

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
**Colette Corkill, Sarah-Jane Connolly &
Brian Fletcher**

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



Colette Corkill's funeral Mass will be held at Our
Lady and St John on **Wednesday 9th February at
12 noon.**



Sarah-Jane Connolly's funeral service will be
held at Our Lady and St John on **Monday 21st
February at 2pm.**

Baptism Congratulations



We warmly welcome **Ethan and
Zack Carter** to our Parish, who
were baptised at Our Lady & St
John last Sunday, 30th January
2022.

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,
David Gorman,
Imelda Atherton,
Pauline Pritchard,
Sara Bull,
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,
Peter Ryan,
Bernard Davies,
Anne Crowden,
Anne Henry,
Mary Wrigley,
Lauren,
Eileen Lamberton



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

Monthly Assam Collection

The next Assam collection will take place at Holy
Family church THIS **Sunday 6th February 2022.**

Thank you for your continued support.

Masses for the Week Commencing Sunday 6th February 2022

Sun 6th February	5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Psalter Week I)	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Intentions of Mrs M Robson
		11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - To Our Lady for a Successful Operation
Mon 7th February	Ferial	9:00 am	OLSJ	Mass - Kevin McKeown
Tues 8th February	Ss Jerome Emiliani & Josephine Bakhita Day of Special Prayer for Victims of Trafficking	9:00 am	OLSJ	Mass - Pat & Marco Miserotti R.I.P.
Wed 9th February	Ferial	9:00 am	Holy Family	Mass - Intentions of Father Stephen
		12 noon	OLSJ	Funeral Mass for Colette Corkill
Thurs 10th February	St Scholastica	7:00 pm	OLSJ	Mass - Maureen Birch & Deceased Members of the Birch Family
Fri 11th February	Our Lady of Lourdes World Day of Prayer for the Sick	9:00 am	Holy Family	Mass - Intentions of Mrs Beryl Gernon
Sat 12th February	BVM on Saturday	12 noon	Holy Family	Mass - Claudia Marsh R.I.P. Anniversary
Sun 13th February	6th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Psalter Week II) Day of Special Prayer for Racial Justice	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - George Cooke R.I.P.
		11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - Bill Holt R.I.P.



Reflection on the Sunday Gospel

By Father Stephen

Today's readings all describe God's call. Isaiah, the prophet, receives God's call in an overwhelming vision of the Holy One in the Temple and responds simply: "Here I am, send me." Paul, the former persecutor and forgiven sinner, becomes an apostle, declaring that by God's grace he is what he is. And the Gospel proclaims Luke's distinctive description of the call of the disciples.

Luke's Jesus gives his inaugural sermon and is rejected at his home-town Nazareth. Then in a passage not included in the Lectionary he then cures a man possessed by a demon and heals Simon's mother-in-law, though Simon himself has not yet appeared in the Gospel. Only after this does Luke recount the call of the disciples. He does not describe them simply as a group that responds to Jesus call to "Follow me", as Mark and Matthew do. Rather Luke tells the story of Jesus ordering a reluctant Simon to set out on a fishing trip that results in a catch of fish so huge that it tears the nets and fills two boats to sinking point. Simon, seeing this, falls at Jesus' feet and says, "Leave me, Lord, I am a sinful man." But Jesus replies, "Do not be afraid from now on it is men you will catch."



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VACANCY - CLERGY WELFARE OFFICER

A vacancy for a Clergy Welfare Officer has arisen within the Diocese – The role of the clergy welfare officer is to work with and supervise the welfare assistant to support and assist priests who are approaching retirement and those already in retirement, or on sick leave. The clergy welfare officer will provide, advice, practical assistance, and support on a wide range of issues including health, finances and housing.

Hours: 21 hours a week.

Salary: £38,000-£42,000 FTE pro-rata'd dependant on experience and qualifications.

Closing date Friday 11th February.

For further details please see:

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

Completed applications to be sent to Pauline McCulloch at:

recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org



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VACANCY - INDIVIDUAL GIVING & LEGACY FUNDRAISER

A vacancy for an Individual Giving and Legacy Fundraiser has arisen within the Diocese – The role of the Individual Giving and Legacy Fundraiser is to work with parishes in developing a Diocesan individual giving and legacy programme. This will include in person, offline and online activities promoting and developing regular giving in parishes, contactless giving, Gift Aid and legacy giving, as well as supporting giving to Diocesan appeals

Hours: 25 hours a week.

Salary: £25,000-£30,000 FTE pro-rata'd dependant on experience and qualifications.

Closing date Friday 18th February.

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Pope Francis points out that, to ensure that we make our Synod a success, we each need to pray and to seek the guidance of The Holy Spirit.




Justice and Peace Group

The next meeting of the Justice & Peace group will take place on **Monday 14th February** at Holy Family Church at 7.30pm. As usual, the meeting is open to members of both parishes.



Confirmation Preparation Classes 2022

We are pleased to announce that after 2 years of not being able to celebrate this sacrament, we will be shortly starting a programme of preparation for children of the Parish wishing to make their confirmation this summer. Preparation classes will begin around April time (dates to be confirmed nearer the time) and the Confirmation Mass will take place on **Wednesday 22nd June at 7pm** at Our Lady and St John's church, presided by Bishop Mark.

If you would like to enrol your child onto this programme, please either let Father Stephen know, or email the parish secretary at contact@ourladyandstjohn.org.uk. Children from Year 8 onwards are eligible for Confirmation.

Great News!

6pm Mass on a Saturday evening will be returning at
Our Lady and St John's church from **Saturday 5th March 2022**.

Parishioners We Need Your Help!

As Covid restrictions are slowly lifted and we are transitioning from the pandemic phase to the endemic phase of the virus, we are aiming to get back to a more normal but safe way of Parish Life. As such, we are hoping to welcome back and recruit new parishioners into the various vital roles that make our parish run smoothly.



Would you like the opportunity to join one of our parish teams?

Readers: Come and join the group of parishioners who read at Mass.

Eucharistic Ministers: Our group of Eucharistic Ministers do a valuable job of assisting in the distribution of Holy Communion at the Sunday Masses and some also take Holy Communion to the sick and the housebound.

Sacristan: Father Stephen is looking for a couple of parishioners who would be able to help him set up for Saturday Evening Mass each week (or on a rota). Full training will be given and it will help Father enormously, as he will be hearing confessions before Saturday evening Mass and will be unable to make the necessary preparations by himself.

Gardening: Are you interested in gardening? Both parish churches have active gardening teams and always welcome another pair of hands to help out.

Bereavement Support: This is a role that we would like to reinstate as a parish. It would involve being a point of contact and support for those in the parish who have recently been bereaved.

Altar Servers: We are actively looking to recruit new altar servers to help Father Stephen at both Saturday Evening Mass at OLSJ and Sunday Morning Mass at HF. Full training will be given by Father Stephen. Children need to have made their First Holy Communion before being able to take up the role.

If you feel able to help with any of these roles, do get in touch, please either contact Father Stephen directly

Children's Liturgy

Don't forget that you can follow this week's Children's Liturgy on our YouTube channel.



Speak, Lord



Isaiah 6:1-8
Psalm 137
1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Luke 5:1-11

SUNDAY LITURGY FOR CHILDREN
Year C — 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

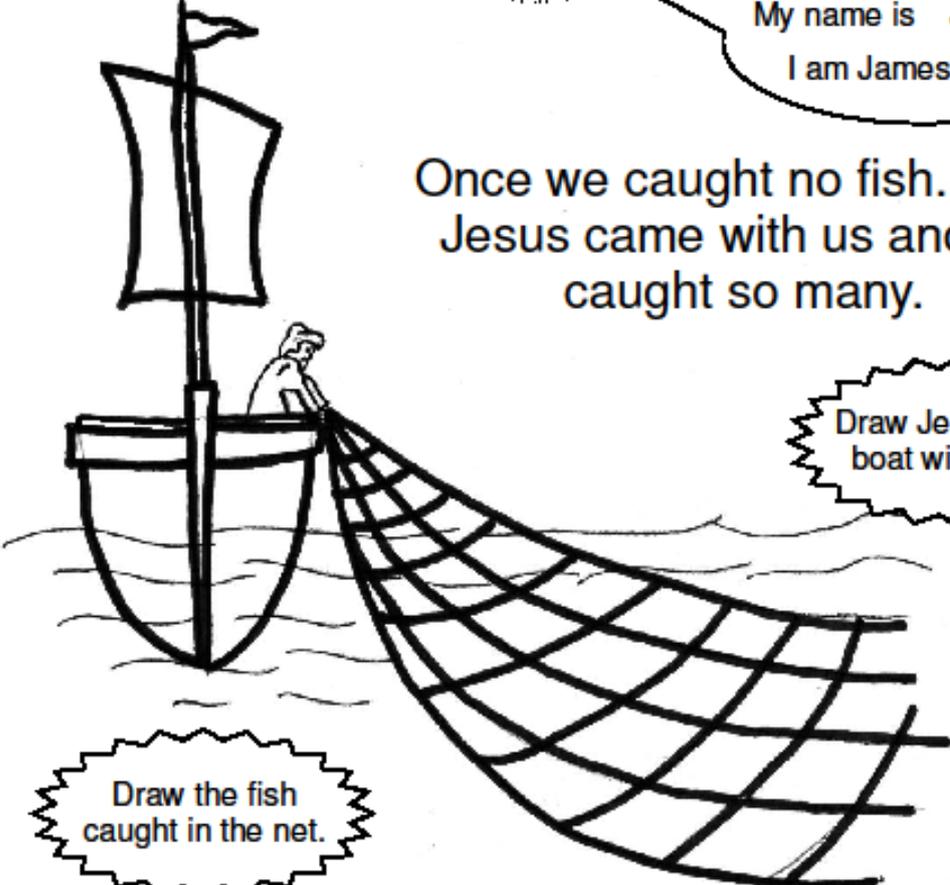


I'm P _____
I am a fisherman.



My name is J _____
I am John's brother.

My name is J _____
I am James' brother.



Once we caught no fish. Then Jesus came with us and we caught so many.

Draw Jesus in the boat with Peter.

Draw the fish caught in the net.

JESUS CALLED US TO BE FISHERS OF MEN
WE FOLLOWED HIM

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)



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