



ST WINEFRIDE'S RC CHURCH

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Sunday 25th October 2026 – Sunday 1st November 2026

Mass Readings: Sunday Year A, Weekday Cycle Year II

(Clocks go back) Sunday 25 th Oct	Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00 pm 8.45 am 10.30 am	Sean Loughe (recently deceased) RIP Parish family John Roper (RIP)
Monday	Ss CHAD & CEDD	9.00 am	Christine Rhodes (recently deceased) RIP
Tuesday	Ferial	7.00 pm	Ann Fairgrieve (health)
Wednesday	Ss SIMON AND JUDE	9.00 am	Doreen O’Mahony (b’day anniv) RIP
Thursday	Ferial	9.00 am	Cecilia Simar Chendra & Laurensia Gusma Chendra (For the souls of)
Friday	Ferial	7.00 pm	Harford deceased family members (RIP)
Saturday	Ferial	12 noon	Margaret Appleton (recently deceased)
Sunday 1 st Nov	Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday ALL SAINTS Family Mass	6.00 pm 8.45 am 10.30 am	Thanksgiving for healthy recovery Parish family Geoff Russell (RIP)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Tuesday & Friday from 6pm and Saturday from 11am.
Rosary: Mon/Wed/Thurs after 9am Mass & 9.45 am on Sunday or join via Zoom at 7pm **passcode 252387114, password: AveMaria.**
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 5.15 pm-5.45 pm and Monday to Friday after 9.00 am Mass on request.
Private Prayer: Church will remain open after morning Mass during the week for private prayer until 4 **pm**
Baptism: Please contact parish priest and collect Baptism application form after Mass. **Marriage:** 6 months' notice to be given.

Pope Leo’s Prayer for the month of October. For mental health ministry

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

SUNDAY	24/25 th October 2026		
	6.00 pm	8.45 am	10.30 am
Readers	A C Millar	T McGlynn	C Kingsland
EMHC	Deacon Mike	K Hughes	A Cropper
Welcomers	M & M Branch/P Higgins	8.45am A & D Docherty	10.30am R Stacey

Pope Leo continues his reflections on the documents of the Second Vatican Council: The pastoral Constitution *Gaudium et Spes* (GS) of the Second Vatican Council [...] It focuses primarily on marriage and the family, in the conviction that “the well-being of the individual and of human and Christian society is intimately linked with the healthy condition of that community produced by marriage and family” (GS, 47). To this end, it does not merely reaffirm their values and aims, but proposes a renewed conception of marriage as an “intimate partnership of married life and love” (GS, 48). By incorporating the legal dimension of marriage as a contract, the foundation of this union is recognized in the “conjugal covenant”, understood as the “human act whereby spouses mutually bestow and accept each another” (*ibid.*). The mutual self-giving of man and woman, such that ‘they are no longer two but one flesh’ (*Mt* 19:6), underlies the requirement for “total fidelity” and the “unbreakable oneness” of the spouses, finding vivid expression in the procreation and upbringing of children (cf. GS, 48). As a reflection of the Divine Trinity, conjugal and parental love, through the Sacrament of Marriage, is “governed and enriched by Christ’s redeeming power”, so that spouses may love one another “just as He loved the Church and handed Himself over on her behalf” (*ibid.*). [...] The teaching of *Gaudium et Spes* on the conjugal and family community thus goes on to highlight the social function of the family, defined as “a school of deeper humanity” and “the foundation of society” (GS, 52), calling upon all those with social responsibilities, especially in the political and cultural spheres, to fulfil their duty to “work efficiently for the welfare of marriage and the family” (*ibid.*)

Please remember in your prayers all those who are sick including,
Pat Cummins, Joe Hemington, Judy Howard, Maureen Knox, Ann and Paul Flanagan, Laurie Walsh, Barbara & Richard Debemham. Dorothy Strawson, Dottie, Joseph Kennedy, Peter Roca, Margaret Gould, Joan Burkmar, Cormac Davis, Rachel Branch, Mary & Richard Fowler, Ann Kelly, Ruth Pisarek, Roger Gardener, Pat Leadbetter, Yvonne Mckeown, Laura Eason, Michael Sheridan, Bill & Richard Penfold, Val Higgins, Clem Haimes, Cath & Chris Jones, Irene Steele, Sue & Mary Trowell, Stephanie Archibald, Rosa in Russia, Kyle Ho, Stuart Morgan, Parry family, Angela Gill, Jean Hurst, Marie T, Elaine Parson, Jeanne Hughes, Baby Ronnie, Gail Taylor, Peter Jones, Allison Grer, Mary McDermott, Imogen

Anniversaries of our departed (26 Oct – 1 Nov)
Fr Oswald Calderbank, Kevin Morris (26/10) Reginald David Parson (27/10) Ernest George O’Shea, Canon James P Kelly, Fr Michael McCormac, Francis William Aindon, Beryl Kirshen (28/10) John Caffery, Edward Morgan, Irene Sullivan (29/10) Fr Charles McKinney, Elizabeth Webb, Clara Pheazy Carron (30/10) Margaret Blackwell, Julie Mulligan (31/10) Stanley Jones, Raymond George Williams, Patricia Robinson (Bennett), Daniel Healy, James Byrne (1/11)
The names above are taken from the book of remembrance. Please advise the parish office to add to anniversaries or remove from the sick list.

Recently deceased: Please pray for the repose of Catherine (Kay) Mary Minto who died peacefully in Arrowe Park Hospital after a long period of illness, on Friday 16th October aged 85. Kay was mum to Barbara and grandmother to Elinor Rivers.

Please also pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Mary Gould who died on Monday aged 94. Please keep her daughter Kath, son Ian and their family and friends in your prayers. Margaret’s funeral Mass will be on Thursday 12th November at 10.30am.

Funeral service: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Christine Rhodes wife of the late Victor Rhodes who died on Sunday, 11th October aged 80. Please keep her children Anna, James and Juliet and their families and friends in your prayers. Christine’s funeral will be on Monday 2nd November at 11am followed by burial in the graveyard.

Children’s Liturgy: As it is half term next week, children’s liturgy will re start on Sunday 8th November during the 10.30am Mass.

Offertory envelopes: It is time to order envelopes for 2027/28. If you would still like a box of envelopes then NO ACTION is required. However, if you would rather pay by standing order or alternatively would like to start having a box of envelopes to gift aid your weekly contributions, then please contact Jayne in the office by Monday 16^h November. Please remember by gift aiding your donations an extra 25% of your donation will be claimed back from HMRC, these are vital funds for church.

SVP: The next meeting is on Wednesday 28th October at 7pm in the church hall. New members welcome.

Shoe Box Appeal: Items needed to fill the shoe boxes; Toothpaste, small toy cars, small soft toys, small games (e.g. pack of cards, mini chess, mini 4 in a row, small packs of Lego, small jigsaw) small packs of sweets. Place in the clear box in the back porch.

Mass of Remembrance: Our annual Mass will take place on **Saturday 21st November** at 12 noon. Followed by a soup lunch in the church hall. All very welcome. Voluntary contributions for lunch will go this year to Aid to the church in Need..

Reflection: “The Little Way” is the latest reflection from Tony Topping. Some paper copies are in the porch and a copy also online.

St Winefride’s School newsletter: Copy on the noticeboard or at www.stwinefrides.cheshire.sch.uk/page/newsletters/1423

Knot just Knitters: The next session is on **Wednesday 28th October**, 1.30 – 4pm in the church hall. All welcome

Shrewsbury “My Desolate Diocese” – The Roots and Consolidation of a Catholic Community: This book is written by Diocesan Archivist, Fr Peter Philips and further details about the book and how to purchase a copy are available on the noticeboard

St Anselms: Fr. Bernard Forshaw will celebrate the annual Anselmians Association Mass in St Anselm's College chapel at 11am on Saturday 31st October when we will commemorate and pray for all those Anselmians and family members who have passed away during the past year. Bereaved family members are cordially invited and there will be light refreshments afterwards. Please contact the Association at anselmianassociation@st-anselms.com for further details.

Piety stall: Please have a look at the selection of cards that are for sale on the stand at the back of church.

Parish Grounds and Gardens: Gardening - Can you assist the volunteers to tidy the gardens and graveyard in time for *Remembrance November*. Tidy Up Sessions are at 1.30pm - 3.30pm on; Wed 28th Oct, 4th and 11th Nov. Last one of 2026. **Also two Saturday sessions**, 24th Oct 10.30am - 12.30pm and Saturday 7th Nov. It would be lovely to see new faces.

Tea/Coffee: The parish hall is open for **refreshments after the 10.30 am Mass.**

Prison Sunday and World Mission Sunday: Thank you as usual for your kind generosity for both of these second collections. £345.00 was raised for Prison Sunday and £374.00 was raised for World Mission Sunday.

Mission Red Box holders – Please bring your boxes to church to be emptied. You can leave at the back of church. Thank you.

Offertory Collections: Thank you for your generous support as usual.

Food Bank: Urgent items needed as at 22 Oct, long life juice, pasta n sauce, tinned meat, jam, instant mash and tinned fruit. In the last 12 months **St Winefride's Neston have donated a total of 1080KG of food** – A big thanks from Cheshire Foodbank.