

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
John Gibbings
 who has recently died. May his soul rest in peace.
 Please remember to pray for his family at this
 difficult time.



John Gibbings' Funeral Mass will be held at
Our Lady and St John's on Thursday 13th
October at 1 pm.

Come and Pray the Rosary



The Rosary will be prayed at Our Lady and
 St John's church at **9:30am each Saturday**,
 for the sick in the parish, our families and
 all the suffering in our world today.
 Please do come and join us.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Adoration



Every Tuesday morning from
 9:30am - 10:30am after the
 Celebration of Word and
 Communion at 9:00am at Our
 Lady and St John.

Everyone welcome.

Confession

Holy Family: 11:45am - 12 noon on Saturdays

Our Lady & St John: 5:45pm - 6pm 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:

- Ken Davies
- David Gorman
- Imelda Atherton
- Sara Bull
- David Johnston
- Phil Shaw
- Eileen Roberts
- Irene Fitzpatrick
- Frances Ford
- Maureen Jones
- John McNulty
- John Charles Smith
- Peter Ryan
- Bernard Davies
- Anne Henry
- Lauren
- Gerald Sanderson
- Carol Ross
- Kevin Doyle
- Anne O'Keeffe
- Andrew Deacon



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

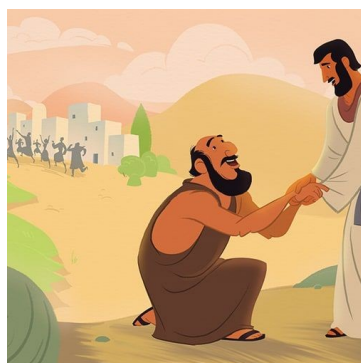
Refreshments after Sunday Masses



Just a reminder that
 refreshments are available after both Sunday
 Masses at Holy Family and Our Lady and St
 John each week. Do come and join us for a
 cuppa and a chat after Mass.

Masses for the Week Commencing Sunday 9th October 2022

Sun 9th October	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Day of Special Prayer for Prisoners & their Dependents</i>	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Intentions of Stephanie Underhill
		11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - Special Intention
Mon 10th October	St Paulinus of York	9:00 am	OLSJ	Mass - Andrew Walker Birthday Anniversary
Tues 11th October	St John XIII	9:00 am	OLSJ	Celebration of Word and Communion
Wed 12th October	St Wilfrid	9:00 am	Holy Family	Mass - Intentions of Ronnie, Tony & Andrew
Thurs 13th October	St Edward the Confessor	1:00 pm	OLSJ	Requiem Mass for John Gibbings
		7:00 pm	OLSJ	Mass - Fr Andrew March OFM CAP R.I.P.
Fri 14th October	St Callistus	9:00 am	Holy Family	Mass - Fr Richard Rodrigues & Family
Sat 15th October	St Teresa of Avila	9:30 am	OLSJ	Come Pray the Rosary
		12 noon	Holy Family	Mass - Dorothy Stewart R.I.P. Birthday Anniversary
		6:00 pm	OLSJ	Mass - Thomas Bernard McGurk Birthday Memorial
Sun 16th October	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Bryn Owen Anniversary
		11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - Parishioners



Reflection on the Sunday Gospel

By Father Stephen

This Sunday's gospel delivers a message that many of us find difficult to absorb. It is the story of Jesus healing ten people from a physically devastating and socially isolating disease, along with the example of a single one who returned to give thanks to God in contrast to the other nine. Yet the shock of the story which drastically enriches its power is the simple phrase that the one who returned was a Samaritan. At the time of Jesus bitter hatred had long existed between Jews and Samaritans, even though they shared God's Law and venerated Moses. The Samaritan returns "praising God at the top of his voice" and throws himself at the feet of Jesus and thanks him. The greatest commandments to love God with your whole heart and soul and to love your neighbour as yourself and to glorify God with praise and thanksgiving, the deepest meaning of God's revelation are lived out by hated foreigners and outsiders. Jew and Samaritan are healed of an illness that isolates them from the human family. Only after being healed does the Samaritan leper return to give thanks and praise. We are required by Jesus to show respect and forgiveness to everyone.



Upton Hall School Mass

On Saturday 5 November 2022 at
11.00 am at the Metropolitan

Cathedral of Christ the King there is a Mass to celebrate Catholic Education and pray for members of our present school community. Everyone associated with Upton Hall School and Holt Hill Convent is warmly invited.

Harvest Festival at Holy Family Sunday 9th October

As we give thanks for our own harvest, we are aware of our fellow men whose harvest has been lost or never came. And we are aware of how much of our own abundant food is simply wasted. By giving to CAFOD we can help those in need overseas. On Sunday the 9th October there will be a special collection of food items [not fresh produce] for the FOODBANK, to help our local neighbours in need.



CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY FRIDAY 7TH OCTOBER

WORLD FOOD CRISIS APPEAL: Millions of families are facing a food crisis that could be the worst in living memory. Your donations can help CAFOD's local experts to provide emergency food supplies to families in the worst affected countries in East Africa and support communities around the world working hard to put food on the table. Please give today or start a regular gift to CAFOD. Please use one of the CAFOD envelopes which can be found at the back of church or go to cafod.org.uk/fastday

Envelopes for donations will be available at the back of both churches and a collection made at all Sunday Masses **THIS Saturday/ Sunday 9th/10th October**. The envelopes will be available throughout October to enable late and extra donations to be made. Please return the envelopes via the collection plate.

Songbirds Singing Group

Songbirds is a friendly group for ladies and gentlemen who enjoy singing. Accompanied by our pianist, we meet weekly to sing for pleasure. We enjoy a chat and a cuppa afterwards - just £5 a month!

**We meet every
Friday from 10:30am - 12 noon**

In the Meeting Room at Our Lady and St John's
New members are always welcome. Why not come along and give it a try.

Call Brian on 0151 342 4575 for further details.

Baptism Congratulations



We warmly welcome the following children who were baptised in our Parish during the month of September 2022.

- ★ Arlo Gagling
- ★ Olivia Cray
- ★ Zachary Evans
- ★ Alba Boswarthack
- ★ Saibh Boswarthack



Good News and Grateful Thanks from Assam

Fr Andreas has sent us some good news about some of the children we have helped in Assam. The individual sponsors of these young women should be gratified with the results of their donations.

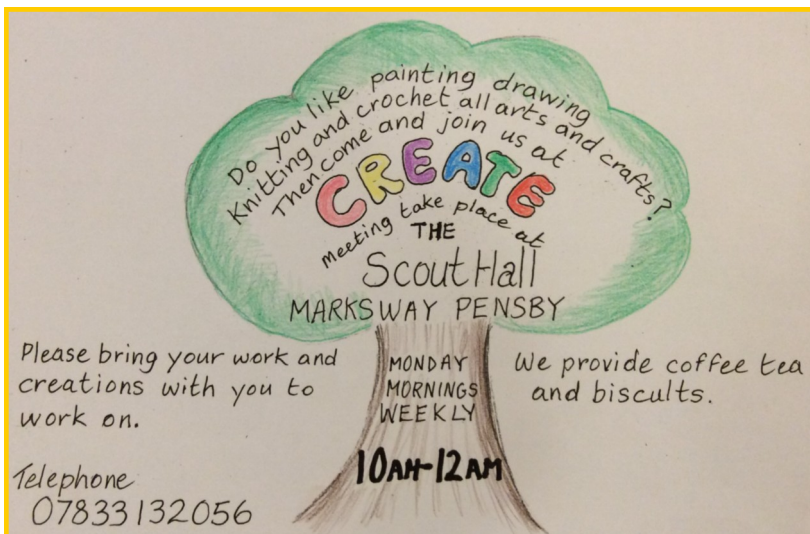
Fr Andreas says:

"I am happy to let you know that I have just completed my course on LL.B. Awaiting to be appointed now somewhere in the diocese. Until then, I have the opportunity to visit a number of parishes & institutions.

*I had the chance of seeing **Edlina Kerketta** who is pursuing her Ph D in Tezpur University, **Celestina Tete** who is teaching in Margherita school, **Phuwant Nag** who is practising law in Guwahati High court and also **Nileema and Gloria** who are employed as nurses in Times Hospital Tezpur after completing their B.Sc. course in Dimapur, Nagaland. I am happy and satisfied with their performances and am grateful to you for these. May God bless you all.*

My love and regards

Fr. Andreas, Assam, India."



Back by Popular Demand
Christian Aid Quiz & Supper

Saturday 12th November - 6:30pm for 7pm
Tickets £10 each / Teams max. of 6

Please do consider coming to this excellent event. If you are not in a team, there is a chance of you joining up with others to make the dream team. Wine will be available on the night. Contact Suzy Smallwood on 07875 404128

or suzy.smallwood1963@gmail.com to buy tickets. I only have 18 tickets (3 teams) allocated to us.

Sorry but I can't always answer the phone so please leave a message, text or email me. I will get back to you.



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Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood

Fr Tony McGrath (Director for Vocations to the Priesthood in the Shrewsbury Diocese), has produced some prayer cards for Vocations to the priesthood in our Diocese. Please do take one from the back of both our parish churches.

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

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



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