jan	FRIDAY	<i>Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God</i>	10.00 am	Jack Williams
2 Jan	SATURDAY	<i>St Basil the Great, St Gregory Nazianzen</i>	9.00 am	Health: Una & Michael O'Shea
2 Jan	Next Weekend SATURDAY	<i>Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord</i>	6.30 pm	Ray Blanshard
3 Jan	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Parishioners
			10.45 am	Anne Gambon

Weekdays: Adoration from 8.00 am; Morning Prayer 8:40 am; Rosary following 9.00 am Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 11.00-11.30am and 5.45-6.10pm

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RIP: Alice Johnson, Edward Crummey

	26 th /27 th December			2 nd /3 rd January		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
Lectors	C Haines	R Pisarek	M Unsworth	S Davies	Larty Family	T Topping
Readings						
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Intercessions						
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2nd Tues of the month: SPUC 7:30pm in hall; **3rd Thurs** of the month: CWL 7:30pm in hall

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

From Fr Ravi: One more step along the world we go...

As we look forward to a new year, may we be guided by God's peace and joy. Fr Chris and Deacon Mike join me in thanking you all for the gifts, cards, love and support expressed in many beautiful and meaningful ways. We are overwhelmed and deeply touched as this, in a way, also encourages us in our own ministries.

We are blessed with a happy parish rooted in our faith and at this time of the year we gratefully remember each one of you for your presence and prayers. In a special way we thank all those active in different groups and ministries: Altar Servers, Cleaners, Choir, Musicians, Flower team, Sacristans, Little Church, Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, SVP, YSVP, CWL, SPUC, Webteam, Newsletter Editors, Liturgy Sheet producers, Money Counters, Ushers, Hall Managers, Gardeners, Decoration team and all those who cooperated in different ways over the Christmas period.

And of course, not forgetting a thank you to our Magi who appeared at some Masses this Christmas!

A Cumbrian resident recently affected by the flooding said "No reason is strong enough to stop celebrating Christmas". May these special days give us hope and strength to continue our journey, walking in the light of faith.

Wishing you all a Happy, Healthy and Holy New Year.

CHRISTMASTIDE AT ST WINEFRIDE'S 2015

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The Baptism of the Lord: 10 th Jan	Blessing of all those baptised in the past year

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Little Church: New rota in the sacristy and online.

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First Communion and Confirmation: Our children are involved in 'Small Sunday Steps towards my First Communion with Saints of our Islands' and their parents will meet on Wednesday 6th January 7pm in the Church Hall. Our confirmation candidates will meet at 10am on 2nd and 4th Sundays beginning in January.

RRR: Will recommence on Wednesday 6th January at 7:30pm in the presbytery. All welcome to join us as we reflect on the Sunday readings.

SPUC: Our group wish to thank you all for your support in 2015 and we wish you a Blessed Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year.

CCRS: New Testament Module for the Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (open to all). Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port: 9/1, 6/2 - 10am - 3.30pm. Rowena.Nield@sky.com 0161 4408619.

Annual Mass for the Celebration of Marriage: Sat 6th Feb at St Columba's, Chester. Any couples celebrating a significant anniversary in 2016, please let us know to arrange an invitation from Bishop Mark.

Community: A poem that was written by Marie McKeown when she was 10 is in the porches.

DIOCESAN ACTIVITIES IN THE YEAR OF MERCY

Holy Door at St Anthony's, Wythenshawe: The Holy Door will be available each Saturday between 9am and 6pm, (NB: Mass at 10am and Vigil Mass at 5pm). Those who wish to visit should contact us with requirements for Mass or Confessions.

Groups: parish and other groups should contact the Wythenshawe clergy team or Fr Murray or Fr Thomas outside office opening hours with details of proposed visiting days (other days can be arranged).

Team Office: 10am - 3pm, Mon-Fri (holidays excepted) 0161 436 5622 or preferably email team.ministry@btinternet.com
Fr Murray/Fr Thomas: 0161 437 2861

Individuals: should come on Saturdays. It may be possible to arrange specific times by request through the Clergy Team Office.

From Easter until the close of the Holy Year in November, the Holy Door will be at the Cathedral.

Four Reflections: *Jesus The Face of the Father's Mercy* Our Lady's Parish Centre, Ellesmere Port CH65 8BY, 7.30pm - 9pm.

13th January *The Incarnation: Mystery of God's Merciful Love* Led by Miss Barbara Davies

20th January *Christ's Passion and Death: Expression of God's Merciful Love* Led by Fr David Long

27th January *Christ's Resurrection and Ascension: Triumph of God's Merciful Love* Led by Fr Nick Kern

3rd February *The Communion of Saints: Sharing in God's Merciful Love with Mary, Mother and Model of Compassion* Led by Miss Barbara Davies

Further details in porches.

Jubilee Day for Youth: Palm Sunday, 20th March 2016, 2-5pm, St Chad's High School, Runcorn

World Youth Day Krakow 2016: 25th -31st July 2016 for young people aged 16 and over www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/youth

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 27th/28th July to 2nd/3rd August 2016

Youth 2000 Prayer festival, Walsingham: 25th - 29th August 2016

Holy Year Pilgrimage to Rome: 17th -21st October 2016. Led by Bishop Mark in this Year of Mercy, we will visit the major Basilicas of Rome including passing through the Holy Door at St Peter's. In addition there will be a General Audience with the Holy Father and a visit and Holy Hour at the Venerable English College. Flights from Manchester, accommodation half board: £695 (twin room), £565 (triple room), supplement of £130 (limited single rooms). Booking forms available from Parish Office or the Diocesan Website. Contact Fr David Long 638 1520.

YEAR OF MERCY 2016

*To act justly and to love mercy
and to walk humbly
with your God.*

Micah 6:8



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Advent Week IV

20th December 2015

19 Dec	SATURDAY	4 th Sunday of Advent – Special Prayer for Expectant Mothers	6.30 pm	Parishioners		
20 Dec	SUNDAY	Little Church Christmas Tableau	8.45 am	Phyllis Challis		
21 Dec	MONDAY	St Peter Canisius	10.45 am	Norman & Christina Bickerstaff		
22 Dec	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Pat Standish		
23 Dec	WEDNESDAY	St John of Kanty	9.00 am	Health: Fr Martin Jakubas		
24 Dec	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Dennis Ackerman		
24 Dec	THURSDAY	Carol Service & Vigil Mass	6.30 pm	Int: M Henesy		
24 Dec 25 Dec	FRIDAY	Nativity of the Lord - Holy Day of Obligation Carol Service	Midnight	Charlotte Nagle Special Intention		
			8.45 am	Fr Gerry Courell		
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From Fr Ravi: Christmas Crib - Heaven Frozen in Time...

If you are feeling a bit anxious and even tired as we enter into the busy-ness of Christmas week, and have just realised that you forgot to send a card or a gift to someone very close, please remember you are not alone! That in itself is the mystery of Christmas. A vulnerable child, born to wandering parents in an isolated place wanting to feel safe and be safe. Taking time to pause before the crib can lead us into that mystery of life, in all its beauty and complexity, to appreciate all that we have and are and to wish the same for everyone in our human family. In a special way, our hearts go out to those having a difficult time, due to an illness or bereavement or violence experienced in different forms. May our prayer and the song of the angels be the same this holy season: Peace to all!

A Christmas card had the following words by Alan Gaunt:

*Each vulnerable new-born child, each girl or boy that comes to birth,
is just as precious in God's eyes as that one child who came to earth
to show us through his life and death how much all human life is worth!*

Fr Chris and Deacon Mike join me in wishing you and your families, a gentle Christmas that leads to peace and joy in the New Year!

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ADVENT AND CHRISTMASTIDE AT ST WINEFRIDE'S 2015

4th Sunday in Advent: 20 th Dec	Special Prayer for Expectant Mothers/ Little Church Tableau
Confessions: 21 st – 24 th Dec	A priest available in the confessional 8:15 – 8:45am
Christmas Eve: 24 th Dec	Carols: 6:30 pm, Vigil Mass: 7:00 pm; Midnight Mass
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Altar Servers and Children's Party: We mark the feast of the Holy Innocents with a celebration for all our altar servers, first communion children and others on Monday, 28th Dec at 10am. We will have special children's mass followed by events (music, games and food) in the hall. Please do encourage your children to participate and if attending, please let Fr Ravi know before Christmas.

Thank you: To Mrs Ormes, Mrs Davies and the staff and children at St Winefrides for such a great Carol Service. And to all our volunteers who give their time so generously to our Parish: to Kevin Devitt and Roy Jones for the Christmas Lights; our Choir for their continued commitment, rehearsing every week and singing each Sunday; our Altar Servers and sacristans; our flower team and gardeners; money counters and hall managers; liturgy sheet editors, webteam and newsletter editors; Little Church and YSVP volunteers; catechists; Eucharistic Ministers and Readers and all who do their part in supporting our community. Your time and dedication to our parish is what makes St Winefride's so special and over this Christmas period we take this opportunity to show our appreciation of your hard work.

Music Rehearsals: Sunday 20th December at 4pm and Tuesday 22nd December at 7pm in church. Refreshments will be available after the Tuesday rehearsal.

Fr Denis' Legacy: £600 has been left by Fr Denis for distribution to charities. CWL, SPUC, SVP and the Diocesan Catholic Children's Society through our Piety Stall will each receive £100 and the remaining £200 will be set aside for supporting any of our young people who wish to go to Lourdes or Kracow. We keep Fr Denis in our prayers.

First Communion and Confirmation: Our children are involved in 'Small Sunday Steps towards my First Communion with Saints of our Islands' and their parents will meet every month on the first Wed. Our confirmation candidates will meet at 10am on 2nd and 4th Sundays beginning in Jan.

RRR: We are on a Christmas break and meet again in Jan.

Website: Pictures have been updated in the Gallery of the Parish Meal etc – also photos are in the porch, and a Year of Mercy section has been added with links to resources. It also includes the official Vatican Hymn for the Year of Mercy that the choir sung at the end of Mass last week and was composed by the British composer Paul Inwood.

SPUC: We still have cards available in the hall after all Masses and in the new porch. packs of 10 cards only £2.40. Also after 10:45am Mass, a stall selling beautiful hand made jewellery sets for only £3.50.

CWL: Thanks everyone who supported the Charity raffle helping us raise £585. The winners of the Christmas hampers were Edith O'Sullivan and Linda Mayers.

Piety Stall: Grand Christmas Raffle for silver crosses. The Draw will take place this week after 10.45 Mass in the hall. All proceeds go to the Diocesan Children's Society and tickets for these very desirable prizes will remain on sale until today.

Community: Many thanks to all who visited the art sale in the hall last week end; we made £90 to be given to SPUC & Arthritis Research UK.

From St Winefride's Catholic Primary School

As usual, our children have celebrated the season of Advent with a variety of events, reminding everyone of the true meaning of Christmas. The children in Reception and KS1 retold the Nativity story through a 'Wriggly nativity'. All the children took part, with the Year 2 children acting out the story or narrating; the Year 1 children playing the part of donkeys, chickens and cows characters, who shared Jesus's stable on that special night, and the Reception children, who were beautiful dancing stars and angels. A really lovely celebration of the Christmas story; thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

The children of KS2 raised the roof of the church at their Carol Service. Their singing, scripture reading, dancing and acting was all of a very high standard, showcasing all our children's wonderful talents. A special thank you to Emma Sandbach, a dance teacher from Neston High, who has been working with the children, choreographing their great moves.

We should also mention the talents and skills of the teaching and support staff, and our own Fr Ravi, whose festive rendition of 'Santa Claus is Coming to Town' was 'very special' and will, no doubt, be remembered for years to come!

So from all the staff, pupils, parents and governors of St. Winefride's Catholic Primary we wish you all a joyful Christmas and a peaceful New Year.



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Advent Week III

13th December 2015

12 Dec	SATURDAY	3 rd Sunday of Advent – Reconciliation Sunday – 'Walking through the Holy Door' – Confessions after each mass	6.30 pm	Parishioners
13 Dec	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Fred Dutton
14 Dec	MONDAY	St John of the Cross	9.00 am	Gerry Robinson
15 Dec	TUESDAY	Carol Service	9.00 am 7.00 pm	John Boran St Winefride's School
16 Dec	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	Judith Valkenburg
17 Dec	THURSDAY		9.00 am	100 th B'Day: Peggy Warde
18 Dec	FRIDAY	In School Remembrance Mass Requiem	9.10 am 11.00 am 1.00 pm	Frank Bretland Gerry Robinson Joan M Roberts
19 Dec	SATURDAY	Baptism	9.00 am 12.00 noon	Peter Murray & Sheila Harkins Jagoda Filipiak
19 Dec	SATURDAY	Next Weekend 4 th Sunday of Advent – Special Prayer for Expectant Mothers	6.30 pm	Parishioners
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From the Homily of Pope Francis: 'Put Mercy before Judgement'

This Extraordinary Holy Year is itself a gift of grace. To pass through the Holy Door means to rediscover the infinite mercy of the Father who welcomes everyone and goes out personally to encounter each of them. This will be a year in which we grow ever more convinced of God's mercy. How much wrong we do to God and his grace when we speak of sins being punished by his judgment before we speak of their being forgiven by his mercy (cf. Saint Augustine, *De Praedestinatione Sanctorum*, 12, 24)! But that is the truth. We have to put mercy before judgment, and in any event God's judgement will always be in the light of his mercy. In passing through the Holy Door, then, may we feel that we ourselves are part of this mystery of love. Let us set aside all fear and dread, for these do not benefit men and women who are loved. Instead, let us experience the joy of encountering that grace which transforms all things.

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St Winefride's School: 15 th Dec	Carol Service - in church at 7pm
School Advent Mass: 18 th Dec	End of Term Advent Mass in school 9:10am
4 th Sunday in Advent: 20 th Dec	Special Prayer for Expectant Mothers
Confessions: 21 st - 24 th Dec	A priest available in the confessional 8:15 - 8:45am
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Reconciliation Sunday: In response to Bishop Mark's invitation in his Advent pastoral letter on the Jubilee Year of Mercy, our confessional is marked in a special way, welcoming all to pass through this door to experience the Sacrament of Mercy. Fr Melville Wright, SSS, from the Blessed Sacrament Shrine, Liverpool will help us prepare for confessions this weekend.

Thank you: to our Christmas decorating team - Andy Abblitt, Brian Byrne, Roy Gerrard, John Gordon and Joe Tunstall. A special thanks to Roy for our new Christmas garlands! Also thank you to Fran Flocks and Anne-Marie Miller for the Christmas Crib which will be put up next week.

Little Church: On Sun 20th Dec, Little Church will be signing a Christmas Carol during 10:45am Mass. All young children will be made very welcome to participate and we have costumes for the Nativity scene. If any budding shepherds would like to bring a cuddly animal toy with them, please let them do so. As the song says, "All God's Creatures have got a place in the choir".

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Sudan Baby Feeding Appeal: It costs just £1 per week to feed a baby. Over recent years between 4,000 and 10,000 small children have been fed at any one time in 17 centres on the outskirts of the capital. If you would like to contribute to the appeal (perhaps as a Christmas gift), contact Marie Branch: 87 Burton Road, Neston (0151 336 4287), Cheques payable to "SVP Twinnage". Certificates can be provided if requested in the name of the recipient and your donation can also be gift aided if you are a tax payer. Forms in both porches - please return to Marie.

SPUC: We still have cards available in the hall after all Masses and in the new porch. packs of 10 cards only £2.40. Also after 10:45am Mass, a stall selling beautiful hand made jewellery sets for only £3.50.

CWL: Christmas Party on Thu 17 Dec at 7.30pm in the Hall. Will members please bring a gift and card for the secret Santa and a plate of food.

Piety Stall: Grand Christmas Raffle for silver crosses. Unfortunately the stubs of tickets sold have been lost. We need to issue replacement tickets and would be grateful if everyone who has already bought tickets contact the Piety Stall after Sunday Mass or Margaret Davies to receive a new ticket. The Draw will take place next week after 10.45 Mass in the hall. All proceeds go to the Diocesan Children's Society and tickets for these very desirable prizes will remain on sale until next Sunday.

Community: Art Sale after all Masses (incl Sat 9am) on 12/13th Dec. Originals by Joe Tunstall, Alan Carberry and Alf Davis. All profits to SPUC and Arthritis Research UK. *Christmas Reflections* by Tony Topping in both porches.

NDCT Carol Singing: All welcome to join on Sat 19th Dec - Sainsbury's Foyer at 10am; Mon 21st Dec - Bridge Court 7pm, Hinderton Mount 7:45pm, and Hinderton Arms at 8:30pm.

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Advent Week II

6th December 2015

5 Dec	SATURDAY	2 nd Sunday of Advent – Bible Sunday	6.30 pm	Roger Carr
			8.45 am	Health: T & P Nicholson
6 Dec	SUNDAY	Baptism	10.45 am	Parishioners
			12.15 pm	Niyah May
7 Dec	MONDAY	St Ambrose	9.00 am	Gladys Cooke
8 Dec	TUESDAY	The Immaculate Conception of the BVM – Start of the Year of Mercy	9.00 am	Colin Beardsworth
9 Dec	WEDNESDAY	St John Diego Cuahltlatzin	9.00 am	Health: Eileen Miller
10 Dec	THURSDAY	LPA Reconciliation Service (Confessions)	9.00 am	Health: Bridie
			7.00 pm	Holy Family - Pensby
11 Dec	FRIDAY	St Damasus I In School Carol Concert	9.10 am	Marie Byrne
			7.00 pm	NE Singers
12 Dec	SATURDAY	Our Lady of Guadalupe - Pro Life Prayers	9.00 am	Monica & Francis McKey
12 Dec	Next Weekend SATURDAY	3 rd Sunday of Advent – Reconciliation Sunday - 'Walking through the Holy Door' – Confessions after each mass	6.30 pm	Parishioners
13 Dec	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Fred Dutton
			10.45 am	Ed Gethin

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RIP: Fr John Woods (Requiem St Albans, Macclesfield at noon on 10/12), Gerard Robinson (Mass at 11am on 18/12)

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	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
Lectors Readings	M Green	M Jevons	J Braidwood	P Flanagan	K Ankers	O'Cleirigh Family
Lectors Intercessions	D Davies	Larty Family	I Trotman	K Powell	T Nolan	H Jones
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Last Sunday's Offering: Thank you for your generous support.

We welcome Fr Chris home! He writes... "I am deeply grateful for your prayers, good wishes, greetings cards etc. They have made me aware of your kindness and charity."

ADVENT AND CHRISTMASTIDE AT ST WINEFRIDE'S 2015

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Immaculate Conception: 8 th December	Start of the Year of Mercy
LPA Reconciliation Service: 10 th December	Holy Family Church, Pensby from 7pm onwards
Carol Concert: 11 th December	Neston Ecumenical Singers - 7:00 pm, St Winefride's Church
3 rd Sunday in Advent: 13 th December	Reconciliation Sunday - "Walking through the Holy Door" Opportunities for confession after each Mass
St Winefride's School: Tuesday 15 th December	Carol Service - in church at 7pm
School Advent Mass: 18 th December	End of Term Advent Mass in school 9:10am
4 th Sunday in Advent: 20 th December	Special Prayer for Expectant Mothers
Confessions: 21 st - 24 th December	A priest available in the confessional 8:15 - 8:45am
CHRISTMAS MASSES	
Christmas Eve: 24 th December	Carols: 6:30 pm, Vigil Mass: 7:00 pm; Midnight Mass
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The Baptism of the Lord: 10 th January	Blessing of all those baptised in the past year

Reconciliation Sunday: In response to Bishop Mark's invitation in his Advent pastoral letter on the Jubilee Year of Mercy, our confessional is marked in a special way, welcoming all to pass through this door to experience the Sacrament of Mercy. Fr Melville Wright SSS, from the Blessed Sacrament Shrine – Liverpool, will help us prepare for confessions next weekend.

First Communion: Last Sunday our children began an exciting journey together called, 'Small Sunday Steps towards my First Communion - Every Sunday with Saints of our Islands'. You may see them in action in the Sundays ahead. We hope to involve our confirmation candidates in a similar exercise. Please keep them in your prayers.

RCIA: After our meeting last Sunday, it was decided that those who have expressed a desire to explore the riches of Catholic faith more fully will be encouraged to participate in the "RRR" sessions on Wed eve at 7.30pm and attend regular sessions on the 2nd and 4th Sundays each month at 9.45am beginning from 10th Jan 2016.

Thank You... to the St Winefride's Social Team led by Tony Wright for successfully organising our Parish Christmas "Get Together" last Thursday in which 80 of us shared a fellowship meal. Also thanks to Kieron Grace and all who helped. On this Bible Sunday, we also express our gratitude to all the lectors in our parish who give their time generously to be readers at our liturgical celebrations.

SPUC: Dec 12th is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. A pro-life service and Stations of the Cross will take place after 9am Mass followed by seasonal refreshments. Christmas cards on sale in the church hall after all Masses. **SPUC Meeting:** Tue 8th Dec, 7:30pm in church hall.

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Piety Stall Christmas Raffle: 1st prize - a silver cross & chain in aid of the Shrewsbury Diocese Children's Society. Tickets £1 at the Stall, open after Sunday Masses.

Community: Art by Joe Tunstall, Alan Carberry and Alf Davis on sale after all Masses (incl Sat 9am) 12/13th Dec. All profits to SPUC and Arthritis Research UK.

Justice and Peace Advent Recollection: Sun 6th Dec, 4.30pm to 6.30pm, Wistaston Hall. Details on poster in porch.

Lourdes Hospitality Mass at 7.30pm on 8th Dec at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Ellesmere Port, CH65 8BY

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Advent Canvas 2015 by Joe Tunstall: Living amongst much war and strife we await our Prince of Peace. His peace which passes our understanding emanates from the star-cross of Bethlehem. The villages and their people lead us on our journey to a better Hope. And so under a starry sky shines our light of salvation - Emmanuel. Guide us Lord to prepare our hearts to receive the One refused entry in Bethlehem. And so we can say "God is with us".

YEAR OF MERCY - Activities in the Diocese of Shrewsbury

Opening of the diocesan Holy Door of Mercy: by Bishop Mark Davies at 3.30pm on Sat, 13th Dec, St Anthony's, Wythenshawe. Until Easter, the Holy Door is to be open every Saturday 10.30am- 4.00pm. From Easter until the close of the Holy Year in November, the Holy Door will be at the Cathedral.

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Advent Week I

29th November 2015

28 Nov	SATURDAY	1 st Sunday of Advent 2 nd Collection: Peter's Pence	6.30 pm	Parishioners
29 Nov	SUNDAY	First Communion Enrolment Mass	8.45 am	Sarah & Isabella Peet
30 Nov	MONDAY	St Andrew	10.45 am	Hugh Schofield
1 Dec	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Margaret Johnson
2 Dec	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	Joyce Bamford & Edward Webb
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4 Dec	FRIDAY	St John of Damascus <i>In School</i>	9.00 am	Sadie Douglas
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Watch, thou dear Lord, with those who wake, or watch, or weep tonight, and give thine angels and saints charge over those who sleep. Tend thy sick ones, O Lord. Rest thy weary ones. Bless thy dying ones. Soothe thy suffering ones. Pity thy afflicted ones. Shield thy joyous ones, and all for thy love's sake. Amen.

St Augustine of Hippo

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From Fr Ravi: Welcoming our Children to the Table of the Lord...

We mark the beginning of the new Liturgical Year by lighting the first candle in our Advent wreath and at St Winefride's, we also formally begin our First Forgiveness and First Communion preparation with our children. I invite the whole parish community to support our children and their families with your prayers so that they may learn to appreciate the Eucharist as the Sacrament of God's love and mercy. At 10.45am Mass this Sunday, Amy, Cameron, Ceol, Ellie, Greg, Martha, Millie, Murray, Niamh, Pauline, Poppy, Sam and Zack along with our confirmation candidates Beth and Niall will be presented with a medal to remind them that Jesus accompanies them in their faith journey. Liz Dolley and Kathleen Roberts will guide our children in their preparation and I will be accompanying their parents with reflective sessions on the first Wednesday of every month.

Next week being Bible Sunday, all our lectors will renew their commitment to proclaim God's Word meaningfully to the community. You also may see in the new Diocesan Year Book, that Fr Russell Cooke plans to retire at 2, Allan's Meadow, from January 2016. We extend a hearty welcome to him. We continue to keep Fr Chris in our prayers, who will return to us, hopefully, very soon. May the season of Advent open our hearts to welcome the presence of Christ into our lives and may God bless us all.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thankyou: To St Anselm's College and the Wilkinsons for the donation of a book trolley for our hymn books, to Hilda Davidson for gifting red cinctures to our altar servers, and to Joe Tunstall for his recent painting near the processional cross.

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Red Boxes: Thank you for the recent boxes. WANTED - new parish rep to take charge of emptying, counting and banking the red boxes. Contact Joe Tunstall 336 1261.

Justice and Peace Advent Reflection: Sun 6th Dec, 4.30-6.30pm, Wistaston Hall. Details on poster in porch.

St Winefride's Primary School: Winter Wonderland Friday 4th December in the School Hall 3.30-5.30pm. Includes grotto, donkey rides, tombola, craft & gift stalls, a Christmas café with mulled wine and turkey batches plus our church choir will be singing!

PA 200 Club Winners The October 2015 draw was made on 20/11/15 in the presence of Sophie Whitfield, Susan Wilding and Alison Harper. The winners: Pete Dee (155) and Sara Edwards (92), both winning £50.

Taizé Service: All welcome to share in a contemplative Advent service at 6.30pm in St Thomas' Church, Parkgate this Sunday, 29th November.

Community: Art Sale after all Masses (including Saturday 9am) on 12-13th Dec. Originals by Joe Tunstall, Alan Carberry and pictures by Alf Davies, (Geoff's father). All profit going to SPUC & Arthritis Research UK.

The Bishop's Pastoral Letter, which will be read at all Masses this weekend, is available online in our newsletter section or from the diocesan website.



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Ordinary Time Week XXXIV

22nd November 2015

21 Nov	SATURDAY	<i>Solemnity of Christ the King Special Prayer for Young People</i>	6.30 pm	Margaret Johnson
22 Nov	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Parishioners
23 Nov	MONDAY	<i>St Clement, St Columban</i>	9.00 am	Raymond Williams
24 Nov	TUESDAY	<i>St Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions</i>	9.00 am	Kay Headland
25 Nov	WEDNESDAY	<i>St Catherine of Alexandria</i>	9.00 am	Peggy Blacklock
26 Nov	THURSDAY	<i>CWL Bereavement Mass</i>	9.00 am	Matthew Allen
			7.00 pm	For the faithful departed
27 Nov	FRIDAY	<i>In School</i>	9.10 am	Sp Int: Mary Henesy
28 Nov	SATURDAY	<i>Ordinary Time Ends</i>	9.00 am	Health: Tecla Dominici
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Last Sunday's Offering: Thank you for your generous support.

Fr Chris continues to make good progress and hopes to return next week. He thanks us all for our good wishes as we pray for his well being and safe journey home.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

First Communion: Parents of children preparing for First Communion are invited to an important meeting on Wednesday, 25th November at 6pm in our Primary School. This meeting is for those parents with children at St Winefride's as well as in other schools.

Please complete the form available in the 'Car Park' porch or on the parish website and do bring your diary along as many important dates will be finalised at the meeting. We are grateful to Liz Dolley and Kathleen Roberts who will be preparing our children this year. We welcome anyone interested in helping our children and their parents prepare for this important sacrament. First Forgiveness will be celebrated in March 2016 and First Communion on Saturday, 18th June at 10am.

Confirmation: All our young people in Year 8 or above and who wish to be confirmed are invited to. Forms are available in the porch and online. We welcome anyone interested in helping our candidates prepare for this stage in their faith journey. Confirmation will be in June 2016 in Heswall.

RCIA: First meeting 29th November.

November List: You are welcome to place the names of your loved ones in the November List box placed near the altar. As we have done in the last three years, all the papers will be burned in a prayer service on Monday 30th November near the grotto of Our Lady. Please do not place Mass offerings in the box - there are special envelopes for these in both porches.

Year of Mercy: Pope Francis has proclaimed a special Jubilee Year of Mercy starting from 8th December 2015 until the Solemnity of Christ the King, 2016. We welcome your suggestions and ideas to make this time of grace, meaningful for our parish community.

Thank You: To our musicians and choir for their dedication, commitment and great singing on St Cecilia's feast day.

Singing the Mass: The music team have been learning new Mass settings for Advent. In deciding what to sing we follow the guidelines issued by our Bishops. If there is to be singing at Mass, there is a priority of what should be sung namely the Gospel and Eucharistic Acclamations, (highlighting the most important parts of the Mass), then the Gloria and Psalm ('songs' in themselves). Hymns reflect the readings and antiphons of the day, the liturgical season of the church or feast day. As singers and musicians, we lead the music and encourage participation in our sung Eucharist. We welcome all those who enjoy music and singing to join us! For more information please take a look at the Music section on the parish website or contact Maria Slater or Louise Wilkinson: music@stwinefridesneston.org.uk.

CWL: Charity raffle tickets on sale 28/29 Nov, 5/6 Dec. Draw on Sun 6th Dec after the 10.45am Mass in the hall.

Annual Bereavement Mass: Thurs 26th Nov, 7pm. We remember our CWL members and those who are no longer with us in the Parish. Refreshments in the hall afterwards.

Catholic Children's Society: Unwrapped gift donations (especially for teenagers) required to assist those in dire need can be placed in the porch. Cash donations also accepted (give to Marie-Lou or leave in presbytery). Thanks!

SPUC: Christmas cards (with a traditional Christmas message) on sale in the church hall after all Masses. After the 10.45 mass there will be a stall selling lovely hand made jewellery with sets for only £3.50. Ideal for Christmas presents.

Parish Christmas Meal: Please pay £11 this weekend and place your payment in an envelope with a completed menu choice (menus in porches) with your name and phone number marked 'Parish Meal'. Return to presbytery. If you still wish to join us contact Tony Wright 07889063579 or Kieran 07966764848 as soon as possible. socials@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

Piety Stall: We have restocked for the Christmas season and have a good selection of seasonal items, along with our usual stock. Advent calendars, Christmas cards, calendars, diaries and gifts. We are open in the church hall after each Sunday Mass. All proceeds go to the Shrewsbury Diocese Children's Society.

LPA Advent Reconciliation Service: There will be opportunities for prayer and individual confession at the reconciliation service organised for Neston, Heswall and Pensby at the Holy Family Church, Pensby on Thursday 10th December from 7pm onwards.

IV Diocesan Symposium: Lourdes: Open to the World Dr Alessandro De Franciscis. Sat 28th Nov 9:30am - 3:30pm St Ambrose College, Hale Barns WA15 0HE. Register 652 9855 or pauline.mcculloch@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

NDCT Prayer Breakfast: 28th Nov 8.30am at Parkgate and Neston URC.

NE Singers Carol Concert: Fri 11th Dec at 7pm in church

From Joe Tunstall: Christ the King 2015: In this acrylic painting Our Saviour's kingship is that of our Servant King whose rule is rooted in the cross of Calvary. So here is our Lord not seated on a large gold throne but uniting heaven and earth in love, standing between the heavens and planet earth. His open arms invite a response to his call to love; his open arms mirror the cross piece of his 'infamous jibbet' upon which hung the Saviour of the world.

Entrance Hymn for the Solemnity of Christ the King

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Let us build a house where love can dwell,
And all can safely live,
A place where saints and children tell
How hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
Rock of faith and vault of grace;
Here the love of Christ shall end division:

*All are welcome, All are welcome
All are welcome in this place.*

Let us build a house where prophets speak,
And words are strong and true
Where all God's children dare to seek
To dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness,
And as symbol of God's grace;
Here as we claim the faith of Jesus

Let us build a house where all are named,
Their songs and visions heard
And loved and treasured, taught and claimed
As words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
Prayer of faith and songs of grace,
Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:



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Ordinary Time Week XXXIII

15th November 2015

14 Nov	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Parishioners
		33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.45 am	Judith Valkenburg
15 Nov	SUNDAY		10.45 am	Kevin Morris
		Baptism	12.30pm	Lorna Maya Wyatt
16 Nov	MONDAY	St Edmund, St Margaret, St Gertrude	9.00 am	Phil Ratcliffe
17 Nov	TUESDAY	St Hilda, St Hugh, St Elizabeth of Hungary	9.00 am	Int: Sarah & Isabella Rose Peet
18 Nov	WEDNESDAY	Dedication of the Basilicas of Peter & Paul	9.00 am	Health: Mgr Chris Lightbound
19 Nov	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Int: Darrin Knez
20 Nov	FRIDAY	In School	9.10 am	Don Miller
21 Nov	SATURDAY	The Presentation of the BVM	9.00 am	Peter Anderson
21 Nov	Next Weekend SATURDAY	34 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Margaret Johnson
			8.45 am	Parishioners
22 Nov	SUNDAY	Solemnity of Christ the King Special Prayer for Young People	10.45 am	Catherine and John Southwell

Weekdays: Adoration from 8.00 am; Morning Prayer 8:40 am; Rosary following 9.00 am Mass
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 11.00-11.30am and 5.45-6.10pm

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	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
Lectors <i>Readings</i>	K Powell	Larty Family	H Jones	M Wilkie	T Nolan	V Casey
Lectors <i>Intercessions</i>	A Flanagan	K Ankers	M Slater	C Haines	T McGlynn	M Unsworth
EMHC	J Gordon M Branch	S Ety T McGlynn	D Pover K Holden	M Green D Davies	K Garrod K Ankers	T Topping M Slater
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Last Sunday's Offering:

Thank you for your generous support.

Year of Mercy: On 8th December 2015, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, Pope Francis will open a Holy Year of Mercy. The Pope desires that the year "will be steeped in mercy, so that we can go out to every man and woman, bringing the goodness and tenderness of God! May the balm of mercy reach everyone, both believers and those far away, as a sign that the Kingdom of God is already present in our midst!" (Bull of Indiction 5). The Year will close with the liturgical Solemnity of Christ the King on 20 November 2016. Pope Francis announced the opening of the Year by making a Bull of Indiction, some extracts below.

Jesus, is the face of Mercy: 'Jesus Christ is the face of the Father's mercy. These words might well sum up the mystery of the Christian faith. Mercy has become living and visible in Jesus of Nazareth, reaching its culmination in him.' (1)

Holy Door: 'I will open the Holy Door on the fiftieth anniversary of the closing of the Second Vatican Ecumenical Council. The Church feels a great need to keep this event alive. With the Council, the Church entered a new phase of her history. The Council Fathers strongly perceived, as a true breath of the Holy Spirit, a need to talk about God to men and women of their time in a more accessible way.' (4)

Mercy is concrete: '...the mercy of God is not an abstract idea, but a concrete reality with which he reveals his love as of that of a father or a mother, moved to the very depths out of love for their child. It is hardly an exaggeration to say that this is a "visceral" love. It gushes forth from the depths naturally, full of tenderness and compassion, indulgence and mercy.' (6)

Never gives up: 'In the parables devoted to mercy, Jesus reveals the nature of God as that of a Father who never gives up until he has forgiven the wrong and overcome rejection with compassion and mercy. (9)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

First Communion: Parents of children preparing for First Communion are invited to an important meeting on Wednesday, 25th November at 6pm in our Primary School. This meeting is for those parents with children at St Winefride's as well as in other schools.

Please complete the form available in the 'Car Park' porch or on the parish website and do bring your diary along as many important dates will be finalised at the meeting. We are grateful to Liz Dolley and Kathleen Roberts who will be preparing our children this year. We welcome anyone interested in helping our children and their parents prepare for this important sacrament. First Forgiveness will be celebrated in March 2016 and First Communion on Saturday, 11th June at 10am.

Confirmation: All our young people in Year 8 or above and who wish to be confirmed are invited to enroll in the next few days. Forms are available in the porch and online. We welcome anyone interested in helping our candidates prepare for this stage in their faith journey. Confirmation will be in June 2016 in Heswall.

RCIA: Adults wishing to explore the beauty of the Catholic faith are invited to confirm their interest by 15th November. First meeting 29th November, the first Sunday of Advent.

November List: You are welcome to place the names of your loved ones in the November List box placed near the altar. As we have done in the last three years, all the papers will be burned in a prayer service on Monday, 30th November near the grotto of Our Lady. Please do not place Mass offerings in the box - there are special envelopes for these in both porches.

Year of Mercy: Pope Francis has proclaimed a special Jubilee Year of Mercy starting from 8th December 2015 until the Solemnity of Christ the King, 2016. We welcome your suggestions and ideas to make this time of grace, meaningful for our parish community.

Thank You: We have received many positive comments about the way we celebrated the living memory of our departed family and friends. Special thanks to our flower team, choir and musicians for organising it so well. I would like to specially thank all those who help regularly at our funeral services/requiems. Many visitors at these services have appreciated the warmth and consolation they experience in our church.

SPUC: Christmas cards (with a traditional Christmas message) on sale in the church hall after all Masses. After the 10.45 mass there will be a stall selling lovely hand made jewellery with sets for only £3.50. Ideal for Christmas presents.

CWL: Meeting on Thursday 19th November at 7.30 pm in the Church Hall. There will be a demonstration on how to enjoy making flower arrangements for Christmas. Will members please bring their gifts for the Christmas hampers. Tickets will be on sale at all Masses on 28/29th November and 5/6th December.

Annual Bereavement Mass: Thursday 26th November at 7.00 pm. We remember our CWL members and those who are no longer with us in the Parish. There will be light refreshments in the hall following Mass

Parish Christmas Meal: Places are still available at Kri Kri for 3rd December - please sign up on the forms in the porches ASAP if you can join us. For those registered, please pay £11 by Sunday 15th Nov and place your payment in an envelope with a completed menu choice (menus in porches) with your name and phone number marked 'Parish Meal'. Return to presbytery or or hand to us after Mass. Contact Tony Wright 07889063579 or Kieran 07966764848 socials@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

Piety Stall: We have restocked for the Christmas season and have a good selection of seasonal items, along with our usual stock. Advent calendars, christmas cards, calendars, diaries and gifts. We are open in the church hall after each Sunday Mass. All proceeds go to the Shrewsbury Diocese Children's Society.

IV Diocesan Symposium: Lourdes: Open to the World Dr Alessandro De Franciscis. Sat 28th Nov 9:30am - 3:30pm St Ambrose College, Hale Barns WA15 0HE. Register 652 9855 or pauline.mcculloch@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

Again! Fr Ravi is away for four days from Tuesday, 17th November until Friday, 20th November, attending a wedding - out of the country! Masses and other activities will continue as normal.

Fr Chris: continues to convalesce and is making good progress. He thanks us all for our good wishes, prayers and cards. We look forward to his return shortly and continue to keep him in our prayers.



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Ordinary Time Week XXXII

8th November 2015

7 Nov	SATURDAY	32 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Remembrance Sunday	6.30 pm	For all the faithful departed
8 Nov	SUNDAY		8.45 am	For those killed in war
			10.45 am	For the deceased of our Parish
9 Nov	MONDAY	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	9.00 am	Anthony Benson
10 Nov	TUESDAY	St Leo the Great Funeral	9.00 am 11:00 am	Jean Dackombe Roger James Carr
11 Nov	WEDNESDAY	St Martin of Tours	9.00 am	Int: C T Haimes
12 Nov	THURSDAY	St Josaphat	9.00 am	Peter Roebuck
13 Nov	FRIDAY	In School	9.10 am	Bernie Phelan
14 Nov	SATURDAY		9.00 am	Peter Durrant
14 Nov	Next Weekend SATURDAY	33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm	Parishioners
			8.45 am	Judith Valkenburg
15 Nov	SUNDAY		Baptism	10.45 am 12:30 pm

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RIP: Roger Carr, Judith Valkenburg, John Kane, Fr Francis Connolly

	7 th /8 th November			14 th /15 th November		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
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Last Sunday's Offering: Thank you for your generous support.

From Fr Ravi... We are One!

We welcome the recently bereaved who will join our Masses this weekend. We pray along with them in gratitude for their loved ones and I am sure, they will experience our love and concern. Traditional Catholic theology on the Communion of Saints reminds us that the Church exists in three states: the Church in glory, the church in purification and the church on a pilgrimage. As Baptism and Eucharist makes us all One Body, we trust in the intercessions of those sharing in God's glory and also in the effectiveness of our prayers for those departed family and friends. May this communion help us to realise that it is 'in God, that we live and move and have our being'. May God bless us all.

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CWL News: Thank you to all who came to our Autumn lunch in aid of Mary's Meals. We are so grateful for your generosity and support for such a worthy cause. Funds raised on the day, other donations and cash from our personal Mary's Meals boxes total £450 to date. This total will be doubled as pledged by the government.

Committee Meeting on Thursday 11th November at 7.30pm in the church hall

SPUC: Christmas cards on sale in the church hall after all Masses. All cards with a traditional Christmas message. After the 10.45 mass there will be a stall selling lovely hand made jewellery with sets for only £3.50. Ideal for Christmas presents.

Our National Coffee Morning last Saturday raised £146 and the Pro Life Walk of Witness has so far raised £345 many thanks for all your wonderful support for our Pro Life Work.

Fr Chris thanks us all for our prayers. He is now convalescing and if you wish to write to him, his address is: Boarbank Nursing Home, Boarbank Hall, Grange-over-Sands, LA11 7NH.

ENTRANCE HYMN: We Place into your Hands

(Tune to Dear Lord and Father of Mankind)

- We place into your hands, O Lord,
the souls of those we love:
we trust your promise is not vain
that all, through grace and faith, may gain
a place in heaven above,
a place in heaven above.
- We place into your hands, O Lord,
this world and all its care,
The grief and hurt and pain we feel,
when desperation makes us kneel
in silent, wordless prayer,
in silent, wordless prayer.
- We place into your hands, O Lord,
These burdens that we bear:
Each sorrow and each past regret,
And ask that in our hearts you'll set
your peace beyond compare,
your peace beyond compare.
- We place into your hands, O Lord,
our future and our past:
And as you bless us on our way,
and travel with us night and day,
your love will hold us fast,
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Words Ally Barrett



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Ordinary Time Week XXXI

1st November 2015

31 Oct	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Jane Haimes
1 Nov	SUNDAY	<i>Solemnity of All Saints</i>	8.45 am	Gladys Cooke
			10.45 am	Parishioners
2 Nov	MONDAY	<i>Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed. Blessing of the Cemetery</i>	9.00 am	For our deceased Family and Friends
3 Nov	TUESDAY	<i>St Winefride, Patron of our Parish</i>	9.00 am	Sp Int: Francis Byrne
4 Nov	WEDNESDAY	<i>St Charles Borromeo</i>	9.00 am	Daniel Healy
5 Nov	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Fred Barber
6 Nov	FRIDAY	<i>In school Funeral Service</i>	9.10 am 1:30 pm	Matthew Allen Judith Valkenburg
7 Nov	SATURDAY	<i>St Willibrord</i>	9.00 am	Ciaran Donnelly
7 Nov	Next Weekend SATURDAY		6.30 pm	For all the faithful departed
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Last Sunday's Offering: Thank you for your generous support.

Fr Ravi... Synod: Walking together....

We have been following the proceedings of the Synod on the Family with great interest and I am sure you will find resources to keep yourselves updated on the issue. True to its principle (synod meaning 'walking together') the leaders of the church walked alongside each other while at the same time accompanying humanity, especially listening to the cry of wounded humanity. It was an encounter that is bound to lead to a greater appreciation of God's mercy and compassion in all our lives, especially those who need them most.

In the words of Cardinal Wuerl of Washington DC: "Try to live the teaching in the context of where you are, and don't give up because you're not living it perfectly. And don't consider yourself no longer a part of the Church if you're not living it perfectly."

I am grateful Mgr Chris Lightbound, Deacon Mike Topping and all our volunteers whose generous commitment to our parish helped me to enjoy a restful holiday back home in India and my parents are grateful to each one of you for the growth - at all levels (!) - they see in me. Fr Chris is due for a medical procedure on Nov 2nd and will be 'out of action' for a while. We wish him a speedy recovery and keep him in our prayers!

November is a month when we remember with gratitude all those who have died. On Monday, there will be a Blessing of the Cemetery after the morning Mass. At Masses next weekend, the names of those whose funerals were celebrated in our church in the last three years will be read out and specially prayed for. Please do let your family and friends know of this special prayer for the departed.

I will be joining Year 6 children from our primary school on a pilgrimage to Holywell on the feast day of St Winefride. We will be praying for all your intentions, especially the sick, those in hospitals and the recently bereaved.

May God bless us all!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

November List: In keeping with the St Winefride's tradition of remembering our loved ones we will be inviting anyone who wishes to place the names of deceased family and friends in a basket on the altar from 1st Nov.

Remembrance Sunday: During each Mass on 7th/8th Nov we will be remembering all our deceased family and friends. The 10:45 am Mass will be a special sung Eucharist. Please do invite any who have lost loved ones to join us at this time.

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Parish Christmas Meal: Thursday 3rd Dec at 6:30pm at *KriKri*. Price is £11 for starter, main and a glass of wine. Due to limited places it's first come first served. Sign up lists in both porches or contact Tony Wright 07889063579 or Kieron Grace 07966764848 socials@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

Thank You: To Ruth Pisarek for her gift of a monstrance to the parish. To our EMHC who led the Celebrations of Word and Communion during October, which were much appreciated by everyone.

Piety Stall: We have restocked for the Christmas season and have a good selection of seasonal items, along with our usual stock. Advent calendars, christmas cards, calendars, diaries and gifts of all sorts. We are open in the church hall after each Sunday Mass. All proceeds go to the Shrewsbury Diocese Children's Society.

CWL: Autumn lunch in the church hall on Weds 4th Nov 12 - 2.30pm: home made soup and fresh bread followed by tea and coffee. Also a raffle! Proceeds donated to Mary's Meals (serving over a million life-changing meals to the world's poorest children every school day). It costs £12.20 to feed a hungry child for a school year! More info available on the day.

SPUC: Christmas cards on sale in the church hall after all Masses. All cards with a traditional Christmas message.

Hymn books: Many of you may be aware that our current hymnals contain the 'old' words for sung mass settings, which can no longer be used and some hymns have been updated or amended. Revised books containing the new Mass translation settings will be purchased to replace the current books and enable the choir to introduce some standard mass settings used in other parishes. We hope you enjoy singing from them on the first Sunday in Advent.

Justice & Peace: Study Day 'The Imperative to Change' on Pope Francis' Encyclical 'Laudato Si' Saturday 21st Nov 11am - 3pm at St Agnes' West Kirby. No charge and a light lunch is included. Registration essential for catering purposes: mgmacook@aol.com 0151 625 6512

Department of New Evangelisation: Looking @ Luke. An opportunity to explore and learn about St Luke's Gospel. Led by Fr Michael Coughlin. Tue 10th Nov, 7.00 - 8.30pm, St Werburgh's Parish Centre, Birkenhead CH41 2XZ.

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A Tidy Afternoon Tea: Thurs 26th Nov, 2-6pm: Royal Liver Building, Liverpool. Cartoonist, Bill Tidy MBE, has kindly agreed to give an audience for The Clatterbridge Cancer Charity. Bill will be penning cartoons and presenting to the audience. There will also be an opportunity to purchase Bill Tidy cartoons on the day. A limited number of tickets are available priced at £30. Enquiries on 0151 482 7948 or maureen.ellison@clatterbridgecc.nhs.uk



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Ordinary Time Week XXX

25th October 2015

24 Oct	SATURDAY	31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 nd Collection: Poor Clare's	6.30pm	Olive & Frank Mulcahy
25 Oct	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Anne Poole
26 Oct	MONDAY	Ss Chad & Cedd	10.45 am	TG: Joan and Barry Partridge
27 Oct	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Celebration of Word and Communion
28 Oct	WEDNESDAY	Ss Simon & Jude	9.00 am	TG: Mary Henesy
29 Oct	THURSDAY	Blessed Martyrs of Douai	9.00 am	Int: Helen Madgar
30 Oct	FRIDAY		9.00 am	Tom Dobby
31 Oct	SATURDAY		9.00 am	Fr Dennis Marmion
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Community News: *From Dorothy Barber* An unplanned filling of shoeboxes occurred this year and a small group of us managed to fill 22 sponsored by the YSVP. Thank you to all who contributed.

Thank you to Ruth Pisarek whose work in mending, washing and ironing the altar servers' albs has been much appreciated.

Reflections Booklet 2 by Tony Topping available in porches and online in the Resources section.

SVP Concert: In conjunction with the SVP, Our Lady of Lourdes and Sacred Heart Parish are hosting a Charity Concert on Friday 30th October at 7:00pm at Sacred Heart Parish Centre, Hoyle Road, Moreton, CH46 9QA. This is to raise awareness and fundraise for all the families involved in the refugee crisis. Music, raffle prizes and a bar Tickets £5 Rose Mullarkey 07905952798 rose@mullarkey.org.uk

Justice & Peace: Study Day '*The Imperative to Change*' on Pope Francis' Encyclical '*Laudato Si*' Saturday 21st Nov 11am - 3pm at St Agnes' West Kirby. Ellen Teague, Tablet journalist and member of the Columbans' JPIC team, will speak on Laudato Si and Paul Kelly, member of the Lancaster Diocese Faith and Justice Commission, will speak on climate change. No charge and a light lunch is included. Registration essential for catering purposes: mgmacook@aol.com 0151 625 6512

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St Winefride's School: The winners of the September draw of the 200 Club draw were picked at the Parents Association AGM. Congratulations to the lucky winners Mrs K Lightfoot (No 184) and Mrs L Cowell (No. 183) who both win £50 each.

We pray for the safe return of Fr Ravi this week and hope he has enjoyed his time with his family, returning to St Winefride's rested and invigorated. Welcome back Fr Ravi!



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24 Oct	Next Weekend SATURDAY	30 th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 nd Collection: Poor Clare's	6.30 pm	Olive and Frank Mulcahy
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Tue: The Transfiguration; Wed: The Coming of the Kingdom; Wed: The Baptism of the Lord in the Jordan; Thu: The Birth of Jesus; Fri: The Institution of the Holy Eucharist; Sat: The Resurrection

On the evening of Sat, 24th Oct, Pilgrims will gather in the Garden of Gethsemane to watch for an hour with the Blessed Sacrament. You may wish to join them by praying the Sorrowful mysteries of the Rosary. (As usual, holy hour at St Winefride's will be held from 8-9am on Saturday).

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Catholic Voice: Autumn issue in both porches.

World Mission Sunday Prayer

Loving Father,
You so loved the world that you sent us your only Son,
that we might believe in him and have eternal life.
May we encounter Jesus Christ anew this day
and live the Good News with joy.
Through the power of your Holy Spirit,
help us to "go out to the whole world and proclaim"
our faith with confidence.
Give us the courage to witness to the Joy of the Gospel
by our words and actions.
Help our parish to become
more welcoming and missionary,
so that you may be known and loved by all people.
We make this prayer through
Our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God for ever and ever,
Amen.



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16 Oct	FRIDAY	St Hedwig, St Margaret Mary Alacoque Funeral Service	9.00 am 1.30 pm	Celebration of Word and Communion Kevin John Clements
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Prisoners' Sunday: As a Church we are asked to pray for those who are affected by imprisonment. It is estimated that 200,000 children are affected by parental imprisonment across England and Wales. Often when a parent is imprisoned the children are twice as likely to experience behavioural and mental health problems and are less likely to do well at school.

Prayer for Prisons Week

Lord, you offer freedom to all people.

We pray for those in prison.

Break the bonds of fear and isolation that exist.

Support with your love prisoners and their families and friends, prison staff and all who care. Heal those who have been wounded by the actions of others, especially the victims of crime.

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Shrewsbury Diocese Lourdes Hospitality: Extraordinary meeting at 2pm on Sunday 18th Oct at St Wilfrid's Parish Centre, Northwich, CW9 5NP.

Shrewsbury Diocesan Refugee Response: Catholic Children's Society has been named as the Diocesan point of contact. A Facebook page has been opened to enable information sharing, links to useful websites and opportunities for parishes and groups to inform/involve others in fundraising activities. www.hcathchildsoc.org.uk www.facebook.com/CathChildSociety

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First Forgiveness and Holy Communion 2016: Those parents with children in Year 3 or above who would like their children to begin their preparation for First Communion are invited to register by 15th Nov. Forms are available online or in the new porch. Children at St Winefride's Primary will be contacted in school. The Enrolment Mass will be on 29th November, the first Sunday of Advent. First Forgiveness will be celebrated in March and First Communion in June.

Confirmation 2016: We welcome all our young people in Year 8 or above wishing to be confirmed to register by 15th Nov. Forms are available online or in the new porch. Confirmation next year may be in Heswall. Date to be confirmed later.

RCIA: Adults who wish to explore the beauty of the Catholic faith are invited to let us know their interest by 15th Nov. Our first meeting will be on 29th Nov, the first Sunday of Advent. A special welcome to those who have been worshipping with us for many years and wish to discern their spiritual journey further.

CWL: Committee Meeting on Thursday 8 October at 7.30 pm in the Church Hall.

SPUC: The Annual Walk of Witness took place this Saturday 3rd October. Please will you sponsor our witness and effort for the unborn child. Sponsor forms are available in both porches. Thank you. *Pro Life talk* - "Reflections of a Midwife of Conscience", talk given by Mary Doogan one of the Glasgow Midwives on Saturday 24th Oct 2.30pm till 4.30pm at St Joseph's parish centre, Birkenhead. See Notices in both porches. We can arrange lifts. Contact Margaret on 336 2050.

40 Days for Life - Autumn Campaign runs from the 23rd September to 1st November. For more information see www.40daysforlife.com/manchester-uk

Christmas Cards - now on sale in the church hall after all Masses. Lovely cards this year and all have the traditional Christmas message to send to family and friends.

Poor Clare's Hawarden: Autumn Fair 17th October 11:00am - 1:00pm at Ty Mam Duw, Upper Aston Hall Lane, Hawarden, CH5 3EN. In aid of World Youth Day in Krakow, Poland 2016.

Justice & Peace: Study Day "The Imperative to Change" on Pope Francis' Encyclical *Laudato Si* Saturday 21st Nov 11am - 3pm at St Agnes' West Kirby. Ellen Teague, Tablet journalist and member of the Columbans' JPIC team, will speak on *Laudato Si* and Paul Kelly, member of the Lancaster Diocese Faith and Justice Commission, will speak on climate change. No charge and a light lunch is included. Registration essential for catering purposes: mamacook@aol.com 0151 625 6512

Shrewsbury Diocese Lourdes Hospitality will be holding an extraordinary meeting at 2pm on Sunday 18th Oct at St Wilfrid's Parish Centre, Northwich, CW9 5NP, as agreed at the recent AGM. All members of the hospitality are welcome. For further details kathemsley@gmail.com.

Young Adults (18-35) weekend retreat: ACTS' (Adult Catholics Together Spiritually) annual retreat 23rd-25th Oct. Led by Mgr Paul Groghan at Sandymount Retreat Centre, Blundellsands. Cost £120 but we ask for an anonymous donation. siobhanbc@talktalk.net 0161 477 2783.

Diocesan Vacancies: Three posts available in the Diocesan Education Department based at the Curial Offices in Birkenhead. Closing date for applications: 14th Oct 2015. For further information, please see posters in the porch or on the diocesan website: www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/education/vacancies/diocesan

NDCT: Harvest Celebration on Sunday October 11th at Hinderton Mount. 2:50 - 3:30pm with time to have tea with the residents thereafter. Please let Deacon Mike know if you can join the celebration.

Orthodox Icon Exhibition: *Various Ways to Depict a Sacred Image*. Sacred Space Gallery, London, 16th - 30th November 2015. Details on posters in porch.

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day Prayer

Lord, all good things come from you.
You are so loving and generous,
you fill our world with wonders.
Inspire us to open our hearts
and share your gifts,
so that those who are hungry may flourish.
Through your grace,
we pray all may celebrate fullness of life.
Help us to be more compassionate,
to be aware of your love in each person,
and to live as children of one family.
We ask this through Christ our Lord,
Amen.