

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 souls of

Eileen Walpole, Jessica Swanwick, Peter Duggan, Alfred White & Immacolata Brown

who have recently died. May their souls rest in peace. Please remember to pray for their families at

Covid-19 Update from the Bishop

We are expecting a Prime Ministerial announcement out-lining the next stage of England's 'Road-Map' out of lockdown, with measures taking effect from 17th May. It is thought the success of the national vaccine programme will allow the Government to ease safety measures in the week ahead. Insofar as these announcements will impact on the life and worship of our parishes and communities, I will seek to pass on to you all relevant information when received.

The unfolding tragedy of the Covid pandemic elsewhere in the world reminds us how the roll-out of vaccines and medicines on an international scale will be required to bring this global crisis to an end. Pope Francis's call to intercessory prayer with the Rosary especially focuses on those who are suffering most and who lack the resources and infrastructure that is allowing our country to emerge from this crisis. Let us continue to heed the Holy Father's call to prayer for an end to the global pandemic.

When coming to Mass remember . . .



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SPACE

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,

Imelda Atherton,

Eileen Millard,

Pauline Pritchard,

Sara Bull,

Lil Skinner,

William Kerin,

David Johnston,

Phil Shaw,

Eileen Roberts,

Irene Fitzpatrick,

Frances Ford,

Maureen Jones,

Moira Griffiths-Parr,

John McNulty,

Samantha Stevens,

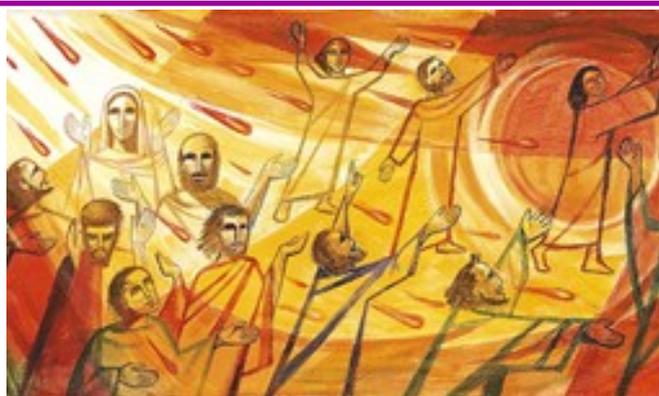
John Charles Smith,

Father Paul O'Grady,

John Gibbings



Please get in touch if you would like to add or remove someone from the list.



Reflection on the Sunday Gospel

By Father Stephen

Pentecost which is traditionally called “the birthday of the Church,” concludes the Lent-Easter season as we return to Ordinary Time. Pentecost was originally a Jewish spring festival, the Feast of Weeks, celebrated fifty days after Passover, but it developed into a commemoration of the covenant made by God with

Moses and his people on Mount Sinai. For Christians Pentecost celebrates the Fiftieth Day of Eastertide and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on God’s people. In the gospel Jesus promises that after his departure he will send an advocate, a spirit of truth called the Holy Spirit, that will bear witness to himself. The Greek word *Paracleitos*, translated in the Jerusalem Bible as advocate, has many overtones, suggesting not just a legal advocate but a helper and someone who offers comfort and consolation. This Advocate will continue the work of Jesus by bearing witness to him, teaching the disciples and calling to mind the teaching of Jesus himself. Like Jesus the Advocate will not be accepted by the world. The Spirit quite simply is the continuing presence of Jesus and his saving power in our lives and in the world.

Masses for the Week Commencing Sunday 23rd May 2021

Sun 23rd May	Pentecost Sunday (Psalter Week IV) <i>Day of Special Prayer for the Church</i>	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Sarah Davies R.I.P. Anniversary
		11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - Thomas More Dwyer R.I.P.
Mon 24th May	Our Lady Helof of Christians	9:30 am	OLSJ	Mass - Thomas More Dwyer R.I.P.
Tues 25th May	St Bede	8:30 am	YouTube	Mass - Karen Westwater R.I.P.
Wed 26th May	St Philip Neri	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Oliver Sherlock
Thurs 27th May	The Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ The Eternal High Priest	9:30 am	OLSJ	Mass - Philip Walker Birthday Thanksgiving
Fri 28th May	Ferial	8:30 am	YouTube	Mass - Pat Bassett
Sat 29th May	BVM on Saturday	12 noon	Holy Family	Mass - Philomena & William McNeil R.I.P.
Sun 30th May	The Most Holy Trinity (Psalter Week I)	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Helen Ryan R.I.P.
		11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - Bernard & Brenda O’Keefe & Family - In Thanksgiving



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Diocesan Job Vacancies

IFM Administrator

Inter-Diocesan Fuel Management Limited (IFM) is a Catholic organisation currently recruiting an Administrator. The Company purchases gas, electricity, fuel oil and biomass for the majority of Catholic Dioceses in England and Wales. The role is working with others in the department processing invoices, collecting data and general administration duties. This is a full-time post: 35 hours Monday to Friday based at the Curial Office, Birkenhead, Wirral. Salary: £16K to 19K dependant on experience.

Closing date 28th May 2021

Please send CV to Pauline McCulloch
recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

For further details please visit the website
<http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curial/vacancies>

Safeguarding Trustee Committee Member

We have a vacancy for a Safeguarding Trustee Sub Committee member, this is a voluntary position. I would be most grateful if this could be advertised in your Parish Bulletin over the next two weekends. I have attached the full details for your information but the details for the advert would be as follows:

- **Role Title:** Safeguarding Trustee Committee Member
- **Voluntary Position:** Unpaid role, Expenses paid
- **Post:** Part Time position
- **Location:** Home based with occasional meetings in Leeds

Closing Date 1st June 2021

Interview Date 7th/8th June 2021

For further details please e-mail:
tracey.rogers-thomas@iolmercy.org.uk



SVP Project - Planning Application - Assistance Needed!

The SVP nationally are exploring the possibility of having a centre in Birkenhead. Negotiations for the grant of the lease are ongoing and it will be necessary to make a planning application for change of use. The team who are working to get the project off the ground are seeking someone with experience of CAD who may be able to draw plans of the existing building to assist in submitting a planning application for change of use so the building can offer the provision of food and training.

Anyone who could assist in drawing up the building plans please contact Rose Mullarkey on 07905 952798 or any SVP Member. Many thanks.



Mary's Meals - Pray in May Appeal

Since our humble beginnings, Mary's Meals, named after Mary the Mother of Jesus, has been built on a foundation of prayer and the many little acts of love from those who support us.

This May, the month traditionally dedicated to Our Lady, we invite you to join us in prayer to celebrate the wonderful work of Mary's Meals and give thanks that we are now reaching more than 1.8 million children with a nutritious meal in 19 countries every school day.

We also pray for God's continued blessing on our beautiful mission, that through His providence it will always flourish, enabling us to reach more hungry children. For more information visit:

www.marysmeals.org.uk/prayinmay

Children's Liturgy Page 1

You can follow this week's Children's Liturgy on our YouTube channel <https://youtu.be/759-7b1tcB8>. This week one of our Catechists, Laura is talking about Pentecost.

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PENTECOST! SUNDAY

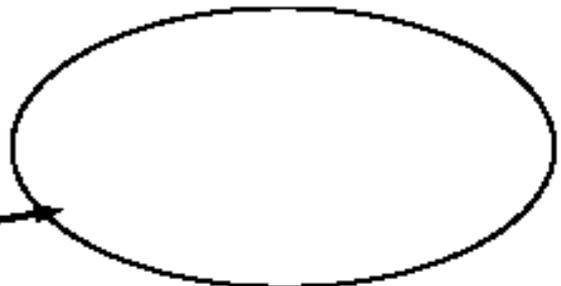
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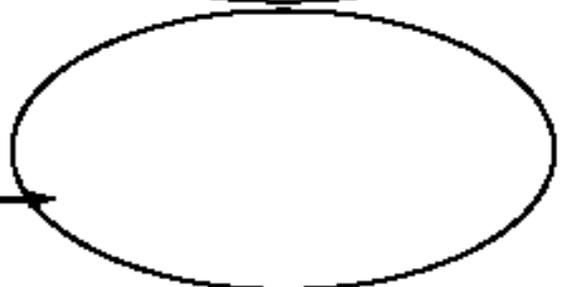
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What did the Apostles see?

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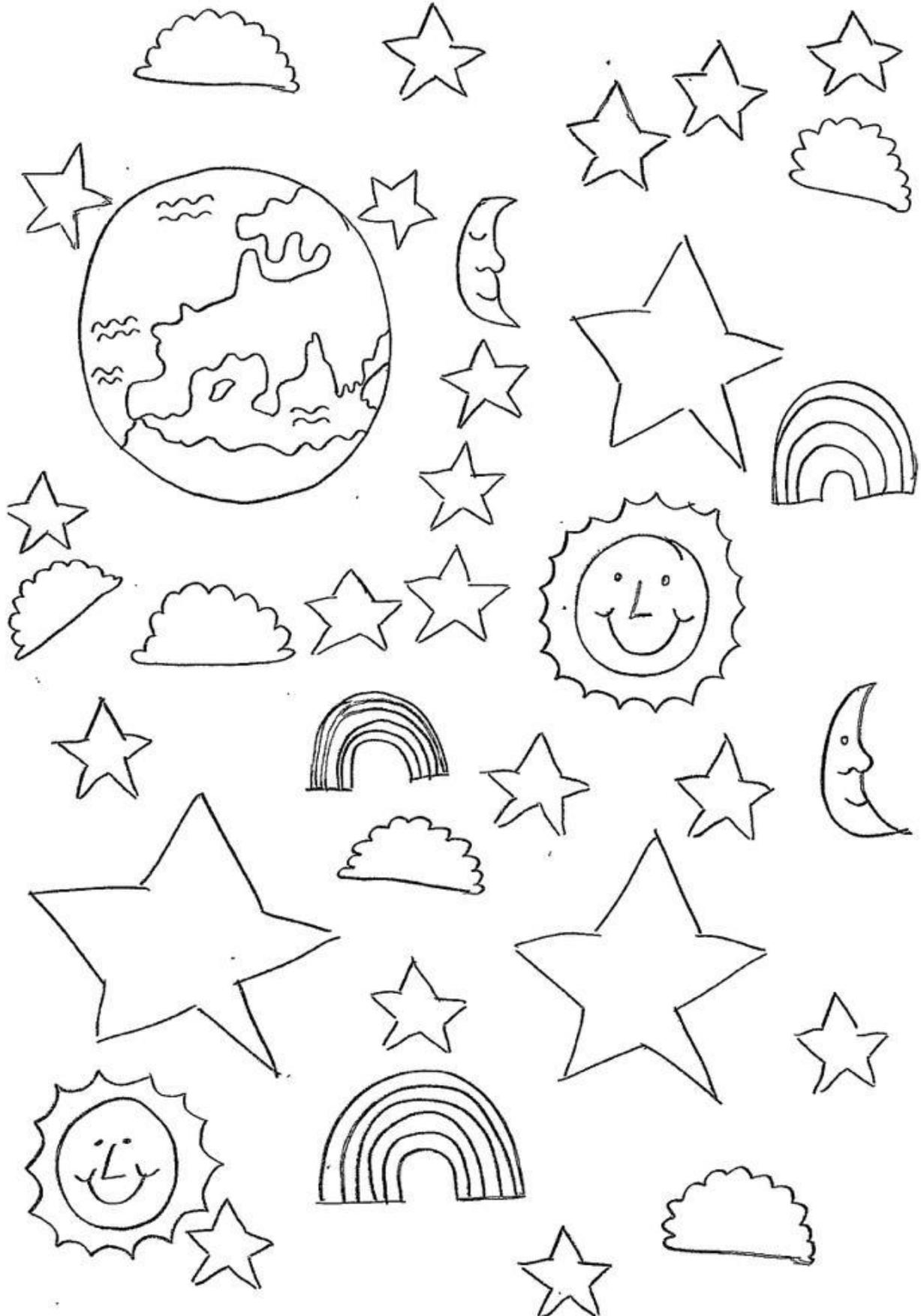
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My prayer to the HOLY SPIRIT



Children's Liturgy Page 2



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

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



Visit the parish

Website



at

www.rcchp.org.uk

Do you know 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.



Ways to Stay in Touch with Parish News

Visit the Holy Family Pensby Facebook page



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contact@ourladyandstjohn.org.uk



Have your contact details changed recently?
If they have, please let the Parish Secretary know.
contact@ourladyandstjohn.org.uk