

News from the Parishes of Holy Family, Pensby and Our Lady & St. John, Heswall

Reflection on Today's 1st Reading By Father Stephen

Jesus' farewell discourse is in the solemn discourse of prayer. In the first part Jesus prays to the Father for his own glorification; in the second that his disciples be unified and protected amidst opposition from the world; and in today's gospel the prayer is "not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word." The word 'love' appears five times in four verses. Jesus prays that believers will be one, united by the very same love that unites him to the Father and that this unity will bring the world to belief so that all may come to know God and the depth of God's love. God's glory will not be found in magnificent edifices or in structures of power but in the love that unites Jesus' followers among themselves and to God. Through the disciples Jesus will continue to reveal God's name so that "the love with which you loved me may be in them and I may be in them." Jesus goes to his death as a model of love, and through his death his followers will love in that very love which unites him to his Father.



Please join us on **Saturday mornings** to pray the rosary for parishioner, Mary Brownrigg and for all in the parish who are sick and all who need prayers. **All are welcome to join us each Saturday at 9.30am.**



S.P.U.C. Rosary for the Unborn

S.P.U.C. is privileged to be partnering with the Knights of St Columba in their 50th anniversary year. In OLSJ we are marking this special year by saying the Rosary for the Unborn before the Blessed Sacrament **on the last Wednesday of every month**, at the beginning of Exposition (about 9:30am). There will be special prayer cards at the back of church and also in Holy Family where Exposition is after 12 noon Mass on Saturdays.



Parishioners who need our Prayers

Please remember in your prayers all those in both parishes who are sick at home or in hospital, including:

- Catherine Maschke
- Carol Saunders
- Gerry Smith
- Joe Lucas
- Iris Christian
- John Moroney
- Ken Davies
- Mary Brownrigg
- Madge McGrath
- David Gorman
- Norman Corish
- Carol Ross
- Veronica (Ronnie) McAllister
- Peter Bowskill
- Frances Ford



Please get in touch if there are any alterations.

Eucharistic



Adoration

**Wednesday 9:30am- 8:30pm at OLSJ
&
Saturday after 12 noon Mass at Holy Family**

The Eucharist

God's Mercy

Mankind's Lifeline

Come Worship Him



Don't forget that tea and coffee are served every Sunday



- After 9:30am Mass at Holy Family
- After 11:15am Mass at Our Lady and St John

Do come and join us for a cuppa and a chat!
Everyone welcome.

Holy Family Social Committee presents....

**Parish BBQ
Sunday 9th June 1pm - 3pm**



Deadline for names is **this Sunday, 2nd June**. Don't miss out, it will be a great afternoon. Bring your own liquid refreshments.

Heswall Disabled Children's Holiday Fund

Throughout May and June you will be able to help us raise up to £4000 with Tesco. You will be able to use the blue tokens at stores in Heswall, Little Sutton, Neston, Eastham Rake, Claughton, Pensby and Ellesmere Port. Please use your tokens in boxes for us and marked Heswall Camp, this could be a huge amount for us. If you can share with friends in those areas that would be great too. Thank you.



Ministry Rotas @ Holy Family: The Ministry Rotas for the coming 6 months are now available. They are displayed in the usual places around the church, those who have requested email copies will have already received them, and a few hard copies have been printed for those who cannot access them in any other way. Thank you.

SAVE THE DATE - there will be a Summer Musical Evening, with 3 course meal, on **Saturday 13th July** in the Meeting Room at OLSJ. Tickets will be available next month.

Caritas (Children Society) Would all boxholders in Holy Family church please bring their box to church for emptying/ counting. Boxes can be left in the sacristy or handed to Mary/John Wrigley. Donations also gratefully received.



Baptisms

We warmly welcome the following children, who have been baptised in our Parish over the last few months.

Ava Eagling	OLSJ	7 th April 2019
Ethan Neil	OLSJ	5 th May 2019
Harry Uren	OLSJ	19 th May 2019



The next Monthly Prayer Breakfast will take place on

Saturday 8th June @ 8:30am

in the Meeting Room at OLSJ. This month's Prayer Breakfast will be hosted by the parishioners of Our Lady & St. John.

No need to book, just turn up, everyone welcome.

Holy Family 200 Club

Week 8

1 st Prize	£25	No. 130	C. Moore
2 nd Prize	£10	No. 21	Mrs Emerson
3 rd Prize	£5	No. 186	C. Dolan

CHERNOBYL Children's Lifeline

This is a charity supported by both our parishes for many years. The disaster of Chernobyl happened many years ago but it continues to affect the lives of many today, particularly the innocent children. This year, at the beginning of June a group of 15 children [9 boys and 6 girls aged between 9 and 13] will arrive in Wirral for a month of fun and laughter. As in the past we shall help by donations of small items such as new underwear and socks. There will be a collection box at the back of church for the next few weeks until June 16th as well as a full list of suggested suitable items for donation. This visit and our support will affect these children for the rest of their lives.

HAND MADE CENACOLO ROSARY BEADS

In the Meeting Room at OLSJ, there are a number of hand-made Rosary Beads for sale. They would make a lovely present for First Holy Communion or Confirmation.

The Rosarys are all individual, as they are made by hand by the boys and girls in Cenacolo, Kendal. They are all recovering addicts. They live in a community much as in a monastery. Their day is divided between prayer and work. They spend several hours each day in Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. They all agree that it is these hours spent with Jesus that heals them and helps them to go forward with their lives.

By buying one of their Rosary Beads, you will be helping them. There is no set price for them, but we would ask you to be as generous as you can with your donations.

Collection Amounts for the last two weekends:

Sunday 12th May 2019

- Our Lady & St John: £608.44
- Holy Family: £528.94



Sunday 19th May 2019

- Our Lady & St John: £634.23
- Holy Family: £543.49

***** Don't forget *****
 The monthly Assam collection will take place after all Masses **this Sunday, 2nd June** at Holy Family.

Missio Plant Sale Thanks

The sum raised entirely through sales was **£530**, all of which goes to Missio to support their work throughout the 3rd World. This magnificent sum could not have been achieved without the support and assistance of parishioners of Our Lady and St John, the loyal supporters from St Agnes' and many local friends and neighbours, particularly at Thornton Hall Health Club. We would like to extend a huge thank you to all who participated for their generous and enthusiastic support.

Northern Catholic Conference

"Love One Another....." (John 15:12) on **Friday 7th, Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th June 2019** at Liverpool Hope University. To book a place telephone 07543800812 or visit www.northernatholic.co.uk

Calling all parishioners of Our Lady & St John's Church

It may be only May but the Social Committee at OLSJ are already busy planning events for the months ahead. This year we have decided to host an **International Harvest Festival** again, as we did 2 years ago. It was a great success, but takes quite a bit of planning. Although September is a long way off at the moment, we are asking for all our International parishioners to get in touch with us and get involved. We would love to highlight the diverse culture, food, music and heritage of our Parish. If you would like to join in, please speak to one of the Social Committee after Mass. The Social Committee Members include, Joan Larkin, Bernie Hailwood, Anne Rowlands, Moira Griffiths-Parr and Victoria Hanlon. The International Harvest Festival is planned to take place on **Sunday 29th September** at 11:15am Mass at OLSJ.

Inaugural performance
of the

Heswall Mass

11.15am Mass on

Pentecost Sunday

9th June 2019

at Our Lady & St John

composed by choir member
Tony Charlesworth

Using the new translation of the Roman Missal



Followed by tea, coffee and cakes in the Meeting Room

THANK YOU

THANK YOU to everyone at Our Lady & St. John, for helping me raise £250 for my trip to the jamboree. Niamh O'Keefe.

THANK YOU from Molly Turner for donations of wool. One batch of squares has been knitted, and the new wool is being made up into cot blankets and bonnets for the premature baby unit at Arrowe Park Hospital.

THANK YOU to everyone who has donated to Christian Aid. I will let you know the final amount once all the money has been counted and banked. However if you did not have the opportunity to hand in your envelope, please put it in the offertory over the next week or so. Spare envelopes should still be at the back of church. Thanks again for your generosity. Suzy Smallwood

Red Missio Boxes: Please could all Missio Boxholders from both Holy Family and Our Lady and St John collect their boxes as soon as possible too. They are in the porch areas in both



Ian Butler will again be doing the Wirral Coastal Walk on **23rd June** in aid of

CAFOD. Sponsor forms are available at the back of each church. Thank you.

Sat 1st June	St Justin	6:00 pm	Mass - Ella Connor R.I.P.	O U R L A D Y & S T J O H N
Sun 2nd June	Seventh Sunday of Easter (Psalter Week III) Day of Special Prayer for World Communications	11:15 am	Mass – Intentions of Mary McDermott	
Mon 3rd June	St Charles Lwanga & Companions	9:00 am	Mass - Intentions of Mike & Pat Bessant	
Tues 4th June	Ferial	9:00 am	Mass - Huntingford Intention	
Wed 5th June	St. Boniface	9:00 am	Celebration of Word and Communion	
		9:30 am to 8:30 pm	Adoration - Come and spend some quiet time with Our Lord	
Thurs 6th June	Ferial	7:00 pm	Mass - Derek Atkinson R.I.P.	
Fri 7th June	Ferial		(Mass at Holy Family at 9am)	
Sat 8th June	Ferial	6:00 pm	Mass - John Snow R.I.P.	
Sun 9th June	Pentecost (Psalter Week II) Day of Special Prayer for The Church	11:15 am	Mass – Michael Walker	

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			5:00 pm	Mass - Jack Heery R.I.P. (Birthday Remembrance)
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	Tues 4th June	Ferial		(Mass at OLSJ at 9am)
	Wed 5th June	St. Boniface	9:00 am	Mass - John Campbell R.I.P (Anniversary)
	Thurs 6th June	Ferial	9:00 am	Service of Word and Sacrament
	Fri 7th June	Ferial	9:00 am	Mass - Intentions of David Peters
	Sat 8th June	Ferial	12 noon	Mass - Heery Family Special Intentions
	Sun 9th June	Pentecost (Psalter Week II) Day of Special Prayer for The Church	9:30 am	Mass - John Turner R.I.P.
5:00 pm			Mass - Maurice Ashcroft R.I.P.	

Legion of Mary Meetings

Every Monday morning at 10:45am in the meeting room at OLSJ.

Confessions

Our Lady & St John: Saturday 5:15pm – 5:45pm
Holy Family: Saturday 11:30am -11:50am

Adoration

Holy Family: Every Saturday after 12 noon Mass. On 1st Saturday of the Month, Divine Mercy devotions, prayers are included.

Our Lady & St John: Every Wednesday 9:30am – 8:30pm after morning Mass.

Mothers' Prayers

Every Monday morning at 9:30am in the meeting room at OLSJ.