

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

## ☞ May They Rest in Peace ☜

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

**Joan Wilson**

who has recently died. May her soul rest in peace.

Please remember to pray for her family at this difficult time.

## Mass Times

### Weekday Masses

Mondays	9:30 am	@ OLSJ
Tuesdays	YouTube	
Wednesdays	9:30 am	@ Holy Family
Thursdays	9:30 am	@ OLSJ
Fridays	YouTube	
Saturdays	12 noon	@ Holy Family

### Sunday Masses

There will be two Masses at the weekend as follows:

<b>Sunday</b>	9:30 am	@ Holy Family
<b>Sunday</b>	11:15 am	@ OLSJ

### Remember when attending Mass.....



Use hand sanitiser on your way in and on your way out of church.



Wear a mask or face covering that covers both your mouth and nose, when entering church and during the duration of Mass.



Ensure that you stay a safe distance away from people who aren't from your household **at all times** when in church.

## 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,

Gerry Smith,

Joe Lucas,

John Moroney,

Ken Davies,

Madge McGrath,

David Gorman,

Carol Ross,

Jillie Huntingford,

Imelda Atherton,

Eileen Millard,

Pauline Pritchard,

Deacon Philip White,

Sara Bull,

Lil Skinner,

William Kerin,

David Johnston,

Phil Shaw,

Eileen Roberts,

Irene Fitzpatrick,

Frances Ford,

Maureen Jones,

Paul Baker

*Please get in touch if there are any alterations.*





## Reflection on the Sunday Gospel

*By Father Stephen*

Goodness and the love of God and neighbour in the lives of countless and nameless holy people have lit up our path, and we commemorate those who have departed this life with the feasts of All Saints and All Souls today and tomorrow.

We tend to think of saints today as those who have been declared to be so by the Church in elaborate canonization ceremonies. However in the Acts of the Apostles and the Letters of St Paul 'saint' is used to denote members of Christian communities, who have been consecrated by baptism.

The Beatitudes show the qualities God is looking for in those he chooses to be members of his kingdom. How human saints are! They experienced doubt, weakness, loneliness and fear, just like the rest of us, but ultimately their lives were centred on higher principles – the human capacity for love, for sacrifice, for making peace, for working for justice, for generosity and for compassion. We thank God for those unnamed saints including friends and family members who prepared us for and accompanied us on the way of discipleship and have now gone before us to be with God face to face.

### Mass Intentions for the Week Commencing Sunday 1st November 2020

Sun 1st November	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time (Psalter Week III)	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Franny McGurk	
	All Saints Day	11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - Bernie & Tony Hailwood & Family	
Mon 2nd November	Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed	9:30 am	OLSJ	Mass - The Faithful Departed	
Tues 3rd November	St Winefride - <i>Secondary Patron Saint of the Diocese</i>		YouTube	Mass Online - Gerard Topping R.I.P.	
Wed 4th November	St Charles Borromeo	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Margaret Marks R.I.P.	
Thurs 5th November	Ferial	9:30 am	OLSJ	Mass - Dora Noonan R.I.P.	
Fri 6th November	Ferial	10.45 am	OLSJ	Funeral Mass - Joan Wilson	
Sat 7th November	BVM on Saturday	12 noon	Holy Family	Mass - Intentions of Maureen Formhalls	
Sun 8th November	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Psalter Week IV)	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - For the War Dead	
	<i>Day of Special Prayer for all Victims of War</i>	11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - For the War Dead	



### Don't Forget - Track and Trace

In line with the latest government guidelines, we are now asking anyone coming to church for Mass to sign in when they arrive. If you have the Government Covid-19 App, you can scan the QR code on your way into church or you can give your name and contact telephone number to a steward, who will keep a written record of your details for 3 weeks.

***Thank you for your help and understanding.***

You will only be contacted if someone has tested positive for Coronavirus.

### November is the Month of The Holy Souls

The envelopes for the Remembrance of your Loved Ones and Offerings are now available in the porch at both churches.

- **If attending Mass on a Sunday (both churches),** please place your completed envelopes in the collection bucket at the end of Mass.
- **If attending Mass on a Weekday (both churches),** please place your completed envelopes in the collection basket at the back of church, at the end of Mass.
- **Alternatively,** you can post the envelope through the presbytery letterbox.

May we take this opportunity to remind you, because we receive so many Intentions during this month that it's simply not possible to say an Individual Mass for each and every intention. The Mass is simply styled as "Holy Souls", please rest assured however that Masses will be said regularly throughout November and in the coming months, and all your intentions are remembered at those Masses.



### Heswall Disabled Children Holiday Fund

I am Joan Larkin, a parishioner at OLSJ and one of the Committee members at HDCHF and I hope you can help.

As you know this year has been challenging for us all. Our virtual Camp in August was a super success, and it was great to see so many taking part. It was essential for us to continue to help the children, parents and carers this year but in a different way.

We have not been able to carry out our usual fundraising events and so we have decided to have a **Christmas Raffle** which will take place on **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2020.**

Tickets are £1 each ticket or £5 for a book of five. The prizes are:

1<sup>st</sup> £200

2<sup>nd</sup> £100

3<sup>rd</sup> £50

4<sup>th</sup> Marks & Spencer  
Voucher and other prizes



If you would like to purchase a ticket(s) or help sell some please contact me by telephone on **07542213158** or via email [raffle@heswallcamp.org.uk](mailto:raffle@heswallcamp.org.uk).

Each ticket purchased will raise valuable funds for the charity and will be very much appreciated. Thank you.



### DO YOU HAVE AN ITEM FOR THE NEWSLETTER?

If you do please send it to Victoria Hanlon at [contact@ourladyandstjohn.org.uk](mailto:contact@ourladyandstjohn.org.uk) by 4pm on a Thursday afternoon.



The Food Bank Wirral has launched its **Reverse Advent Calendar** again this year. The idea is that during the month of November, you try to put one item each day into your own collection box. At the end of the month, please drop off any items into the Food Bank collection boxes found at the back of either church. One of our parishioners, Brian Sharp, has kindly agreed to take all the items donated to the Food Bank depot in Birkenhead. If you aren't able to get to church at the moment, please do consider donating via one of the supermarkets that have Food Bank collection points. Christmas is always a difficult time for anyone living below the poverty line and with the current pandemic, the number of people needing help from the Food Bank has considerably increased. Please help if you can.

For more information please visit the Food Bank website:

<https://wirral.foodbank.org.uk/advent-calendar-2020/>



## ADVENT CALENDAR NOVEMBER 2020



During this month please try to put one item each day into your own collection box.

01 Rice Pudding	02 Coffee	03 Tinned Soup	04 Tinned Fish
05 Cereal	06 Chocolate	07 Tinned Meat	08 Instant Mash
09 Toothpaste / Toothbrush	10 Nappies sizes 5 & 6	11 Rice	12 Jam
13 Coffee	14 Toilet rolls	15 Tinned Potatoes	16 Packet Soup
17 Tinned Spaghetti	18 Tea	19 Instant Mash	20 Hot Chocolate
21 Deodorant	22 Shampoo	23 Sugar	24 Biscuits
25 Pasta Sauce	26 Biscuits	27 Sponge Puddings	28 Packet Soup
29 Squash	30 Tinned Potatoes		

TO BE DELIVERED TO THE FOODBANK BY 1<sup>ST</sup> WEEK IN DECEMBER PLEASE.

Please deliver all of the food to our address:

Wirral Foodbank

Unit 14, Wirral Business Centre, Dock Road, Birkenhead CH41 1JW

[www.wirral.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.wirral.foodbank.org.uk)

[enquiries@wirralfoodbank.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@wirralfoodbank.org.uk)

0151 638 7090

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**REMINDER:** The next Assam Collection will take place on **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November**. Spare Assam envelopes are at the back of church.



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### VACANCY Diocesan In-House Solicitor

The Diocese of Shrewsbury are looking to recruit an **In-House Solicitor**, who will be required to provide legal advice and support on a range of matters including employment and HR (including sponsor management for overseas workers), commercial, probate, litigation, and academy conversion. Based at the Curial Office in Birkenhead. Full details and application form can be found at

<http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies>

Completed applications should be returned to [recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org)

**Closing date Friday 6 November.**



### A message from Lucy Walsh, secretary of Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality.

The next meeting of the Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality will be held on **Sunday 8th November 2020 at 2pm via Zoom.**

To join the Zoom Meeting: Meeting ID: 925 6607 8129  
<https://zoom.us/j/92566078129?pwd=bVl2L3B5aZKRnVmaE5pYU9JNFUrdz09>

You can also call in if you don't have access to zoom, on 0330 088 5830. Please send any requests for the password, apologies or items for the agenda to [secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk](mailto:secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk) or text/call 07451 214994.

Please pass on the details to any hospitality members who may be interested in attending.

### Current Covid-19 Measures - Update

At the current time, despite being in a Tier 3 lockdown area, our Parish Churches are **still allowed to open for weekday and Sunday Masses**. The following measures are now in place until further notice:

- Weddings are restricted to 15 people
- Baptisms are restricted to 6 people
- Funerals remains at a maximum of 30 people

If there are any changes to these measures, we will keep you informed.

### A Quick Note About Our Live Streamed Masses

As you will hopefully be aware by now, all of our Masses are being live streamed on YouTube, to make Mass available to all our parishioners who are unable to attend Mass in person.

*We are legally obliged to inform all parishioners who attend Mass in person, that for GDPR purposes, recognisable images may be published as an integral part of the livestreamed service.*

This just means that although the camera is usually focused on Father Stephen, parishioners can be seen coming up to receive communion (usually just the back of people's head). If you have any concerns about this, please speak to Father.

Don't forget you can view all of our Masses from both parish churches by clicking on the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyzzNjNscAoxuWubVYv04Lw>



### LAST CHANCE - Cafod Family Fast Day 2020:

Don't forget to hand in your Cafod Family Fast day envelope. These envelopes can be handed in on the offertory plate at any Mass during October. Spare ones can be found at the back of church. Remember, completing the **Gift Aid** details will increase the value of your gift.



### Children's Sunday Liturgy Page

Parents, please feel free to print off this page for your children to colour and complete!

# ALL SAINTS WE REMEMBER

ALL THE G \_ \_ D P \_ \_ PL \_ \_  
 WHO ARE IN H \_ \_ V \_ \_ N W \_ \_ TH G \_ \_ D

Use this code to fill in all missing vowels

- A = ▲
- E = ▼
- I = ↓
- O = ◀
- U = ▶

JESUS WENT UP A HILL AND SPOKE ABOUT HOW PEOPLE CAN LIVE TO BE WITH GOD AND THE SAINTS IN HEAVEN.

Happy are those who  
show M \_ \_ R C Y

Happy are those who  
are G \_ \_ N T L \_ \_  
and K \_ \_ N D \_ \_

Happy are those  
who make  
P \_ \_ C \_ \_



Draw pictures of two good people you know, who died as friends of Jesus and are now with him in heaven.



Watch Masses said  
by Father Stephen  
on our YouTube  
channel Our Lady and St  
John Heswall

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/  
UCyzzNjNscAoxuWubVYv04Lw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyzzNjNscAoxuWubVYv04Lw)



Visit the parish

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at

[www.rcchp.org.uk](http://www.rcchp.org.uk)

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anyone that doesn't  
have access to the  
internet?  
 A paper copy of the  
weekly newsletter can be  
sent to them in the post.  
Just drop a line to the  
Parish Secretary.

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Parish News**

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stjohn.org.uk](mailto:contact@ourladyandstjohn.org.uk)

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recently?  
If they have,  
please let the  
Parish Secretary  
know.  
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