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Holy Week

29th March 2015

28 Mar	SATURDAY	<i>Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion</i>	6.30 pm	Stanley & Agnes Jones
29 Mar	SUNDAY	<i>Holy Week</i>	8.45 am	The Parish
			10.45 am	Josie Tobin
30 Mar	MONDAY		9.00 am	John Murphy
31 Mar	TUESDAY		9.30 am	First Forgiveness with Children
			9.00 am	Int: Mary Henesy
1 Apr	WEDNESDAY	<i>Church School St Columba's - Chester</i>	9.30 am	First Forgiveness with Children
			9.00 am	Baby Daniel J Elavathingal
2 Apr	THURSDAY	<i>Holy Thursday Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper</i>	9.10 am	Children's Holy Week Mass
			7.00 pm	Mass of Chrism
3 Apr	FRIDAY	<i>Good Friday The Celebration of the Lord's Passion Collection: Holy Places</i>	7.30 pm	The parish Adoration/Watching
4 Apr	SATURDAY	<i>Holy Saturday - The Sacraments are not celebrated today</i>	Till Midnight	
			9.00 am	Confessions
4 Apr	SATURDAY	<i>Next Weekend Easter Vigil</i>	10.00 am	Stations of the Cross
			3.00 pm	Service
5 Apr	SUNDAY	<i>Easter Sunday</i>	10.00 am	RCIA
5 Apr	SATURDAY		7.30 pm	The Parish – Adult Baptisms and Reception of Candidates
			8.45 am	David Stringer
5 Apr	SUNDAY		10.45 am	Pat, Joe, Tom Ellis

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

Please pray for the sick, especially: Alan Jones, Pam Grace, Fr Fred Robinson, Laura Growney-Stone, Kevin Bradford, James Rourke, Molly Hopkins, Claire Heverin, Paula Tunstall, Jane Haimes, Karl Smith, Vincent Marmion, Marie Claire, Margaret Maw, Stacey Leadbetter, Louisa Johnson, James Mulligan Jr, Francesca Grace Peet, Jeannie Cartledge, Angela Willasey, Karen Dawson, Fiona Hardman, Julie Jones, Bernie Phelan, Joan Cleary, Beatrice Barker, Clare Thompson, Pauline Bennett, Jack Henesy, Win Bayley, Lynne Smith, Louise Quigg, David Bell, Tony Peet, Columba Haggart, Jean Benson, Alma Merrick, Gerard Robinson, Beth Philcott, Kevin Hennessy, Matthew Allen, Bernice Darby, Grace Nicholls, Dorothy Barber, Ann Clowes, Bill Postlethwaite, Paul Doherty.

RIP: Winifred Yates, Frances Lyonette, Richard Wool

From Fr Ravi.... Thank You!

So many have helped us in the past few weeks to keep our parish active and vibrant. And we are so grateful to them: Friday Stations of the Cross - SPUC, CWL, EMHC & Lectors, SVP, Catechists and last year's Confirmation candidates, RRR; Reconciliation Sunday - Fr Michael Coughlan; St Patrick's Night to our Social Team - Tony Wright and Kieron Grace; Romero Evening to our Justice and Peace Reps - Catherine and Paulo Lisboa, Rita Cassidy; Deacon Lawrence and SVP Walsingham Pilgrimage for presenting us the ciborium in memory of Fr Denis; Women's World Day of Prayer - Veronica Cuthbert; to our Primary School - Mrs Ormes, the staff and all parents - for the weekly mass with children; our Choir - Louise Wilkinson, Maria Slater & Co who have been regularly practicing for so many Sundays; RCIA - Jayne Peet, Dee Roberts and team for preparing our candidates and catechumens; our liturgy sheet producers - Helen Jones and Karl Ankers; and all our regular ushers, cleaners, sacristans, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and readers, flower team and everyone. The leadership shared by so many in our parish community is something that we all can be proud of.

Father Chris and Deacon Mike join me in assuring you of our prayers in this Holy Week and wish you and all the families in our Parish, the blessings of the Risen Lord.

As we come to the end of our Lenten Season we remind ourselves of this year's Lenten theme: "Fear not... you are precious in God's eyes."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Cleaning: W Morgan and A-M McLean

First Communion: The next session for the parents of First Communion children will be on Tuesday, 31st March at 7pm and our children will help in our singing and praying on Sunday, 19th April at 10.45am mass. Please do keep them all in your prayers as they celebrate their First Forgiveness during the Holy Week. First Communion celebrations will be on Saturday, 13th June at 10am.

Confirmation: The preparation for those candidates who have registered for Confirmation will begin after Easter. This year, the sacrament will be celebrated in Pensby on Wednesday, 17th June at 7pm.

Cemetery Records: We thank you for your cooperation in updating our records. If there are still unmarked graves of your family and friends, please do attend to them asap. Those of you who have reserved burial plots, please do contact Fr Ravi after Easter but before the end of April. This information will not be displayed. We do hope to have a complete record by May 2015. Again, thanks for your understanding.

EMHC: Following our diocesan training day, a meeting of EMHC was held last week to discuss some of the points made at the training day in relation to our ministry at St Winefride's. A summary will be forwarded to all ministers. Comments and clarification welcome.

From St Win's Justice and Peace Team: This week St. Winefrides' Parish held a Justice and Peace event to celebrate life of Archbishop Oscar Romero, thirty five years after he was killed while saying Mass and two months to the day of his beatification in San Salvador. There was not a seat to spare in our Church Hall so a massive thank you goes to all who supported the event. The evening started with a sung prayer on a theme dear to Romero's heart. Our grateful thanks go to guest speaker Margaret Lillis for a powerful account of the social role of CAFOD in El Salvador. Margaret set in context the courage and sacrifice as Romero stood against oppression under the fiercest pressure and ultimately at the cost of his own life. It was heartening to see how Romero's personal tragedy lives on in a spirit of solidarity and endurance. The talk made Romero's legacy relevant today and showed why his beatification means so much to Christians all around the world, serving as an inspiration to live our faith with active support for dignity and justice and echoing his own words that Peace is generosity, it is right and it is duty.

From St Wins Social Team: St Patrick's Evening - Thank you for an enjoyable evening and we are especially grateful for the band - Richard Stamper, Carl Parry, Ian Howie, Ronnie Smith and Peter Bradshaw.

RCIA invite all to join us for refreshments in the Parish Hall following the Easter Vigil.

Catholic Voice: Please do pick up a copy available in the Church Porches: an interesting report is included from our Primary School.

Music Practices: Our rehearsal on Sunday 29th March will be at the later time of 7pm in church. There will be an extra rehearsal at 7.30pm on Tuesday 31st March.

YSVP: Easter Egg Raffle – tickets will be on sale after 10:45am mass.

NDCT: An election 'Question Time' public meeting is taking place on 7.30pm Friday 10th April in Neston Town Hall organised by the NDCT. The residents of Neston have the opportunity to put forward a question for debate to the parliamentary candidates for Ellesmere Port and Neston and listen to their responses. To submit a question for debate on the evening please email: carriespacey@aboutmyarea.co.uk Give the following information by no later than 1st April: Full Name; Place of residence; State if the question is a local, national or international issue; One question of no more than 50 words. We cannot guarantee all questions can be answered but every effort will be made to collate questions with similar areas of interest and the subject matter will be well aired. Alternatively you can submit a question in writing to NDCT Reps Deacon Mike or Kate Hughes by 1st April.

Ecumenical: Good Friday Market Stall 10am-12noon in the Market Square, Neston. Organised by Ss Marys and Helen's Sunday Parish Clubs.

FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

21/4: A look at First Sacraments - Wirral

28/4: Sharing the Word with children – Wirral

15/5:10-3:30pm: 'What is a Catholic Curriculum in the Light of New Evangelisation' Park Royal Hotel, Warrington.

16/5:10:30-3pm: 'The Single Life'; 'The Vocation to Marriage and Family' Ellesmere Port Catholic High School

16/6: RCIA an invitation - Wirral

19-29/6: Exhibition on St Teresa of Avila, Shrewsbury Cathedral (500th anniversary of her birth)

20/6: Day Conference for Confirmation Catechists

25/7: Diocesan Conference for Catechists

Last Sunday's Offering: Many thanks for your generous support.

	<i>Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion March 28th/29th</i>			<i>Easter Sunday April 5th</i>	
	<i>6:30pm (Vigil)</i>	<i>8:45am</i>	<i>10:45am</i>	<i>8:45am</i>	<i>10:45am</i>
Readings	E Williams	M Jevons	M Slater	H Jones	M Unsworth
Intercessions	J Williams	H Jones	O'Cleirigh Family	R Pisarek	J Tunstall
EMHC	D Davies	K Hughes	J Tunstall	M Davies	T Topping
	P Middlehurst	T McGlynn	D Barber	K Gerrod	A Cropper
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Lent V

22nd March 2015

21 March	SATURDAY	5 th Sunday of Lent-Reconciliation Sunday With Fr Michael Coughlin	6.30 pm	Sammie Meadows
22 March	SUNDAY		8.45 am	The Parish
			10.45 am	Sandra Sally
23 March	MONDAY	St Toribio De Mogrovejo	9.00 am	Health: Richard Wool
24 March	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Thanksgiving: M Henesy
25 March	WEDNESDAY	The Annunciation of the Lord	9.00 am	Lilian O'Neill
26 March	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Peggy Belcher
27 March	FRIDAY	School Mass & Stations of the Cross (R-R-R)	9.10 am 7.00 pm	Fr Richard O'Donovan OMI Health: Rosemary McDowell
28 March	SATURDAY		9.00 am 12 noon	Thanksgiving: Joan Bartley Katie Louisa Boyd
29 March	Next Weekend SATURDAY	Passion (Palm) Sunday Holy Week	6.30 pm	Stanley & Agnes Jones
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From Fr Ravi... Celebrating Oscar Romero's Martyrdom

Archbishop Romero was murdered on 24th March 1980 as he was celebrating the Eucharist. He has become a symbol for all those who struggle for justice and peace in today's world. To celebrate his life, our Justice and Peace representatives, have organised a Romero evening. Margaret Lillis who was in El Salvador recently will share her experiences with us at 7:30pm on Monday 23rd March in the Church Hall. All are welcome. Romero, thanks to Pope Francis, will be beatified on May 23rd 2015 in San Salvador on the day before Pentecost.

We know that every effort to better society especially when injustice and sin are so ingrained, is an effort that God blesses, that God wants, that God demands of us.

Oscar Romero, martyred archbishop of El Salvador 24th March, 1980



	5 th Sunday in Lent 22 nd / 23 rd March			Palm Sunday 28 th /29 th March		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
Readings	S Davies	T McGlynn	E Spearpoint-Walsh	E Williams	A-M Miller	M Slater
Intercessions	B Phelan	Larty Family	I Trotman	J Williams	M Jevons	O'Cleirigh Family
EMHC	M Green K Ankers	S Eddy M Davies	D Pover E O'Sullivan	D Davies P Middlehurst	K Hughes T McGlynn	J Tunstall D Barber
Counters	Kevin and Roy			Andrea, Marie and Briege		

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Cleaners: Louise Wilkinson, Tina Davies

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions): We welcome and thank Fr Michael Coughlin for his presence with us this Reconciliation Sunday. Priests will be available for Confessions after each mass this weekend.

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Music Rehearsal: We will practice as usual at 4pm in church on Sunday 22nd and 29th March, and also at 7.30pm on Tuesday 31st March. Do visit the music section on the parish website to hear some of the music we are singing during Holy Week.

Church Cleaning: We are still looking for four more people to join the church cleaning rota, so that we have three people in each team. You would be required to clean one week in six. Please contact Louise Wilkinson on 336 1096 or louise@wilkinsontowers.com.

CWL: There will be coffee, tea and cakes on Sunday 22nd March, after 10.45 Mass, hosted by the CWL.

RCIA: We are planning a half day pilgrimage to Holywell on the afternoon of Sunday 26th April 2015 and all are welcome to join us. More details to follow. Please contact Jayne on 336 6281.

Piety Stall: Holy Communion and Confirmation cards and gifts now available after each Sunday Mass in the Church Hall. All proceeds go to the Diocesan Children's Society.

SVP: The SVP wish to thank the parishioners for their generous response and support at our recent appeal. SVP members please note no meeting Monday 23rd March.

PARISH DIARY FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

RCIA: every Tuesday, 7pm
Read-Reflect-Respond: every Wednesday, 7.30pm
Mass and Stations: every Friday at 7pm

23/3	Romero Evening 7.30pm
01/4	Chrism Mass, St Columba's Chester 7pm
02/4	Maunder Thursday , Mass and Adoration 7.30pm
03/4	Good Friday , Confessions 9am, Stations 10am, Service 3pm
04/4	Easter Vigil , 7.30pm

FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

28/3: 10-3.30pm **Introduction to the Liturgy:** Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port Contact: Rowena Nield 0161 440 8619.

21/4: **A look at First Sacraments** - Wirral

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20/6: **Day Conference for Confirmation Catechists**

11/7: **Proclaim 15:** A special event in Birmingham. If interested please contact the Parish Office

25/7: **Diocesan Conference for Catechists**

28-29/7 – 4-5/8: **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** for information: www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk

19-26/10: **Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land:**

Contact Fr David Long, St Alban's Wallasey. Info on noticeboards.

FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

29/3: **Explore2**, 2pm from Year 11 upwards at St Chad's High School, Runcorn.

15/5: **'What kind of Person does God really want me to be?'** at St Werburgh's Parish Centre (evening tbc)

2016 World Youth Day: Krakow

Contact: ysvp@stwinefridesneston.org.uk for more information or the parish office.

Fr Denis: The SVP Walsingham Group have kindly donated a Ciborium in memory of Fr. Denis. The inscription reads: *In Memoriam Fr. Denis Marmion, chaplain, SVP Walsingham Pilgrimage 2007 – 2014.* Deacon Lawrence Hordley, who has led the pilgrimage in recent years, will present the ciborium to Fr. Ravi at the 10.45 am Mass this Sunday 22nd March.

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Lent IV

15th March 2015

14 Mar	SATURDAY	4 th Sunday of Lent 2 nd Collection: SVP Mother's Day	6.30 pm 8.45 am	The Parish Kit Aheran
15 Mar	SUNDAY	Adoration & Confession	10.45 am 3 – 4 pm	Louis O'Sullivan In union with the whole Church
16 Mar	MONDAY	Funeral Service	9.00 am 1.00 pm	Health: Bernice Darby Muriel Elizabeth Jacques
17 Mar	TUESDAY	St Patrick	9.00 am	Health: T. P. Nicholson
18 Mar	WEDNESDAY	St Cyril of Jerusalem Funeral Service LPA Reconciliation at OLSJ - Heswall	9.00 am 2.00 pm 7.00 pm	Int: K. A. Bunting Pamella Williams Confessions
19 Mar	THURSDAY	St Joseph Funeral Service (Blacon)	9.00 am 11.20 am	Sp. Intention David Lawrence Lawless
20 Mar	FRIDAY	School Mass & Stations of the Cross (Catechists)	9.10 am 7.00 pm	TG: Gabrielle Cropper Nickson & Chambers Families
21 Mar	SATURDAY		9.00 am	Margaret Pott
21 Mar	Next Weekend SATURDAY	5 th Sunday of Lent – Reconciliation Sunday with Fr Michael Coughlin – Confessions after each mass	6.30 pm	Sammie Meadows
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15/3	Adoration & Confessions 3-4pm with the whole Church
18/3	LPA Reconciliation: OLSJ, Heswall 7pm
20/3	EHMC Meeting 7:45pm in Church
21/3	St Patrick's Night: 8pm
21-22/3	Reconciliation Sunday, Fr Michael Coughlin
23/3	Romero Evening 7.30pm
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GIFT AID SCHEME 2015/16

Weekly envelopes are now available in the boxes for 2015/16 from the rear porch. They are in surname alphabetical order to enable you to select your box quickly after mass. The new yellow envelopes start on Sunday 12th April 2015 i.e. the new tax year, so please do not use them before this date. **If you are no longer a tax payer please let Mike Jevons know as soon as possible.**

If you are you a tax payer and donate cash each Sunday into the loose plate, please consider joining the Gift Aid Scheme as we can claim 25p back from the Government for every £1 donated at no cost to you! There is a minimum potential sum of over £1,500 that we lose every year.

All you have to do is sign one form declaring you are a taxpayer and then decide whether to donate by a bank standing order or by weekly envelopes. Forms are available to directly from Mike Jevons, Scheme Administrator 336 5026 or online from our website.

If you need any further information to help you to decide whether or not to join the Gift Aid Scheme please do not hesitate to contact Mike.

SVP ANNUAL APPEAL: Loving thy neighbour-making it happen in our community through the SVP

The St Vincent de Paul Society is an international Catholic voluntary organisation which aims to help all individuals and families in the spirit of justice and charity, helping those who are suffering in whatever form.

SVP at St Winefride's

We have a long history going back over more than 30 years; our group plans its work by meeting every Monday night at 7:30. It has the aim of providing friendship and practical support to any members of our community who may need a helping hand.

We provide companionship and support to the sick or vulnerable, whether at home, in a nursing home or in hospital. In our community, we carried out over 800 visits last year; many of these are to our regular clients, these range from having a chat to helping fill in official forms (and the occasional crossword!). We organise a Christmas party for our clients; an opportunity for them to meet up together.

As well as our work in the parish we support overseas SVP Twinning projects. In India, we sponsor students to help with their education. Just £15 helps one student with their studies for a year. And in Sudan, we support projects working with local people including a baby feeding programme.

The Furniture Project, run by the Ellesmere Port conference is one way we provide practical help. Volunteers collect unwanted furniture to sell in the SVP shop, the proceeds supporting our work. Please call 0151 355 0689 for details.

We are one of eight 'Conferences' in the Chester and Cheshire West District SVP sharing a holiday home in North Wales. Our sponsored walk and theatre night contribute to meeting the annual running costs. If you know someone who could benefit please contact us.

How you help the SVP

We are grateful and thankful for the many Parishioners doing SVP work every day. We encourage you to continue your support through community action, practical support, funds and importantly, your prayers.

Five of our long serving members have retired in the last 12 months: Derek Pover, Mike Dickman, Geoff Davies, Joan Braidwood and Dorothy Barber. We wish them well for the future and thank them for their service to our community; it is amazing to realise they have more than 100 years of combined service to the SVP! If you are interested in joining the SVP please contact Peter Middlehurst or one of our members to find out more.

We are here to help, please get in contact with us

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Cleaners: L Dee, A Williams, D Roberts

Happy Mother's Day to all our mothers. We thank you for all that you are to us and assure you of all our love, gratitude and prayers!

Praying with Pope Francis: We congratulate Pope Francis on the 2nd anniversary of his election (13/3). Our Holy Father has called on all churches to be kept open for 24 hours this weekend, to enable us to pray before the Blessed Sacrament and to approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In union with the whole church, we have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 3pm this Sunday (15/3) when a priest will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession).

Music Practice: Sunday 15th March at 4pm in Church.

Oscar Romero Evening: Mon 23rd March 7.30pm in the Parish Hall: Catherine/Paulo Lisboa: 336 1980 justiceandpeace@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

Gardening Volunteers: Due to retirements etc we would welcome more volunteers to keep our gardens and graveyard looking good! If anyone can help out (an hour or so every fortnight) please contact David McNulty on 336 1959, or Eric Wallace 336 7010, ericwallace12@hotmail.com

St Patrick's Night: Church Hall Saturday 21st March. £5 per person. A few tickets left. Contact Tony Wright 07889063579 or Kieron Grace 07966 764848.

CWL: Meeting Thurs 19th March 7.30pm in the Church hall. The speaker is from 'Women's Refuge'. Tea, coffee and cakes on Sunday 22nd March, after 10.45 Mass.

Taizé Service: Sunday 22nd March 6:30pm St Thomas's, Parkgate.

Prayer Vigil for Religious Freedom: Join Bishop Mark at Holy Apostles & Martyrs, St George's Road, Wallasey on Friday 20th March at 7pm.

	4 th Sunday in Lent 14 th /15 th March			5 th Sunday in Lent 21 st /22 nd March		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
Readings	K Ankers	T Nolan	B/J Braidwood	S Davies	T McGlynn	E Spearpoint-Walsh
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Lent III

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7 March	SATURDAY	3 rd Sunday in Lent	6.30 pm	The Parish
8 March	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Clare Pentall
			10.45 am	Austin Coyle
9 March	MONDAY	St Frances of Rome	9.00 am	David Stringer
10 March	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Margaret Sheila Webb
11 March	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	Terry Saunders
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From Fr Ravi: Cemetery Records...

Thank you for the keen interest you have shown in the last few days in checking the information of those of our loved ones resting in our churchyard. Your help will assist us in compiling an accurate and complete record, as far as possible.

As you are familiar by now, our cemetery is organised into different sections (A to H) and each grave/cremation plot has been allotted a number. This has been on display since last Sunday. Based on the feedback we have received, we have also displayed a list in alphabetical surname order which gives you complete information – section and plot number, year of death and the deceased's unique ID number.

I would suggest that these details are noted and recorded in any wills or files, as it may help avoid needless hassles and confusions. Again, to help everyone, the information will be on display until Sunday, 22nd March 2015. May God bless us all!

	3 rd Sunday in Lent 7 th /8 th March			4 th Sunday in Lent 14 th /15 th March		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
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Intercessions	M Green	T McGlynn	J Tunstall	D Davies	R Pisarek	T Topping
EMHC	P Middlehurst K Powell	M Davies T McGlynn	K Holden T Topping	J Gordon M Branch	K Hughes K Garrod	J Tunstall M Slater
Counters	Paul and Shirley			Brian and Fran		

Rotas available online

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Cleaners: L Wilkinson and T Davies

Church Cleaning: We are looking for more volunteers to join a one week in six rota. Please contact Louise on 336 1096 or louise@wilkinsontowers.com

CWL Committee: Meeting on Thursday 12th March at 7.30 pm at Angela's.

Music Practice: We will be continuing our rehearsals of music for Holy Week at 4pm on Sunday 8th March.

First Communion: We thank our children for leading various prayers last Sunday and their next special mass is on Sunday, 19th April at 10.45am. The next session for their parents is on Tuesday March 31st at 7pm.

Parish Census: It is five years since the last comprehensive census of the Parish took place. In order to update the records, would parishioners who are new, those with adjustments to the family, or any change of address, please fill in a card/form available in the porch or by e-mail to parishcensus@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

St Patrick's Night: Musical evening in the Church Hall Saturday 21st March There will be a cold buffet and you can bring your own drink. £5.00 per person. 1st come 1st served. Contact Tony Wright 07889063579 or Kieron Grace 07966 764848.

Commissioning of Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC): On Saturday 28th February a day of formation was held at Ellesmere Port Catholic High. 420 ministers were present and the opportunity to share our thoughts on how we proclaim the Word of God and carry out our EMHC ministry were of benefit as well as understanding our roles more fully in the context of the universal church. All the 25 ministers who attended have now been formally commissioned by Bishop Mark for the next five years. There will be a meeting to discuss our experiences for all EMHC on Friday March 20th at 7:45pm after Mass and Stations of the Cross in church. Please do try and attend.

SVP Walsingham Pilgrimage and Theatre Trip: 13-16/4 contact Peter Middlehurst 336 1269 for forms.

Prayer Vigil for Religious Freedom: Join Bishop mark at Holy Apostles & Martyrs on Friday 20 March at 7:00pm.

General Election 2015: The Bishops have written a joint letter to all Catholics in England and Wales encouraging us to vote in the election and offering some key issues and questions for reflection on where candidates stand. Copies are available on our website and in both porches. Additional information is available from the Bishops' Conference website www.catholicnews.org.uk. Please read the Letter and encourage others to do the same.

Piety Stall: Holy Communion and Confirmation cards and gifts now available after each Sunday mass in the Church hall. All proceeds go to the Diocesan Children's Society.

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Read-Reflect-Respond: every Wednesday, 7.30pm

Mass and Stations: every Friday at 7pm

14/3	Adoration & Confessions 8-9am with the whole Church
15/3	Adoration & Confessions 3-4pm with the whole Church
18/3	LPA Reconciliation: Our Lady & St John's Heswall 7pm
20/3	EHMC Meeting 7:45pm in Church
21/3	St Patrick's Night: 8pm
21-22/3	Reconciliation Sunday, Fr Michael Coughlin
23/3	Romero Evening 7.30pm
01/4	Chrism Mass, St Columba's Chester 7pm
02/4	Maunder Thursday , Mass and Adoration 7.30pm
03/4	Good Friday , Confessions 9am, Stations 10am, Service 3pm
04/4	Easter Vigil , 7.30pm

FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

28/3: 10-3.30pm **Introduction to the Liturgy:** Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port. Contact: Rowena Nield 0161 440 8619.

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19-26/10: **Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land:** Contact Fr David Long, St Alban's Wallasey. Info on noticeboards.

FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

29/3: **Explore2**, 2pm from Year 11 upwards at St Chad's High School, Runcorn.

15/5: **'What kind of Person does God really want me to be?'** at St Werburgh's Parish Centre (evening tbc)

2016 World Youth Day: Krakow

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Lent II

1st March 2015

28 Feb	SATURDAY	2 nd Sunday in Lent – 2 nd Collection From Family Fast Day	6.30pm	John Cooper
1 March	SUNDAY	First Communion Children Baptism	8.45 am	The Parish
2 March	MONDAY		10.45 am	Robert Jones
3 March	TUESDAY		12 noon	Amelia Rose
4 March	WEDNESDAY	St Casimir	9.00 am	Sammie Meadows
5 March	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Pat Standish
6 March	FRIDAY	Class Mass (School) Mass & Stations of the Cross (SVP)	9.00 am	Special Intention
7 March	SATURDAY		9.00 am	Sp Int: Elizabeth Roebuck
7 March	SATURDAY	Baptism	11:00 am	Fr Denis Marmion
7 March	SATURDAY	Next Weekend 3 rd Sunday of Lent	7.00 pm	Eileen Wilson
8 March	SUNDAY		9.00 am	Finton Brannigan
8 March	SUNDAY		12 noon	Chloe Elsie Pealing
8 March	SUNDAY		6.30 pm	The Parish
8 March	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Clare Pentall
8 March	SUNDAY		10.45 am	Austin Coyle
<p>Weekdays: Adoration from 8.00 am; Morning Prayer 8:40am; Rosary following 9.00am Mass Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 11.00-11.30am and 5.45-6.10pm</p>				
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<p>RIP: Muriel Jacques</p>				

From Fr Ravi: Remembering our Family and Friends gone before us...

Walking through our churchyard, one can easily write the history of our parish community. They are the people whom we have known well and loved dearly. As you may have seen in our back porch, our churchyard is organised into different sections (see map) and each burial/cremation plot has been allotted a number. Full details are displayed and we are aware that the data maybe incomplete. Kindly check the information and we would welcome any corrections/changes/amendments so that we can have an accurate and complete record of those resting in our churchyard. This will be on display until Sunday 15th March 2015.

May God Bless us all.

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Counters	Paulo, Tony and Rick			P and S Doherty		

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First Communion: We thank our children for the special 10.45am mass this Sunday and the monthly session with their parents would be on Tuesday, 3/3 at 7pm.

Confirmation: If interested in being confirmed this year, please let Fr Ravi know by this weekend.

Music Practice: We will be continuing our rehearsals of music for Holy Week at 4pm on Sunday 1st March. The keyboard has been moved to help better coordination.

Altar Servers Meeting: No meeting on 2nd March.

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SVP Walsingham Pilgrimage and Theatre Trip: 13-16/4 contact Peter Middlehurst 336 1269 for forms or theatre tickets for the Bebington Dramatic Society - Alan Aykbourn's Neighbour Watch at the Gladstone Theatre Port Sunlight on 4/3, tickets £8.00.

SPUC: Meeting this month is on Thursday 5th March 7.30pm in our church hall. All Welcome.

His Eminence Cardinal Burke is a guest speaker at the SPUC youth and student conference in Southport next weekend. He is also giving a talk entitled "Remaining in the Truth of Christ on Holy Matrimony" next Friday evening the 6th March at 7pm in the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel, Warrington Road, Chester. All are invited to attend. See notice in the new porch for more details.

Recommended Readings for Lent: Cardinal Walter Kasper's Mercy, The Essence of the Gospel or his forthcoming new book, Pope Francis' Revolution of Tenderness and Love, may be helpful. The Catholic Bishops have published a set of guidelines to guide us in our discernment towards the General Election. The Church of England too has an interesting text and both are available on our website.

Women's World Day of Prayer 2015 Friday, March 6th : St Winefride's Church - 2pm, afterwards refreshments served in Parish Hall; Parkgate & Neston U.R.C. - 7.30pm WWDP is not FOR women but FROM women: it is women's gift to the whole church - to everyone irrespective of age, gender, denomination, politics or anything else...it is about men and women of all ages worshipping and praying together using a service prepared by the Christian women of a particular country. St Winefride's WWDP Rep is Veronica Cuthbert: 336 7150 for further details or see website.

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Lent I

February 22nd 2015

21 Feb	SATURDAY	1 st Sunday in Lent – Bishop Mark's Pastoral Letter	6.30 pm	Tom & Janet McKeown
22 Feb	SUNDAY		8.45 am 10.45 am	The Parish Sheila Reid
23 Feb	MONDAY	St Polycarp	9.00 am	Norman Perryman
24 Feb	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Splnt: C Haimes
25 Feb	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	Dolores Gafney
26 Feb	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Int: Erna Stern
27 Feb	FRIDAY	Family Fast Day / School Mass & Stations of the Cross (CWL)	9.10 am 7.00 pm	Health: Tony Forshaw Theresa Connor
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Cleaners: Brian and Veronica Casey

First Communion: We look forward to our First Communion children singing and praying with us at 10.45am mass on Sunday 1st March. The 3rd session for parents is on Tuesday 3rd March at 7pm in the Church hall.

Confirmation: Please could Candidates wishing to be Confirmed this year register before the end of Feb. Confirmation celebrations take place at Holy Family Church, Pensby on 17th June at 7pm.

Piety Stall: Holy Communion and Confirmation cards and gifts now available after each Sunday mass in the Church hall. All proceeds go to the Diocesan Children's Society.

Altar Servers: Next meeting Thurs 26th February at 7pm, and repeated on Monday 2nd March at 5pm

Training for Ministers & Readers: 10am-3pm Sat 28th Feb at Ellesmere Port Catholic High. If you need transport, please inform Tony Topping or Joe Tunstall.

Parish Census: Will parishioners who are new, or who have adjustments to their family or address, please fill in a card/form available in the new porch or e-mail to Fr Ravi or parishcensus@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

Website: Lenten Resources now live. Details of our events, materials for reflection and NDCT house groups and lent lunches are given in full.

NDCT: Lent lunches begin Feb 23rd with the first at 12:30pm in the Church hall hosted by CWL. Lent House Groups also start at differing times throughout next week - details online or on the posters in the porches.

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Church Cleaners: We have 13 people who clean the church once in six week rota. We require 5 more volunteers so that 3 people on each team can cover for sickness and holidays. Please contact Louise on 336 1096 or louise@wilkinsontowers.com.

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(excluding regular weekday and Sunday Masses)

"Fear not... you are precious in my eyes" (Isaiah 43)

Sat-Sun, 21 st – 22 nd Feb		FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT - Bishop's Pastoral Letter Sun 10:00 am Rite of Election - RCIA
Mon 23/2	12:30pm	NDCT Lent Lunch (CWL), Parish Hall
Fri 27/2	7:00pm	Mass and Stations of the Cross (CWL) - Friday Abstinence – Prayers for the needy and hungry
Sat 28/2	10:00–3:00pm	Training Day for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers, Ellesmere Port Catholic High
Sat – Sun, 28 th Feb – 1 st Mar		SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT - Family Fast Day 2 nd Collection Sun 10:45 am First Communion Children
Fri 6/3	2:00pm 7:00pm	Women's World Day of Prayer Mass and Stations of the Cross (SVP) - Friday Abstinence
HOLY WEEK		
Sat – Sun, 28 th – 29 th Mar		PASSION SUNDAY (Palm Sunday)
Mon-Wed 30/3 – 1/4	9:30am	Priest available for Sacrament of Reconciliation/First Forgiveness
Wed 1/4	7:00pm	CHRISM MASS, St Columba's Chester
Thur 2/4	7:30pm	MAUNDY THURSDAY Mass of the Lord's Supper – Fr Terry Boylan Adoration at the Altar of Repose until Midnight
Fri 3/4	9:00-10:00am 10:00am 3:00pm	GOOD FRIDAY Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) Stations of the Cross - Canon Brendan Hoban Celebration of the Lord's Passion – Fr Chris Lightbound
Sat 4/4	7:30pm	HOLY SATURDAY Easter Vigil – Fr Ravi Bosco
Sun 5th Apr		EASTER SUNDAY
Mon 6/4	10:00am	Mass
OTHER SPIRITUAL ACTIVITIES IN LENT		
Tuesdays 6.45 – 8.00pm RCIA		
Wednesdays 7:30 – 8:30 pm Read-Reflect-Respond		
Monday 23 rd Feb NDCT weekly Lenten House Groups and Lenten Lunches begin		
Home Masses – please contact Fr Ravi if you would like to arrange a house mass		

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Ordinary Time Week VI/Lent

15th February 2015

14 Feb	SATURDAY	6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Prayer for the Unemployed	6.30pm	The Parish
15 Feb	SUNDAY		8.45am	Margaret Harris
			10.45am	TG: Betty Davies
16 Feb	MONDAY	Pilgrims for Teresa Higginson	9.00am	Marjorie du Boulay
			11-4pm	Mass, Adoration and Rosary
17 Feb	TUESDAY	Seven Founders of the Order of Servites	9.00am	Int: Geoff and Margaret Davies
18 Feb	WEDNESDAY	ASH WEDNESDAY	9.00am	Int: Joan Bartley
			7.30pm	The Parish
19 Feb	THURSDAY		9.00am	Tom Sellers
20 Feb	FRIDAY	Funeral Service Mass & Stations of the Cross (SPUC)	10.30am	Lawrence Neil Jacques
			7.00pm	Sammy Meadows
21 Feb	SATURDAY	St Peter Damian	9.00am	Special Intention
21 Feb	Next Weekend SATURDAY	1 st Sunday in Lent – Bishop Mark's Pastoral Letter	6.30pm	Tom & Janet McKeown
			8.45am	The Parish
22 Feb	SUNDAY		10.45am	Sheila Reid
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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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Cleaners: W Morgan, A-M McLean.

Music: Practice on Sunday 15th February at 4pm.

CWL Meeting on Thursday 19th Feb at 7.30pm in the Church Hall.

Oscar Romero Evening: Mon 23rd March 7.30pm.
Catherine/Paulo Lisboa: 336 1980
justiceandpeace@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

Read-Reflect-Respond: Wednesdays 7:30pm in the presbytery.

SPUC White Flower Appeal last weekend raised £613 many thanks for your ongoing support and for your prayers for the unborn. if anyone missed the appeal and would like to donate to our prolife work, freepost envelopes are available in both porches for you to send a donation direct to SPUC. The latest edition of the Pro Life times will be given out this weekend, free of charge, please take one per family. Pro Life Prayers said at the Lady altar every Thursday after morning morning Mass.

Altar Servers: The next meeting will be held, on Thurs 26th February at 7pm, and repeated on Monday 2nd March at 5pm Angela Van Opstal at altarservers@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

SVP: Theatre tickets (£8) for *Neighbourhood Watch* by Alan Ayckbourn, 4th Mar, 19:30 at the Gladstone Theatre, Port Sunlight, proceeds to support the SVP. Please see posters in porches.
Pilgrimage to Walsingham: 13th-16th April. Contact Peter Middlehurst 336 1269 for theatre tickets or pilgrimage forms.

St Winefrides School: Wear It, Beat It Day. One in four of our loved ones are lost to heart and circulatory disease. On 6 February, the children and staff of St. Winefride's Catholic Primary School and 'Little Gems' Pre-School joined the British Heart Foundation in their 'Wear It, Beat It' Day to help raise money for vital research.

For a donation of £1 per child, the children were invited to come into school wearing red. Children arrived in school completely dressed in red, with faces painted red, wearing red curly wigs, moustaches, ribbons and bows, and even a red onesie! Given that the day after saw the fiercely competitive Merseyside Derby between Everton and Liverpool, there were many Liverpool tops in evidence (and the odd Manchester United shirt), even the Everton supporters fans entered into the spirit, wearing just a hint of red!

The children enjoyed showing their support and raised a fantastic £210. Thank you to all our children, parents and staff for their support, and a special thank you to Mrs. Astbury, mother of Johnathan in Year 3, for organising a colouring competition as part of the day.

Training Day for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers: 28/02/15 at Ellesmere Port, Catholic High 10am – 3pm.

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Sat-Sun, 21 st – 22 nd Feb		FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT - Bishop's Pastoral Letter Sun 10:00 am Rite of Election - RCIA
Mon 23/2	12:30pm	NDCT Lent Lunch (CWL), Parish Hall
Fri 27/2	7:00pm	Mass and Stations of the Cross (CWL) - <i>Friday Abstinence – Prayers for the needy and hungry</i>
Sat 28/2	10:00–3:00pm	Training Day for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers, Ellesmere Port Catholic High
Sat – Sun, 28 th Feb – 1 st Mar		SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT - Family Fast Day 2nd Collection Sun 10:45 am First Communion Children
Fri 6/3	2:00pm 7:00pm	Women's World Day of Prayer Mass and Stations of the Cross (SVP) - <i>Friday Abstinence</i>
Sat – Sun 7 th – 8 th Mar		THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
Fri 13/3	7:00 pm	Mass and Stations of the Cross (Readers/Eucharistic Ministers) - <i>Friday Abstinence</i>
Sat – Sun 14 th – 15 th Mar		FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
Wed 18/3	tbc	LPA Reconciliation, Our Lady and St John, Heswall
Fri 20/3	7:00pm	Mass and Stations of the Cross (Catechists) - <i>Friday Abstinence</i>
Sat – Sun, 21 st – 22 nd Mar		FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT - Reconciliation Sunday, Fr Michael Coughlan Priests available after each Mass for Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)
Mon 23/3	7:30pm	<i>Oscar Romero Talk/Slideshow</i> , Margaret Lillis
Fri 27/3	7:00pm	Mass and Stations of the Cross (Read-Reflect-Respond) - <i>Friday Abstinence</i>
HOLY WEEK		
Sat – Sun, 28 th – 29 th Mar		PASSION SUNDAY (Palm Sunday)
Mon-Wed 30/3 – 1/4	9:30am	Priest available for Sacrament of Reconciliation/First Forgiveness
Wed 1/4	7:00pm	CHRISM MASS, St Columba's Chester
Thur 2/4	7:30pm	MAUNDY THURSDAY Mass of the Lord's Supper – Fr Terry Boylan Adoration at the Altar of Repose until Midnight
Fri 3/4	9:00-10:00am 10:00am 3:00pm	GOOD FRIDAY Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) Stations of the Cross - Canon Brendan Hoban Celebration of the Lord's Passion – Fr Chris Lightbound
Sat 4/4	7:30pm	HOLY SATURDAY Easter Vigil – Fr Ravi Bosco
Sun 5th Apr		EASTER SUNDAY
Mon 6/4	10:00am	Mass
OTHER SPIRITUAL ACTIVITIES IN LENT		
Tuesdays 6.45 – 8.00pm RCIA		
Wednesdays 7:30 – 8:30 pm Read-Reflect-Respond		
Monday 23 rd Feb NDCT weekly Lenten House Groups and Lenten Lunches begin		
Home Masses – please contact Fr Ravi if you would like to arrange a house mass		

	6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time 14 th /15 th February			7 th Sunday in Ordinary Time 21 st /22 nd February		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
Readings	J Williams	T Nolan	T Topping	A Flanagan	R Pisarek	I Trotman
Intercessions	E Williams	A-M Miller	E Spearpoint-Walsh	P Flanagan	M Jevons	M Slater
EMHC	P Middlehurst M Green	S Etty K Hughes	J Tunstall E O'Sullivan	B Roberts E Williams	K Garrod M Davies	T Topping E Barber
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Ordinary Time Week V

8th February 2015

7 Feb	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	Margaret Harris
8 Feb	SUNDAY	5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Prayer for Victims of Human Trafficking – White Flower Appeal	8.45 am	The Parish
			10.45 am	Cath & Ray Green
9 Feb	MONDAY		9.00 am	Maureen-Ron Jones & Family
10 Feb	TUESDAY	St Scholastica	9.00 am	Margaret Harris
11 Feb	WEDNESDAY	Our Lady of Lourdes – Prayer for the Sick	9.00 am	Sally & John Hogan
12 Feb	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Health: Tim Nicholson
13 Feb	FRIDAY	School	9.10 am	Terence Ronan
14 Feb	SATURDAY	Ss Cyril & Methodius – Prayer for Europe Baptism	9.00 am	Fr Gerry Courell
			12 noon	Sophia Mae Robinson
14 Feb	Next Weekend SATURDAY	6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Prayer for the Unemployed	6.30 pm	The Parish
15 Feb	SUNDAY		8.45 am	Margaret Harris
			10.45 am	TG : Betty Davies

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

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

Please pray for the sick, especially: Alan Jones, Pam Grace, Fr Fred Robinson, Laura Growney-Stone, Kevin Bradford, James Rourke, Molly Hopkins, Claire Heverin, Paula Tunstall, Jane Haines, Karl Smith, Vincent Marmion, Marie Claire, Margaret Maw, Stacey Leadbetter, Louisa Johnson, James Mulligan Jr, Francesca Grace Peet, Jeannie Cartledge, Angela Willasey, Karen Dawson, Fiona Hardman, Julie Jones, Bernie Phelan, Joan Cleary, Beatrice Barker, Clare Thompson, Pauline Bennett, Jack Henesy, Win Bayley, Lynne Smith, Louise Quigg, David Bell, Tony Peet, Columba Haggart, Jean Benson, Alma Merrick, Gerard Robinson, Beth Philcott, Kevin Hennessy, Geoff Davies, Marion Morris, Matthew Allen, Bernice Darby.
RIP: Lawrence Neil Jacques, Robert Jones, William Hannaway, Sammy Meadows

From Fr Ravi... God's Compassionate Touch!

The First Reading this Sunday from Job, can possibly reflect our feelings and emotions, especially as we read about children being buried alive, women being crucified and men beheaded and burnt - cruelties that lead us to question the essence of religion, faith and even our humanity.

Even as we seek to discern God's will for us in all the incomprehensible atrocities of the past and present, we keep our eyes focussed on the Cross all the more as the Season of Lent is almost upon us. The God *with* us we celebrated at Christmas is the same God who *suffers* with us and *for* us - the essence of the Paschal mystery.

Simon's mother-in-law, in today's Gospel, experienced both cure (physically) and healing (socially - a marginalised widow engaging in ministry, *diakonia*). In the midst of our search and questioning, may we and our societies, experience cure and healing in God's compassionate touch of humanity.

May God bless us all!

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Counters	Marie, Andrea and Briege			Dee and Jayne		

Church Cleaners: L Wilkinson and T Davies

First Communion: We thank our First Communion children, their Parents, Catechists, Prayer Sponsors and everyone for the very meaningful celebration of the Eucharist we had last Sunday at 10.45am. Many told me that they liked the one-line penitential and bidding prayers. Again, the 2nd session with the parents last Tuesday proved to be enriching and Fr Chris' presence was truly inspiring! Thank you everyone.

Confirmation 2015: As announced earlier, this year our LPA Confirmation will be celebrated at Holy Family, Pensby on Wednesday 17th June at 7pm. Those interested, please do let Fr Ravi know.

Read-Reflect-Respond: The opening session last Wednesday helped those who attended to understand the Sunday readings more deeply and we welcome those interested to join us on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm in the Presbytery.

Training Day for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers: The Diocese is organising this special session on Saturday 28th Feb at Ellesmere Port, Catholic High from 10am – 3pm. It is important that all our ministers attend this event. Those who participate will then be commissioned by Bishop Mark for these important ministries within the Eucharistic celebration.

Music: There will not be a choir practice this Sunday (8th February). The next rehearsal will be on Sunday 15th February at 4pm when we will begin our music for Easter. We would welcome more voices.

Jubilee Meeting: Friday 10:30am in the Parish Office for all those who have volunteered to help with organising Fr Chris' Diamond Jubilee celebration.

Altar Servers: Many thanks to our committed altar servers and their parents who attended and supported our first monthly meeting. The next meeting will be held, on Thurs 26th February at 7pm, and repeated on Monday 2nd March at 5pm so as many as possible can attend. We have some exciting plans and ideas to share with the parish in due course! If you missed the meeting or have made your first communion and wish to join us please do contact Angela Van Opstal at altarservers@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

St. Winefride's School: This week, our primary school received a letter from the Minister of State for Schools, Rt. Hon. David Laws MP, congratulating us on our continued improving results for our pupils, in particular our disadvantaged children and telling us that we narrowly missed qualifying for the Pupil Premium Awards 2015. Mr. Laws underlines the fact that our school is effective in providing children with a good start in their educational life and preparing them well for secondary school. He also thanks the staff, governors, parents and pupils for their hard work and success, and the Leadership Team for making such a difference to the future achievements of all the children, asking us to share our good practice with other schools so that they can learn the strengths and experience of St Winefride's. *Well done to everyone involved!*

SPUC: White Flower Appeal this weekend. Please give generously to this very worthy cause.

Meeting: at 7.30pm Next Tuesday 10th February in our church hall. All are welcome.

Pro Life prayers: at the Lady Altar after Mass every Thursday.
2015 Youth and Student Conference: 6th - 8th March at the Ramada Hotel in Southport. Our group would love to sponsor young people (16 to 35) from our parish family. See posters in the porch. Contact Margaret on 336 2050 for more information.

Oscar Romero Evening: Monday 23rd of March 7.30 pm. Archbishop Oscar Romero was recently ruled by Pope Francis to have died as a martyr, paving the way to his beatification. A short slide show by a CAFOD representative who recently returned from a visit to El Salvador will be held in the Church Hall, followed by conversation and light refreshments to celebrate his life and work. If you are interested to come please let us know by ringing 0151 336 1980 or mailing justiceandpeace@stwinefridesneston.org.uk Catherine and Paulo Lisboa.

CWL: Committee Meeting this Thursday 12 February at 7.30 pm at Angela's.

SVP: Theatre tickets (£8) for *Neighbourhood Watch* by Alan Ayckbourn, 4th Mar, 19:30 at the Gladstone Theatre, Port Sunlight, proceeds to support the SVP. Please see posters in porches. **Pilgrimage to Walsingham:** 13th-16th April. Contact Peter Middlehurst 336 1269 for theatre tickets or pilgrimage forms.

Foodbank wish to thank you for your donations in January amounted to 6 full boxes.

Thank you: To all who helped to organise Sammy's Requiem Mass last Thursday.

NDCT: Volunteers wanted to help organise the "hustings" debate in Neston for the forthcoming general election. This is a community event that allows us to put any questions to the potential parliamentary candidates. If you can help with this event in any way, there is a meeting on Wednesday 11th February at the Neston Christian Fellowship on Burton Road at 7.30pm. Contact Steve Brown on steviejb1@sky.com or one of the NDCT Reps (Deacon Mike or Kate Hughes).

Marriage and Family Life: Mass with Bishop Mark at noon on Saturday 14th February at St Columba's, Chester.

For the Youth of the Parish: Sunday 1st March (3 – 5pm, plus social afterwards) at Holy Apostles and Martyrs, St George's Road, Wallasey an afternoon of prayer, reflection and celebration for Lent. All young people welcome (post-confirmation through to young adult).

Youth Mass: On the fourth Sunday of each month at 6.30pm, St Joseph's, Seacombe. The first one is Sunday 22nd February.

FLAME 2015: National Youth Congress 7th March 2015 – details on our newsletter page online or from the diocesan newsletter.

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Ordinary Time Week IV

1st February 2015

31 Jan	SATURDAY	<i>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	6.30 pm	Pat Standish
1 Feb	SUNDAY	<i>2nd Collection: Education Services</i> <i>First Communion Children</i>	8.45 am	The Parish
2 Feb	MONDAY	<i>Presentation of the Lord</i>	10.45 am	John Derick MacDonald
3 Feb	TUESDAY	<i>St Werburgh</i>	9.00 am	John & Barbara Healy
4 Feb	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	Int: M Henesy
5 Feb	THURSDAY	<i>St Agatha</i>	9.00 am	Health: Sylvia Bellas
6 Feb	FRIDAY	<i>St Paul Miki and Companions</i>	2.30 pm	Mary & Julie Mulligan Sammy Meadows
7 Feb	SATURDAY	<i>Baptism</i>	9.00 am	Dolores Gafney
7 Feb	SATURDAY	<i>Next Weekend</i> <i>5th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Prayer for</i> <i>Victims of Human Trafficking</i>	12 noon	Pat Standish Evan Michael Booth
8 Feb	SUNDAY	<i>White Flower Appeal</i>	6.30 pm	Margaret Harris
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From Fr Ravi: Churches Together in Neston

During the Unity Octave, (January 18th -25th), I had the unique privilege of visiting all the churches in Neston. The experience of unity in praying and sharing fellowship together was truly a moment of grace and blessing. I would like to share with you three aspects which touched me most during my interaction with others: welcome, relationship and a desire to study the Bible.

At each church, there was a team to welcome all those who come, new people were guided and those in need of assistance were helped; “regulars” were asked about their families and health. The warmth of relationships formed, flowed into prayer as we prayed for the real needs of those who were gathered as these were known to the community: the joys celebrated and sorrows shared. And the Bible was not only read on Sundays but was studied by small groups during the week who often use a standard commentary to help them.

We thank God for the gift of faith that is lived, shared and celebrated in Neston and its surroundings!

May God bless us all!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Cleaners: L Dee, A Williams, D Roberts

First Communion: There are at present 18 children from our parish preparing for their First Communion and they will come together at 10.45am mass to sing and pray along with us. We thank their parents and catechists and invite them for a special session on Tuesday 3rd Feb at 7pm in church.

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Read-Reflect-Respond: It's a special opportunity to deepen our understanding of the Sunday Liturgy. You are most welcome for the opening session on Wednesday, 4th Feb at 7.30pm in Presbytery.

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Volunteers also needed to host ecumenical Lent House Groups. If you can offer an evening a week at your home to host a small group, please contact the NDCT reps.

Marriage and Family Life: Mass with Bishop Mark at noon on Saturday 14th February at St Columba's, Chester.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 28/29th July – August 4/5th 2015 (by air). Booking forms are available from St Alban's Wallasey as well as from the pilgrimage website www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk. The pilgrimage is led by Bishop Davies and in recent years some 900 people from the diocese and of all ages have joined in making the pilgrimage to this special place. All are welcome to join the pilgrimage and we look forward to receiving applications from those who have never been to Lourdes. We particularly look forward to welcoming nurses and healthcare professionals to assist in the care of the sick and less able.

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Ordinary Time Week III

January 25th 2015

24 Jan	SATURDAY	3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Prayer for Christian Unity	6.30pm	Jack Kirby
25 Jan	SUNDAY		8.45 am	The Parish
			10.45 am	Harold Thelwell
26 Jan	MONDAY	Ss Timothy & Titus	9.00 am	Isabelle & Joseph Loughe
27 Jan	TUESDAY	St Angela Merici Requiem	9.00 am 1.30 pm	Mary Agnes & Laurence Binns Leonard Cogley Irvine
28 Jan	WEDNESDAY	St Thomas Aquinas	9.00am	Health: William Hannaway
29 Jan	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Health: Matthew Allen
30 Jan	FRIDAY	School	9.10 am	Fr Richard O'Donovan
31 Jan	SATURDAY	St John Bosco	9.00am	Brian Haggart
31 Jan	Next Weekend SATURDAY	4th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 nd Collection: Education Services	6.30 pm	Pat Standish
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PROCLAIM '15: Building Missionary Parishes

Proclaim '15 is a new initiative being launched in 2015 by the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales to support, enthuse and equip parish evangelisation. This practical initiative exists to support the good work already being done in our parish and aims to provide resources and encourage local events to support parish mission.

Proclaim '15 has five parts including: small group materials; a National Catholic Evangelisation Conference in Birmingham on 11/7/15 with representatives from every diocese; an invitation to join in prayer with parishes across England and Wales by hosting a parish Prayer Vigil on the night of 11/07/15; the invitation for dioceses, deaneries and parishes to have their own Proclaim '15 events in autumn; the publication of new evangelisation resources as a fruit of the National Conference.

Please do get involved in what is a significant new step in service of the proclamation of the Gospel. The inspiration for the initiative is Pope Francis and the content of his Apostolic Exhortation, *Evangelii Gaudium*: "I wish to encourage the Christian faithful to embark upon a new chapter of evangelisation marked by this joy, while pointing out new paths for the Church's journey in years to come." Join us in confidently communicating this joy and discovering new paths for Evangelisation.

	3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: 17 th /18 th January			4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time 24 th /25 th January		
	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am	6:30pm (Vigil)	8:45am	10:45am
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NDCT: "The Well is Deep" Christian Unity Octave. The unity we experience as Christian Communities working together was visible during our Unity Service last Sunday, when we reflected on the Gospel reading of the Samaritan Woman and focussed on our connectiveness with each other through our suffering. All denominations were represented in and participated fully in our service along with our committed parish singers and musicians. The prayerful atmosphere in our beautiful church was appreciated by all who attended. We thank all who were involved on Sunday and also during our "Way of the Cross – Justice and Peace" on Friday evening. We especially thank our NDCT reps, Deacon Mike, Helen Jones and Kate Hughes. As part of our Christian Unity celebrations we welcome Rev Marcus Torchon who will join the community at the 10.45am mass on Sunday and thank him sincerely for his presence with us.

First Communion: The next session is on Tuesday 3rd February at 7pm in the Church hall for all parents and also those children preparing for the Sacrament with Liz Dolley. The First Communion children have their special mass on Sunday 1st February at 10.45am.

Confirmation 2015: The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Wed 17th Feb at 7pm for our LPA at Holy Family, Pensby. Please contact Fr Ravi before the end of January if you wish to be confirmed.

Read-Reflect-Respond (RRR): The prayer group started by Fr Denis seek to expand their scope by welcoming new members and also broadening its horizon by focussing deeply on the Sunday readings. It promises to be interesting and inspiring. The first meeting is on Wed 4th Feb at 7.30pm in the Presbytery.

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Pro-Life Prayers: Are now said every Thursday by the Lady Altar after Mass.

Website: The latest *Foodbank* Newsletter is available on our website along with new pictures in our gallery section. Do visit us!

Primary Pool Teachers: The Diocese of Shrewsbury is to establish a Primary Pool in 2015 identifying excellent candidates who would be recommended for interview to Catholic schools who have a vacancy for 1st September 2015. This is to cover 11 local authorities including Cheshire East, Cheshire West and Chester and the Wirral. A person specification, job description and application form are available from: www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org. Closing date for the first round of applications: 13th February 2015.

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

Thank you to our Spring Cleaning Crew!

Louise and Peter Dee
Peter Higgins
Maria Slater
Wendy Morgan
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Ordinary Time Week II

18th January 2015

17 Jan	SATURDAY	<i>2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity – Special prayer for World Peace</i>	6.30 pm	John & Joan Schofield
18 Jan	SUNDAY		8.45 am	The Parish
		<i>Ecumenical Service</i>	10.45 am	Kenneth George Rodrigues
			6.30 pm	Christian communities - Neston
19 Jan	MONDAY	<i>St Wulstan</i>	9.00 am	Derek Mac Donald
20 Jan	TUESDAY	<i>St Fabian/ St Sebastian</i>	9.00 am	Hugh Schofield
21 Jan	WEDNESDAY	<i>St Agnes</i>	9.00 am	Richard Hall
22 Jan	THURSDAY	<i>St Vincent</i>	9.00 am	John Mulcahy
23 Jan	FRIDAY	<i>School Memorial Service</i> <i>Way of the Cross – Path of Justice</i>	9.10 am	Margaret Harris
			12 noon	Ray Green
			7.30 pm	St Winefride's NDCT reps
24 Jan	SATURDAY	<i>St Francis de Sales</i> <i>Baptism</i>	9.00 am	Dolores Gafney
			12 noon	Matthew Keith Graham
24 Jan	Next Weekend SATURDAY	<i>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Prayer for Christian Unity</i>	6.30 pm	Jack Kirby
25 Jan	SUNDAY		8.45 am	The Parish
			10.45 am	Harold Thelwell

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RIP: Sammy Meadows

CHRISTIAN UNITY OCTAVE: "The Well is Deep"

Prayer Themes at St Winefride's

Ecumenical Events

18 Jan	<i>It is necessary to go through Samaria (Jn 4:4)</i>	6:30pm	Neston & District Churches Together: <i>Service for Christian Unity, St Winefride's</i>
19 Jan	<i>Tired of the journey Jesus sat down facing the well (Jn 4:6)</i>	5:00pm	St Thomas' Parkgate
20 Jan	<i>I have no husband (Jn 4:17)</i>	7:00pm	Neston Christian Fellowship
21 Jan	<i>Then the woman left the water jar (Jn 4:28)</i>	5:00pm	St Nicholas, Burton
		8:00pm	"Sava", Bull Hill, (Little Neston Methodist)
22 Jan	<i>You have no bucket and the well is deep (Jn 4:11)</i>	8:00pm	URC, Parkgate Road
23 Jan	<i>A spring of water welling up to eternal life (Jn 4:14)</i>	10:30am	Shopper's Service, Neston Methodist
		7:30pm	St Winefride's
24 Jan	<i>Give me to drink (Jn 4, 7, 15)</i>	8:30am	Neston Methodist – Prayer Breakfast
25 Jan	<i>Many believed because of the woman's testimony (Jn 4:39)</i>		

	2 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: 17 th /18 th January			3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time		
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Counters	Paul and Shirley			Fran and Brian		

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PEACE SUNDAY, 18 January 2015: *Slaves no more but brothers and sisters*

Pope Francis describes slavery as 'an open wound on the body of the human family - a running sore on the flesh of Christ'. Someone is considered to be in slavery if they are forced to work – through mental or physical threat

- owned or controlled by an 'employer', usually through mental or physical abuse or the threat of abuse
- dehumanised, treated as a commodity or bought and sold as 'property'
- physically constrained, or with restrictions placed on his/her freedom of movement

Modern slavery takes various forms and affects people of all ages, gender and races.

- Possible links to poverty/indebtedness causing people to act out of desperation to support themselves and their families
- It is also linked to conflict, as many are forced by the violence of war to leave everything behind and seek refuge elsewhere. In the process they are taken advantage of by unscrupulous people. Women and children are also 'enslaved' by the violence of war: abducted and traded as 'spoils' of war, raped or trained to become child soldiers.
- It reminds us that some people are enslaved in work that they consider to be unethical or immoral, such as the arms trade - with little or no alternative

May we all experience the freedom and joy of being God's children by sharing the gift of Peace with everyone!

CHRISTIAN UNITY OCTAVE, 18th - 25th January 2015: *The Well is Deep*

The theme comes to us from the churches of Brazil. Brazilians, have traditionally been tolerant of their various social classes and ethnic groups and are now experiencing growing intolerance made manifest in high levels of violence, especially against minorities and the vulnerable. The logic that underpins this kind of behaviour is competition for the religious market. Increasingly, some Brazilian Christian groups compete with one another for places in the mass media, for new members and for public funds.

The Brazilian churches have begun to recognise that intolerance should be dealt with in a positive way - respecting diversity and promoting dialogue as a permanent path of reconciliation and peace in fidelity to the gospel. We can share this recognition. Although the competition between churches is less obvious in our islands, we are well aware that competition and violent discrimination lie beneath the surface of our lives together. Jesus challenges us to acknowledge that diversity is part of God's design, to approach one another in trust and to see the face of God in the face of all men and women.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is traditionally observed from the 18 – 25th January - the octave of Ss Peter & Paul.

"May they all be one..."

PROCLAIM '15: *Building Missionary Parishes*

Proclaim '15 is a new initiative being launched in 2015 by the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales to support, enthuse and equip parish evangelisation. This practical initiative exists to support the good work already being done in our parish and aims to provide resources and encourage local events to support parish mission.

Proclaim '15 has five parts including: small group materials; a National Catholic Evangelisation Conference in Birmingham on 11/7/15 with representatives from every diocese; an invitation to join in prayer with parishes across England and Wales by hosting a parish Prayer Vigil on the night of 11/07/15; the invitation for dioceses, deaneries and parishes to have their own Proclaim '15 events in autumn; the publication of new evangelisation resources as a fruit of the National Conference.

Please do get involved in what is a significant new step in service of the proclamation of the Gospel. The inspiration for the initiative is Pope Francis and the content of his Apostolic Exhortation, *Evangelii Gaudium*: "I wish to encourage the Christian faithful to embark upon a new chapter of evangelisation marked by this joy, while pointing out new paths for the Church's journey in years to come." Join us in confidently communicating this joy and discovering new paths for Evangelisation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Cleaners: L Wood, F Byrne.

First Communion: The first session for the parents of First Communicants was an enriching experience for all. The next session is Tue 03/02 at 7pm in the Church hall. The First Communion children have their special mass on Sun 01/02 at 10.45am.

Confirmation 2015: The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Wed 17/06 at 7pm for our LPA at Holy Family, Pensby. Please contact Fr Ravi before the end of January if you wish to be confirmed.

Training Day for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers: Saturday 28th February at St Columba's, Chester.

Justice and Peace: Day of Reflection on 24th January 2015, 10:30 – 3pm at St Columba's Chester.

Poor Clares of Hawarden: Thank you for all deliveries of fruit and veg in 2014.

Marriage and Family Life: Mass with Bishop Mark at noon on Saturday 14th February at St Columba's, Chester.

Read-Reflect-Respond (RRR): The prayer group started by Fr Denis seek to expand their scope by welcoming new members and also broadening its horizon by focussing deeply on the Sunday readings. It promises to be interesting and inspiring. The first meeting is on Wed 3rd Feb at 7.30pm in the Presbytery.

New EMHC/Lectors Rota: Please collect from the Sacristy.

SPUC 2015 Youth and Student Conference: 6th - 8th March at the Ramada Hotel, Southport. Contact Margaret 336 2050.

SVP Pilgrimage to Walsingham: 13th-16th Apr. Contact Peter Middlehurst (3361269) for application forms.

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Baptism of the Lord/Ordinary Time Week I

11th January 2015

10 Jan	SATURDAY	<i>The Baptism of the Lord – The Christmas season ends today – Priests Retirement Fund</i>	6.30 pm	The Casson Family
11 Jan	SUNDAY	<i>Special prayer for the recently baptised</i>	8.45 am	The Family
			10.45 am	Mick Halley
12 Jan	MONDAY	<i>St Aelred of Rievaulz</i>	9.00 am	Ray Green & Family
13 Jan	TUESDAY	<i>St Hilary</i>	9.00 am	TG: A Davies
		<i>Funeral Service (Landican)</i>	11.30 am	William Leo Rabbett
14 Jan	WEDNESDAY		9.00 am	Colin & Dilly Beardworth
15 Jan	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Sheila Reid
16 Jan	FRIDAY	<i>SCHOOL</i>	9.10 am	Fredrick Cropper
		<i>Funeral Service (Blacon)</i>	12 noon	Sheila Reid
17 Jan	SATURDAY	<i>St Anthony, Abbot</i>	9.00 am	Matthew Devonport
17 Jan	SATURDAY	<i>Next Weekend 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity</i>	6.30 pm	John & Joan Schofield
		<i>Special Prayer for World Peace</i>	8.45 am	The Parish
18 Jan	SUNDAY		10.45 am	Kenneth George Rodrigues
		<i>Ecumenical Service</i>	6.30 pm	Christian Communities - Neston

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RIP: Sheila Reid, William Leo Rabbett

A special message from Bishop Mark regarding the retired Priests' Fund – Special Collection

Today the annual Special Collection for the Retired Priests' Fund is being held. With your help, we can build up the Fund to meet the future needs of our sick and retired priests.

Special Envelopes are available for you to use. If you use weekly Offertory Envelopes, please can I ask that you write in your envelope number. If you do not have your Offertory Envelope with you, or you give to your Parish by means of a Standing Order, write in your name and home address. In this way, it will be possible to reclaim the tax on your donation if you have joined the Gift Aid scheme.

A Leaflet about the Fund is also available which explains how to make a regular donation to the Fund by Standing Order, or how you can make your donation by cheque. It also explains how to take advantage of Gift Aid to boost your donation to the Fund. I ask that you give as generously as you can to this very worthy cause and would also like to express my sincere gratitude for your continued support.

With every blessing,
 +Mark
 Bishop of Shrewsbury

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Church Cleaners: B and V Casey

From the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales: *The Call, The Journey and the Mission* - following on from the recent Synod in Rome, the Bishops of England and Wales have produced a discussion document inviting us all to reflect on the Gift of Marriage and Family life. Copies are available in both porches and on our website in the Resources section. You are most welcome to send in your responses to the contact available at the end of the text.

NDCT: The Unity Octave starts with a service at St Winefride's at 6.30pm on Sunday 18th January. Please support this event. You would all be most welcome at any of the services listed. Our turn to lead is on Friday 25th January at 7.30pm as part of the Unity Week of Prayer.

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Music: Regular rehearsal in Church on Sunday at 4pm.

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School Mass: Our Friday mass is now being celebrated together with St Winefride's Primary children at 9.10am in School. During vacations it will be celebrated in church.

Church "Spring Clean": If you can join our regular cleaners and volunteers from the CWL on Saturday 17th January from midday for a 'spring cleaning' session in church, please contact Louise Wilkinson on 336 1096 or louise@wilkinsontowers.com.

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Piety Stall: On behalf of the Children's Society a big thank you to the ladies who look after the stall every Sunday, and to parishioners for your regular support. Please keep up the good work: it makes a big difference to all those underprivileged children in our diocese. If anyone has a society moneybox which needs emptying, or would like a collection box, please contact Margaret Davies on 336 4046.

Marriage and Family Life: Mass with Bishop Mark will be celebrated at noon on Saturday 14th February at St Columba's, Chester. All married couples and families are welcome, however if you are a couple celebrating a significant wedding anniversary (silver, pearl, ruby, golden or platinum) and you wish to attend, then please let Fr Ravi know by the 2nd February and he will arrange for a special invitation to be sent you on behalf of the Bishop.

SVP District 2015 Pilgrimage to Walsingham: 13/04/15 – 16/04/15. Places are limited and a £75 deposit required. Contact Peter Middlehurst (336 1269) for applications forms.

Foodbank: A big thank you to our Parishioners for donating 147kg of food in December.

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CWL: Annual Dinner on Thursday 15th January, 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm at Pollards Willaston.

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Christmastide

4th January 2015

3 Jan	SATURDAY		6.30 pm	The Parish
4 Jan	SUNDAY	<i>Epiphany of the Lord</i>	8.45 am	Ellen Foote
			10.45 am	Rod Loughnane
5 Jan	MONDAY		9.00 am	Int: Gladys Morton
6 Jan	TUESDAY		9.00 am	Hugh Schofield
7 Jan	WEDNESDAY	<i>St Raymond of Penyafort</i>	9.00 am	Int: Cubbins Family
8 Jan	THURSDAY		9.00 am	Pat Standish
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Message from Fr Ravi: Sing a New Song to the Lord!

As it is still the first week of 2015, may I take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy New Year! During our News Year's Day Mass on Thursday, we greeted one other by saying, 'May God be with you in this New Year', which indeed is our prayer and wish for everyone both near and far in our parish community. One of the suggested resolutions for the New Year, is to 'Sing a New Song to the Lord' and this song - of mercy, compassion, forgiveness, sharing or similar - would certainly delight the Lord! At St Winefride's, we hope to 'Sing a New Song to the Lord' by reviving a much revered tradition of having a regular Friday Mass in School. I am grateful to the Head Teacher and the School Community for their co-operation regarding this and to the parish for your understanding and support. We are hopeful that this will help our children appreciate the presence of a loving God in their lives, who accompanies them in their journey, rejoices in their growth, leading them to wholeness and fulfilment and that we as a Parish, can continue to support them with our presence.

The Bishops of England and Wales have decided to 'Sing a New Song to the Lord' by providing us with a programme called 'Proclaim 2015'. In response to their vision, we shall accordingly develop pastoral plans, so that our community may grow in appreciation of the gift of faith by loving God and our neighbours, especially the weak, the vulnerable and the marginalised. We do hope to sing a new song of Unity when we invite ministers and our Christian brothers and sisters in Neston to an Ecumenical Prayer Service in our Church on Sunday 18th January at 6.30pm. Please do join in as we seek to celebrate our common faith in the Lord - together!

May God bless us all!

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FROM BISHOP MARK:

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Thank you: We are grateful to the team - Deacon Mike Topping, Ruth Pisarek, Sarah Woodhouse, Angela and Jan van Opstal and Helen Jones - who organised an afternoon to share the joy of Christmas with our Altar Servers. We have a tradition at St Winefride's to hold a party for our children on the feast of the Holy Innocents and it was wonderful seeing their joy and enthusiasm. Angela has also kindly accepted the role of coordinator to help organise regular meetings for our Altar Servers and to assist them in their training.

Training Day for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers: Saturday 28th February at St Columba's, Chester. More details to follow.

Music Rehearsal: Choir practice at 4pm on 04/01/15.

Website: Do keep checking as we update our website – Altar Servers' Party pictures in our gallery!

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Refrain for Communion Hymn: "Rejoice and do not fear, the Lord is here among us" (x 2)

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